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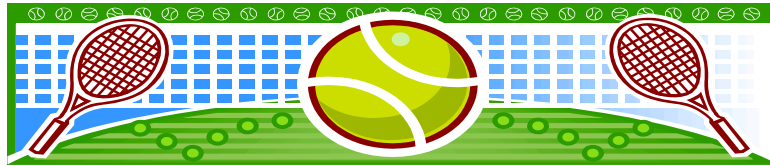
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Bubbles, Balls & Laughter



**Come and enjoy a fun social day of
tennis, fitness and laughter.**

you don't even need to have your own racquet!

Monday 18th of July 2011

10 am

Sale Tennis Club

Cost \$10 per head

(lunch included)

The day will include lots of socialising as well as:

- + guest speakers on women's health issues
- + a tennis lesson with an award winning coach from Topspin Tennis
- + a session with a personal trainer from Top Power Trainers
- + a yoga session with Gabrielle McMahon from Be Bliss Yoga
- + raffles - door prizes - goodie bags - and even some tennis

Tickets available from Howard and Schuback MegaSports

Or phone Carmel 0416 020569 or Debbie 51 497250

All money raised will be donated to

Gippsland Women's Health Service



Wellington Gippsland Tennis Association Championships

Wellington Gippsland Tennis Association Championships were completed on Sunday March 6 after rain delays caused mayhem for the organisers.

Sale players featured prominently with the most notable win being **Krystal Rawnson** in the **Open Women's Singles**. Krystal played **Lexie Joyce** and got home in two well fought sets. The match was played in fantastic spirit and it was a shame we had to have a loser. Well done to both girls.

Abe Schuback was runner up in the **Open Men's Singles** to **Mitch Allman** from Maffra. In a tough three set encounter Mitch outlasted Abe to become the youngest ever Open Men's Champion in Association history.

Full results were:

<i>Event</i>	<i>Winner</i>	<i>Runner Up</i>
Boys 10 Singles	Taylor Stephenson	Carl Jansen
Boys 12 Singles	Bayley Hill	Gus Leemon
Boys 14 Singles	Alex Trett	Cohen Schuback
Boys 16 Singles	Jamie Kemp	Cohen Schuback
Boys 18 Singles	Tom Wilson	Mitchell Allman
Girls 12 Singles	Holly Howes	Laura Jones
Girls 14 Singles	Ashley Telford	Sarah Scott
Girls 18 Singles	Lexie Joyce	Paige Wilson
Section 1 & 2 Boys Singles	Jack Foley	Ben Howes
Section 1 & 2 Girls Singles	Jamie Mitchell	Natalie Allman
Section 1 & 2 Girls Doubles	Sam Eldridge	Holly Howes
	Abbey Kinnish	Jamie Mitchell
Section 1 & 2 Mixed Doubles	Ben Howes	Jack Foley
	Holly Howes	Jamie Mitchell
Section 3 & 4 Boys Singles	Bayley Hill	Thomas Foley
Section 3 & 4 Boys Doubles	Macklin Raine	Liam Emms
	Jay Zmijewski	Cameron Maynard
Section 3 & 4 Mixed Doubles	Sarah Scott	Laura Jones
	Max McKenzie	Brandon Henness
Section 5 & 6 Boys Singles	Ben Mogridge	Gus Leemon
Section 1 Men's Doubles	Mitchell Allman	Nick Board
	Jamie Kemp	Mark Elliman
Section 1 Ladies Doubles	Kylie Board	Kerri Brown
	Misty Cook	Carmel Elliott
Section 1 Mixed Doubles	Kylie Board	Krystal Rawnson
	Abe Schuback	Nick Board
Women's Open Singles	Krystal Rawnson	Lexie Joyce
Men's Open Singles	Mitchell Allman	Abe Schuback

Well done to **Di Arnot** who helped to get the tournament through to completion, get the results published and generally keep the WGTA team organised.

Good Sports Award Leads to Further Nomination

Following our success in being awarded the joint winner of the Victorian Good Sports Club of the Year in 2010 the Australian Drug Foundation have nominated Sale Tennis Club for the 2011 national award entitled “***Excellence in Creating Healthy Sporting Communities***”.

This new award, sponsored by the Australian Drug Foundation, seeks to recognise best practice across the community sporting and recreation sector for the responsible management and prevention of harm relating to alcohol and other drugs. The award is open to all community sports clubs, codes or associations.

Nominees must show success in:

- Creating a culture that focuses on young people, families, sport and community activities while discouraging excessive alcohol and other drugs consumption.
- Achieving a positive change in the club's community profile.
- Attracting increased junior, family and community participation in community and sporting activities.
- Contributing to reduced alcohol and other drug related problems in the club and the local community such as alcohol related violence; *and*
- Enhancing the financial viability of the club through increased membership, sponsorship (non- alcohol related) and diversified income.

Award finalists and winners from around Australia will be announced at a Gala Dinner to be held at the culmination of Drug Action Week on 24 June, 2011 in Sydney. While it would be a great achievement to win the award the nomination is reward for the work put in over the past few years to ensure that we create a safe and friendly environment for all members and set a good example for our junior members. Continually highlighting the Good Sports message is one way for us to ensure that we reinforce the culture of responsible use of alcohol at our Club. We constantly strive to be a more welcoming and inclusive Club and this is just a further reinforcement of that message.

Night Pennant Player Lists

Our night pennants are now entering finals and we will have a full report on the winning teams and season highlights next newsletter.

However now is the time to get your name on the sheet for next season's pennant which will start in late July. The sheets are up on the Clubhouse notice board and we would love to see them full of enthusiastic players' names. Night pennant caters for players of all standards so get your name on the board, sign up a friend or two and enjoy many great evenings of tennis and social activities under our fantastic lights. With 14 lit courts we can cater for up to 56 players per night so get in early, bring your friends and enjoy the fun.

If you require further details please contact the following:

Monday Night	Nick Board	5144 1345	(Subject to sufficient numbers)
Tuesday Night	Mike Riley	5143 2444	
Wednesday Night	Nick Board	5144 1345	
Thursday Night	Robin Lowe	5144 7582	

Quote

“Preparation is the key to spontaneity.”

Country Week Champions – 2011

Sale, Maffra and Stratford clubs combined forces to be victors for the second year in row for both the men's and women's country week teams. This year was in Yarrawonga and following last year's wins both teams were moved up a section with the men to play B1 and the women playing Special B2. Bruce Carter, Mick Luke, Brett Figas, Murray Fitzclarence, Bruce Tatterson and Chris Deschepper formed the men's team while Jenny Luke, Jaclyn Figas, Misty Cook, Karen Brown and Di Arnot made up the women's team.

The Turnbull's bus cruised along nicely to our first coffee stop at Yarragon (we don't get too far at a time). Back on the bus and the conversation turned to Jaclyn's upcoming wedding...the dress....the ring...the reception etc. Before we knew it, it was lunch time. The Navman we had on the bus had a mind of its own and took us for a little joy ride through Euroa.....a nice little drive though. We arrived at Yarrawonga after hitting locust swarms and driving past paddocks with water everywhere. It is hard to imagine just how much rain they have had. Our motel was right on the river and we settled in to our rooms.

Yarrawonga had a few teething problems with some of their courts when the original site for extra courts came back with high levels of lead and all work had to cease. They then took over the high school oval and the showground's and prepared the grounds for the onslaught of tennis players. A lot of hard work went in to get them up to standard while the rain just kept on falling on them including 90mm the night before we arrived. Despite the floods the courts held up really well.

The week progressed with the men playing teams from the Wimmera, Beaconsfield, Stawell, Mud Island, Swan Hill, Maryborough and Wangaratta. The final held on Friday morning was against Wangaratta Lawn Tennis and a crushing effort meant they didn't need to take the court for the last set. Not to be out done....the women played teams from Rochester, Wodonga (2), Nyah West, Mt Prospect, Gippsland Charlton's Angels and Shepparton and in a smashing effort they also did not have to play the last set.

After the collection of flags and trophies it was back on the road and home for another year. Next year is back at Swan Hill, our favorite venue, where they put on a race meeting just to entertain us.



Country Week Champions L – R Chris Deschepper, Mick Luke, Bruce Carter, Misty Cook, Bruce Tatterson, Jacqui Figas, Jenny Luke, Karen Brown, Murray Fitzclarence, Di Arnot and Brett Figas.



Players Auction Results

Our 2010/11 pennant season was very competitive with some outstanding individual performances. The player's auction night was a fun evening and the bidding was very spirited. The final result of all of the auction action was as follows:

RND	DATE	PLAYER	GAMES	OWNER
1	2 Oct, 2010	AFL Grand Final Replay		
2	9 Oct, 2010	Auction not yet started		
3	16 Oct, 2010	Rebecca Wells	24/6	Michelle Shanahan
		Nick Board	24/5	MT Syndicate
4	23 Oct, 2010	Hailey Shanahan	28/10	Leanne Wilson
		Paige Wilson	28/10	Mick Wilson
		Lee Schuback	24/5	MT Syndicate
		Harry Kaandorp	24/5	Wayne Dennis
		Aaron Patten	24/5	MT Syndicate
5	30 Oct, 2010	Rebecca Wells	24/8	Michelle Shanahan
		Mark Di Pietro	24/6	Steve Shanahan
6	6 Nov, 2010	Hailey Shanahan	29/15	Leanne Wilson
		Steve Shanahan	24/7	Glenn Schuback
7	13 Nov, 2010	Kaz Deschepper	24/6	LED Syndicate
		Harry Kaandorp	24/6	Wayne Dennis
8	20 Nov, 2010	Rebecca Wells	24/9	Michelle Shanahan
		Nick Board	24/9	MT Syndicate
9	27 Nov, 2010	Paige Wilson	28/8	Mick Wilson
		Colin Bath	24/7	Colin Bath
10	4 Dec, 2010	Sam Foat	24/4	LED Syndicate
		L. Pritchett (Hanratty)	24/4	LED Syndicate
		Paul Egan	24/3	Kaz Deschepper
11	11 Dec, 2010	Kate Fox	24/4	LED Syndicate
		Steve Zaal	24/2	LED Syndicate
12	5 Feb, 2011	Wash Out		
13	12 Feb, 2011	Misty Cook	24/7	Steve Shanahan
		James Cooper	28/2	Hailey Shanahan
14	19 Feb, 2011	Debbie Kaandorp	24/10	MT Syndicate
		Wayne Dennis	24/6	Kim Dennis
15	26 Feb, 2011	B. Olsson (P. Wilson)	28/13	Mick Wilson
		Steve Zaal	24/3	LED Syndicate
		Nick Board	24/3	MT Syndicate
16	5 Mar, 2011	Bree K. (Hailey S.)	28/9	Leanne Wilson
		Steve Pritchett	24/6	MT Syndicate

A big thank you goes to Kaz Deschepper and Rebecca Wells for all of their work in compiling the statistics for both the Player Auction and the Player of the Year under somewhat trying circumstances. Next year we will try to make their jobs a bit easier.

Sale Tennis Club Player of the Year

With the completion of the Wellington Gippsland Tennis Association summer season we have the announcement of the Sale Tennis Club Player of the Year.

This year our winners were **Paige Wilson** and **Aaron Patten**. Needless to say both players had a fantastic and successful season. Aaron's team, Sale Hot Pink, were convincing winners in the WGTA Grand Final against Nambrok while Paige's played off in the GTA finals before going down to one of the eventual grand final teams. **Chelsea Rawnson** was only 2 points away in second while **Nick Board** had a bigger gap to catch Aaron but finished with a stellar aggregate. Coming in third were **Rebecca Wells**, whose second season was as good as her first, and **Lee Schuback**, the spiritual leader of the indomitable Hot Pink team.

Past winners have been **Leanne Evans** and **Nick Board** in 2007, **Carmel Elliott** and **Scott Templeton** in 2008, **Krystal Rawnson** and **Ron Crawford** in 2009 and **Misty Cook** and **Aaron Kennedy** in 2010.

Our top 10 were as follows:

	Women	Aggregate	Men	Aggregate
1	Paige Wilson	146.91	Aaron Patten	201.02
2	Chelsea Rawnson	144.83	Nick Board	171.12
3	Rebecca Wells	141.58	Lee Schuback	165.91
4	Johanna Mynard	141.21	Harry Kaandorp	156.36
5	Misty Cook	134.05	Tony Taylor	152.41
6	Karen Deschepper	122.10	Josh Deschepper	140.12
7	Debbie Kaandorp	120.21	Steve Pritchett	134.09
8	Kate Fox	116.77	Steve Zaal	130.95
9	Carmel Elliott	113.41	Abe Schuback	128.50
10	Kylie Board	107.69	Steve Shanahan	125.25

There were a couple of notable family efforts with Karen Deschepper and son Josh both on 5th and Kylie and Nick Board both in the top 10.

Paige and Aaron will be presented with their trophies in front of the crowd on Life Members Day on September 11.

Responsible Service of Alcohol Course – July 18

RSA Course

Sale Tennis Club will be the host venue for a "Responsible Service of Alcohol" (RSA) course on **Monday, July 18**. The course will go from 6.00 to 10.00pm and cover all of the things that you need to know to serve liquor in licensed premises. Successful participants will be issued with a Responsible Service of Alcohol certificate at the end of the course. As with the previous RSA course conducted at our Club, all STC members and their immediate family will be entitled to attend free of charge. The usual \$25 per person enrolment fee will be paid by the Club on behalf of all eligible members. Members of the general public are welcome to attend also, so you can bring along a friend, but if they are not members they will have to pay for themselves. Please reserve your place via email at theelms@netspace.net.au or on 5144 7582.

RSA Refresher Course

It is now a requirement that all RSA holders successfully complete the RSA refresher course within three years of completing their last RSA program. A valid RSA certificate number (printed on the top right hand corner of your original RSA certificate) is required in order to login and complete the course. A sample course for those simply wanting to refresh their knowledge can also be completed. The new RSA Refresher Course is available at the alcohol website: www.justice.vic.gov.au/alcohol for those club members who need to do the update.

Clubhouse Hire

Since finishing the current round of our Clubhouse renovations in 2010 it is becoming more popular as a venue for social functions. It is therefore useful to understand the way our Clubhouse hire now works. After considerable debate at General Committee level and a few highly unsatisfactory hire issues we have reviewed and resolved a final set of hire conditions. These are now set out in a comprehensive Hire Agreement that will be required before each hire.

The Clubhouse will now be hired only to **active financial members** and their immediate family and to businesses and organisations that have an ABN number. The hire fee for members will be \$350 and this will include reasonable cleaning costs. A \$250 bond will also be required to secure any potential damage to the Clubhouse or surrounds during the hire. (This bond is equivalent to our insurance excess.) Businesses and other ABN registered organisations will pay \$400 plus the \$250 bond. The keys to the Clubhouse will be available on the day of hire and must be returned by the following Monday.

Unless the hire includes the Club providing and serving alcohol, the bar fridge will be locked but the hirer will have access to the bar area for serving. All other facilities such as the oven, kitchen fridge, freezers, pie heater, plates, cutlery, tea and coffee, etc. will be available for use as part of the hire.

The Clubhouse must be left clean and tidy with all tables and chairs returned to their original layout, all benches wiped and rubbish and beverage containers put into the appropriate receptacles. Decorations are allowed but must be completely removed. We do not want old string, tape and streamers left for someone else to have to extract from the walls and beams later. Failure to attend to these basic clean up tasks will result in a loss of all or part of the \$250 bond.

Sale Tennis Club is a licensed venue but the liquor license is only to 12 midnight and all guests who are not members will be required to sign our visitors' book. If the function is to be held outside our license hours a special liquor permit will be required to be obtained and this will be the responsibility of the hirer.

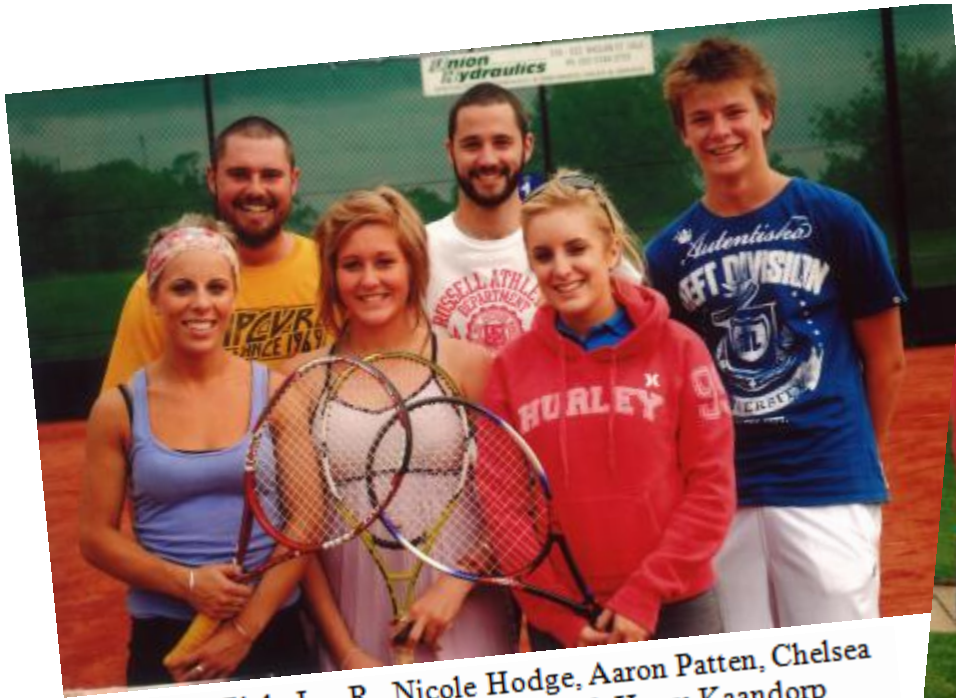
We now have a great space that is fully equipped for lots of successful functions. For a copy of the Clubhouse Hire Agreement or for bookings please contact Nick Board on 0407 863 463 or nick@topspintennis.net.au

AUSTRALIAN RANKINGS

Top 5 Men		ATP	Top 5 Women		WTA
1	Lleyton Hewitt	67	1	Sam Stosur	6
2	Marinko Matosevic	146	2	Jarmila Gajdosova	26
3	Matt Ebden	168	3	Jelena Dokic	59
4	Bernard Tomic	180	4	Anastasia Rodionova	74
5	Carsten Ball	183	5	Sophie Ferguson	134

Wellington Gippsland Tennis Finals – 2010/11 Pennant

Sale Hot Pink Triumphs



Sale Hot Pink L – R Nicole Hodge, Aaron Patten, Chelsea Rawnson, Lee Schuback, Jo Mynard & Harry Kaandorp

Sale Hot Pink eased through the WGTA Grand Final against Nambrok, 10 points to 1. Not wishing to put their final mixed under undue pressure they jumped out to an early lead and got home at a canter by 35 games. Thankful that they didn't need to "apply the whip" in the home straight they were able to start the celebrations early. Well done to Chelsea, Jo, Nicole, Aaron, Harry and Lee on a stellar season and STC's only senior pennant for this year. We are proud of you all and look forward to your title defence in 2011/12.





COACH'S CORNER

This month we are looking at the growing trend in adult tennis coaching.

It is great to see so many of our adult members not only still playing competitive tennis but also still intent on learning new techniques and strategies to give them a slight edge over their rivals.

A lot of tennis players think that you “can’t teach an old dog, new tricks” but that is incorrect (in tennis anyway). Regardless of your current standard there are many things that you can learn about your own game from either having a lesson or by having a tennis coach watch one of your matches.

Following the success of the Tennis Australia program “Mums Tennis”, at Topspin Tennis we are offering all Sale Tennis Club adult members a chance to have 50% off a private tennis lesson with one of our coaches.

Sessions can be booked morning, afternoon or evening, so come along and get more out of your game.

Please check the website for upcoming events www.topspintennis.net.au

Roger Rozmus Pennant - *Junior Twilight Tennis*

The Roger Rozmus Pennant commenced in April. The Roger Rozmus Pennant is made possible through the generous support of Rositah Rozmus and is being conducted to honor the memory of Roger Rozmus. Roger was a very keen junior at Sale Tennis Club before work commitments took him around the world.

Teams are as follows:

	TEAM NAME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2
A GRADE			
1	Macalister Homes	Jake Weir	Jake Killeen
2	Brown Wigg	Megan Harrison	Ben Howes
3	H & S MegaSports	Ryan Maynard	Bayley Hill
4	Lazzaro Bros.	Miles Sabitino	Sam Piddington
5	Davids Menswear	Paige Wilson	Lexie Joyce
6	Thomson River Golf	Cohan Schuback	Jack Collins
7	WHK	Holly Howes	Laura Jones
8	Tanjil Heating & Cooling	Liam Emms	Chris Smith
B GRADE			
1	Spider Sprayers	Molly Birdsey	Maddy Hewitt
2	Jumpin' Around	Taylor Stephenson	Ben Foote
3	Paint Rig	James Costin	Corey Scott
4	John Elliman Real Estate	Rhys Farley	Daniel Brown
5	Kwik Tip	Tim Van Emmerick	Bridgit Hanratty
6	Dyers Transport	Tom Hunt	Joshua Hanratty
7	Riviera Signs	Victor Forcadela	Taydan Wheal

C GRADE

1	Bruce Carter Fencing	Murray McLaren	Ben Elliott
2	Glencoe Lime	Abbey Rietschel	Maggie Tattersson
3	Union Hydraulics	Chandler Hollands	Gil Aitken
4	Sale Turf Club	Charlie Harrison	Brooke Ainsworth
5	Leemac Cleaning	Joshua Dowell	Cameron Ainsworth

For further information contact Nick Board on 0407 863 463 or nick@topspintennis.net.au

Junior News

Summer Pennant

After a number of teams making finals this year two were able to make it to the Grand Final with Section 6 team Sale Hart runners up after a terrific season. Team members included **Corey Scott, Taylor Stephenson, Ben Shanahan, Chloe Haylock, Ali Taylor** and **Meg Gordyn**.

In Section 4 Sale Pritchard was victorious after dominating the competition for the season. Players in the Clubs only premierships for the season were **Bayley Hill, Thomas Foley, Victor Forcadella, Heidi Bedggood** and **Laura Jones**. Well done to all.



Sale Pritchard L to R Victor Forcadella, Bayley Hill, Tom Foley, Laura Jones & Heidi Bedggood

The end of season break-up and player awards night was held at the end of the pennant season. As always a lot of fun was had by all players who attended with community teams matches the highlight with team "Collo" coming out on top. Free pizzas followed with the player statistics awards announced to cap off a great night. Winners of this year's awards were as follows:

Sect 1 -	Boys – Bradley Olsson	Girls – Paige Wilson
Sect 2 -	Boys - Jack Foley	Girls – Holly Howes
Sect 3 –	Boys - Austin Turnbull	Girls – Lauren Freeman
Sect 4 -	Boys – Tom Foley	Girls – Heidi Beddgood
Sect 5 -	Boys – Liam Hanratty	Girls – Molly Birdsey
Sect 6 -	Boys – Cameron Maynard	Girls – Ali Taylor
Sect 7 -	Boys – Louis Jones	Girls – Lauren Conn
Sect 8 -	Boys – Hamish Telfer	

The Junior Committee congratulates all teams on a terrific season for the Club.

Tennis East Gippsland Junior Masters Finals

The Tennis East Gippsland Junior Masters Finals were played on March 27 in Bairnsdale. Sale was represented by **Thomas Foley, Bayley Hill, Ben Shanahan, Laura Jones, Jack Foley, Brandon Henness, Corey Scott** and **Jamie Mitchell**.

Those that won through to become the Regional Junior Masters for 2011 were **Bayley Hill** and **Laura Jones**, both in the 12 & Under. This was a fantastic effort by both our winners. All players from Sale acquitted themselves very well. Prior TEG Junior Masters winners in the 12 & Under have been **Bradley Olsson** in 2008 and **Lexie Joyce** in 2006, **Paige Wilson** in 2007 and **Megan Harrison** in 2008.

Queen's Birthday Junior Tournament - 11 - 13 June, 2011

Sale Tennis Club will host a Tennis Victoria Junior Tournament on the Queen's Birthday long weekend. This tournament is an Australian Junior Rankings Tournament and will offer an opportunity for Gippsland juniors to play for Australian ranking points at the entry level. The tournament will offer Boys and Girls Singles and Doubles for the following age groups: 12 & Under, 14 & Under and 16 & Under.

This is a great chance for our local players to gain ranking points at a national level without the need for expensive travel. The tournament will give an opportunity to play on the 200 seat stadium courts on one of country Victoria's best porous surfaces and will host some of the leading juniors from around the State.

Catering will be available and there will be a free **Subway** meal voucher for every entrant. A barbeque will be held at the Clubhouse on Saturday night. We will be looking for volunteers to help out over the long weekend of the tournament. If you can spare an hour or a day please contact Nick Board on 0407 863 463.

Midweek Ladies News

The 2010- 2011 season of midweek ladies at the Sale Tennis Club has seen the return of the dedicated team of women involved in playing and organizing our Monday Ladies teams. All women are to be congratulated on the manner and spirit in which they conduct themselves during the season.

Season 1 2011 Results: Congratulations to our aggregate winners: - Jenny Luke (Section 1); Celeste Jackson (Section2) and Cheryl Cope (Section3).

We had 4 out of our 5 teams play off in the semifinals on the 30th of May 2011. Commiserations to the Section 3 Sale Pelicans, Karen Pollett, Carolyn Dyer , Kaye Bedggood and Celeste Jackson on their semifinal loss and the end of their finals campaign.

Congratulations to the following girls who have made it through to the Grand Final: Section 1 Sale Swans - Carmel Elliott, Kerri Brown, Jenny Luke and Jo Ballinger and Section 3 Sale Wrens - Debbie Krusic, Poss Joyce, Cheryl Cope and Julie Murray.

The 30th of May also happened to be Jenny Luke's birthday so of course there was cake, balloons and a song. Jenny generously allowed us to celebrate her birthday and of course a win on the court.



Kerri Brown and Jenny Luke are all smiles after their semifinal win against Maffra Goolangong

The Grand Final of Section 3 looks like being an all Sale affair. Sale Magpies made it over the line by 1 game against Maffra Smylies. The Sale Magpies and the Sale Doves will take to the courts on the 6th of June at Sale in the preliminary final match.

Grand Finals for all sections will be played at Sale on the 20th of June. We wish all our girls the best of luck and happy hitting.

Season 2 starts on 25th of July with play starting at 12 pm. Teams are currently being selected so if you would like to play please contact Debbie Krusic ph. 5149 7250 or Carmel Elliott ph. 0416 020 569.

Looking to the future: Tennis Victoria is once again assisting with a *Mum's in Tennis Program*. This program will be run by Nick Board at the Club in the second half of 2011.



Sale Magpies enjoying their morning tea with the Maffra Smylies

Bubbles, Balls & Laughter

On the 18th of July we will hold a fun fundraising event at the Sale Tennis Club to raise funds for Gippsland Women's Health Service. So far we have had the following people and companies generously donate their goods and/or services: Topspin Tennis, Top Power Personal Trainers, Be Bliss Yoga, WHK Accountants, Asics Victoria, Head Tennis, Anne Fleming (Sale), Holden Sale City and Howard and Schuback.

Our 2010/2011 Ladies' Committee: Our committee put in another splendid effort to maintain the smooth and efficient running of our Club's participation in the Wellington Tennis Association Midweek Ladies Pennant.

Debbie Krusic is to be congratulated on her tireless effort as the Club's ladies delegate. Kaye Bedggood does the often unseen and unnoticed job as our recording officer. Debbie Jackson, Robyn Hughes and Jill Anderson all put their hands up to retain their positions as secretary, treasurer and purchasing officer respectively. Their generous donation of their time and effort was very much appreciated.

The selection committee of Kaye Bedggood, Julie Murray, Cheryl Cope and Karen Brown also contributed their valuable time. Selecting teams is a thankless task which these girls accomplish with the team spirit that Sale Tennis Club epitomizes.

Our 2011/2012 Ladies Committee comprises of:

President: **Carmel Elliott**

Secretary: **Debbie Jackson**

Treasurer: **Kerrie Brown**

Association Delegate: **Debbie Krusic**

Purchasing Officer: **Julie Murray**

Milk Supplier: **Karen Brown**

We are currently seeking player's names for next season due to start on 25th of July. Players can contact Carmel Elliott 0416 020 569 or Debbie Krusic 5149 7250.

As always, "Happy Hitting"

Carmel Elliott, President, Ladies Committee, Sale Tennis Club

Out & About

Annual General Meetings

Juniors

The Annual general Meeting of the Junior Committee will be held at 6.30 pm on **Sunday June 5**, immediately preceding the senior Annual General Meeting. All parents of juniors are requested to attend.

Seniors

The Senior AGM will be conducted at 7.30 pm on **Sunday, June 5**. Please make an effort to come along, show some support, volunteer for a Committee position or even a few small jobs (We are all busy!!) and generally help to make ours a better Club.

Northern Exposure

Popular long time Sale Tennis Club members **Kim** and **Wayne Dennis** are leaving Sale in June for sunnier shores. Kim and Wayne have been regulars in both Saturday pennant and Thursday night pennant teams for many years. Always around if there was a salad required or a working bee or a repair needed, they will be missed by all at the Club. Just as importantly they were always around if there was a social function or after tennis drinks required as well. Kim and Wayne have purchased a house in sunny Queensland so we will all now have somewhere to stay when we are up North!!! Everyone at Sale Tennis Club wish Kim and Wayne the very best on their move and hope that they will drop in and say "Hello" any time they are back in Sale.

There is also a scurrilous rumor that their combined ages this year will be 100. (That's funny as Wayne does not really look 79. Surely the rumor must be wrong!)

Trivia Night – March 5

In the best night out in ages we had nearly 100 people at a Trivia Night on March 5. Initially the brainchild of **Kylie Board** and then beautifully orchestrated by **Nick Board** and **Abe Schuback** the night was a huge success. **Peter Morrison** was our quizmaster and his questions managed to range from the obvious to the obscure. There was something for everyone! Added to this was a sense of theatre as various side competitions were wheeled out during the night. The highlight was no doubt the impromptu strip tease put on by a small troop who shall, out of modesty, remain nameless (but if you were to guess Tom, Lee, Aaron and Harry we might be able to confirm the rumor.)

As always our thanks goes to the organisers, **Kylie** and **Nick Board** and **Abe Schuback**, our Bar Staff, **Tahlia Deschepper** and **Hayden Jackson**, **Murray Fitzclarence**, **Di Arnot** and **Karen Deschepper** for organizing the bar and catering, our prize donors, **Nick** and **Kylie Board**, **Glenn Schuback**, **Steve** and **Michelle Shanahan**, **Peter** and **Angela Lowe**, **Robin** and **Joan Lowe**, **John** and **Sandi Elliman**, the **Star Hotel**, the **Lakeside Club** and finally **WHK Accountants** for the use of their boardroom chairs.

Dishwasher Delight

Reece Plumbing Supplies recently donated a \$1,000 voucher to our Club as part of their community support effort. This was a much appreciated gesture and we used it to put the final finishing touch to our new kitchen by adding a brand new dishwasher. This flash new machine has us feeling "like a rat with a gold tooth". The dishwasher will be very handy during major functions and events so that hopefully our hard working caterers can at least take a moment to enjoy themselves rather than slaving over the sink. A big "Thanks" goes to **Reece Plumbing Supplies** for their generous support. If you need plumbing, kitchen or bathroom appliances **Reece** can help. They are at 329 York Street, Sale and can be contacted on 5144 4644.

Gippsland Singles Final in Maffra

Josh Deschepper had a series of great results in Maffra over Easter where he was runner up in the **Gippsland Men's Singles Final**. Josh defeated Darcy Cook in the semi-final before going down 5-10 to Ryan Pattle in the Grand Final. This is a significant event for Sale as we were the former hosts until handing it over to Maffra when our annual tournament went into recess. It would be great to see a Sale player back on the trophy soon and Josh might just be the one next year. We hope so.

Josh also had a great run in the Men's "A" Singles - Rd 1 v Callum Tomlinson-Dale 8-6, Rd 2 v Charlie Edgecombe 8-0, Semi-final v Ryan Pattle 8-4 Grand Final - lost to Nick Pratt 5-8 and Men's "A" Doubles, with James Cooper, where they lost the Grand Final to Mark Stevens and Mitch Allman 5-8.



Liquor Licensing

We recently had a visit from Kellie Fixter, Compliance Inspector from Responsible Alcohol Victoria to discuss all aspects of our Liquor License. Kellie was most helpful in ensuring that our Club was properly aware of its obligations and we have already made some changes to ensure that we are not in breach of some of the more technical items in the licensing laws. At our Annual General Meeting on June 5 we will add an additional clause to our Constitution to ensure that oversights on signing our non-members book do not cost us a nasty fine.

Roof Repairs

Over the next two months we will replace the roofing iron on the original part of the Clubhouse. This iron has been there since 1971 and has done mighty service but it has finally given up and started to let the outside in.....but only when it rains! We are pleased to say that **Wellington Shire** has been able to assist with some funding toward this expensive process. A Council approved contractor will soon be on site to install the new iron, which will be of a different type to the current corrugated iron, and hopefully it will keep the outside outside for at least a further forty years. Our thanks go to our Club sponsors, **Dahlsens Building Centres**, who kindly provided all of the materials for the job at 'mates rates' in order to make the whole project viable. We really appreciate their support.

20th Anniversary Targa Tasmania

Sale Tennis Club members **Robin** and **Peter Lowe** competed in the 20th Targa Tasmania in April. Competing in their 1971 Datsun 240Z this was their 10th Targa Tasmania and one of their most successful. The Lowe's were 23rd outright out of a field of 100 classic cars and 15th on handicap.



In achieving this result they received a Targa Trophy for completing all stages within the maximum time and also won their class. This result adds to the Golden and Platinum Targa trophies that the Lowe brothers have won over their 10 year involvement with Targa Tasmania.

Recycling

With up to 3 cubic metres of recycling material going into landfill each week our General Committee has started to look for alternative solutions. With this in mind we have applied for a Keep Australia Beautiful Beverage Container Recycling Community Grant. If successful we will buy a purpose built trailer to take the recyclables to the Transfer Station and refit our inside and outside bins to separate the recyclables from the rubbish. Not only will we save precious resources by recycling we will also save ourselves a tidy annual sum by being able to reduce the number of pick-ups needed on our big blue bin from Kwik Tip.

The Community Grant scheme is funded by Coca Cola and supports "innovative best practice recycling programs in Australia at a local community level". Outcomes of the grant application will be known by June 26 so we hope to be making a difference early in the new financial year.

While on an environmental theme we have also applied for a Solar Energy Grant through Sustainability Victoria. This was submitted in January, 2011 but the new State Government is reviewing its sustainability grants program so it might be some time before we know if we are successful. If we are successful we will be able to use solar electricity to produce a significant amount of the electricity that we use each year. With an electricity bill that tops \$1,000 most months, any savings would be most welcome and as an added bonus we will reduce our impact on the environment. We will report on the outcome of this application as soon as we are advised.

Steve & Lisa Harrison Win Top Award

Former Sale Tennis Club players **Steve** and **Lisa Harrison** of Giffard West have “scooped the pool” in the **Gippsland Sheep Breeders' Association** trials which concluded at Stratford on May 24. Steve and Lisa entered their five best wethers for judging in a three year trial. Over the three years the sheep were shorn annually and the wool valued along with the value of the five animals at the end of the trial. The farmer with the highest total value won the trial and that was Steve and Lisa, who not surprisingly, were absolutely delighted with the outcome.



Fleece judge Malcolm Nicholls, from Elders' National wool selling centre in Melbourne, says he was impressed by the quality of fleeces which will earn producers a premium price in what is already a strong market.

Continuing the Sale Tennis Club theme, long time member and player, **Ivan Best**, was runner up. It must be good soil down there in Giffard West.

Well done to Steve, Lisa and Ivan on a great result and for proving that Sale Tennis Club players produce a lot more than just the odd double fault.

Quote

The brave do not live forever but the cautious do not live at all.

Calendar of Events

*	June 5	Junior Committee Annual General Meeting – 6.30 pm
*	June 5	Annual General Meeting – Sale Tennis Club – 7.30 pm
*	June 11 - 13	Tennis Victoria Junior Tournament – Sale Tennis Club
*	June 24	Roger Rozmus Pennant Grand Finals
*	June 26	Australian Drug Foundation National Awards Announced
*	July 18	Bubbles, Balls & Laughter - Sale Tennis Club
*	July 18	Responsible Serving of Alcohol Course – STC 6.00pm
*	August 28	Working Bee – Sale Tennis Club - 9.30 am
*	September 11	Life Members Day – Sale Tennis Club
*	October 30	Sale Cup - Greenwattle Racecourse, Sale

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