



# 2017 Tennis Club Newsletter

**TUESDAY EVENINGS**: One of the changes that have occurred in regards to tennis this year is having Mixed Tennis on a Tuesday evening. This has proved a good decision as the numbers have been consistent. On these nights basically men's doubles and women's doubles are played, along with one or two mixed sets. This way the men and the ladies are not actually missing out on their ladies or men's tennis. At the end of each season the members have concluded their tennis with a Pizza Night with a few players receiving little prizes for their great tennis throughout the competition.

**THURSDAY MORNING** Mixed Social Tennis is also going extremely well in regards to numbers. Four courts have been frequently in use on these mornings. Thankyou to Carol Webb for being the coordinator of Thursday Mixed and using this time to ensure that the Club's Garbage Bins are on the street to be emptied. Thank you Carol.

**MONDAY MORNING** Men's and Ladies' also has been very steady in numbers. Again thank you to all who attend on this day for your support.

**SATURDAY MORNING** is busy at the courts with a regular group of men and ladies playing for a few hours along with coaching happening.

**COACHING**: Our tennis coach, Vicki Allman, moved to Sydney at the end of Term Two to be closer to her daughter, Ashley who took up a scholarship at PLC, Croydon.

The Club is very appreciative of Ellise Bowerman from Port Macquarie who at the last minute agreed to take over coaching at the Rocks.



**FROM THE COACH:** Hi everyone!

First of all i would like to deeply thank all of the committee members, parents and players for kindly welcoming me to the club. Over the past 6 months I have watched many children develop into confident and enthusiastic tennis players and it has been an honour to work with them. The tennis Open Day

was a success and hopefully another day like this next year will continue to increase our junior membership. I look forward to another year coaching at the SWR Tennis Club and cannot wait to see what 2018 brings for the club, along with the few students who will begin playing tournaments next year.

Thank you all again for all the support I have received and I look forward to seeing you all next year!

Ellise is conducting a Junior Tennis Clinic this coming week 21st/22<sup>nd</sup>

December.



Her mobile is 0411 476 063 if needing any information regarding coaching.



Izzy stepped into a vacant spot in the Saturday morning ladies last week and she held her own extremely well.

**The AGM** was held in September. Thank you to all who made the effort to make an appearance at this meeting. Not many changes occurred. President Brian Strathmore, Vice President Mark Jordan, Secretary Raymond Love, Treasurer Bruce Picker and Committee Members are Carol Webb, Paul Wade, Sharon Hooper, and Liz Picker.

**EMAILS:** Much of the tennis communication has occurred via email this year. If you have an email address and would like to be included on the

Tennis email listing please let Liz Picker know...([lizpicker2610@gmail.com](mailto:lizpicker2610@gmail.com)).

The **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS** were held recently. Unfortunately there were not enough nominations for Mixed Doubles to be played on a Sunday so this event was not held. Hopefully this event may be held early next year before the end of daylight saving so as to avoid the “silly” rush at the end of the year.

Men’s Doubles Champions for 2017 are Mark Jordan and Rob Walter with Runners Up being Bob Andrew and Raymond Love.



Michelle Ferguson and Marea Balenzeula took out the Ladies’ Title over Sandra Wade and Liz Picker. Michelle Ferguson also was Club Champion along with Rohan Simpson who defended his title from last

year.



Rohan



Michelle

**A PINK FUNDRAISER** evening was held on 30th November in Aid of Cancer Council. A great night was enjoyed and funds raised, thanks to Sharon Hooper, Carol Webb and Susie Strathmore and their band of supportive staff, for their organisation of such an enjoyable and worthwhile night. \$1275 was raised on the night.



## **MAINTENANCE**

It is with much appreciation that the maintenance of the surrounds is taken care of by a band of willing workers...lawn mowing, repairing, cleaning drains and window washing are just some of the tasks undertaken. If you have been involved with any of these tasks...**THANK YOU.**



Last year our **SENIOR STAR** of the Courts was Shiela Croad - this year it is Judy Mottee. Judy plays on a regular basis on a Saturday morning, but still will play in the evening during daylight saving time as she says she sees better in the daytime!!!!(Don't we all).

Judy started playing when she was about 10 yrs old. She loves playing tennis as well as being a spectator whether at live tournaments or on the television. Judy has been to the Australian Open in 1993/98 in Melbourne; also the

Brisbane International in 1998 and the Davis Cup in 1999.

Her favourite tennis stars are Pat Rafter, Roger Federer & Novak Djokovic.

## **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Annual Christmas Party is being held tonight at the Clubhouse. Tennis is being played as well as a few clinking of glasses will be heard along with the munching of pizza and nibblies.

Thank you to all members for their support throughout the year; to the Committee for keeping things going.

A special thank you to the SWRCC Board of Directors for their support throughout the year.

Merry Christmas to everyone. Hope to see you all on the courts in 2018.

**REMINDERS:** Monday Morning: Men's and Ladies Tennis;

Tuesday Evening: Mixed Social.

Thursday Morning; Mixed Social.