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Suddenly it's the end of October and time is rapidly passing and, before we know it, Christmas will be here! We've had a busy year at the Club. As you know, courts 6 & 7 were in a fairly sorry state of disrepair, so earlier in the year these courts were resurfaced and are now in great condition. The Club was in the fortunate position, due to good fiscal management, whereby it didn't have to borrow any funds to pay for the resurfacing.

I'm sure you will agree that the grounds of the club have been looking fantastic all year, thanks to Frank Matus and his band of merry helpers and also to Wayne Richardson, who works very hard to keep it looking so good.

This year the Club has only had two ladies teams playing competition - one team on a Wednesday and one team on a Friday. Both teams have been enjoying the comp but, at this stage, it doesn't look like either of them will make it to the grand final. There's always next season!

There continues to be good attendance at the Monday and Thursday morning mixed social tennis. If you haven't yet been to one of these sessions, come and give it a go and, who knows, you might even make some new friends!

## **Annual Club Tournament 2010**

In 2010 we saw youth triumph over experience in our Annual Tournament. The Open Men's Singles did not have a large number of entries but we still saw some great games and some new faces including Jason Clappison as part of the field. The process through the elimination rounds saw the number 1 and 2 players go into the final; Calum Puttergill and Steve Williams respectively. Calum is a young (just turned 17 on 22 October) and very talented player who is continually improving his game and progressing his way up through the national rankings (currently in the top 100 in Queensland and 168 on national rankings). Steve is a very experienced and accomplished player / coach who has won the Club Singles Championships many times since he began competing as a teenager (is it okay to say that was some years ago with Steve now a mature boy of 43??).



The final was "the best of 3 sets". Steve controlled the first set and forced Calum to play a style of play that appeared to disrupt Calum's timing and rhythm. Steve took the first set 6-3. During the break Calum obviously took stock of the situation and came out in the second set playing more aggressively and confidently and swung the momentum in his favour. The set was still a great tussle with Steve drawing on all of experience to test Calum. To Calum's credit, he maintained his composure under pressure and continued to move Steve around the court. Calum won the second set 6-4. With the momentum going his way Calum began the third set strongly breaking Steve's serve. Unfortunately, the previous 2 sets seemed to take its toll on Steve and he began cramping in his legs, so much so that he was unable to continue with the score at 3-0 to Calum. Those that watched the match witnessed some wonderful tennis with a great array of shots played by both players.

The Reserve Men's Singles also had a good number of entries and the event was played in 2 groups in Round Robin format. Again, it was good to see some new players entering into the event and "having a go" including Ian Rivlin, Tony Steele and Dylan Castle. The winners of each group played a final. This was Scott Baldy and John Fergusson. Again, a match of youth versus experience (uh sorry age). At this point, some journalistic licence will be used to preserve the age of the "experienced" part of this match but suffice to say, Steve Williams is still quite young!!!! The match was first to 8. John Fergusson managed to keep his error rate down and tried to put pressure onto Scott. John ran out winner 8-3 this match but suffice to say, Steve Williams is still quite young!!!! The match was first to 8. John Fergusson managed to keep his error rate down and tried to put pressure onto Scott. John ran out winner 8-3.

The Mixed Doubles also had a good number of entries and sufficient to form 2 groups but split into an Open and Reserve group. It was great to see people enter and get into the spirit of the event. There were several couples willing to test their wedding vows and play together and came through swearing eternal love; good on you Joy and Frank, Laurel and Jurgen. Again, some good matches were played and I think everyone enjoyed the tennis. In the Reserve group the pairing of Margie Fitzpatrick and Frederick Chauvea were victorious. In the Open group the pairing of Viv Richardson and Jason Clappison were victorious.

The very wet weather on Friday night 15 October caused some challenges and resulted in the men's Doubles being deferred. We have since deferred this event again and will schedule it over the next few weeks. There has strong interest and some interesting team pairings for this event and we are keen to play it and get a Club

## NEWS FROM THE PRO SHOP

### Junior Fixtures

Well the summer season has just kicked off for the Junior Fixtures. Competing for Our Noosa Club are:

DIV 3, Liam & Harry, Darcy & Brandon, Adrian & Lachie

DIV 4, Jesse & Jordan, Max & Dakota

DIV 5, Lucas & Jack, Jay & Chris

DIV 6, Joe & Dylan

DIV 7 Cody & Josh, Maddi & Cameron

Its great to see so many juniors representing the club and practising their tennis every week.

**Good Luck to all the Teams this Season**

### Ball Machine

The new ball machine has just arrived and is being used during the coach and play sessions, and is proving a tough opponent.

The ball machine is for hire at a cost of:

Members = \$ 20 per hour

**Contact the Pro Shop to arrange a session today**

## PRO SHOP SPECIALS

At the moment in the pro shop we have a special with selected children's pee wee racquets going from \$18.

See in the pro shop for specials on Adult size racquets and try one out today.

Also on special we have our very last pairs of shoes going out at just \$20 a pair. What a bargain!



# LUNCH 2010

TUESDAY 2 NOVEMBER

FROM 11.30AM



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