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Serpell Tennis Club Electronic Newsletter

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Club Updates.

The annual President's Cup took place on Sunday 22nd May. As in past years, it was a great day of tennis and socialising and a wonderful opportunity for junior and senior members of the club to interact.

24 players (junior, senior, male and female) battled it out in a round robin competition and after some excellent tennis, Jim Staios and Gemma overcame a very persistent John Ford and Lachie to be crowned the President's Cup champions.

Apart from the tremendous tennis, other highlights of the day were the wonderful lamb and chicken spit roast-many thanks to the Staios family for sourcing the beautiful meat and the cooking-much appreciated. We were also very fortunate to have the Mayor, Paul McLeish and councillor Michelle Kleinert attend, chat with people for nearly 2 hours and present the

winners and runners-up trophies. Past President John Cahill and his wife Sue also attended and it was great for many of us to meet them and chat about STC in the past.

The day would not have been possible without the terrific support of the major sponsor Ray White. Thanks to Frank and Nima for attending on behalf of Ray White. Thanks also to Bendigo Bank and Tennis Victoria for donating prizes and to Darryl Brown from the bank for attending.

The Autumn Chapter of the Night Tennis Season has come to a close and despite some brave finals battles alas Serpell TC didn't manage to bring home any flags this season.

In total we had 10 teams playing across Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday nights, with The Walking Wounded and also the Benzes making it to the Semis on Tuesday but missing out on a Grand Final Berth. It was similar on Wednesday with the All Starts and the Cones of Silence not getting passed their Semi Final, whilst the Thursday edition of the Walking Wounded experienced the same fate.

In all it was a good season for our teams, especially escaping the coldest nights which saved themselves for the finals. So now the teams can go into their winter training as they prepare for the spring season come July. Well done to all teams.

If there are any players who would like to be listed as fill ins or emergencies for the next Night season please contact Paul Carty on 0411 068 699. It's a good way to get a feel for the competition as teams are always on the look out for someone to fill in over the season.

Happy Tennis.



What's on at Serpell...

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events at Serpell Tennis Club

June 20 -	Committee Meeting
July 9 -	Wimbledon Night
July 11 -	Committee Meeting
July 25 -	BDNTA Night Tennis Starts
August 26 -	Annual General Meeting
August 27 -	ERTA Finals Start
Sept 2 and 4 -	Club Championships
Oct 8/9 -	ERTA Summer Season Starts
Oct 23 -	Open Day/ Registration Day
Dec 16 -	Christmas Breakup

Member of the Month...

Name: Gemma Caitlin Buxton
 Birthday: 20th May 2004
 Work/School: Ss Peter and Paul's Primary School Grade 6

I play tennis because...It is fun and makes me feel happy. It is a sport where I can play either in a team/ doubles or by myself/ singles.

My best tennis memory is...Winning summer 2015/16 junior Saturday JOSD 8 and President's cup 2016 with Jim

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Wimbledon Night — July 9th from 6:30pm

The Annual Wimbledon night will be held on July 9th from 6:30pm. Fun for the whole family, the evening includes 2 Course Dinner, Drinks at Bar Prices, Trivia Competition with prizes, Karaoke, Tennis on the TV and on the courts.

\$20.00 Adults, \$10.00 Kids, \$50.00 Families.

Come along and enjoy the best night of the year.

COURT ETIQUETTE

EXTRACT FROM "CODE OF CONDUCT AND TENNIS ETIQUETTE" PUBLISHED BY TENNIS AUSTRALIA

ON THE COURT:

- It is your obligation to call all balls on your side, to help your opponent make calls when the opponent requests it, and to call against yourself (with the exception of the first service) any ball that you clearly see out on your opponent's side of the net.
- Each player is responsible for all decisions involving balls in his/her half of the court. He/She should be completely honest on all "calls", but if in doubt, he/she should give the point to his/her opponent, or call "let".
- In doubles, when returning service, the partner of the receiver should call the service line for him/her, with the receiver calling the centre and side service lines.
- Avoid returning serves which are clearly "out"
- Any "out", "let". or "fault" call must be made instantaneously (i.e. made before either an opponent has hit the return or the return has gone out of play); otherwise the ball continues in play
- If you call a ball "out", and then realise that it is good, you should correct your call
- Do not enlist the aid of spectators in making line calls
- If players cannot agree on the score, they may go back to the last score on which there was an agreement and resume play from that point.
- Players are prohibited from checking the mark of the ball on their opponent's side of the court.
- Wait until a point is over before walking behind a court where a match is in process.
- To retrieve a ball from another court or to return a ball to another court, wait until the players have completed a point.
- Do not stall, sulk, complain, nor practice gamesmanship.

Birthdays and Celebrations:

Best of wishes to the following members who will be celebrating their birthday in June:

Abbey STAIOS	19/06
Elizamare SMITH	01/06
George CORFIOS	16/06
Glenn BOLTON	30/06
Glenn NELSON	02/06
John ANTONOPOULOS	17/06
Mickayla DUNNING	05/06
Robbie TABACCHIERA	08/06

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