



NEWSLETTER

October 2010

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Thank you to the members who attended the Annual General Meeting on Sunday 10 October 2010 2pm.

20010/2011 MTC Committee Members

PRESIDENT	<i>Wayne Daly</i>
VICE PRESIDENT	<i>Narelle Sykes</i>
SECRETARY	<i>Merran Hunter</i>
TREASURER	<i>Merle Coutts</i>
COURT HIRE SECRETARY	<i>Carol Batten</i>
MAINTENANCE OFFICER	<i>Peter David</i>
LADIES CONVENOR	<i>Anna Bryce</i>
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY	<i>Julie Howe</i>
CLUB CAPTAIN	<i>Barbara Mapley</i>
SOCIAL SECRETARY	<i>Jean Penny</i>
JUNIOR CONVENOR	<i>Owen Peemoeller</i>

THANK YOU A special thank you to Barb Mapley who has been club secretary for many many years and is sharing her knowledge with Merran.

This is the first time in years that the committee has a full complement of office bearers. I am sure we all look forward to working together to make a better club for us all.

Dates for your diary –
Sunday 12th December 2010
Club Championships finals
commencing @ 12pm Christmas
Party from 3pm



From 2009-10 AGM

- **Lease:** MTC lease has been renewed for a further 25 years.
- **National Membership Program:** There is no need to register with Tennis ACT (TACT), only at Club level to participate in pennant.
- **Group Booking Fees:** fees have been revised to reflect general increases in costs.
- **Grant:** Our application for a Government Grant last year was not successful – the funds were to help resurface courts 5 and 6.
- **Asbestos:** Tennis ACT arranged for a licensed inspector to check for asbestos in the Clubhouse. A small amount of asbestos was identified in the 3 pillars supporting the glass frontage. However, in its current state it is not hazardous and does not need to be removed.
- **MyTennis website:** A web based membership database is gradually being provided to all tennis clubs by Tennis ACT. MTC will have access to this facility when our turn (alphabetical) comes.
- **Community Support and Infrastructure Grant:** The Committee has applied for a half shipping container to store our equipment. We are yet to hear the outcome of our application.

- **MTC Website:** Thanks goes to Jenny Backhouse for updating our website. Check out the updated/revamped website.
- **Kitchen:** Our new kitchen was supplied and fitted free of cost to the club. The committee wishes to acknowledge and thank the ACT Government and the staff at TAMS Sport and Recreation Branch for providing the necessary funds for the refurbishment.
- **Club Maintenance:** Thank you to Peter David for taking over from Peter Grealy, who has moved to Djakarta for a number of years. Before Peter G left he obtained a quote for wind break screens for the four southern courts. The committee decided not to proceed as the cost was prohibitive. New corkboards have been erected in the club house and the surface of 2 tables also refurbished.
- **Thank you** to Brian Lawless, an electrician, who replaced the light on Court 1. Advice is that the lights on Courts 1, 2 and 7 and 8 are old and parts to replace them are virtually unobtainable.
- John Mapley, who regularly provides advice and ad-hoc work at the Club, was also thanked for his efforts.
- **Coaches' contract:** There is a clause which allows adjustment of the contract fee. It was decided to increase these fees in accordance with the increased usage of the courts by the coaches.
- **2010 Government Grant:** The Committee has sought ACT Government funding and a loan from Tennis Australia to help finance the resurfacing of up to 5 courts – [courts 1,2, 5, 6 and 7] The court resurfacing is part of a revised business plan that the club will put in place for the coming years.
- **Moving forward:** Christmas Party: 12th December.
- **Club Championships:** Owen Peemoeller, who is now conducting most of the coaching at Melba, has offered to organise these. They start on 5 December and continue through the week with the finals to be played on the day of the Christmas party i.e. 12 December.
- **Open Day:** Scheduled for next February, Tennis ACT may assist with various hire equipment – marquees, ball machines, signs etc.

Renewal of Memberships – overdue



If you have not renewed your membership, please contact Julie on 62411578. If you do not intend to renew, please surrender your court

key to her if you have one. Your key deposit will then be refunded to you in due course.

Members are reminded to please wear your shoe tag as it is an indicator that people who are using the courts have paid. Wearing the tag assists the committee when it conducts its random inspections. If you cannot prove that you have renewed your membership you may be asked to leave the club or renew your membership on the spot.



It's back.....Junior Friday night social

- From 6pm to 8pm on Friday afternoon.
- Cost \$10 per child.
- Child needs to be able to serve over-arm.
- BBQ supplied. –
- Please contact Owen Peemoeller on 0407456293 for more information.
owenpeemoeller@championteamtennis.com

Club Championships



- Beginning 5 December and throughout the following week.
- Finals 12 December.
- Format will be determined based on the level of member interest.
- Events include Men's and Women's Singles, Mens and Womens Doubles and Mixed doubles.
- Play sheets will be placed in the club house soon for you to nominate your preferences.
- Please contact Damien Ward on 0405928413 or Owen Peemoeller on 0407456293 for more info at damienward@championteamtennis.com or owenpeemoeller@championteamtennis.com

Pennant teams

Melba has 18 pennant teams this spring. If you play pennant please ensure that you have given your captain your share of team fees. Captains please call 6258 6263 to arrange payment. If you have already paid your team fees, thank you.

Thank you to all committee members for their hard work throughout the year

