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|  <p>Vogelmorn TENNIS CLUB</p> <p>JUNIORS</p> |  <p>VTC JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPS</p> |  <p>JUNIOR FRIDAY NIGHT BBQ'S "CHRISTMAS 2014"</p> |  <p>NEW JUNIOR CONVENOR PAULA ASH</p> |
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NEWSLETTER

New Beginnings

A very Happy New Year to you all. A very warm welcome to both new and existing junior members & caregivers/parents.

Aren't we having the most amazing summer to kick off 2015? I trust you have managed a few days out of your normal routine to enjoy the glorious sunshine & an unusually windless Wellington - perfect conditions for either playing tennis or sneaking some relaxing couch time to watch the Australian Open instead.

Recently I accepted the position of Vogelmorn Tennis Club Junior Convenor, filling the big shoes of JILL OAKLEY who stepped down from her four season tenure. Again, I would like to extend our special thanks to Jill for her tireless work, dedication, guidance and enthusiasm for building very healthy junior numbers at our club. We wish Jill well for her future endeavours.

Our CONGRATULATIONS to junior club member TAMARA ANDERSON who not only WON the National 14u girls singles tournament (against top seed Caitlin Ward 6-4 6-2) recently, but came a fantastic 3rd place in the National 16u girls singles division too. TAMARA also got through to the 14u doubles semi finals. Well done Tamara!

We also extend our CONGRATULATIONS to junior club member CHRISTY ROBINSON who came runner up last week to the number one seed in the National 16u (R16) girls singles Championships in Christchurch. CHRISTY also reached the 3rd round of National 16u main draw where she lost to the 8th seed. Well done Christy! We are very proud of both your and Tamara's National tennis achievements.

A "hot off the press" CONGRATULATIONS goes to junior club member Filip Pavkovic for WINNING the 14u Boys singles tournament at the 2015 Kapiti Open last week. Well done Filip!

For those of you I haven't yet had the pleasure of meeting - thank you for your support of the Vogelmorn Tennis Club Junior programme - please feel free to introduce yourself at the next Junior BBQ. For those I do already have the pleasure of knowing - welcome back. Your continued support of the junior club is very much appreciated. **Paula Ash | VTC Junior Convenor | (paula.ash.nz@gmail.com)**



Vogelmorn Junior Interclub players Olivia Knox & Rebekah Butterfield (L-R) had a successful pre-Xmas season helping their team achieve a promotion into C grade post - Xmas - congratulations Team Ruby!

FRI Junior Club Night BBQ's & themed dinners

Thanks to our wonderful team of parent helpers yet again on FRI 31 Oct. Our "SPOOKTACULAR" themed gourmet BBQ junior evening was a resounding success. Thanks to all those that dressed up in appropriate Spooktacular costumes & to those juniors that did a superb job theming/decorating this event.



The annual Junior "CHRISTMAS" BBQ/pizza evening saw plenty of santa hats adorning both adults & kids alike . A lovely way to round off 2014.



Our popular FRIDAY JUNIOR Club night BBQ's (during term time) kick off again on 20 FEBRUARY. We are happy to say that we have resisted increasing our BBQ sausage prices for the past three seasons, but sad to say (with increased costs) we will be setting the new price at \$1.50 per sausage from 20 FEBRUARY. Rest assured however, any profits over and above our expenses will go towards Junior Prizegiving in April. If you can spare one Friday night to help with the BBQ roster, please feel free to drop BBQ co-ordinator David Knox a quick note on sdknox@clear.net.nz



DIARY DATES:

WED 04 FEB
JUNIOR COACHING
RESUMES

**** BEFORE 10 FEB**
JUNIOR
CLUB CHAMPS
**** REGISTRATION DUE**

SUN 08 FEB
JUNIOR
INTERCLUB
STARTS
(WAITANGI WEEKEND)

FRI 13 FEB
ISLAND BAY TC
ANNUAL JUNIOR
EXCHANGE
HOSTED AT VTC
4.30PM- COME & CHEER
ON VTC JUNIORS

FRI 20 FEB
JUNIOR BBQS
COMMENCE 5.30-7PM

Junior Club Champs

Towards the end of each season, we turn our focus inward to the JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPS. This event is organised by a team of wonderful junior parents over a few weeks to get our singles &/or doubles Junior Club Champs & Runners Up for the season. Please encourage your junior members (with their VTC friends) to sign up on the Junior Club Noticeboard before 10 Feb. Pre-graded Championship & Consolation draws will mean lots of fun and involvement for everyone who decides to enter.

Junior Interclub

CONGRATULATIONS to our junior interclub teams that achieved success and promotion to the next grade for their new post Christmas interclub rounds starting on SUNDAY 08 FEBRUARY (Waitangi weekend). Best wishes to all the 10 junior Interclub teams for their 7 post Xmas Sunday matches. Please let us know if your junior is keen to play interclub. Novice grade is a great way to start learning to score & serve with help from the sidelines encouraged at this level.

Tennis Central New Website

Tennis Central have a brand new website www.tenniscentral.kiwi. All interclub draws, results, junior handbook tournament dates, events & special offers are also on the the FREE Tennis Central App.

Reduced Half Season Junior Memberships

Got friends and family keen to join a tennis club this summer? Take advantage of our half season reduced junior memberships and coaching - now available. Combine these as a package with \$22 Honorary parent/caregiver memberships to play tennis with the kids this summer. Check the VTC website for reduced membership fees & junior court times to play with your VTC junior friends and family - after 6pm on balmy Sat/Sun nights & school holidays are usually good times for free courts outside senior member court timings.

Trivia

Did you know the word Tennis originated from “Tenez” the imperative form of the French verb “Tenir” which means to take, receive, hold?

Did you know our amazing, hard working and efficient Club Secretary Sharon Marenzi grew up at the Eketahuna Tennis Club (funnily enough on Stanley St) along side Junior Club Convenor Paula Ash?

Next time you are logging into your WIFI access at the club, look for the funny take on living next to a tennis court with the login “We have all your tennis balls”..... now I wonder which house that is?

