



CHAIRPERSONS UPDATE

THE 2022/23 YEAR'S PRIORITIES SET BY THE COMMITTEE

Whilst some may consider the winter as the tennis “off-season”, there has still been a lot of activity around the club. We have had four pennant teams participating in the winter season, social tennis has been well attended and enjoying the last of the grass court season and the committee has been busily planning for the upcoming tennis year.

The priority topic areas for the 2022/23 were agreed at the kick off meeting for the new committee. The five priority areas for the club are to further increase the strength of the social program through engaging our pennant and junior programs, developing a strategic plan for the club and to address the safety concern with regards the balls being trapped on the retaining wall behind courts 10-14.

The membership fees for the STC have remained at the same level for a number of years, despite rising costs to run the club. Unfortunately, with the latest inflationary pressures, we are forced to raise the fees somewhat this year. The new fee arrangements will see the full membership fee rise from \$425 to \$460. This rise will include a \$30 credit where fees are paid on time, that can be used at club for purchase of merchandise or across the bar. Whilst the increase in fees is not ideal, it does reflect the increase in costs that the club has faced. The membership coordinator will distribute the membership invoices before the end of July.

The refurbishment of club facilities over the coming five years is going to need to be a key focus. Replacement of the court lighting, re-surfacing of the hard courts, further upgrades to the external facilities of the club and the expansion of the winter and night court capacity are all areas that will need capital and focused progress. The committee, through the strategic planning process, will begin the process of establishing an infrastructure plan for the medium and long term.

And of course it wouldn't be complete to not mention Wimbledon, where the Aussie's flying the flag proudly in all of the open events. A special shout out to Matt Ebden, a local Hale School boy!

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Club house grand opening is scheduled for the 3rd Sept – save the date!

CAPTAINS REPORT

WINTER TENNIS ACTIVITIES

The grass courts are now closed, so we will be using the hardcourts only for social play. The weekend winter set roster is now up for members to put their names on – please take the time to volunteer on one of the weekends. Also, the summer roster is in development, so please let Grant know if you have a preference for Saturday or Sunday (grantn@live.com.au). The summer roster will be a rolling 3 mths roster.

I would like to thank Allen Harwood for taking on the role as Tuesday Coordinator and I now he will have many helpers. A big thank-you to Liz Wessels and helps for the great job done over the last few seasons.

We have been getting good numbers at social tennis on all days, with 5-6 courts being filled at most sessions.

The captains team is reviewing the social tennis grading, which has not been done for some time. A panel of 5 members will complete this task.



PENNANT UPDATE

WINTER PENNANTS TEAM HAVING GREAT SUCCESS

STC has been well represented in the winter pennant competition, with five teams playing across the Women's mid-week, Men's Saturday and Mixed Sunday competitions.

With one round remaining before final, four of the teams are currently inside the top 4, and the Men's Div 2 in 5th place.

The Spring Slam competition is on again, with nominations closing on 27th July. Whilst our court availability is low, we may be able to fit in a small number of teams – please see the club captain if you are interested in nominating a team.

Summer Pennants nominations are fast approaching, with season dates now published. We will call for player nominations at the start of August, with nominations closing 14 Sept.



FACILITIES

CLUB ROOM RENOVATION

The club room renovations are ongoing and the project largely remaining on-track, with a forecast completion in the early parts of August 2022.

Committee members have been busily overseeing the purchase of the equipment for the fit-out of the new facility, with the funds being kindly donated by the local state member, Steven Aubrey.

The new facility is starting to take shape, with the major demolition work complete, and the framing work for the new layout largely complete and electrical pre-wiring in progress. The internal walls and ceilings will be sheeted over the coming week, followed by internal completion activities.

The grass courts are now closed for the winter restoration activities, and will remain closed until the opening day of the new season. Feedback from the members and visitors from the prior season was that the grass courts played well throughout the season. This is largely due to the rest period over the prior winter and some additional funds being directed to activities such as rolling, fertilizing and additional general care.



LED LIGHTING PROJECT

ENERGY EFFICIENT LIGHTING PROJECT PLANNING UNDERWAY

The planning phase of the project to replace the existing court lighting with more efficient LED lights is underway. The committee has applied for a grant from the state government and the local council to assist in the funding of the project. The state government approval to fund a third of the project was recently received.

The current lighting on the courts has reached the end of its useful life, with significant costs being incurred in recent years to maintain basic functionality, although at a far diminished level of lighting. Replacement of the lights is therefore not only required to maintain safe and reliable levels of lights, but also will lead to far reduced operating costs due to the energy efficiency.

The project is currently finalizing the design and installation requirements as well as the budget required to complete the installation. Once this is complete, the committee will convene to provide final authorization to commence the project.

The project will also be required to engage the residents that may be impacted by the flood lighting. The designers expect that there will be the same or reduced levels of spill of light into the residential areas, so there is not expected to be any impacts on local residents.

Completion of the project is targeted for prior to the commencement of the new season in September.





CLUB HOUSE OPENING

SAVE THE DATE: CLUB HOUSE GRAND OPENING SCHEDULED FOR 3RD SEPTEMBER

We will celebrate the grand opening of the newly renovated club house at a function to be held on the 3rd September in the evening, at the club house. The event will include a welcome and thank-you for the government agencies that have contributed to the renovations, as well as including an opportunity for our sponsors to see the new facilities opportunities to be involved with the club.

The planning for the function is underway, and details will be published soon – but save the date and watch out for the details!!

NEW SEASON CALENDAR

SEASON DATES PUBLISHED

The calendar for the 2022/23 season has been finalized, and is attached to the newsletter. Lock in all the key dates into your calendar, and get ready for a fantastic year for the STC.





CLUB PRO

TENNIS SERVICES COMPLETE AND STRONG

I want to take the opportunity to thank all the members for their support of our coaching business over the years and moving forward.

We are at the club every single day of the week either coaching or supervising junior players and we are constantly thinking and planning for the clubs success.

As Club Coach I have made it my mission to develop, retain and recruit players to the Scarborough Tennis Club. We have had a lot of success in the juniors building up from nothing to being one of the strongest junior clubs in Perth and well represented in senior pennants.

The junior club has had a record breaking 22 summer pennant winners over the last 5 seasons and we were rewarded with the Tennis West Club Coaching program of 2020 and 2021. We have also been recruiting new members to the senior club to play pennants, social tennis or just to enjoy the facilities in their own way.

SERVICES FROM THE PRO SHOP

YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PRO-SHOP ENSURES THAT WE CAN MAINTAIN A COMPLETE OFFERING AT STC

Coaching and Tuition - The number one way we can be of service to members is to train you to become better tennis players. This can be done via private lessons or we also run an Intermediate Drills night on Tuesday evenings and Cardio Tennis on Monday nights and Friday morning. .

Equipment: We offer a convenient restringing service where you do not need to leave the tennis club to drop off and pick up your racquet. Get in touch via text or email and we can make sure one of the team can collect your racquet and have it ready and back to you when you need it next. We have a range of string to suit heavy topspin through to string that offers better touch and protection for tenderelbows

Thursday night social: In an effort to cater to the modern member we are offering a Thursday night social tennis from 630pm-8pm. We have been offering this free to members.

Feedback: Please get in touch if there is a particular program that you feel we are not providing? Always happy to take feedback on what might be missing in our offerings. Email Rick on rick@scarboroughtennis.com.au, or phone 0430 110 848

APPAREL

UPDATED APPAREL AND CLUB LOGO

The committee has been reviewing the apparel offering to ensure that we have a standardized by cost effective way that we represent the club. Whilst the previous garments were eye-catching, they had various practical limitations and have proven costly.

Through Nigel, Di and Gaye, we have reviewed a more cost effective and sustainable solution for providing club shirts, as well as being able to provide a greater range of shirt styles. This has required us to move away from the white shirts, to a pale blue shirt, which will now become the club colours. The club logo has been updated to suit the colour selections.

Example shirts are shown to the left, and the committee will soon call for shirt orders from you, to make sure that they are available for the start of the summer season. ***For pennant players, there will be a requirement to wear the shirt to represent our pennant teams.***



YOUR COMMITTEE CONTACTS

WE SEEK YOUR INPUT!! CONTACT YOUR COMMITTEE MEMEBERS TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK AND SUGGESTIONS

The committee is made up of a number of volunteers that are working in the interest of the club to ensure that we have smooth tennis operations and a sustainable club into the future. The members of the committee are as follows

- Chairperson: Matt Hochen (email matt@1solutionfinance.com.au, ph 0459 856 054)
- Vice chairperson: Nigel Moyes
- Club Secretary: Vicki Johnson
- Treasurer: Bruce Mason
- Club captain: Gary Jones, supported by vice captains Jenny Tomich and Grant Nockolds
- Facilities: Graham Burnfield
- Member Representative: Di Nagle

We encourage your feedback on what you like or don't like, or what we should or shouldn't consider. Please feel free to have a chat to a committee representative, or to send an email to committee@scarboroughtennis.com.au to let us know your thoughts. Keep an eye on our FaceBook site and for the monthly newsletter, where you can find out about all things STC!

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EVENT SCHEDULE PLANNER 2022-2023

PLANNER 2022/23 TENNIS SEASON PLANNER

Red Text: School holidays

PLAN OWNER CLUB CAPTAIN - GARY JONES

EVENT	DATE	SOCIAL	EVENT	DATE	SOCIAL
OPEN DAY	08/10/22	YES	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS	25,26/3, 1,2/4	YES (2/4)
PENNANTS START	15/10/22	NO	AGM / END OF SEASON DINNER	27/5/23	YES
AUSTRALIA DAY	28/01/23	YES	TWIGHLIGHT PROGRAM	4/11/22	NO
ANZAC DAY	25/04/23	NO	CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT	17/12/22	YES
COS TOURNAMENT	TBC	NO	MELBOURNE CUP	1/11/22	YES
PENNANTS GRAND FINALS	18/03/23	TBC	NEW CLUB HOUSE LAUNCH	03/09/22	YES

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