



# GLENBURN ACE

## The President's Perspective



Dear Members,

I have my report of two Tennis Forums that have been run by Monash Council in this newsletter.

The Forums are part of a long-term strategy looking into the future of all 16 tennis clubs in the Monash District.

We will be celebrating our club 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2020 and unfortunately, our ageing facility is requiring more and more maintenance. I would like to thank all members who regularly assist with the maintenance work (special thanks to Mr Fix it, Bill Farrugia). The Club certainly welcome more of you to help when possible. You can help with your time or consider making a donation towards the court surface replacement fund. The court surface needs replacement in the near future and will become a major fund issue. Especially, if we cannot secure grants or low interest loans from the Council or State or Federal Government.

There are also opportunities to take active role as Night Convenor or as extra Club Committee members. On the fun side, if you have group of friends or work mates, you can be part of the night tennis competition. Please contact any of the Committees if you are interested.

Thank you,  
Geoff Cook



### FREE TENNIS DAY

17 Feb 2019 1 – 4 PM

- FREE play
- FUN activities
- FREE coaching
- For kids & adults
- Prizes & Giveaways

*Another successful  
Tennis Open Day!  
Thank you all  
for your help and  
participation*

As part of Tennis Victoria's Melbourne Tennis Month campaign, Tennis Clubs all around Melbourne held open days on February 2019.

Glenburn Club had the open day on 17 Feb with free coaching by Lewis and team, fun tennis activities, raffle tickets, and sausage sizzles by no other than our Club President and Committee Members.





# PREVIOUS SEASON

Junior summer season has been fantastic!

We had 30 teams competing (most in the Waverley District). All our teams competed hard right up until the finals, with great teamwork and sportsmanship.

Congratulations to our runner up teams, D2 Reserve Red and B1 Boys.

Our premiers were our two highest graded team Saturday and Sunday A2 - with both teams being rewarded with being moved up into A1 next season - the strongest grading!

# NEXT SEASON COMING UP

We have a record **32** Junior teams for next season!

Very exciting to have many new kids starting, we have an even spread from D-grade 7 and 8 year olds, all the way to our oldest kids represented in the stronger Rubbers format.

We have 15 Rubbers teams, including two A1 teams, so great to see our club strongly represented at the very top level!



Sun A2 Boys Team (left to right) : Hao Ong, Kevin Zhou, Oliver Pereira



Sat A2 Boys Team (left to right) : Nael Erwin, Ryan Lin, Riley Norman



D2 (Red) Team (left to right) :  
Ashene Piyaratne, Jimmy Chen, Gabriel Corr



B1 Boys Team (left to right) :  
Aakash Mohanraj, Kavith Kodagoda, Arnev Chadma



**Singles/Doubles C Sp1 Runners-Up (left to right):**  
Zeehsan Mohammed, Justin Lim, Isuru Wijesinghe

**ERT Open Sets 6 Runners-Up (left to right):**  
Sergius Erwin, Alex Stathopoulos, John Bruce, Dirk Lambrechts  
(Madhavan Raghavan absent).

## Saturday Afternoon Summer Season 2018-2019 grand finals completed on Saturday, 23rd March.

Out of 6 teams we had 3 teams playing in grand finals – all runners up:

- WDTA Open Singles/Doubles A4 (Dennis Wong, Kapi Sivakumar, Tim Drummond);
- WDTA Open Singles/Doubles CSpc1 (Isuru Wijesinghe, Justin Lim, Zeeshan Mohammed);
- ERT Open Sets6 (Alex Stathopoulos, Dirk Lambrechts, John Bruce, Madhavan Raghavan, Sergius Erwin).

WELL DONE TO YOU ALL ON REACHING THE GRAND FINAL.

For **Winter season 2019**, we have entered 2 pennant teams, 1 team in WDTA (Open Singles/ Doubles), and 2 teams in ERT Open Sets.

Complementing our grade one team is our grade 12 pennant team and other Waverley represented teams.

Season commences Saturday afternoon, 27th April.

Are you  
interested in  
forming or  
joining a  
team?

## Thursday Social



### A GRAND CELEBRATION



At our Thursday social group we recently celebrated the 77th birthday of Felipe Diaz. The cake was great ... Thanks Marta.

Lots of friends were present to wish Felipe many happy returns.

May there be many more. ...



## Tennis Coaching

Our coaching team has been very busy this last summer, preparing our kids for competition, tournaments and introducing several kids into tennis.

Some of our coaching themes have included the swings shapes, contact points, serving leg drive and defensive footwork to name a few.

Tennis has many areas to focus on, the coaches role is to choose the best progressions and activities to improve certain shots. We have a range of group lessons and private lessons for all ages and standards. What's most important is seeing the improvement from so many kids, many moving up the grades for next season.

Helping our youngest kids aged 4-6 have been our older 16-18 years old that play for us. This creates a great club atmosphere and culture where our older kids help out our younger kids.

Lewis Miles

*What makes a great sporting club is when the youngest players are every part as important as the strongest and all are valued equally.*

## Coaching Tips

### *It's all in the hips!*

The hip turn is essential in forehands and backhands to develop powerful shots. The hips turn the shoulders and increase the racquet speed. Up to 50% of power comes through the hip turn!

An easy way to get started is to pivot your feet when you hit. Professional players will go further and even jump in a circular motion on certain shots.

Turning the hips is also a great way for elderly players to alleviate back pain as it takes away the 'reaching' feeling and replaces it with a 'swinging' feeling. Shots should feel effortless through the upper body - letting the technique and the racquet generate the power for you!



## Hitting Session

Open to our members, our grade one pennant players are now available for hitting sessions with our members. This is roughly half the price of our private lessons, with the emphasis just on strong practice instead of technical teaching.

These are now available at evening times for one hour at a time, contact Lewis for availability.

## Coaching Schedule

### **HOT SHOTS (RED + ORANGE BALLS)**

Monday	4:00 – 4:45 PM
Tuesday	4:00 – 4:45 PM
Wednesday	4:00 – 5:30 PM (COMPETITION)
Thursday	4:00 – 4:45 PM
Friday	4:00 – 4:45 PM

### **GREEN BALL & COMPETITION LEVEL**

Monday	4:45 – 5:45 PM
Tuesday	4:45 – 5:45 PM
Thursday	4:45 – 5:45 PM
Friday	4:45 – 5:45 PM

### **SQUAD**

Tuesday	5:45 – 6:45 PM
Thursday	5:45 – 6:45 PM
Friday	5:45 – 6:45 PM

### **ADVANCE SQUAD**

Thursday	6:45 – 7:45 PM
Friday	6:45 – 7:45 PM

### **ADULT GROUP LESSON**

Wednesday	1:00 – 2:00 PM
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*\*Private lessons: All days of the week*





## MONASH COUNCIL HEALTH CHECK

Over the past 12 months the Monash Council has gone to a lot of expense hiring consultants to carry out an audit or "Health Check" of the 16 Tennis Clubs in its district. Looking at the physical state of the buildings, fences, courts and the facilities in general. They have also looked at the total membership of the clubs by age group, and gender and the date and times the courts are being used. All this information has been gathered to help formulate a funding model and renewal program moving forward.

Glenburn Tennis Club has been represented at two council meetings so far; one was an active workshop where we all got to express our ideas and concerns about our future survival.

The Council has suggested that it cannot continue to support all of the 16 clubs under our current model and they are looking at a range of options which may or may not include the following:

- Amalgamation of Tennis Clubs and the selling of land to fund new and larger club houses and more tennis courts, or
- Introducing an on line booking system called Pay and Play which is already in use at some clubs, or
- Having multi purpose facilities where Tennis Clubs may share with other sporting bodies or community groups.

Tennis Victoria is also a stake holder in this ongoing process and are working closely with the Monash Council and the Tennis Clubs to come up with a discussion paper. This may happen by the end of this month.

We will keep you informed of any further developments as they become available.

Geoff Cook – Club President

## A SPECIAL THANKS GOES TO ...

As part of the Committee of Management Exec, I would like to acknowledge and thank our resident **Mr. Fix it** at the club, Mr. Bill Farrugia.

Bill is one of those special people who is always willing to lend a hand, put himself out and to do his best in whatever he does, which fortunately includes helping with virtually anything at the Glenburn Tennis Club. This includes things like: securing seats, repairing seats, painting seats (work in progress), fixing toilet doors, tidying the club

storage shed (garage), fixing a shelf in the storage shed, not to mention being a regular contributor to the working bees that our President Geoff Cook organises. Nothing is too much for him.

MANY THANKS BILL!

Peter Hudson - Club Secretary





## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Our club championships will be in the September, stay tuned for the date.

The club championships is open to ALL Glenburn members, with junior and senior (boys and girls) categories.

It is a parent of club tradition - going back almost 40 years!



## MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

Renewal invoices will be emailed/posted to all current financial members early/ mid June 2019.

They are due on 1 July 2019 for the membership year

1 July 2019 – 30 June 2020.

There will be a discount if paid by the 31 July 2019.

The fees are as follow (discount fees in brackets):

- Juniors \$160 (\$155)
- Mid Week \$165 (\$160)
- Students \$165 (\$160)
- Seniors \$175 (\$170)
- Family \$435 (\$415)
- Mid Week Night \$40 (no discount)
- Non Playing \$22 (\$20)

## COURT SCHEDULE

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		8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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*\*Courts are available for members' use anytime outside the designated times. Lighting is available on court 5 & 6 for a small charge.*

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## GLENBURN TENNIS CLUB INC. – BYLAWS – D. PLAY – 4. Court Usage

- 4.1 Courts in use for **competition** and Club tournament matches will not be available for use by other member.
- 4.2 No court shall be monopolised by two (2) players when **doubles matches** are possible and desired by members present at the time.
- 4.3 Four (4) players shall not occupy a court for more than a maximum of **45 minutes, or 1 set, Monday to Thursday; 30 minutes, or 1 set, Friday to Sunday** while other members are waiting to play except during competition or tournament play.
- 4.4 **Doubles play** shall take precedence over singles in any situation in which members are waiting to play and no other court is available.

## COURT RULES

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