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Royal Park Tennis Club Inc. Newsletter

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JULY 2018

CHAMPIONSHIPS - trophy presentation Sat. 28thJuly

This is planned for late this month. It's a twilight gathering to celebrate & reminisce! All players from the championships are invited, together with family and friends.



6.00pm dinner - complimentary BBQ 7.00pm Presentation - to Winners & Finalists

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

- There will be 3 pennant matches on the courts that afternoon come early and cheer on Royal Park players to victory!!
- It's the last round of pennant all players could be keen to celebrate the season
 - AFL Round 19 action Richmond v Collingwood; Crows v Melbourne

Please let Carole know that you will be joining us - then the BBQ supplies will be adequate! Call 9380 1259, 0419 560 436; email rptc@optusnet.com.au

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

It's that time of year again when the mailbox brings reminders from all the organisations and clubs where each of us enjoys membership, and surely our tennis club is #1 on your MUST RENEW list! An invite to renew is being sent out, with **31 July** being the **Due date**

Credits for attendance at working bees or other events/working sessions have been included. Any queries can be discussed with Club Manager (Carole Houston)

The total cost is still very good value (\$4 a week/adult), which provides many advantages including:

- access to Club facilities courts, clubhouses, playground, TV lounge/bar,
- 14 great courts, with special rates (day & night); on-site staff to assist with bookings etc;

tennis options (social & competition), junior & adult choices; Personal Accident Insurance,
 & various Tennis Victoria member benefits – see Tennis Victoria's website – look under "member benefits".

Payment: An eftpos <u>credit card payment option</u> is available at the clubhouse, as well as cash or cheque. You can also do Direct Debit/Bank transfer – details of Club account are on the renewal form.

Your club Committee would welcome your continued support, and is very pleased that recent initiatives such as LED lighting, clubhouse renovations and Sunday social sessions have been well received.



Tennis Anyone??



With night & Saturday afternoon competitions now in recess, those wishing to keep their shots working and feet moving, why not join in the weekly Wednesday evening session? It's an opportunity to meet and play with/against some different players, (members and visitors) and there is usually a social finish to the session with a chat in the bar.

- It's a Round Robin/Graded event, run between 7.00-9.00pm;
- No extended commitment required you can play week to week (small fee)
- Just register by noon Tuesday by phone 9380 1259 or 0419 560 436 (Carole)

JUNIOR JOTTINGS: EVENTS OF INTEREST !!

Parents and players are invited to note the following items for juniors during June/July:

Presentation afternoon/evening:

This gathering marked the end of Season 1, recognized players and teams who participated, and celebrated the positive results – including one Section flag being won – C Grade 2 Unisex.

Some 40-50 players, parents and friends came along, and had a preview of Season 2 teams as well. A BIG Thank You was given to Team Managers and Junior Committee for their great work too.



Future Leaders: Congratulations to Kanna Murphy & Harry Buttifant -They have been awarded a scholarship and selected as the Club's participants for the Tennis Victoria course in July. They will also do a project after the course.

Junior Pennant: applications to NSJTA for team membership have now closed.

PRELLI TENNIS

207 - 209 Victoria Parade, Collingwood 3066 9419 4000

*** July ***

Racquet specials: Head Speed: MP & Pro models Were \$349 NOW \$229

Volkl – 10-20% off all models

Shoes: Nike Specials (Men's & Ladies) Were \$220 NOW \$179

The store is still open on Sundays as well - 10am to 4.00pm Support the store that supports our club

Ask for Lou - mention Royal Park Tennis Club for 10% discount (conditions apply)

COMPETITION NEWS

PENNANT



The season is racing towards finals time – but the weather has been somewhat challenging! Current ladders show mixed fortunes, with one team leading their section, while the others are plotting a change of fortune very soon. Several teams have been managing injuries, but there is a positive buzz around the clubhouse..

Co-ordinator: Jason Vochala 0419 132 423

NSTA (Saturday afternoon)

Spring Season 2018: we have 2 teams (Open Singles/Doubles) & won a flag in the Autumn series. A 10 week season is expected, with matches starting late August to allow for pennant to finish. <u>Co-ordinator</u>: contact Jason Vochala 0419 132 423

NSNTA (night)

Autumn Season is finished! finals have been played! See www.nsnta.org for overall results.
We had 12 teams in the semi-finals, (incl. Ladies, Mixed & Mens') but most found the opposition too strong.
However – C-2 Ladies & B+5 Men's won a flag!!
While Ladies B Grade 3, plus B Special 1 & C Special 2 Mixed were Runners-up!!

Congratulations!! Many thanks to all who played in the competition - we hope you enjoyed the experience.

2018 Spring Season: Team selections have been finalized, listed & sent to the Association for grading; We have 19 teams (Ladies (7), Mixed (3), Mens (9). Matches start early August. Co-ordinator: Jason Vochala 0419 132 423

**** Spring & Autumn winner flags/trophies will be presented at the NSNTA AGM on Monday 30th July

NSLTA – Autumn season: our very determined Section 4 ladies won! Spring 2018 – any interested players should have advised Carole by NOW.

Metro Masters (Thursday men's) - not to be outdone! they also won -Section 2 (despite injuries!)

NSJTA (Juniors) **Season 1:** Great News! 3 teams won their flag! A Grade 3 Boys (Fri); Unisex - D Special 3 & D Special 4.

Season 2: this will be in July-November; start dates will be 20th/21st July (after school holidays) Team selection and Association grading are completed – we have 14 teams (some players aging out) Also – we welcome 15 new players to our juniors – good luck and enjoy your first season!

ENVIRONMENTAL/ENERGY INITIATIVES:



In recent times we have been investing time, effort and \$s in adding to our existing environmental sustainability practices and operational cost efficiency.

- Anyone playing after dark since New Year will have noticed our bright new lights! We have gone "green" with LED lights, and electricity costs are down! Courts 4 & 7 will have some further work done to even out the lighting spill.
- Look up onto the clubhouse roof when on site next, and note all the solar panels that have appeared! A battery storage facility will maximize our potential gains from the sunshine that comes our way from now on!