

MCC Real Tennis Section Autumn Newsletter 2013

Upcoming events 25 March AGM @ MCC

5 April Club Night & Pennant 3 May Marylebone CC visit and dinner 19 May MCC v BTC @ Romsey

All year Gold Racquet

Club Championship

Welcome to the first newsletter for 2013. Please mark the above dates in your diaries now! Call Greg Reid if you want to be a part of the tennis, and please contact Fred (Rob) Kininmonth for catering purposes if you are coming to our club night with the other MCC in May. As always, guests are very welcome to attend dinner or to get on court.

The Melbourne community of MCC (Lord's) will be visiting us in May ahead of the Ashes to see what the game is about and hopefully try it out. There will be a more formal meal than usual, please let one of us know if you wish to join in.

Annual General Meeting

All section members are welcome to join us for the AGM. You would have received a formal notice for this meeting, please let lain Buchanan know if you are an apology or wish to stay on for lunch in the Committee Room.

Membership

We are on the cusp of 100 members. If you know of anyone who has an interest in the game please let them know about the section. Subscriptions for 2013 remain unchanged at \$30 per year, or you can pay \$90 for 3 years.

We welcome the following new members:

- Martin Fuggle
- Peter Glynn
- Rusty Manecksha
- Hamish Oates
- Richard Pagone
- Mary Wilson
- Ralph Wilson
- James Gould

Clothing

We are currently designing MCC branded tennis racquets and clothing and the first editions will be available to view on line next month

Club Championships

The draw is about to be put together for 2013, please contact Andrew Gould if you definitely do NOT want to play, it will save a lot of walking people over to the next round. And if you lose your copy of the draw once it is out, simply go to the MCC website www.mcc.org.au

Gold Racquet

We are establishing an elite competition to run in parallel with our handicap Championship title. It will be an open event – all members of the section whether amateur or professional will be eligible to play, but the draw will be restricted to up to the best twelve entrants. Most matches will be played during our Friday club nights, but there may be some matches played in Hobart and Ballarat. Please come along and see some of the best tennis with some of the best company!

Cowper - Cowdrey Cup

It's going to be a busy time playing for the trophy – the Ashes test at Lord's will see our team going head to head with the other MCC, and there will be a return fixture after the Boxing Day test when the cricketers do battle again. If you are interested in playing in London please contact the match manager, Andrew Gould.

Romsey

Gordon Cope-Williams is now back in control of this unique court, which means we have better access at a much friendlier price. If you haven't played there before, you should get your name down for the next match. Cricket is also able to be played there and we are planning a match in the New Year.

Results

10 February MCC v RMTC At RMTC RMTC won 6/4
16-17 March MCC v HTC At Hobart Six rubbers all, but...
MCC won 91 games to 87!

Committee

Just in case you have forgotten, your committee looks like this:

Chairman/El Presidente Andrew Shelton ashelton@onthe.net.au Secretary lordiain@yahoo.co.uk Iain Buchanan Treasurer Greg Reid greg@reidconsultants.com.au General Committee robert@amacdougall.com.au Fred Kininmonth henry@traffixgroup.com.au Henry Turnbull Andrew Gould abgould@bigpond.net.au

If you have any feedback, ideas or suggestions please feel free to contact any or all of us