



SCARBOROUGH
TENNIS CLUB

NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2023





CHAIRMANS REPORT

IT'S FINALS TIME

We are now moving into the busy end of the season with all junior and senior pennant teams vying for spots in the finals and Club Champs following the week after the Pennant Grand Final round. Good luck to all teams and we wish you all the best in your season's efforts.

LOCKED GATES

We've noticed that a number of members of the public have been using the hard courts, and occasionally the grass courts, without paying during weekdays meaning a loss in potential revenue.

The Committee is looking at introducing the Book-a-Court system to track hard court bookings and provide security for the courts by way of access codes. However, this could take up to a year to install, so as a stop gap measure until then, the Committee is attaching locks to the hard court gates. One consequence of this could be an increase in people then using the grass courts, all with no permission and possibly with the wrong shoes, so locks will also be installed on the gates to courts 7 and 10.

As Rick is responsible for hard court bookings, he will set the access codes for each month, and this will be posted on the Club's Facebook page and by email to members through the monthly Newsletter.

The Committee has set the code for the 2 grass court gates as 1963, the first year that courts were available for play. We suggest that you add this as a number to your mobile phone Contacts. Please ensure that if you're the last person to use the grass courts both gates are locked. Please do not pass these access codes to anyone who is not a club member.

This applies only from Monday to Friday - the gates will be unlocked over the weekend as there is someone there for most of the time (although will be locked at night).

These locks have been introduced as a trial for the remainder of this season.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



PROCEDURES & INSTRUCTIONS & NEW MEMBER BOOKLETS

With the major renovation out of the way and many members and RSA servers now assisting in the day to day running of the club and with an influx of new members, we are now in the process of writing and creating manuals and procedures and welcome booklets for the club to operate more effectively at a higher level. This will take us a little bit of time but is now a high priority for the Committee to deliver.

NEW COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

You may have noticed some floral additions to public walls around our suburb as a result of a Scarborough Community Project called Follow the Sunflower. The object of this community initiative is that people follow a map around the suburb to find and take selfies where they find the sunflower locations.

The Committee is currently investigating whether we can join in with this colourful initiative as a way to add a large temporary sunflower to our hit up wall and hopefully encourage some of our local community members to visit the club. The artwork is easily removed and will be removed once the project is complete or we find alternative options as originally this wall was planned for a large mural as part of last year's renovation.

We'll keep you posted as this exciting project progresses.



Nigel Moyes
CHAIRMAN



CAPTAINS REPORT



GRASS COURTS

The grass courts are starting to look very good and our ball catching fences have been completed to ensure no one has to climb up onto the wall anymore to retrieve a ball. Please remember now that without foliage on the rocks the tennis balls can ricochet onto another court so be aware when playing that your point may be impeded.

PENNANT FINALS

With 2 rounds to go - Pennant Finals are looming so good luck to all our teams in their efforts to make the finals. We have a few teams in strong contention so get down to the club or even travel to support them if they are playing a semi or grand final away.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Straight after the Pennant Season finals - we have our Club Champs - held this year on the 25th and 26th of March and the 1st and 2nd of April. The Captains team will be organising the event so stay tuned for in March for when we call for entries in mens and ladies open singles, mens and ladies open doubles, mixed open doubles and vets (over 45) singles.

DUTY ROSTER

Our February and March Rosters are on our website - <https://www.scarboroughtennisclub.com.au/duty-roster>. Please ensure you turn up for duty as allocated and if you cannot make it organise ahead of time a substitute swap.

Gary Jones

CLUB CAPTAIN



FACILITIES REPORT



HARD COURTS

With the new LED lights installed, our attention has turned to the court surface itself. We met with representatives from the City of Stirling last week to point out the cracks appearing on courts 5 and 6 due to roots from the nearby trees. The City is looking at options to address this before any resurfacing takes place. A speaker will shortly be installed outside the Pro Shop for music and announcements for the courts.

CLUBROOMS UPGRADE

While the bulk of the work on the clubrooms upgrade has been done and most minor defects repaired, there are still a few outstanding items to be completed by the builder, and we expect these to be finished by the end of February. The boundary fence at the entry will be removed shortly, and new fencing and gates from the clubrooms themselves will be installed.

OUTDOOR PATIO RENOVATION

We met with City of Stirling representatives last week to look at replacing the existing patio on the south side of the building. We floated the idea of an enclosed patio, however, the City advised that it has taken a standard approach to patio requests for all community facilities, that does not allow for them to be enclosed. Details are to be worked out with the City and selected contractor, but it's likely that it will be an insulated flat roof extending beyond the current patio to the edge of the concrete pad. The Committee will look at options to protect members from the wind and sun once the roof is in place, but funding will need to come from the Club. The patio is expected to be built in the off season, ready for next season's opening.

BITS & PIECES

The torn shade sail above the deck will be replaced by the end of February. The retaining wall on the top bay has had chain mesh installed to prevent balls from getting stuck. Thanks to Rob Frew, Gary Jones, Steve Caddy and Graham Burnfield for their help. Special thanks to Steve Jones for extra work in poisoning the vegetation for both bays, removing litter and finishing off securing the mesh. Thanks also to Di Nagle and Gaye Wearne who cleared the vegetation on the lower bay so that the mesh could be installed in January.

Graham Burnfield

FACILITIES



QUIZ NIGHT SAVE THE DATE SAT 22ND APRIL



With such a busy season and with pennant finals and club champs looming as well as the Easter break – our next major club social will be a Quiz night. Please stay tuned for further updates and table registrations once we can lock down the event logistics.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS



We have a need for odd jobs to be conducted around the club – mainly gardening, outside cleaning, painting and various other small jobs.

We have created a volunteer list on the notice board near the bar and would appreciate club members volunteering to assist where possible. Contact Jenny Tomich for more info.

FEBRUARY ROSTER



FEBRUARY

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>SETS</u>	<u>TEA/BAR</u>
Thursday	2nd	Twilight Tennis	Captain's Team	Captain's Team	Captain's Team
Saturday	4th	Organised Social	Jenny Tomich	Marie Clift	John Wikstrom
Sunday	5th	Organised Social	Nigel Moyes	Chris Gagliardi	Justin Fifield
Saturday	11th	Organised Social	Di Nagle	Frank Camilleri	Gemma Criddle
Sunday	12th	Organised Social	Grant Nockolds	Peter Zawacki	Connor O'Hara
Saturday	18th	Organised Social	Jenna Valentin	Jill Howard	Ken Grey
Sunday	19th	Organised Social	Bruce Mason	Karen Caddy	Suzanne Duncan
Saturday	25th	Organised Social	Vicki Johnson	Alan Harwood	Jeannie Musgrove
Sunday	26th	Organised Social	Gary Jones	Rob Frew	Liz Duncan

MARCH ROSTER



MARCH

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>SETS</u>	<u>TEA/BAR</u>
Thursday	2nd	Twilight Tennis	Captain's Team	Captain's Team	Captain's Team
Saturday	4th	Organised Social	Gary Jones	Barry Stone	Jenny Tomich
Sunday	5th	Organised Social	Bruce Mason	Justin Fifield	Bruce Mason
Saturday	11th	Organised Social	Steve Caddy	Bob Bickford	Steve Caddy
Sunday	12th	Organised Social	Graham Burnfield	Reuben Thompson	Graham Burnfield
Saturday	18th	Organised Social	Vicki Johnson	Jeanne Herring	Andreis Nell
Sunday	19th	Organised Social	Shane Paskett	Kim Fare	Shane Paskett
Saturday	25th	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS	COMMITTEE		Dirke Jooste
Sunday	26th	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS	COMMITTEE		Ryan Jones

CONTACT INFO



We encourage your feedback on what you like or don't like, or what we should or shouldn't consider. Please feel free 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!

CHAIRPERSON: Nigel Moyes

VICE CHAIRPERSON: Stephen Caddy

CLUB SECRETARY: Vicki Johnson

TREASURER: Bruce Mason

CLUB CAPTAIN: Gary Jones, supported by vice captains Jenny Tomich and Grant Nockolds

PENNANT SUPERVISOR: Jenna Valentin

FACILITIES: Graham Burnfield

FUNCTIONS COORDINATOR: Vacant

MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE: Di Nagle



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