



The Newsletter!

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EVENTS TO MARK IN YOUR DIARIES

Registration Days for 2010/2011

Sunday 29th August 10am - Noon

Sunday 5th September 10am - Noon

Tennis Club Rooms

Opening Day

Saturday 11th September 2pm

Yankee Tournament – small prizes

Interclub

**Regional - Starts Saturday 9th October
Hutt Valley – Starts Saturday 9th October**

WHAT'S HAPPENING

The new season is nearly upon us and you should all have received a subscription letter together with a registration form for return with your subscription payment. Also enclosed with your subscription letter was a covering letter outlining why it was necessary to have to increase subscriptions slightly this year.

At the risk of repeating the message, our Tennis Club is privileged to be one of the very few clubs in the region to own their courts and facilities but this ownership comes at a price. We have lost regular sources of income from Housie and have been knocked back on several grant submissions but are still obliged to meet the cost of our fixed outgoings like mortgage, rates and insurance. The Club is also compelled to pay additional levies to Hutt Valley Tennis on top of increasing local and national affiliation fees.

We ask that you assist with the financial planning of the club and would appreciate

receiving all subscriptions by 30th September to avoid paying the GST increase.

COMMITTEE

We welcome our new committee members for 2010/2011.

EXECUTIVE

<i>President:</i>	Ian Hard	971 7490
<i>Club Captain:</i>	Mike Quinn	528 5490
<i>Secretary:</i>	Dale Ritossa	528 5859
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Christine Coulson	526 8242
<i>Dorothy King</i>		973 7577
<i>Bess Davis</i>		526 8465
<i>Estelle Marshall</i>		9739665

JUNIOR COMMITTEE

<i>Don Kai</i>	526 6284
<i>Kerri Cogger</i>	970 8739

FUNDRAISING GARAGE SALE

Our sincere thanks for the fantastic support received for our garage sales – we had one in April that was such a success that we decided to run another in June; over two thousand dollars was raised and will be put to good use for the Tennis Club.

Here are a couple of the photos from the Garage Sales:



Busy morning at the Garage Sale



Hive of activity at the tennis club

Estelle Marshall is running a \$10 membership raffle for full adult membership. There is a 1 in 50 chance to win a FREE membership to the club. There are still some tickets left and will be drawn as soon as the last one is sold. Please support your club and phone Estelle for a ticket on 973-9665.

The club will be endeavouring to run a number of fundraising initiatives this year and your support of these would be greatly appreciated. We are grateful to all the people who have already given – but we do need more.

COURT FEES

A REMINDER TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS OF CLUB POLICY:

If you are playing with family, friends or anyone who is not a member of the club, there is a fee of \$5 payable per player per match for use of the courts. There are no exceptions; non-members **MUST** be accompanied by or playing with a financial member while on the club premises. After 3 such visits, it is expected that they will register and become members of our club.

Anyone not known and using the courts may be asked to identify themselves.

TAKING CARE OF YOUR CLUB

Since our clubrooms got broken into in March, a new security system has been installed at both the Bowling and Tennis section clubrooms. The locks have also been replaced so any old keys floating around will no longer open the clubroom doors. The Tennis clubrooms has a security keypad activated by personal access codes which have been allocated to Tennis Club Executive committee members.

Motion sensors and sirens have also been fitted and K9 Security has been contracted by Main Security as the response patrol in the event the alarm in any of the 3 zones is activated.

Please help protect our premises by ensuring court gates are locked when you leave the premises. Give them a pull to ensure they are shut, especially if you are the last to leave and particularly at night.

Any empty water bottles and other litter should be placed in the litter bins provided and should not be left on the courts.

ADVERTISING SIGNAGE

A GREAT WAY TO HELP OUR CLUB FUND RAISE

There is the opportunity for the Club to benefit financially by selling advertising signage on boards available around the Club.

Signs available measure 2400mm by 600mm.

Some of the existing ones are due for removal or are no longer required. They will be cleaned to allow for new advertisers.

Cost of signage will cost:

Full size sign \$400 (plus GST) for 1 year or \$1000 (plus GST) for 3 years) or

Half size sign \$200 (plus GST) for 1 year or \$500 (plus GST) for 3 years.

The cost of sign writing is extra and can either be arranged by the advertiser or the Club can make arrangements with our signage contractor, UVS Signs Ltd (04) 528-8500 to undertake the work and bill the advertiser direct.

For information on the above, please check with the club captain, Mike Quinn, Christine Coulson, Estelle Marshall or Dale Ritossa.

INTERCLUB

The first weekend of interclub for both Wellington Regional and Hutt Valley tennis is scheduled to start on Saturday the 9th October. Junior interclub is also set to start on this date. There will be no interclub on Labour weekend – Saturday 23rd October. If you wish to play interclub, please make sure you attend one of the registration days and let Mike Quinn know your intention to play.

SUNDAY CLUBDAYS

We are intending to start these club days early in October. We know how busy our members are on Sundays as it is normally a day to perform those chores that we have put off; this has made it difficult for you to participate in this club event. We are going to trial a 4pm start so that you can come on down for a hit after you have been to the tip or woken from that “nanny” nap.

TUESDAY NIGHT TEAM TENNIS

This is due to start on the 12th October. Get your name down early for this popular competition.

Small ball levy for each player of \$5 per 8 round competition (works out to about 60c per night). This is needed if we are to continue using new balls each round.

Small increase for non-members to \$60. This **includes** the ball levy.

Dale Ritossa

CLUB SPONSORS

Please support all our sponsors – they support us.



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Upper Hutt
04 528 0900



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Upper Hutt
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QUICK LINKS

For good local, national and international information, tournament contacts etc
Visit www.tennisnz.com

It is intended to publish this newsletter monthly through the summer months. This will be by email to all of our members and will also be available on our website. Our club has over 150 members and covers a wide spectrum of the local population.

Advertising your business through the club makes sense as it is guaranteed to reach this large audience. We can put together an advertising and sponsorship deal for you.

For more information, please contact Mike Quinn or Dale Ritossa.

Senior interclub

We have places available in a wide range of team events.

1. Saturday afternoon tennis. 1pm start –Singles and doubles.
2. Sunday afternoon tennis. 1pm start – Doubles only 35+
3. Monday night. 7pm start. Doubles/mixed only.
4. Wednesday morning tennis. 9.30 start. Doubles only.

An extra charge will apply for those playing in these competitions to cover balls & fees.

Please write your name on the list and you will be contacted.



JUNIOR INTERCLUB

STARTS 9TH OCTOBER

Please write your name on the list and you will be placed in a team.

Practice afternoons will be arranged.



Junior interclub is on Saturday mornings with 8.30 or 10.30 starts at various locations around the Hutt Valley. It is a great way to meet other players and practice your skills. All ability levels are catered for.

NIGHT TENNIS AT THE CLUB

Monday nights

Come along for an evening of social tennis. Doubles games will be organised for you. These evenings are a great way to meet new people, practise those tennis skills and get fit at the same time!

Monday nights are most suitable for the social player or those getting back into playing after some time away from the game.

7.30 start. All balls provided.

Tuesday nights

This is our Teams Event night. You will be placed in a team and each week you will play in a round robin format against another team. All games are doubles or mixed.

This event is most suitable for those who like a bit of friendly competition!

7 pm. start. New balls are provided each week for a small surcharge. (\$5 covers the 8 weeks)

OPENING DAY



**SENIOR CLUB
11TH SEPTEMBER**

YANKEE TOURNAMENT

2PM START

**A Grade Junior Interclub players and
above are most welcome.**