



The Newsletter!



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EVENTS TO MARK IN YOUR DAIRIES

Monday 25th May – 7-30pm – Mitchell Park
Senior Summer Interclub Prizegiving. All interclub captains should try to attend as we won all divisions pre-christmas.

Sunday Funday

To be advised by email.

Saturday 30th May – 12pm – Renouf Centre

Final game for NZ Catholic Tennis

To register visit www.nzcatholictennis.org.nz

Mitchell Park Sale – ends 31st May

Details at end of newsletter

QUICK LINKS

For good local, national and international information, tournament contacts etc

Visit

www.tennisnz.com

FROM THE CLUB CAPTAIN

Our secretary Dale Ritossa recently sent a letter on behalf of the tennis section of the Upper Hutt Bowling and Tennis Club Inc. offering support for applications to fund the proposed repair and renovation of the decks surrounding the Mitchell Park Squash and Tennis Complex. As well as providing the necessary fire escape options, in years past the upper decks have been enjoyed by many as a wonderful viewing area for tennis matches on both the near and far courts. To have them closed through disrepair minimises the public use and enjoyment of the facilities and negates the supportive atmosphere that outside and raised viewing options provide.

Tennis Upper Hutt fully supports any applications for community funding and any responsible initiatives being undertaken by the committee of Hutt Valley Tennis Inc. We are keen to enhance the playing and enjoyment of tennis in the Hutt Valley.

CLOSING DAY - 26th April

On Closing Day Dale ran another successful

Yankee tournament. Unfortunately the weather was not at its best and players were playing in a light drizzle for most of it, so well done to those that turned up.

Nevertheless, it was a great success with all courts being used and everyone enjoying playing tennis. Afterwards we adjourned to the bar for a much deserved drink, to eat some sausages and present trophies to our club champions. We were lucky this year to have Don Robinson, one of the tennis clubs life members presenting the trophies. It was great to recognise the achievements of our winners. Well done to them and to all those who participated.

Our thanks go to Dale for organising the food, to Bryan Keen for volunteering to cook it all and to Kevin McGlinchey for manning the bar. Thanks to all those others for assisting on the day. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed it.

Mike Quinn

CLUB EVENTS

SUNDAY FUNDAY

These Fundays will continue into the winter months so that hopefully, tennis at Upper Hutt Club becomes a year round sport.

CLUB CHAMPIONS

The Club Championships has been completed. This year's club champions are:

[Men's Singles](#)

Serge Ritossa

[Ladies Singles](#)

Nichola Boyles

[Men's Doubles](#)

Kevin Hinton & Josh Hinton

[Ladies Doubles](#)

Nichola Boyles & Tania Martin

[Mixed Doubles](#)

Simon Osborne & Tania Martin

[Junior Boy's Singles](#)

Lyndon Fenton

Junior Boy's Doubles

Kristin Yorston/James Scoon

U12 Boy's Singles

Aniruddh Kirtikar

U12 Boy's Doubles

Aidan Cogger & Bogdan Jovanovic

Congratulations to all our winners.

COMMITTEE

A reminder of who the current committee members are.

EXECUTIVE

President	Ian Hard	971 7490
Club Captain	Mike Quinn	528 5490
Secretary	Dale Ritossa	528 5859
Treasurer	Alistair Montgomery	526 8465

COMMITTEE

Dorothy King	973 7577
Kevin McGlinchey	976 8345
Wendy Osborne	526 5159
Michelle Barr	970 2348

Your committee works hard to make sure you all have a chance to compete and enjoy your tennis and this is not easy with people having to balance work and their social activities. If you are willing to assist us in the successful running of your club, next season we are looking for:

- 1) Junior boys co-ordinator
- 2) Junior girls co-ordinator
- 3) Social co-ordinator

The junior co-ordinators roles are to manage all matters relating to junior interclub. The social co-ordinator is a new role and would suit somebody able to plan and run social events at the club for our members and wider community.

Please contact anyone on the committee if you are willing to assist. If there is anything you need to know about the club or about the way it works, please ask anyone on the committee. Any suggestions or feedback you may have to improve your club are always welcome.

SUNDAY COACHING – JUNIORS

This is scheduled to restart at the beginning of next summer, September 2009.

"Champions keep playing until they get it right"

Billie Jean King

SPONSORS



Café Romeo Upper Hutt for their sponsorship of the Regional 1 Ladies Interclub team. Please support this local establishment.

Uptown Gym for providing the Regional 1 Men's team with tracksuits. If you need a workout, give them a call.

COURT AVAILABILITY

The following allocation times are for summer only; Saturdays are free during winter.

During the week Junior's have preference from 3pm to 5pm. Junior coaching takes place on Sunday mornings from 10 to 12 am. Junior interclub uses all 4 courts on Saturday morning till 12.30pm.

Senior interclub occupies all 4 courts on Saturday afternoons until approx 6pm.

Monday and Tuesday evenings we have organized league events from 7pm.

Midweek ladies have club days on Tuesday from 9am – noon and Wednesday interclub from 9am – noon.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TENNIS LEAGUE

The winners of the Tuesday Night League were the team of Michael McGlinchey, Lauren Riley, Graeme Wilson, Des Riley and Meri Smiler.



Some of winning team rushing to bar to celebrate

Runners up were Glen Walls, Vinny Ritossa Brian Robinson and Angela Robinson.



Captain Glen Walls with Robinson whanau

As always, competition was fierce but friendly in this league.

The winter league was scheduled to kick off on Wednesday the 29th April but unfortunately the weather has been unkind and the last two starts had to be cancelled. Keep your fingers crossed for next Wednesday.

TENNIS ETIQUETTE

- Swearing is not really part of tennis and bad words should be **thought** rather than aired loudly. Please consider those around you, including the bowlers.

MEMBERS NEWS

Thom Nguyen

Thom Nguyen, one of *tennis* UPPER HUTT's top juniors and a year 10 secondary student at St Patrick's College Silverstream has been in the news again recently.

Thom has finished the 2008/2009 tennis year as Wellington's No 1 player in his age group - U14 Boys. This will come as no surprise to those that know Thom as he was our senior singles club champion last year. This is a fantastic result for Thom who has not played as much tennis this year because of his table tennis commitments and is a reflection of his undoubted talent.

In early 2008, Thom was chosen to the NZ U15 table tennis squad to China for intensive training. This training has seen Thom selected to represent New Zealand at several international table tennis events throughout the 2009 season.

He departed Auckland on 5th May 2009 for training in Sheffield, England before competing at the 2009 Wolverhampton Grand Prix event,

from 9th May – 10th May, 2009.

After that little sojourn, he is off to compete at the 2009 ITTF French Junior Circuit event in Van ser Seiche from 12th May – 17th May, 2009 before returning to NZ on 21st May 2009.

All the best Thom, you have done yourself, your family and *tennis* UPPER HUTT proud. We all look forward to hearing how you get on in these international events.

Fight Night

A good number of our members attended EXPRESSIONS Upper Hutt on Saturday 2nd May for the Charity Fight Night between Hutt Valley Fire vs Upper Hutt Police.

As well as supporting a number of worthwhile charities, we were there to support one of our club members, local fireman Tony "The Haymaker" Horne, who was participating in the evening's entertainment.

Tony may have been feeling some nerves leading up to the event but no more than his wife Maree who managed to watch most of the fight with her hands covering her eyes.

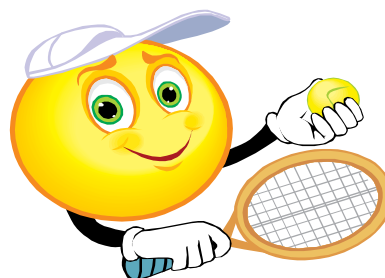
Tony, clearly not wanting to prolong his wife's anxiety and encouraged by the vociferous support he received from the tennis crowd got down to business as soon as he heard the bell. Showing good technical skills and ring craft, Tony showed himself to be an accomplished boxer and put on a great spectacle for the crowd.

With arguably the best performance of the night Tony won his bout by a TKO in the 2nd round. In typical style, Tony, arms held aloft, did a jig around the ring to rapturous support from the crowd. A great night.

Well done Tony.

REMEMBER

Get out there and enjoy your winter tennis, but wear your woollies....!



MITCHELL PARK PRO SHOP SALE

MEMO

To: Hutt Valley Tennis Clubs
From: Ora Whaanga
Re: **SLAZENGER HYDROGUARD CHAMP. BALL**
Re: **Clearance Sale**
Re: **Business house**

Dear Club Members,

It happens all so quickly and another tennis season will be upon us. I am pleased to include a end of season special offer for your new season competition "Slazenger tennis balls" when purchased by the carton for the month of May ONLY.

We normally charge @ \$15.75 per 4-ball can @\$189.00 Carton, (12 cans per carton) but if you purchase now, you can have our Super special offer @\$13.00 per 4-ball can @\$156.00 Carton.

This offer is for the "Hydro guard Championship" ball, both hard court and grass court.

Stock is limited so please be early and get your orders in promptly by fax (567-2988) phone (567-6912) or email huttvalleytennis@xtra.co.nz

I have also included a poster advertising a clearance sale of last season's racquets. I would appreciate it if the poster could be displayed in your clubrooms.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for supporting Hutt Valley Tennis and Mitchell Park Pro Shop.

Thank you

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CLEARANCE

Sale

***** All Tennis Rackets Reduced *****

20% of Squash Rackets and Shoes.

Next seasons racket all go up by 25%

Buy two for the price of one. (Same model)

Special offers include: 50% OFF

Racquet

Normal Retail Sale Price

Buy 2 for the price of 1 or Sale Price offer

Babolat Pure Storm Team	\$399.00	\$239.00
Babolat Pure Drive Roddick	\$400.00	\$239.00
Dunlop Aerogel 300r	\$319.00	\$189.00
Dunlop Aerogel 400r / 500r	\$359.00	\$289.00
Head Radical 26"	\$99.00	\$49.50
Prince 03 Hybrid Hornet	\$339.00	\$199.00
Prince 03 Speedport Red MP	\$399.00	\$239.00
Prince 03 White (ex demo)	\$349.00	\$189.00
Prince Air TT Bandit	\$199.00	\$129.00
Wilson N2 (110)	\$349.00	\$179.00
Wilson N Tour 95	\$399.00	\$239.00
Yonex RDS 003	\$351.00	\$179.00
Yonex RQS 11(M Hingis)	\$378.00	\$189.00
Yonex RDS 001 (L Hewitt)	\$399.00	\$239.00

20% off every other Racket Shoes and Bags in store:

This offer does not apply to goods already discounted.

SHOES: Outdoors

Asics Mens Gel-Vision	\$139.00	\$89.00
Asics Womens Gel-Game	\$139.00	\$89.00
Babolat Mens Propulse	\$259.00	\$159.00
Babolat Womens Pro Pulse	\$230.00	\$138.00
Babolat Mens Roddick	\$250.00	\$149.00
Prince Women QT Approach	\$119.00	\$59.00
Prince Women Serve	\$99.00	\$49.50
Prince Womens MV4 – 50%	\$200.00	\$99.00
Prince Mens Volley	\$99.00	\$49.50
Prince T10	\$200.00	\$99.00
Wilson Court Shoes	\$99.00	\$59.00

BAGS:

Dunlop Club 3 rqt	\$59.00	\$25.00
Dunlop Luggage wheel Bag	129.00	\$69.00
Slazenger Signature Series	\$59.00	\$19.00
Tecnifibre Odyssey	\$99.00	\$39.00
Unsquashable Luggage	\$119.00	\$59.00

SALE ends 31st May 2009 or while stocks last.

Mitchell Park Pro Shop, 10 Mitchell Street, Lower Hutt. Phone: 567-6912