

ELMWOOD TENNIS NEWS

FEBRUARY EDITION

Hello everyone,

Great weather has enabled us to have many days perfect tennis over the past month. The courts are in full use every day of the week and social numbers are encouraging, however we still would like a few more on Tuesday mornings!

Senior and Junior interclub teams are getting down to the business end of the season and many of our teams are in semi finals contention

Listed below are the Senior team standings as of 1/03/20:

Premier Men – Lost a tight semi to Cashmere great effort boys!

Div. 1 women – 1st after trouncing their main rivals in the last round robin match v Cashmere, a little niggles here – play Waimari in semi.

Div. 2 women – 1st in post Xmas pool play B – (outstanding effort in recording 4 consecutive victories – they get the “Lazarus” award!)

Div. 2 mixed – 7th out of 14 teams, another solid year.

Div.4 mixed – 3rd which is a fantastic effort considering they started a few weeks late.

Div. 1 men – 3rd very tight between 1st, 2nd and 3rd – Semi against Waimari.

Div. 2 men – 2nd very consistent and playing Beckenham in their Semi

Div. 3 men – 6th team hit with injuries this season

Div. 4 men – 3rd to play Opawa in their Semi

Div. 5 men – 4th and will play Waimari in their Semi

Div. 6 men – 1st runaway leaders nothing changes here....in the bag!! Playing Te Kura Hagley in their semi.

Div. 7 men – lost a tight final today losing by just four games. Great season by this team and well done to all participants.

Well done to all players and good luck for the finals series.

Thanks everyone and we look forward to seeing you on court.

What's going on?

- **Adult tennis coaching** – Sam's Group sessions are on Monday night 7.00 – 8.00 cardio tennis, Tuesday night 6.30 – 7.30 skills and drills, Wednesday and Thursday mornings 9.30-10.30 and Saturday mornings 11.30 – 12.30 for skills and drills. The Mens group is on Wednesday night 7.00- 8.00 for skills and drills/cardio. Private lessons are also available upon request, please call Sam on 022 367 7905 to arrange.
- **Tuesday morning tennis:** Starting at 9.30am each Tuesday! Please come and join us for a lovely mornings tennis followed by a light morning tea i.e. a cuppa and a biscuit! We have a solid 3 courts but would like to get at least 5, so come and give it a try!
- **Wednesday night tennis:** Starts at 6.00pm (or earlier for those inclined) and runs for a couple of hours, with the bar open afterwards for those that wish to rehydrate. We are now getting 4 solid courts; again thanks go to Gill and Gordy for their time in making this event a success.
- If you are interested in playing Wednesday morning men's tennis from 9.30am till 11.30am please call me at the club for the details. This is **NOT** a drop in event and organised by others, so please call if interested.
- The bar is open on a Friday afternoons from 4.30pm till 7ish, or later if the demand warrants it. Come down and join in with the other families whether your kids are playing interclub or not....the only requirement is that you're a member or a guest of a member. Starts first Friday in February.
- Friday morning men's tennis - If you would like 2 hours of organised play, a light lunch with raffles and prizes all for \$12, I suggest you put your name down for Friday morning men's tennis. Play is from 10.00am – 12.00pm. This is a **"book in"** event so please call Graeme Paton on 351 6422 for further information or to register.

The last word!!

- Senior Club Champs – matches progressing well and less stressful than in recent years, as people don't want to get the dreaded txt reminder from Rhett LOL !!
- Our Easter Seniors tournament will be held, as usual, on Easter Friday and Saturday – keep an eye out for the entry forms and remember that you don't have to be a member of Tennis Canterbury Seniors to play in "your own" event! Always great fun and plenty of tennis!!!

- The volley board and mini-court playing surface has been completed and this couldn't have been done without the "free" support we received from Multisport Surfaces, Fulton Hogan and Davis Ogilvie. Thanks sincerely to all who contributed, now only for the wall to be painted – a mural to come which will look fantastic!!!!
- The leaves are coming down early so a small reminder that for those that use the leaf rakes please return them to the hangers from where you got them rather than just leave on the side of the court.....a little nag I know but it helps for when members are looking for them.
- Interclub finishing this month so it's time to think about offseason tennis for Seniors and Juniors – if you would like to know what your competitive options are through the colder months drop me a line or alternatively when the schedules are received from TCRI I will forward to you all.

Thank you everyone