

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The footballs and golf and hockey sticks are coming out of the cupboards now, and many of you will be putting racquets away for the winter. We have had some ideal playing days since Easter and we hope as many as possible will continue playing while this weather lasts. Our captains have had a strenuous season, and for the next few months a roster of other members will be prepared, leaving one person in charge of organizing sets during Saturday afternoons. It is hoped to maintain a nucleus of our rapidly growing band of promising juniors playing on Sunday afternoons, and we ask these players to contact Margret Napier if they are interested in winter activity. Balls will be available for general Sunday play, and sets will be organized by those present.

Our committee hope you have enjoyed your tennis and other activities at the club during the summer and we look forward to your support for future club activities.

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TENNIS NEWS:

Many members have been ranging far and wide during the last two months competing in country tournaments.

Rodney Skipworth won the Mens Singles at Cunderdin in March, and during Easter Keith Begley won the Mens Handicap Singles and Under 16 Singles at Wongan Hills. Robert Munton won the Junior Singles at Forrigin, and at Narrogin which was besieged by over 20 members, Doug and Margret Napier won the Mixed Doubles, Geoff Thomas and Jenny Whitely the Mixed Handicap Doubles, Michele Hullett the Ladies Handicap Singles, and with sister Leanne the Junior Girls' Doubles. A group of senior members visited Busselton in March with success on the court and plenty of socializing off it.

Congratulations to the Girls Under 16 Pennant team, comprising Mandy Morris, Robyn Wood, Debbie Hale and Jenny Loader for winning their division at pennants. This team worked very well together all season and deserved to win the grand final in a hard fought match by a margin of only a few games.

The club championship and handicap tournament events have all been completed. All events run during the tournament were well contested and many thanks go to all members who participated and untimately helped to make this tournament so successful.

TENNIS CALENDAR:-

CAPTAINS VERSUS PRESIDENTS MATCH.

This event will be held on SUNDAY 20th. APRIL commencing at 2pm. Two teams will be selected from those present, and a good afternoon of tennis is promised. Remember in the morning there is a working bee in the hall, followed by the Picnic lunch -- so bring your own food and drink and the family along and make a day of it.

VETERANS SOCIAL MATCH:

12 members are required to play a social match at Alexander Park on APRIL 27th., those veteran players (over 40's) who are interested please contact Kenin Fitzgerald.

SOCIAL NEWS:

* Approximately 100 people attended a very successful Ladies Gala Day which was held on April 10th. The work of a small but willing band of workers raised about \$114.00 for the club.

* About 30 junior members attended a very successful Junior Pennant Break-up at Whitelys, many thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Whitely for their hospitality.

* The 50th. Anniversary Dinner was a great success on the 12th. of April with over 100 people attending. Guests included the Patron of the club and Mayor of South Perth, Mr. J.G. Burnett and the President of the W.A. Lawn Tennis Association Mr. Morrie Beard and special club members Mr. & Mrs. Wally Parry. It was great to see many past members attending and reminiscing with present members.

* Great to see Dick Coward back at the club and enjoying the company of members, especially the women fold, he hopes to be back on the court in about a months time.

GENERAL NEWS:

Many members have enjoyed having a few drinks and some fellowship following the days play, and arising from this it has been felt desirable to erect some room where members could enjoy more comfort than at present available, particularly as the hall is invariably let when we plan a barbecue or other social gatherings at the conclusion of play.

We know many members have some good ideas to offer on this proposal, so that we can look into this more fully, would you put your ideas into writing and pass them to the Secretary.

COMMUNITY RECREATION COUNCIL:

We have received a grant of \$180.00 towards the purchase of four sets of free standing net posts and two umpires chairs.

HALL:

Congratulations to Ron and Joy Richman for the sterling job they are doing with the Hall. A lot of time has been put in by both Joy and Ron particularly in replacing the little wooden floor slats as they lift up with monotonous regularity. A working bee will be held on SUNDAY MORNING 20th. APRIL at 10 am. to bring the floor into order as complaints are being received from tenants. A picnic lunch will follow and as previously mentioned the Annual Captains versus Presidents Match will be held in the afternoon.

PLAYGROUND:

We are anxious to establish a sand pit and other play activities at the club. A suggested list is posted at the club - if you have an idea place it on the list - and if you know where the necessary items can be procured let the Secretary know.