

LUM NEWS

President's Report

Great weather is here and so is our Autumn newsletter.

Last month we held our Open Day - organized and run by our club coach Michael Dracos (with the help of a number of club members). It was a huge success and we were delighted to see so many people from outside the club who were interested in trying their hand at tennis. A more detailed report is contained in this newsletter



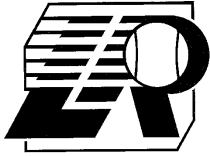
The men's senior pennant team has decided to swap competitions from the WDTA to the Tennis Victoria pennant competition. We wish them all the best for what should be a very competitive season. The midweek ladies have a couple of teams entered for the Autumn WDTA season. Unfortunately they have been hit by illness and injuries so we are hoping for speedy recoveries from one and all.

Where possible it would be appreciated if all members could have their membership tags either attached to their shoes or in a visible position. Occasionally we have visitors playing who are not registered to be on the courts. Club Committee Members or the Club Coach may ask for identification so having your membership tag handy will prevent any embarrassment.

Coincidentally and sadly we are seeking expressions of interest to fill vacancies for our court and clubhouse maintenance. Due to personal reasons both Ben Jinnette (Court) and Mary Katsigiannis (Clubhouse) have regrettably had to let their Lum Tennis Club appointments lapse. We would like to sincerely thank both Ben and Mary for the contribution to our club in the past and wish them all the best for the future.

To all our new members, welcome. May you have an enjoyable tennis experience at Lum during our autumn term and beyond.

Andrew Rintoul



Maintenance Report

Since the last newsletter the following maintenance items have been attended to:

- most of the net bands have required re-stitching - this involved the removal of the affected nets and their return to the supplier (in the interim spare nets have been installed to avoid the inconvenience of some courts not being available).
- the club house and some of the wind breaks had attracted some "artists" and left graffiti to be removed. Again our thanks go to Brian De La Pierre, one of our most active maintenance volunteers, for attending to this time consuming task.
- the development of weeds and moss on all courts has been taken care of by our maintenance man (Ben Jinnette) along with the other routine court maintenance items.

Oliver Wagner

COURT CARE

The courts drain very well and playing on the courts after rain is not a problem provided any surface water has gone.

Net height can be adjusted using the Velcro strip on the centre net band. Measuring sticks are provided. The winders are locked to prevent over-tightening of the net cord. The keys are kept in the first-aid cabinet.

CLUBHOUSE CARE

When locking up please ensure that the main clubhouse door is **both** latched and **locked** before closing the top bolt.



Maintenance and Clubhouse Cleaning

The current contractors for both of these tasks have indicated that they must relinquish their roles because of the pressure of other activities. So we are seeking replacements and would encourage any member who is interested, or knows of someone who may be interested, to contact the Secretary, John Steer, for a copy of the relevant position description. Neither role is particularly difficult and each involves only a few hours each week.

John may be contacted via lrtcinc@gmail.com

Juniors Report

Six junior teams were entered in the summer season just completed.

The results were as follows:

Boys A Reserve2 finished 3rd but lost in the semi-final

Triples B1 finished 3rd but lost in the semi-final

Triples C3 finished 2nd and lost in the grand-final by one game (28 to 29)

Triples C5 finished 2nd but lost in the semi-final

Triples D Special 1 finished 8th

Triples D8 finished 5th

Congratulations to all team members - we hope you enjoyed the competition and look forward to your participation next season. Special thanks to Peter Katsigiannis for his organisation of all the teams and to the parents who assisted with the transport of the teams.

The winter season will begin on May 2nd, 2015.

Seniors Report

A Reserve 1 (Rubbers) finished the just-completed summer season in 3rd place with 93.0 points and 116.85%

Mid-week Competition Report

Monday night

At the half-way mark of the autumn season:

Ladies' Doubles B currently 3rd with 21 points and 139.77%.

Ladies' Doubles C Special 1 currently 4th with 9.0 points and 62.18%.

Tuesday morning

Ladies' A4 No report provided

Wednesday morning

Mens' A Reserve 1 is currently 7th with 9.0 points and 76.30%.

Mens' B Special 1 is currently 5th with 25.0 points and 94.16%.

Thursday morning

Ladies' A Grade 1 is currently 7th with 16.0 points and 47.45%.

Ladies' B Special 1 is currently 8th with 7.0 points and 60.77%.

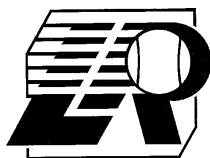
Thursday afternoon

Section 1 Mens' is currently 4th with 49 points and 70.11%.

Section 4 Mens' is currently 3rd with 46 points and 134.1%.

Section 5 Mens' is currently 4th with 33 points and 100.78 %.

(* all results as of 23/3/'15)



General Reports

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Since publication of the last newsletter we have gained the following new members: Wayne Davies, Norman George, Andrea Han, Anthony and Philip Kalidoudis, Tzyh Liu, Devang Parikh, Liane Schuhen, Daljit, Divyana, Geetha and Shayna Sedeora, Christabelle and Naomi Sirtana, Jared and Kirsten Van Niekerk, James and Jun Wang and Harry Waters.

Our membership subscriptions include registration with the state governing body, Tennis Victoria. When we update our membership data with Tennis Victoria, they automatically send out a receipt by email, based on our current fee for the particular membership category. As their system is not aware of credit amounts or household discounts, there can sometimes be a difference between the actual amount paid and the amount shown on their receipt.

MID-WEEK SOCIAL TENNIS

Each Monday the ladies play in the morning starting at 9:30am and finishing with a cup of tea and a chat. A separate group of men play, starting at 9:00am. New players are always welcome – just turn up.

TUESDAY NIGHT TENNIS

Our in-house unisex doubles ladder competition has just finished its first season for 2015. This is a graded competition and covers a range of abilities.

Trevor Topliff finished on top of the ladder with Peter Ryan in second place. Congratulations!

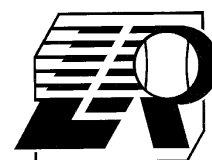
Social play will continue each Tuesday beginning at 7.30 pm until the next season starts on April 14 and new players are always welcome, even during the season. If you are interested, contact **Russell** on **9560 3589** or come along on a Tuesday night and have a look.

THURSDAY NIGHT TENNIS

Our in-house singles/doubles ladder competition has finished its first season for 2015 and will start a new season on April 16. Bernard Hendrey topped the ladder (for the fifth term in a row), with the best junior being Daniel Mucha and the rising star award going to James Mucha. Congratulations!

We are always looking for new players to join us. It is a graded, unisex competition in which each player plays 2 doubles and





a singles against his or her opponent for the night.

If you are interested, contact **Peter** on **9560 5040** or come along on a Thursday night and see what it's all about.

MID-WEEK COMPETITION TENNIS

We have teams in the ladies' competitions on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and mens' competitions on Wednesday mornings and Thursday afternoons.

Ladies contact Ann Coster on 9803-5331

Men contact Russell Cooper on 9560 3589.

Coaching Report

The past term for Mad Athletes has been fantastic. We have established record numbers in our coaching program following the highly successful Open Day held in February. We now have 5 squad programs, 4 adult classes as well as many group sessions and private sessions on offer

We offer all new participants a FREE TRIAL in any of our group sessions and believe you will love our coaching style and want to continue

learning new techniques/ideas in the purpose-designed classes.

Nearly all junior players in competition attend one or more of our programs resulting in great improvement in standard. This is likely to lead to several more junior teams playing competition tennis in the year ahead.

Please feel free to approach me, or any of the Mad Athletes coaches, in order to answer any questions



Michael Dracos

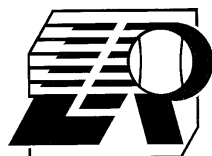
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As you may know Lum Reserve have received valuable support from BCB Pinewood via Waverley Tennis as a result of our club members supporting the bank with account business. It is important that this business grows with more members contacting the bank at Pinewood (phone 9886 6477) to discuss the various service opportunities, whether that be deposits, credit card, cheque or on-line accounts, or mortgage loans. At this time BCB Pinewood is able to offer special rebates to clubs where members take out one of the very competitive mortgage loan options on offer. Please speak to any of the staff for a competitive quote, but it is important that you mention the connection with Waverley Tennis and Lum Reserve. If you already have account business at BCB Pinewood or are intending to establish a connection it is helpful, but not essential, to inform the Club Treasurer (in confidence and without revealing any detail). This will assist the Club in building the relationship and ensuring the Club receives recognition.

If you would like further information before contacting the bank, please contact Club

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

The Entertainment Book for 2015/16 will be available in April/May 2015. Please support the Club by reserving your copy as each copy sold involves a small fee to the Club. This year a digital edition will be available for the first time.

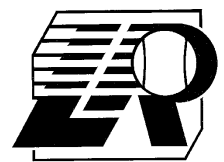
Contact **Margaret Ware** on **9560 3309** to reserve your copy.

TENNIS VICTORIA VALIDATION

As mentioned earlier, each new club member is registered with Tennis Victoria. This provides player insurance as well as other benefits. Tennis Victoria is encouraging registered players to validate their details on their website. Players who do so before April 7th this year will each earn our Club a \$5 rebate. To date just over half of our club members have validated their details, with the current rebate being \$445. We propose to initiate reminder emails to the remaining members and hope that as many as possible will do so to maximise the benefit paid to the Club.

VISITORS

Visitors are welcome but a club member must accompany them, they must wear correct tennis shoes and pay the appropriate visitor fee - \$2 for juniors and \$5 for adults (over 17). The money should be deposited in the money-box located beside the club-house gate.



OPEN TENNIS DAY

Our resident Coach, Michael Dracos, held a successful Free Tennis Day at Lum Reserve Tennis Club on Sunday, February 8th. The day was well attended by both adults and children eager to get involved with our great game. Michael had arranged additional coaches to ensure fun and interest all day - judging by the buzz around the courts nobody was disappointed.

Many people stayed the whole day moving from activity to activity. A favourite with the young ones was the face painting and with the Mums and Dads the BBQ was well patronised. Competition was fierce at the Radar Gun to see who had the fastest serve of the day.

A fantastic day was had by all with Michael signing up 29 future champions to take advantage of his coaching skills. The Club, with Russell Cooper manning the membership desk, signed up 3 new members with the promise of additional members likely.

Well done Michael! We look forward to our next TENNIS DAY.

Everyone enjoying a great day of Tennis.

(Open Day pictures courtesy of Bill Wells.)



If you would like to make a suggestion, comment or have identified a web site that could be of interest to other club members, please email the details to me at the address below for possible inclusion in the next newsletter.

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Playing Opportunities at Lum Reserve

Monday morning
(9:00 am) Mens' social

Wednesday morning
Mens' competition

Saturday morning
Junior competition

Monday morning
(9:30 am) Ladies' social

Thursday morning
Ladies' competition

Saturday afternoon,
Senior competition

Tuesday morning Ladies'
competition

Thursday afternoon
Mens' competition

Also

Tuesday night (7:15pm)
Unisex doubles

Thursday night (7:15 pm)
Unisex singles/doubles

Lum enters men's, ladies
and mixed teams in the
WDTA night competitions.