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Newsletter

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Happy Mother's Day to all our mums!!

Club Championship Trophy date! Saturday 4th June 6.00pm

This is your chance to congratulate the winners and finalists from our recent high profile event! We had changed winners in many events, and our new Open Singles Champions are Yannick Zapt (Men's), Selam Ouliaris (Ladies') and Luca Pilotto (Boys'). Come along to meet them, and enjoy an informal relaxed gathering with members, family and friends - details are:



6.30pm Dinner: - BYO food OR casual BBQ service by "Caterpillar Catering" (\$10 each)

Caterpillar Catering: selection of Shish Kafta (lamb), Shish Tawook (chicken) or Falafel (v) with salad & dip (as enjoyed by attendees at our Christmas party last year)

Club bar will be open for refreshments (no BYO alcohol please).

8.00pm Trophy presentation: to Winners and Finalists - all Seniors and Juniors events

Last year's event was very enjoyable, and the added attractions will be on again!!

- There will be pennant matches on the courts that afternoon - come early and watch some entertaining tennis - cheer on Royal Park players to victory!!
- The French Open will be up to semis/finals, and matches should be on TV;
- AFL Round 11 action - Fremantle/Essendon & Gold Coast/Sydney Swans to watch.



Add your name to the list on the Notice-Board, or tell Kevin Walsh (0417 538 705)

We would love to have a BIG crowd - it's a great opportunity for celebrations!!

Working Bee - Sunday 29th May: 9.00am - 12.00pm

It's time to do some tidying up around the complex before winter takes over; We also have pennant matches underway and there will be quite a few visitors over the next few months - not to mention night comp and junior finals as well.

Activities will include garden, courts, playground, bar and kitchen.

There will be action both indoors and outdoors - please come along and help!!



NEXT SEASON ALERTS

Night Competition - Spring Season 2016 - Tuesday (Ladies); Wednesday (Mixed); Thursday (men's)	Player entry form now available Closing date 20 th May
Saturday afternoon competition (NSTA) - Spring Season 2016 (Mens'; Mixed)	Player entry form now available Closing date 25 th June

Juniors - end of season gathering - Sunday 19th June

This is an opportunity for all players from the Friday night and Saturday morning teams to finish off the season in a combined gathering with family and friends. The format will be familiar, and it's a chance to say "thank you" to team mates & managers.

Details are:



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| 4.00pm | Tennis |
| 5.30pm | Presentation |
| 6.30pm | Food - selection of Shish Kafta (lamb), Shish Tawook (chicken) or Falafel (v) with salad & dip (as enjoyed at previous gatherings) - \$10 per person |
- Club Bar will be open (reminder - due to licensing regulations no BYO alcohol)

All players, families and friends are invited; come along and celebrate together!

Multi-cultural program:

We are taking up a further invitation to be involved in a community based multi-cultural program with North Melbourne Football club (The Huddle). It's a social inclusion program targeted at migrant and refugee youth in the inner North Melbourne area. Our contribution will be sports related, assisted by a Tennis Victoria grant.



Likely plans include tennis Hot Shots sessions for children at Flemington Community Centre. One of our coaches, Jason Nell, has participated previously, and we have offered scholarships to four selected participants. It's a great example of how we can engage with local communities and share our enjoyment of sporting activity.

NSNTA Golf Shield Sunday 25th September.

This is the second year of this event – it will be played at Melbourne Airport Golf Club (MelMap 4K11)



- 4 person team Ambrose competition (18 holes) – shot gun start – 7.00am report in
- Cost \$50 per player (comp. entry/light lunch/prizes); MAGC fin. members \$25
- male/female/mixed teams – Royal and Ancient Rules of Golf will apply.
- There is an event elimination format – handicaps will apply (individual & team)

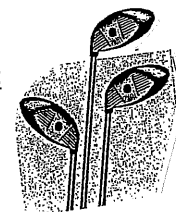
All NSNTA clubs/players are eligible to enter team(s), and we would like to support the event.

We had a team participate last year, and it was a very enjoyable day – definitely worth doing it again!

Please advise Carole by 10th June if you wish to be included, and provide the following information:

Golf Link Number & Handicap, Social Club Handicap or recent score

There's a copy of the proposed Event Rules at the clubhouse for preview. Should be a fun day!

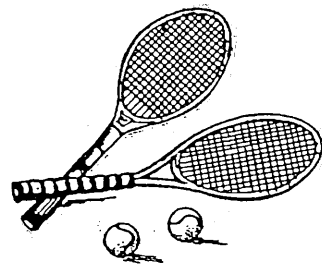


Club/member benefits: take advantage of these!



- **St Kilda Road Sports & Physiotherapy Centre** – 10% off with a VIP Customer card
- **SnapFitness** 24/7 gym – Sydney Rd Brunswick – personal training, group classes
- Search and book your accommodation via **QuickBeds** – each booking returns some \$ to the club; use our unique Grassroots code (call Janice for details – 0401 195 477)
- Check out **Amart All Sports** for your gear (at member prices); join Team Amart, nominate our club, swipe your loyalty card when buying in-store at Victoria Gardens - our Club gets a 5% credit to spend later.

COMPETITION NEWS



NSTA (Saturday afternoon)

Autumn season has concluded, with both our Mixed and Men's teams qualifying for play-offs, but bowing out in the semi-finals. The good thing is that our players are now available for Pennant matches.

Next Season Spring 2016: entry forms are now available – closing date is **27th June**.

Co-ordinator: Julie Benstead 9387 0014. Ladders are on www.tennisvic.com.au/northsuburbantainc

NSNTA (night)

Autumn Competition 2016: the season is up to the last Round 14, and our results are somewhat variable;

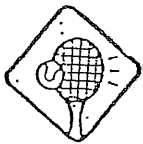
- 20 teams (ladies 6; mixed 4; men's 10) – 50% are likely to qualify for play-offs;
- We should have contestants in each category – in both higher and lower grades.
- Good Luck for remaining matches. Enjoy and win!! Co-ordinator: Jason Vochala 0419 132 423

Spring Season 2016: this will be scheduled August-November, and an entry form has been distributed.

Closing date for advice of player interest is **Friday 20th May**.

Ladies, Mixed and Men's options are available – with full-time or Emergency status.

Entry fee is required with your form – please return to Carole as usual.



NSLTA – (ladies midweek)

Our Section 4 team is finding it a challenge! – the opposition is tough and wins are hard fought.

Next season: if any new players are interested, please let Carole know **by 30th May**



NSJTA (Juniors) - Season 1

Teams are back on court and well into the second half – despite the challenging weather!

- 17 teams are involved, ranging across A Grade 1 to D Grade 5 – results are rather mixed;
- With 3 rounds left, 8 teams have top 4 places, and another 2 could qualify for finals. Keep winning!

Our players will be hoping for good weather and positive results – BUT enjoy the tennis too!!



Season 2: this will be in July-November; player entry form was emailed recently, and must be submitted ASAP. Closing date was **Saturday 7th May** and team selection will start soon.

Queries: Kata Pinter 9388 8019; 0435 002 732 or Kevin Walsh 9383 6337; 0417 538 705

PENNANT 2016

Team selections & grading have been finalized; we have 2 Masters Doubles ("Vets"), and 6 Men's teams.

We also have 1 Women's teams – will play singles/doubles and includes juniors! A good sign for the future!

All teams are playing on Saturday afternoons, except for the Grade 3 ladies – they are on Saturday morning.

So – there will be teams on court every weekend - good opportunities for members to call in & watch!!

Details on teams, gradings and contact numbers are listed on the noticeboard;

Matches started 2 weeks ago, and results look promising, though quite a few Emergencies have been

required. Players should be committed and make themselves available – don't let your team-mates down!!

Please note that various rules and match scoring requirements have changed – check the Rule Book!!

And especially the guidelines about Emergencies and changing the regular players in your team.

Hopefully participants will continue practising to get the jump on your opponents!!

Please remember you are representing our Club, and sportsmanlike behaviour is expected.

Best of luck for the season and enjoy!! Please also welcome any new-comers to your team!!

Queries: contact Jason Vochala 0419 132 423 or Carole Houston 0419 560 436

