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TRAMLINES

December 2010

From the President

Amazingly another year has nearly passed and Xmas is upon us, they definitely go by quicker as you get older !

Firstly a special thanks to Alda and the mid-week ladies for providing the blinds to shield court 6 for the late afternoon sun. Also Pam Sowter and all the team that donated plants and worked on the garden on the left of the driveway – it looks fantastic.

Caro Bowl for us finished on Friday the 3rd December with a 5-1 loss to Campbell Park in the semi-final. Unfortunately our number 1 Artem Sitak was playing a tournament in Australia and did not get back until the next day. Also Marcus Daniell was unable to play at all due to an injury so we did very well considering. Some great victories from the team of Jackson Bodle, Eru Lyndon, Marco Comuzzo and Hayden Joblin. Also some stand-out fill in roles from Wayne Molloy, John Lawrence and Juan Fernandez.

A massive thank you to Hamish and his Zap restaurants for sponsoring the Carol Bowl team again. We will win it one of these days as I have engendered considerably loyalty from a good pool of players – Artem, Marcus, Meredith boys, Hayden, Marco etc etc. One year the pieces will all fall into place.



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Caro Bowl Team

On the Sunday Artem won the Hamilton money tournament and beat the number 1 Campbell Park player 6-2 6-2 so he would have made a massive difference on Friday. Artem is staying with Mary and I over the summer in his quest to become a New Zealander – we could definitely use him as he's ranked around 300 in the world. If anybody wants some coaching/hitting, he will be available until at least the Heineken, contact me. He's playing the West End Cup this weekend so come and support him – he is a true professional and a great person too !

If any of you reading this are not automatically receiving it via email please contact Wayne and ask him to update your details. We are again having a look at the Tennis NZ membership software Promato which should make Wayne's life easier. Also we are in the process of putting together a list of names and addresses of all our members which will be available to all. If you have any problem with your details being on that list please advise Wayne ASAP.

Most of you will have heard the new speaker system, which is fantastic for running tournaments, Caro Bowl etc etc. Some groups (after school programs) like having music played over the system. If you don't want it just advise reception and they will turn it off.

Lastly if you want to help out and contribute to the running of the club please contact me as there are plenty of roles available.

Enjoy your tennis and Have a Great Xmas

Bryan Lang

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President



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Interclub

Well done to our Caro Bowl team. Maybe next year is the year for us.

Could all captains make sure when they are getting reserves please contact either Bryan or myself and not go ahead and get your own reserve. Please find out who to ring from us first.

We also had a team default as they had a last minute pull out from a team member. If that was to happen to you please ring me and I am sure we can at least try and get someone to play.

Thanks to all the reserves that are helping us out when teams are short.

Keep up the practise over the holidays and make sure everyone has a safe, injury free Merry Christmas.

Sheryl
Interclub Convenor

Coaching

WATT AFTER SCHOOL COACHING PROGRAMMES – 2011 TERM 1

Term 1 2010 begins Monday 7 February 2010.

Enrolment forms will be sent out in the New Year.

Midweek

Christmas Party - next Wednesday, 15 December

Ladies re open on 26th January 2011

Interclub commences on 7th February 2011

Have a happy safe Christmas everyone .

Alda



Tournaments

Club Championship Dates:

Doubles 27 March

Mixed Doubles 10 April

Semi/Final Days (if needed) the following Sundays.

Around the Club



Look familiar - winners of the Winter Indoor Midweek Tournament out at Mikano Restaurant enjoying the spoils of their winnings! Pictured: clockwise from left: Barbara Jones, Sandra Kemp, Annette May, Margaret May, Desna Smith, Jen Hershbein and Vanessa Joe.

MOVEMBER

Some of you may have noticed the very dodgy looking character with the enormous moustache around the club in recent weeks. It was in fact Dave Freeman and it was so big that he has to go through doorways sideways!

For those who have not seen it think 'Hulk Hogan' or 'OC Chopper' Paul Sr.

He was in fact raising money for men's cancer as part of the Movember campaign which has now finished. However it is not too late to donate via <http://nz.movember.com/mospace/831404/> or by leaving a donation at the club.





Pictured left is Asafa Powell the world famous Jamaican sprinter. Asafa won a gold medal at the 2008 Beijing Olympics in the 100m as well as the 4 x 100m relay with the Jamaican team where they set a world record. He has broken the 10second barrier legally more times than anyone else—65 in total.



This week he has been in Auckland doing an ad with Mary Wall and our illustrious President, Bryan, has got to drive him around Auckland. Of course Bryan gave him a few pointers on beating Usain Bolt and Usain gave Bryan tips on increasing his speed around the court!

XMAS HOURS

WE WILL BE CLOSED

FRIDAY
24 DEC 2010

WE REOPEN
MORNING
5 JAN 2010

KEYS
FOR OUTSIDE
COURTS ARE
\$10 FROM
RECEPTION

*HAVE
A
SAFE
&
HAPPY
CHRISTMAS*



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