

HAWTHORN TENNIS CLUB INC.

ANNUAL REPORT 2016-2017

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OFFICE BEARERS

David Sartori

President:

Vice-Presidents:	Sue Chambers and Nadine Maloney
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Committee:	Dean Carroll, Sarah Condron, Elaine Cooper, Madeline Penny, Peter Scott, Andrew Simpson and Robert Tuck
Sub-Committees:	Competition Nadine Maloney (Chair), Dedrie Green, David Sartori and Andrew Simpson
	Membership Madeline Penny (Chair) and Robert Tuck
	Social Elaine Cooper (Chair), Dean Carroll, John Clowes, Sarah Condron, Andrew Simpson and Janet Wainwright
	Works and Maintenance Andrew Simpson (Chair), Nadine Maloney, Gerry Paizis, Peter Robinson, David Sartori and Robert Tuck
Auditor:	Andrew Roberts

ATTENDANCES AT MEETINGS

David Sartori	9
Sue Chambers	9
Nadine Maloney	8
Dedrie Green	7
Cath Mukhtar	8
Dean Carroll	1
Sarah Condron	4
Elaine Cooper	10
Madeline Penny	10
Peter Scott	10
Andrew Simpson	10
Robert Tuck	6

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We have experienced another great year at the club, with membership continuing to grow, a significant increase in both the number and variety of competition teams, and several improvements to the clubhouse and surrounding grounds. These improvements are down to the hard work and dedication of our committee and members of the club, who continue to contribute to the benefit of all. Your committee is also very conscious of the benefits of a strong financially stable club, and our club finances continue to reflect this.

Speaking of hard work and dedication, after nearly 30 years on committee and 5 years as a Vice President of the club, Sue Chambers has chosen to retire from committee. As you will appreciate given the years spent on committee in general and particularly in her role as Vice President, Sue has made a significant impact on many areas of the club and her expertise in property management has been invaluable in dealing with Council and other relevant property matters. Sue, on behalf of the club and committee I extend our sincere thanks for all your years of service and hope that your new-found freedom allows more time spent at the club for social activities, rather than committee duties.

In acknowledging Sue's great efforts over the years, I also wish to personally thank all committee members for their efforts and achievements this year, as each member of committee has made a significant contribution towards improving our great club, and the committee as a whole could not function as it does without each member committing to the tasks at hand. As a prime example, Andrew Simpson's efforts in maintaining and rebuilding the court surfaces during the periods of severe winds and other weather disruptions throughout the year (often single-handedly) deserve special mention and our grateful thanks.

From my personal point of view as President, I wish to specifically thank the Executive Committee for their tireless assistance in helping administer the various roles of the club and its requirements. The Executive is made up of Sue Chambers and Nadine Maloney as Vice Presidents, Cath Mukhtar as Club Secretary and Dedrie Green as Treasurer. Having the right people in these key positions is vital for our club to thrive and grow.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge and thank Sarah Condron and Dean Carroll for their efforts on committee, as due to work and other commitments, they have been unable to contribute to the general committee as they would have wished and as such, have chosen to step down and concentrate their efforts on the various sub-committees. I thank them for their ongoing contributions to the club.

While the last year has seen our club continue to grow and thrive, it has not been without its challenges. Most members will be aware that due to the large property development adjacent to the club and the impact of significant drainage works required, we lost the use of our court 7 for several weeks. While we experienced a period of inconvenience due to the temporary loss of a court, by working with the developers and various authorities, the committee was able to arrange for the club to

receive financial compensation for the disruption and obtained a newly built court, fencing and lighting infrastructure. We thank members for their patience during this period.

I also acknowledge the patience shown by our Club Coach Kelly Cooper and the coaching staff during this time, as the loss of court 7 (the 'coaching' court) had a significant impact on all coaching sessions, and I thank Kelly for her assistance working with committee to find a mutually agreeable compromise. We continually receive positive feedback from members and participants in relation to Kelly and the coaching team, and we thank them for their continued work and professionalism.

We have also seen continued use and improvement to our website, gradually expanding the information available on the site and launching our new online booking system. Now that all courts are back in use and the weather has warmed up, we expect the new online booking system to come into its own. If you have not used the system, it is very easy to use. Simply go to www.hawthorntennisclub.com/court-booking/ and click on the link.

It has been a genuine honour and privilege to hold the position of President of this great club, however after 5 years in the role I feel the time is right to step down and pass the challenge on to someone fresh, with the enthusiasm and competence to take the club forward for future years. Nadine Maloney has nominated for the position and, after working closely with Nadine for the last several years and seeing her passion and commitment to the club, I wholeheartedly endorse Nadine to be the ideal person to fulfil this role and I support her nomination. I encourage all members to do the same.

So, for the final time I wish to remind members, your committee is there to benefit the club and its members, and we are always open to suggestions or assistance. I continue to encourage you to approach any of the committee to provide such a service or provide any feedback of how things could be improved or managed better for the good of all.

Play well!

David Sartori

FINANCE REPORT

The current financial year has ended positively with the bank balance of the club just exceeding \$35,000. This is a very good result reflecting ongoing membership growth and an increase in participation in club activities. A surplus of \$13,749 has similarly been achieved during the time. Subscription fees are up by 9% reflecting an increase in membership numbers. Income from light fees, night competition and weekend competition is pleasing as growth is achieved by participation of a higher number of teams. Income has been derived from social functions and activities.

Courts and clubhouse hire and coaching fees reflect solid growth in coaching activities. The club championships and handicap events proceeded as normal providing another income source. Interest from the investment account was lower than the previous year due to a lower bank deposit interest rate during the reporting period.

Expenditure on the clubhouse and administration is higher mainly due to increased spending on clubhouse consumables and maintenance. Clubhouse maintenance costs included provision of new blinds installed on the northern windows of the clubhouse. A security cage has been purchased for safe storage of the gas bottle of the barbeque. Spending on printing and stationery is down due to making more use of emails for communication and invoicing. Information is also posted on the website, which has a lower maintenance cost now that it is established. The increased cost in post box hire reflects payment of two yearly invoices during this reporting period. The costs associated with the telephone are less since it was decided to terminate the club landline.

Payment on courts and garden maintenance is down this reporting period in the main due to courts requiring less top dressing. More money was spent on gardening by a professional gardener and general maintenance of the areas around the courts.

Payments towards competition and social tennis were down as measured against the previous reporting period. Less was spent on balls but more on TV pennant team entry fees due to a substantial increase in the number of pennant teams entered. Less was spent on clothing as there is sufficient club clothing stock available for sale from the committee.

Water usage from the mains was down on last year, but electricity charges were up due to a general increase in electricity charges.

The club is currently in a strong financial position which we would like to maintain and build upon in 2017/8.

The Committee and I would like to thank Andrew Roberts for the assistance he has afforded the club in auditing of the Financial Statement.

Dedrie Green. Treasurer

HAWTHORN TENNIS CLUB INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2017

NOTES

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1*. ACCOUNTING POLICY

The accounts have been prepared on a cash basis recording only transactions processed through the bank account. Exception to this is unpresented cheques where these have been adjusted. Net balances are shown where appropriate.

			2016/17	<u>2015/16</u>
			\$	\$
	Bank Balance at beginning of year		21,637	18,117
CASH RECEIPTS				
SUBS:	Annual		36,368	31,034
	Joining fees		-	2,170
	Late payment fees		-	60
			36,368	33,264
OTHER:	Night fees		8,090	8,748
	Team fees		3,700	2,919
	Social functions & activities		607	2,115
	Courts & clubhouse hire & coaching fee		1,818	1,633
	Investments (ANZ Bank) interest		30	84
	Club championships & handicap events		500	952
	Grants Tennis Victoria		-	-
	Balls		149	318
	Misc		-	550
			51,262	50,583
CASH PA	YMENTS			
	Clubhouse & administration	3*	13,403	11,745
	Courts & surrounds	4*	5,912	13,253
	Competition & social tennis	5*	7,588	11,015
	Water management system	6*	4,776	5,920
	Electricity		3,736	3,359
	Local council rent		1,397	1,398
	Misc		701	373
			37,513	47,063
SURPLUS			13,749	3,520
Bank Balance at end of year		2*	35,386	21,637
2*.	BANK BALANCES			
	Cash at bank		24,351	10,321
	At call deposit		10,576	10,576
	Cash on hand		459	740
			35,386	21,637

3*.	CLUBHOUSE AND ADMINISTRATION		
	Cleaning	4,600	5,795
	Insurance	2,372	2,302
	Printing & stationery	-	1,122
	Telephone	498	625
	Gas	544	515
	Clubhouse consumables & miscellaneous	267	43
	Post box hire & postage	1,116	151
	Honour board, shields updates, trophies & signage	-	297
	Clubhouse maintenance/locks	3,524	192
	Consumer Affairs	266	259
	Website	216	444
		13,403	11,745
4*.	COURTS AND SURROUNDS		
	Lights	-	216
	Richards - court top dress/ new lines	1,683	9,471
	Night tennis poles/ globes	-	583
	Misc maintenance courts & surrounds	2,010	887
	Gardener	2,154	1,429
	Courts misc costs	-	78
	Fences/ nets/mats	65	589
		5,912	13,253
5*.	COMPETITION AND SOCIAL TENNIS		
	Tennis Victoria (affiliation 19% of annual subs)	1,660	1,555
	Balls	3,533	4,541
	Bayside/ ERTA/ BDNTA team entry fees	610	495
	Tennis Victoria pennant team entry fees	855	560
	Fines	150	216
	Court hire	130	-
	Clothing	650	3,648
		7,588	11,015
6*.	WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM		
	Water usage & rates	2,107	4,828
	Sprinkler repairs	2,669	1,092
		4,776	5,920

DEDRIE GREEN Honorary Treasurer
This statement of Cash Receipts and Payments agrees with the Club Records.
AUDITED: ANDREW ROBERTS Honorary Auditor

COMPETITION

There has been a focused effort over the last few years to build the number, and variety, of teams participating in competition tennis at the Club. Keeping the quantity and quality of competition tennis at the Club at a good level is considered to be a key element of maintaining a healthy and sustainable Club into the future.

With this in mind it is very pleasing to report that we have successfully met the goals that we set for ourselves, which were to:

- 1. Maximise summer and winter competition teams to court capacity ✓
 - → Summer competition teams at "over capacity" with 7 teams participating.
 - → Record number of teams submitted for the winter competition season. 11 teams participating in Tennis Victoria Pennant, Bayside (BRTA) and Eastern Regions (ERT) competitions. We are at capacity for both men and women on Saturdays (2 x coaching courts required Saturday mornings). 1 court still available for members on both Saturday morning and Saturday afternoon.
 - → Winter Sunday Pennant team introduced this year.
- 2. Improve standard of highest men's team to maximise competition standard depth/ availability at Hawthorn ✓
 - → Grade 4 Men's team competed in the winter Pennant season, an increase from Grade 6 the year before. Looking to further increase next year.
- 3. Diversify competition availability ladies doubles team Men's doubles team (in addition to Men's 45+ Masters doubles) ✓
 - → Sunday team was introduced this year providing flexibility for members who work on a Saturday.
 - → Women's summer comp doubles team.
 - → Men's summer comp doubles team submitted.
 - → This has however come at the expense of mixed teams, which have been a long tradition at Hawthorn. There will be a focus for Summer 2018/19 to reintroduce mixed teams, to ensure we maintain diverse competition options.
- 4. Build up night comp with an objective of building membership ✓
 - → Night comp teams submitted for the Spring 2017 night comp season is up from 4 to 6 teams. Any further build in night comp teams will need to be given

careful consideration and balanced with night time court availability for members wishing to play socially as well as coaching requirements.

Some competition highlights over the past year included:

- The Men's Singles/Doubles Section 7 Summer team who finished as Premiers. Team members: Darcy Kiernan, Tom Bennett, Matt Mukhtar, Robbie McIntosh, James Macleod and Kia Kashi. This team then backed up the summer season with a winter Pennant flag! The Men's Grade 9 Pennant team, represented by Darcy Kiernan, Raj Mathew, Matt Mukhtar, Tom Bennett, David Lu and Kia Kashi won their Grand Final in a nail biting tiebreaker in the 3rd set of the final doubles rubber! Great effort!
- The Women's Grade 2 Pennant team who were Runners-up. The team was represented by Kelly Cooper (our Club Coach), Belinda Kleverlaan, Lucy Roze, Renae Aron Dawson, Tiffany Gourley, and Nadine Maloney. Despite coming off "second best" the team celebrated a fun season with a glass of champagne or two!



Premiers - Men's Grade 9 Pennant team (Tom Bennett, Matt Mukhtar, David Lu and Kia Kashi)



Runner's Up – Women's Grade 2 Pennant team (Renae Aron Dawson, Tiffany Gourley, Nadine Maloney, Lucy Roze, Belinda Kleverlaan and Kelly Cooper)

WEEKEND COMPETITION

Summer 2016/17

The Club was represented by 7 teams for the Summer 2016/2017 season. Bayside

- Women's singles/doubles Section 1
- Women's singles/doubles Section 2
- Men's singles/doubles Section 3
- Men's singles/doubles Section 7
- Mixed doubles Section 6(1)
- Mixed doubles Section 6(2)

Waverley

- Mixed doubles Section A1

Winter 2017

11 teams played in the winter competition season. *Pennant*

- Women's Grade 2 Section 1
- Women's Grade 3 Section 1
- Women's Grade 4 Section 3
- Women's Grade 5 Section 1
- Men's Grade 4 Section 2
- Men's Grade 6 Section 2
- Men's Grade 8 Section 3
- Men's Grade 9 Section 3
- Men's 45+ Doubles Section 3

ERT

- Open singles/doubles Section 3

Bayside

- Mixed Section 5

Nadine Maloney

NIGHT COMPETITION

Spring 2016

4 teams were entered and played in the Spring season –

- Monday Open Section 3 "Hawks"
- Monday Open Section 3 "Hooligans"
- > Tuesday Open Section 3 "Eagles"
- Thursday Singles/Doubles Section 3 "Honey Badgers"

At the end of the Spring 2016 season the Monday night Open Section 3 teams HTC Hooligans won their Grand Final against the HTC Hawks. A Hawthorn v Hawthorn grand final! During the season the Hooligans team members included Adam Marshall, Sarah Condron, Wade Dixon, Dean Carroll, Denise Carroll, Kate Gilbert, Jack Gilbert and Alison Gilbert. And the Hawks team members included Sandra Beanham, Jordan Beasley, Gabriella Bornstein, Tom Diprose Adams, Chris Hannan, Ian Robertson and Ranald Valentine.

Autumn 2017 season

4 teams were entered and played in the Autumn season which commenced late January 2017 –

- Monday Open Section 2 Hooligans
- Monday Open Section 3 Hawks
- Tuesday Open Section 6 Harissa
- Thursday Singles/Doubles Section 3 Honey Badgers

Spring 2017

6 teams have been entered into the Spring season which commences in late July 2017. Thank you to all of our night competition participants who played or agreed to fill in, sometimes at the very last moment, throughout the year. It takes motivation to get out on the court on some of those cold winter nights!

The Club wishes to once again thank all Club competition players, and an extra big thank-you to all competition team Captain's for their significant efforts throughout the year.

Nadine Maloney and Peter Scott

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2017 Club Championships were held over 2 weekends.

The compact format for the Club Champs is considered to have been a positive improvement, with 40-50% more participants in the Open events this year.

It also seemed very fitting that our Club coaches, Kelly Cooper and Aniket Ghaskadvi, took out the Open Women's and Men's singles titles this year!

Events:	Winner(s)	Runner Up(s)
Singles Open Men Open Women Graded Men Graded Women	Aniket Ghaskadvi Kelly Cooper not completed Kate Campbell	Zac Wills Belinda Kleverlaan Sarah Condron
Doubles Open Mens Open Womens Graded Mens Graded Women	A Ghaskadvi & Z Wills G Holloway & L Dowman A Kotros & K Kashi S Chambers & D Green	D Sartori & M Thompson M Penny & B Kleverlaan C Hannan & D McWha K Campbell & S Clarke
Mixed Open Mixed Graded Mixed	N Maloney & A Ghaskadvi D Green & A Simpson	K Cooper & D McWha S Condron & D Carroll
Juniors A Grade B Grade (Green Ball)	Rohan Chalisgaonkar Harry Reeves	

Nadine Maloney and Andrew Simpson

JUNIOR COMPETITION

I am very excited to see the juniors rapidly growing with a record 7 teams this coming Summer Season. The junior players are continued to be encouraged to compete 100% at all times and respect their opponents when playing competition. As Hawthorn Tennis Club representatives, they most certainly uphold this requirement, always seen to be competing with commendable enthusiasm and dedication! So congratulations to all competitors for demonstrating excellent sportsmanship and team spirit throughout the year!

Thank you to all the parents for helping to support the players and ensuring that they are transported to the correct venue on a weekly basis.

Eastern Region Sunday Competition

Summer Season 2016/17

The Club was represented by 6 teams:

Rubbers 3 (Blue) - James King, Will King and Carrie Shi

Rubbers 3 (Green) – Rohan Chalisgaonkar, Rohan Pant and Alex Budnik

BSD 3 - Riveen Atukoral, Charlie Ford, George Yang and Nicholas Browning

BSD 7 - Sonny Edelmaier, Reuben Davis, Lachie Jones and Ben Tyrell

BSD 8 - Jasper Reicher, Samuel La Gamba, Alp Tuna and Alistair Wastlhuber

GSD 2 - Anais Herbaux, Elan Zhou and Francis Cumming



Rubbers 3 (Blue) - Premiers!



BSD 8 -Runners Up

Winter Season 2017

Eastern Region Sunday Competition, the Club was represented by 3 teams.

Open Rubbers 1 – Rohan Chalisgaonkar, Rohan Pant and Alex Budnik

BSD 5 – Riveen Atukorala, George Yang, Nicholas Browning and Charlie Ford

JOSD 1 – Anais Herbaux, Alp Tuna, Alex Satyendra, Oliver McAliece and Reuben Davis



Open Rubbers 1 – Premiers!



BSD 5 – Semi Finalists (Riveen was sick and could not compete!)



JOSD 1 – Semi Finalists

It is so exciting to see the new players moving through and joining the club in membership and competition, which is exciting for the growth of the club!

"GOOD LUCK" TO ALL PARTICIPANTS FOR THE COMING SEASON

Kelly Cooper



A Grade Club Championship Players (Rohan, Anais, Alex and George)



B Grade Players (Green Ball) (Kelly, Harry, Yannick and Aniket)

COACHING

With another year having past, it is so exciting to watch and be a part of the growth of the club.

Thank you once again to the Committee for their continued support over the past 12 months. The Committee is the backbone of every club and this is evident amongst the very dedicated group of people working in the best interests of their members.

Secondly, thank you to my dedicated staff that consistently support the coaching program and nurture the pupils and adults in tennis: Aniket Ghaskadvi, Mathieu Soliman, Alex Ahern, George Vogiatzis, Patrick Gould and Chad Bhuller. Their loyalty and devotion has been commendable and much appreciated.

The coaching program has continued to grow over the past 12 months.

Word of mouth is proving to be the biggest way to bring clients into coaching at Hawthorn. I have had numerous people joining the program from various clubs in the area. The reason was the expense and personal care of clients.

I am very happy to think that Straight Sets is meeting the requirements of the coaching clientele.

It is unrealistic to believe that all customers will be 100% happy at all times! But I encourage all clients to give me both positive and negative feedback, to ensure we can continue to learn and grow. I continue to strive for excellence in all regards to coaching. Tennis coaching happens on court, however customer service continues off the court. Following up and ensuring we are meeting every client's needs.

Coaching is conducted Monday to Friday, during the day, after school and in the evening and includes groups, squads and private lessons. Private lessons are also conducted on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

The Ladies coaching program and private lessons continue on Monday–Friday mornings.

Cardio Tennis is kicking off at the club with many adults wanting purely a workout sweat session!

Coaching for children has continued to follow a structured program according to their age.

The emphasis for 5-7 year olds is on learning basic skills, fun and movement, while correct technique, stroke combination and running drills are implemented for the older children.

The squads continue to be extremely popular amongst the juniors who play competition (juniors and seniors). The emphasis is on consistency and game building, while ensuring correct etiquette during both coaching and competition.

The entire coaching program is designed to ensure all participants obtain the maximum benefit from their involvement. The coaching program is very fortunate to have its dedicated and highly qualified coaches to ensure the clients are nurtured in coaching at Hawthorn, as it is a real challenge to find appropriate staff in the industry of tennis coaching. All coaching staff have an excellent rapport with both the children and parents, and I receive constant positive feedback from all concerned.

Advertising at the local schools has proven to be a great success, however now word of mouth is proving to be the best form of advertising. Many clients are talking about how well structured and organised the program is at Hawthorn which in response is drawing in clientele.

Regular pamphlet distributions to the local primary schools as well as a letterbox drop of 3,000 pamphlets to the surrounding homes promotes what is being offered in coaching at the Hawthorn Tennis Club.

McDonald's Hawthorn and Prince have continued to be generous sponsors throughout the year in providing encouragement and incentives to the children in the coaching program and their support has been much appreciated.

I am excited for the year ahead, ensuring that the club continues to grow in all facets!

Keep swinging,

Kelly Cooper and the Coaching Team

WORKS AND MAINTENANCE

The Works and Maintenance Sub-Committee (Andrew Simpson, Nadine Maloney, Gerry Paizis, Peter Robinson, David Sartori and Robert Tuck) are establishing a yearly maintenance program with a gardener now employed quarterly to undertake all necessary garden maintenance including the spraying of weeds and general pruning of shrubs and trees. The gardener was providing advice in regard to the pruning of the wisteria and looking at ways to reduce its weight due to the collapse of the support structure beneath it.

Following ongoing blockages of the toilets the Council arranged for an independent plumber to investigate the blockages experienced in the women's toilets. The plumber attended and found there was a 40mm offset pan collar which was causing the toilet to block. The plumber realigned the pan and installed a new bend with an access opening for future maintenance. It is understood the blockage issue has been rectified.

A successful working bee was held on Sunday 11 December 2016 and included the mounting of scorers on all courts, fixing wind breakers on the eastern fence of courts and putting lilydale toppings on the ground around the newly installed bike hoops.

During the course of the year the Sub-Committee are continuously involved in regular maintenance jobs including repairing rollers, canvas flaps on the housing of the rollers, lines on courts, signage on courts, the shade cloth, the gates between courts, hose nozzles, bags, nets and net cords. And, following heavy rains and high winds, the ongoing spreading of red porous on the courts. Other jobs included the cleaning of drainage pits and maintenance on the recycled water pumps and organising for a roof plumber to inspect the roof and plug holes.

The Club also purchased a new shed, with better security, for the coaching staff. And a motion sensor light was installed near the front gate.

During the course of next year the Sub-Committee will create a video, to be placed on the Club's website, to demonstrate what shoes should be worn on court and how to water, bag and line sweep the courts.

As we approach summer, an ongoing problem is the resurfacing of the courts, and ensuring red porous is applied to bald spots, after strong northerly winds blow. It is essential that our courts be watered before and after each set, right up to the fence line. Please don't forget that courts must always be bagged and watered after the finish of play.

The courts will be damaged if players do not wear correct tennis shoes. A tennis shoe must be flat with a herringbone sole pattern. Cross trainers, running and gym shoes must not be worn because their raised heel and sole patterns damage the surface.

Andrew Simpson

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Social activities at Hawthorn Tennis Club this year have included many and varied informal gatherings.

A very successful film/pizza night was held on Friday 29 July 2016 at the Lido Cinema to view Love and Friendship and then back to the club for pizzas and a few drinks. It is always a popular evening.

On 27 August 2016 Nadine Maloney invited all the Winter teams to an "end of season" hit of tennis and BBQ.

The Annual General Meeting on Sunday 23 October 2016 was also a great chance to catch up with a wide range of members and to celebrate traditions of the club.

The ever successful Christmas party was held on Sunday 11 December which was well attended, including a few young families, and raised \$102 by the raffle.

A large contingent of people, able to meet during working hours, met at Kooyong for the Kooyong Classic Tennis. Although the heat was a factor, a few quenching beverages came to the rescue!

Easter saw at least a dozen HTC players competing on the lawn courts at Shepparton. The sunny weather, superb courts, a well-run tournament and great comradeship, made the 4 day tournament a huge success. The club is planning to recruit more entries for Shepparton next year and is also researching other country tournaments.

The start of Winter Competition/Pennant Season was a good reason to invite all members to have a get together, meet team members and enjoy a barbecue. It was great to see old and new members enjoying the evening together.

The Finals of the French Open was a chance to get together at the home of Jim and Dedrie Green. Thanks go to them for their hospitality. Together with a group of members attending a comedy event at the local Lido Cinema Complex.

Sunday Social Tennis is a great chance for members to come along and join in rotating social sets and meet up with old members and get to know new members to the club. As the weather improves, we hope to see even more members join in.

Members have all shown keen interest in supporting players and then joined in celebratory drinks and a barbecue at the Annual Club Championships.

As in years past, we are all looking forward to the end of year Christmas Barbecue and Social Tennis afternoon. Watch club emails for further details.

Many thanks,

Elaine Cooper

MEMBERSHIP

Category	16-17	15-16	14-15	13-14	12-13
Full Paying	164	153	127	121	135
Mid Week	20	15	17	24	16
Junior	55	48	41	40	51
Life	12	12	12	12	11
Honorary	4	2	2	2	2
Social	4	1	7	7	6
TOTAL	259	231	206	206	221

Membership numbers have reached 259 this year, which continues the increase seen in 2015-16. This year we had 177 renewals and 82 new members.

We have welcomed members across all our membership categories this year including 30 full playing members, 21 junior members, 20 student members and 11 members across our mid-week, social and honorary membership categories. Nearly half of these new members are now participating in our competition teams, with others taking part in social tennis.

Our coach, Kelly Cooper, continues to refer members to the club particularly through our junior competition teams.

The club is fortunate in that its membership is for the most part very active. Members also cover very broad spectrums of age and standard of play. We welcome new members at all levels and in all categories. All members are encouraged to actively promote the club with the aim of continuing to increase membership.

Madeline Penny

MEMBERS 2016-2017

David Abbott Elaine Abbott Carole Ackland Juan Alvarez Wilma Anderson Renae Aron-Dawson Riveen Atukorala Graeme Ball Scott Barnes Ben Bartlett Helen Bartley Jon Bartley Sandra Beanham Jordan Beasley Tom Bennett Louisa Bennison Gurudutt Bhat Shweta Bhat Akshat Bhat Harry Bigg Susan Bitter Gabriella Bornstein Susan Bowman Lindy Broadfoot Drew Browning Henry Browning Nicholas Browning Duncan Buchanan Mandy Buckley Alex Budnik Joel Buncle Kate Campbell Dean Carroll Denise Carroll Finn Cassidy Rohan Chalisgaonkar Nikhil Chalisgaonkar Susan Chambers Julia Choate Sue Clarke Jeanette Clough John Clowes Sarah Condron Elaine Cooper Kelly Cooper Michael Crabb Frances Cumming Simon Currey Chris Curtin Ashley Davidson Reuben Davis John Delpratt

Thomas Diprose-Adams Wade Dixon Liz Dobson Yannick Dobson Birute Don Peter Don Sunny Dong **Bonnie Dowding** Leona Dowman Peter Durkin Mary-Jo Durrant Greg Edelmaier Sonny Edelmaier Michael Eriksen Margaret Farrow Charlie Ford Rosyln Forecast Patrick Fouvy Aniket Ghaskadvi Demetra Robert Gluth

Giannakopoulos Michael Golden Diego Gomes Lily Goss Tyler Goss Will Goss Tiffany Gourley Dedrie Green James Green Anne Greeves Andrew Hamilton Chris Hannan Chris Hardisty Lynn Heath John Heitlinger Anais Herbaux Gedeon Herschberg Gerhard Herzig Georgina Holloway Carmen Hollway Virginia Holmes Carolyn Holten Trevor Horwood Camryn Howell Derek Hu Xuehua Huang Mikiya Ichise Mary-Anne Jessup

Dale Johnston

Lachlan Jones

Benjamin Joyce

Emma Jones

Anna Joyce

Rachel Jones

Richard Joyce Tamara Jungwirth Kia Kashi Emma Kenshole Darcy Kiernan James King Jen King Lucy King Peter King Will King Alan Kirby Belinda Kleverlaan Alex Kotros Nicholas Kotros Andrew Kyd Samuel LaGamba Andrew Lam Margaret Larkins Elvin Lay Danqi Li Leong Liew Mary Liew Jonathan Liew Joshua Liew Elke Lindner David Lu James Luxton Peter Lynch Mengyu Ma James Macleod Nadine Maloney Sioned Malonev-Jones Anna Mammone Adam Marshall Alison Marshall Kate Marshall Rai Mathew Oliver McAliece Maria McGrath Robert McIntosh

Michelle McKinlay

Duane Merchant

Josh Mei

Janet Miller

Gina Moore

Tony Moraro

Catherine Mukhtar

Matthew Mukhtar

Michael Mukhtar

Nemeer Mukhtar

Morteza Namvar

Kavya Murthy

Krtin Murthy

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