



President's Corner

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Dear Members,

It's with great pleasure I welcome you all to another riveting edition of base line!

While I know April is upon us this is baseline's first appearance this year!

I want to start by thanking the committee and other senior members for their efforts in 2008 and for the rest of 2009. These members play a pivotal role in the week to week running of DGTC, they know who they are!

Thanks also to Courtney Kelly and her assistants for their efforts within the coaching department; Courtney has accepted an extension of her time with DGTC which will see her working with our kids for at least another 2 years. It's a delight to have her on board again and she has become a great asset and friend to our club – thanks Court!

Would like to also mention Tim Benton's efforts with regards to our website, the site had a few small issues last year which was much to do with outside interference but the site looks great and hopefully we can build on that in the coming years, thanks Tim. On to the news....

Juniors:

There has been a bit of a shift in the juniors over the last few seasons, with some juniors finishing up and unable to play juniors anymore due to their age. Unfortunately we have lost some juniors to other things outside tennis once juniors is over for them, but there is a group of them now playing Thursday night men's which is great. This means that the juniors is going through a bit of a rebuilding phase and hopefully with Courtney and the help of committee we can recruit new members and juniors into the club so that our junior program can continue to thrive.

Courts:

There is a bit of work going on with the court 1 and 2 at present, these works have pretty much gone unnoticed to those that don't know, however there are a few drainage undulations that have occurred with movement over the last 12 months and this is being rectified, hopefully fingers crossed all will be back to normal ASAP.

Tennis Victoria:

At this years AGM the committee passed a motion for DGTC to join Tennis Victoria, as was advised to the members in a letter not long after, this has the potential to open many doors for DGTC in terms of competitions and resources for the club to better itself for the future. This has the potential to be an exciting move, and there is already plenty of work going on behind the scenes.

Sponsors:

Since our last newsletter, Benton's Plumbtec have become an official sponsor of DGTC. Michael and his team of employees who make up a number of our members and who have played at DGTC for some time have supported our club for many many years now, and I would like to thank Michael and Tim for all their efforts.

Christmas:

I hope everyone enjoyed last years Christmas party, it was a great turn out, one of the best we have had in some time, and a great night was had by all, plenty of fun and tennis, thanks to those who helped make the night a success.

Council:

DGTC recently had a relaxed onsite meeting with a few council members of the sport/recreation department and also the facility management department. Much was discussed with regards to the direction DGTC was heading and council had some suggestions for future works around the club, or ways of making the club more appealing on the eyes to the members. We will hopefully work closely in the coming months with council to try and put some of these suggestions into play.

Sat afternoon:

If there is anyone interested in sat afternoon competition please contact myself on 0407885012, the associations numbers are decreasing and we need to do all we can to keep this competition alive.

If anyone has any input or suggestions please feel free to contact myself or any of our other committee members.

Aaron Sharpe - President D.G.T.C.

Around the club.....

Club Championships 2008 Results

	Winner(s)	Runner(s) Up
Mens Open Singles	Michael Mann	Jason Jacobi
Junior Boys Singles	Kavindu Gamage	Kieran Benton
Mens Graded Doubles	Michael Mann / Aaron Sharpe	Michael Glass / Lachlan Taylor
Ladies Graded Doubles	Ashley Mann / Chrissy Temple	Sue Duras / Delwynne Hughes
Mixed Graded Doubles	Michael Mann / Lyndal Anderson	Ashley Mann / Aaron Sharpe
Mens Graded Singles	Kavindu Gamage	Aaron Sharpe
Ladies Graded Singles	Sue Duras	Delwyne Hughes

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Tennis Victoria Pennant

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TENNIS CLUB

As the club is about to join Tennis Victoria, the club and its members will be able to participate in Tennis Victoria's Pennant Competition.

About Pennant:

- Matches are held on Saturday Afternoon, Sunday Morning or Sunday Afternoon.
- Four players play each week.
- Singles is played one week, doubles the next.
- Matches are played all over Greater Melbourne.
- A season is fourteen matches, with each team playing all others twice, both singles and doubles
- Competition starts in late April with the finals during August.

The club is looking for interested players to play in the 2009 season. Please register your interest on the form below.



Entering the 2009 season D.G.T.C. merged some of our juniors with Airport West so we could maximum numbers and in doing so we formed a mixed side. This also means that we could avoid walkovers like last season.

Coaching is expanding through word of mouth at the local schools, which is great to see.

Term 1 has proven to be a busy one with lots of private lessons, everyone is extremely keen after the Australian Open!

Classes are available for Adults too so get your team together and brush up on tactical and technical skills.

Prices are as follows:

- Little Joey Program – Group Coaching
 - 4 ½ to 7 year olds
 - 30 min lesson /9 week term
 - FREE racquet = \$80
- Group Coaching
 - 45 min lesson /9 week term = \$100
 - 5 pupils per coach
- Lunch Group Coaching
 - 30 min lesson
 - 5 pupils per coach/ 9 week term = \$85
- Private Coaching
 - 1 hour = \$60
 - 30 min = \$30

For any coaching enquiries, please contact me on 0414 633 619 or

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