



Official newsletter of the
Parramatta-Baulkham Hills & Districts
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COMMITTEE MEETINGS: (3rd Wednesday each month)

All meetings will be held at the Tennis Centre, commencing
at 7.30pm sharp, unless otherwise advised.

OPEN MEETINGS: July & October

COURT HIRE:

Bookings: Mr J. May (Caretaker/Coach)
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MEMBERSHIP FOR 2006-07 IS NOW DUE

Renewal form is available on the website at:
www.parratennis.net.au or at the kiosk.

DON'T DELAY DO IT RIGHT AWAY!

Local coach a hit at Newk's Tennis Ranch

John Thompson, who has played in Parramatta Association for approximately 20 years, has recently returned from a three month coaching stint at John Newcombe's Tennis Ranch in Texas, USA.

John has been one of our Association coaches, former junior age and grade champion, junior and senior competition player, interdistrict representative, NSW team representative and satellite circuit player.

His motivation for applying, beyond the experience itself, was to add to his knowledge of coaching and to see what programs and techniques he might be able to bring back and introduce at our Parramatta complex.

It appears John quickly gained the respect of the academy director, Bob McKinley, as he was made a fulltime Academy Pro (coach) after just two weeks of being there and prior to leaving he was offered a fulltime position.

As an "Academy Pro", John was given the job of being a Co Director of an Adult's weekend which involved 82 guests and to travel with the juniors to USTA tournaments.

It was a great opportunity for John to not only see, but to be personally involved in the day to day operation of a big Academy. He said the academy had 40 juniors who lived at the Ranch fulltime and approximately 65 others who came in every afternoon for practice. Over 100 juniors every day on a complex of 28 courts. An AWESOME experience he said.



The standard of juniors John worked with at the Academy included Christian Harrison who was the # 3 USA 12 years boy and who recently won the Orange Bowl, Kristi Boxx the # 8 USA 14 years girl, Ryan Harrison the #1 USA 12 years boy and Kendra Ivey the # 12 USA 14 years girl.

John who is a very enthusiastic and passionate tennis coach has introduced some of the techniques he has learnt in Texas to the NSW Hardcourt Tennis Association junior training squads he coaches at Parramatta, his own squads and to private pupils he is coaching. He also put together a corporate event which was run at the Association Complex on the 28th April involving 22 people and is organising a team of talented juniors to travel with him to Newk's Ranch and then onto some USTA tournaments in October 2006.

For those who may want to talk to John about his experiences, coaching, or upcoming events, phone him on 0410 625 547 or (02) 4733 3954 (after hours).

Competition Results

MONDAY NIGHTS:

Div 1: Once Were Volleyers;
Div 2. The Transformers;
Div 3. Triple Faults;
Div 4. The Sandpeople

TUESDAY NIGHTS:

Div 1: TRIPLE TREATS 3/28 def. 3
STOOGES 1/12;= 4-set winners:
Ron Dennis & Chris Giulieri.

Div 2: FYNNTASTICS 4/27 def.
THE FAMILY 2/21; 4-set winner: Nil.

LADIES MIDWEEK:

ALVINA 1 5/36 def. NAOMI 2 2/25;
4-set winner: Diane Bugeja.

Virginia has handed over the running of this comp. to June Lovett who is a fitting replacement. Please give her your assistance whilst she's learning the ropes.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON MIXED:

Parra Hat-Trick

Parra teams won all 3 divisions of the Summer Competition – congratulations to all players. The finals were hosted by the Hills Association who provided a sausage sizzle which was enjoyed by all.

The results were:

Division 1:

Naomi def Merinda 5/43 to 3/28

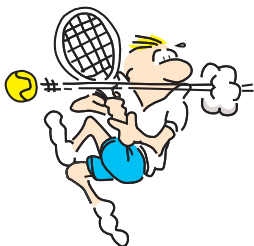
Division 2:

Naomi def WPH Sportz 6/49 to 4/40

Division 3:

Capri def CTC1 5/44 to 5/41

The next competition commenced on 27 May, 2006.



Did you know??

- Your President, Denzil Campbell, is on the board of Tennis NSW?
- Lleyton & Bec now reside in our neck of the woods, at Kenthurst?
- We will be hosting the Interdistrict Finals in September?

Injury Corner

Recent visitors to the surgery/hospital have been: **KAYE NEALON** broke her wrist whilst playing Ladies Midweek. This was a pretty devastating trauma as she was booked to go to South Africa to represent Australia, yet again, in the World Veterans' Championships and she also missed her Saturday Afternoon Mixed Final. Awful bad luck, Kaye, but there's always next year and we know you're on the mend.

PEG HOYSTED: Broke some ribs whilst on the court. Again, Peggy has been a long-time representative for Australia in the World Veterans' Championships as well as a long-time supporter of the association. We send our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

MARGARET SPENCE: Broke her wrist whilst on the court (who said tennis was a tame sport). Margaret has been around Parramatta for eons and is a strong supporter of youth in tennis, particularly during Interdistrict time. We hope to see you with a racquet in your hand soon, Margaret.

From the President

Hello and welcome to the Parratennis website. What do you think of the new look courts? Fantastic aren't they! And more to come, see the details in the Court update. You may not be aware but all the work done at the complex is paid for from court hire, ball sales and membership fees. We also pay all the outgoings i.e. council rates and lease fees, water, electricity etc. So I urge you to pay your membership fees now so that we can keep up with the planned refurbishment program.

Court Update

During January courts 1-6 have been renewed with bases laser levelled, new grass laid and concrete kerbing around the perimeter. Courts 11-13 will be done during the July school holidays. Also the fences on all courts have been completely renewed giving the complex a standard look throughout. More details about further work will be advised in the next update. Until then, have a great time at the Quarrie, "The Best in the West".

Denzil Campbell (President)

On the Move

CIAO, ROSEMARY

Long-time Ladies Midweek stalwart (35 yrs), Rosemary Campton, has finally taken her racquet and gone south. Rosemary was Competition Secretary for a few years before handing over to Virginia Bowditch who, in turn, has now handed over to another long-time player, June Lovett.

Rosemary was a strong supporter of The Quarrie and always encouraged her many children to accompany her when they were young and then to play as they grew up.

I'm sure she won't hang up her racquet at her new address but will continue as long as her body will take the strain. Rosemary, you will be missed.

Coaching Tips

Court Craft Submitted by John May

1. Anticipate where the ball is landing before the ball bounces
2. Putting pressure on opponent by coming to the net and forcing them to rush and make mistakes
3. Always try moving to a position on court to use your strengths

2006 'Slazenger' Metro Hardcourt Championships

The 2006 'Slazenger' Metropolitan Hardcourt Championships will be conducted by the NSW Hardcourt Tennis Association in July.

The tournament, which is the largest in NSW, will be conducted in two sections. Open and Special events for men and women will be played from 6pm Friday 7 July, on Saturday 8 July and Sunday 9 July. The finals will be scheduled for Saturday 15 July. The winners and runners-up in Open and Special events will receive prize money with a purse of \$1,000 available for the winner of the Men's Open Singles. Play will be held at the Sydney International Tennis Centre at Homebush.

The junior section of the tournament will start on Monday 10 July with the 18, 16 & 14s events being conducted at the Sydney International Tennis Centre and at Auburn. The 12 and under events will be played at Cintra Park also commencing on Monday 10 July. The 10 and under events will commence on Thursday 13 July at Cintra Park.

Caitlin wins Champion of Champions title for third year

Tennis NSW and Hardcourt Tennis Association have just completed a junior development series of three tournaments for all Metropolitan players held at various venues on 12th and 26th March and 7th May.

The top 8 players of each age group qualified for a Champion of Champions event played at Barton Park, Parramatta on Sunday 21st May.

Caitlin Billingham, 13 years old from South Wentworthville representing Parramatta/Baulkham Hills Tennis Club, won the 14 years girls event after being undefeated throughout qualifying tournaments.

This title win was her third in consecutive years, winning the 14 years girls in 2005 and the 12 years girls in 2004.

Parramatta had four of its members qualify for this year's event. In the 14 year old girls, Caitlin Billingham, Fiona Billingham and Emily Wong. Ryan Waddington qualified to play in the 16 year old boys.

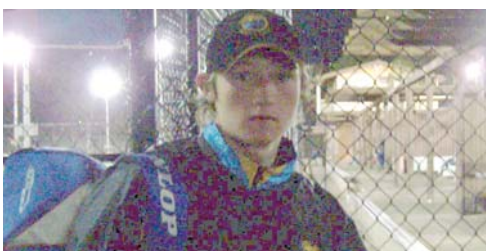
Congratulations to all these players.



Caitlin Billingham (left) with Brooke Taylor (runner-up).



Emily Wong (left) with Fiona Billingham.



Ryan Waddington.

Inter-district News

This year we are entering eight inter-district teams. Congratulations to the following players on their selection into their respective teams.

A.J. McAndrew Cup (boys 12 & under):

Frank Zhang, Richard Byan, Zak Gaynor, Andrew Riddell.

A.J. McAndrew Cup (boys 12 & under):

Stephen Touma, Jake Malki, Karley Ghamrawi, Ashley Blundell, Norm Nakhoul, Tony Nakhoul.

Esca Stephens (boys 14 & under):

Ryan Waddington, Ajay Balakrishnan, William Sacilotto, Jarren Serdar.

Esca Stephens (boys 14 & under):

Tyrone Smart, Joshua Absalon, Nicholas Poljak, Royce De Lean.

Wade & Neal (girls 14 & under):

Caitlin Billingham, Emily Wong, Fiona Billingham, Marissa Valle, Eloise Cook.

Irene Matthews (girls 16 & under):

Rebecca Melacrinis, Jessica Lock, Rachel Lau, Anastasia Robertson, Shannon Carter, Malissa Jakimouski.

Jack McCall Cup (senior ladies):

Margaret Gillespie, Ann Jones, Peg Hoysted, Marie Brandis, Margaret Spence, Sam Reid, Faye Yiannakopoulos.

George Fletcher Cup (senior men):

Cedric Newham, Brian Hoysted, Brian Curry, John Shepherd, Kevin Makin, Barry Spence, Vince Edwell, Lee Poletti.

We wish all of these teams well for the upcoming inter-district season.

Keep up to date

Want to know more about what's happening with tennis in your State and local area? Log on to www.tennisnsw.com.au and check out the Fire Up e-Newsletter.

Want to know more about your Association? Then log on to parratennis.net.au and have a look.

Dates to Remember



JUNE

9 Entries close for the Slazenger Metropolitan Tournament

9-12 Wollongong Junior Tournament

18 Interdistrict Competition Starts

30 Membership Fees Due

JULY

7-9 Slazenger Metropolitan Open and Special Events

10-15 Slazenger Metropolitan Hardcourt Championships

SEPTEMBER

10 Interdistrict Semi Finals/ Divisional Playoffs

17 Interdistrict Finals to be held at the Parramatta Complex

30 - October 2 Parramatta City Open Tournament

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