

# PARKDALE TENNIS CLUB NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2024



*Merry Christmas  
to all members and their families*

## From the President

As 2024 comes to an end, I would like to reflect on what has been a great year for our club. Among our key achievements, we successfully developed a Strategic Plan, launched Sunday Social Tennis, and maintained the popularity of our Tuesday and Thursday night social competitions, which culminated in some incredibly close grand final matches. We also witnessed the continued growth of our weekly tennis groups and celebrated the remarkable achievements of our juniors. Congratulations to the MDJTA winners of Girls Section 4 and Green Ball 1, as well as the BRTA champions of Section 12 and Section 20. Our Section 15 team had a fantastic season as BRTA runners-up. Congratulations to Tahlia Gunawardana who was awarded the Best Player award for Green Ball 1. Well done to all players for your achievements this year! This year also saw several improvements to our facilities. We introduced bottle and can recycling, installed new bench seats on the courts, and added light pole covers for the synthetic courts—all part of our ongoing commitment to enhancing the club's facilities and sustainability. A big thank you to our social tennis convenors for their exceptional work in organising our much-loved in-house competitions. Thanks to Michael Logarzo and his coaching team for implementing their coaching programs. It is inspiring to see our juniors thrive, develop their skills, and enjoy competitive success. I am immensely grateful to the Committee for their tireless efforts behind the scenes in managing and improving our wonderful club. Looking ahead, we have a Working Bee scheduled for Sunday 2 February, and we would love to see you at the club to lend a hand. Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 17 February 2025. If you are interested in joining the committee, taking on a specific task, or simply learning more about how you can contribute to our fantastic club, please don't hesitate to reach out to me or any committee member. Remember, you don't have to be on the committee to help—volunteers are always welcome, and every contribution makes a difference! Wishing you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I look forward to seeing you on the courts in 2025!

Warm regards,

Greg Jones

President

# CHRISTMAS SOCIAL



# Our committee at work



## The following has been undertaken in the last few months:

- Work has continued with Club Builder who are assisting us with formulating our Strategic Plan and how to implement it.
- New drag mats have been purchased for synthetic grass courts 7, 8 and 9. These mats are ideal for clearing leaves and evenly distributing sand across the court. We kindly ask all members to drag the court after use to help preserve the longevity of these courts. Blue leaf bins have been provided to place leaves and debris in. There is also a rake on each court.
- The synthetic grass courts 7, 8 and 9 have had maintenance work undertaken in November where the sand base was topped up, debris removed from the surface.
- A large tree has been removed by Kingston Council from just outside our boundary fence on court 1. This tree was causing debris on the court and also contributing to pushing the soil forward to the fenceline.
- A new garden bed wall has been installed to replace the rotting boards located at the bottom of the balcony stairs at the rear of the club.
- In celebration of Victoria's Seniors Festival a Seniors Day was held in October. This was a free session of tennis for seniors to join in with our Senior Social group and enjoy some tennis and socialisation.
- The leaking drinking fountain outside the downstairs clubrooms was fixed by Kingston Council.
- We held a week of tennis for This Girl Can campaign.
- A Christmas Social was held on Sunday 1 December which was a great club event of tennis, socialisation and Christmas cheer. After 2 sets the rain came down and we reverted to socialising and a Christmas drink before chicken and salads were enjoyed.
- A hard rubbish collection was held in November and many unused and broken items left the premises.
- The wooden fence on the outside of courts 1&2 and 3&4 which was storm damaged, has been replaced by Kingston Council.
- The wire mesh fence at the bottom of the rear stairs has been replaced by Kingston Council.
- Drains are regularly being cleared by Kingston Council as they block with dirt, en tout cas and leaves during storms. Kingston Council is determining the best way to solve this problem long term.
- A new BBQ has been purchased for use upstairs.

## Bottle recycling

Bottles, cans and small tetra paks can be deposited at any CDS (container deposit scheme) site. A big thank you to Melissa Skidmore for co-ordinating this important environmental effort. All funds generated from recycling will go directly to support our club. If you would like to recycle your own bottles, cans and tetra paks and donate the refund to the club, simply use this barcode to contribute or enter the Donation Partner ID C2000037026. Visit this site for more information: <https://www.returnit.com.au/vic/>

**Remember: do not crush bottles or cans that you are recycling.**

## Committee

President:	Greg Jones
Secretary:	Michele Barry
Treasurer:	Peter Richards
General Committee:	Matt Anderson, Victoria Evers, Dionne Hartley, Neil Petrie, Lisa Stewart, Andrew Waterson, Carolyn Watters
Club Coach:	Michael Logarzo



## Convenors

Tuesday night:	Jessica Stewart
Wednesday night:	Jody Thompson
Thursday senior social:	Bev Cattermole
Thursday night:	Sharyn Gordon
Friday social:	Ann Chitty
Sunday social:	Greg Jones

Thank you to our competition co-ordinators who do a fantastic job of managing our inhouse tennis competitions on a weekly basis.

## 2024 Club Champions

Mens Singles:	William Sanghvi
Mens Doubles:	Perry Kick and Barry Matthews
Womens Singles:	Not held
Womens Doubles:	Jessica and Kirsten Stewart
Mixed Doubles:	Perry Kick and Jessica Stewart
Junior Girls Singles:	Tahlia Gunawardana
Junior Boys Singles:	Magnus Bernard
Junior Doubles:	Magnus Bernard and Adam Robinson

## **2025 Dates to remember** **Working Bee**

***Sunday 2 February 9:00am onwards***

### ***Open Day***

***Sunday 9 February 11:00am to 3:00pm***

### ***Annual General Meeting***

***Monday 19 February 7:30pm in the clubrooms***

### ***Club Championships***

***Adults & Juniors Singles April***

***Adults & Juniors Doubles September***



# From the Coach Michael Logarzo Tennis



T E N N I S

We are proud to announce that Michael Logarzo Tennis has been endorsed as a Tennis Australia National Talent Hub. This initiative aims to build a stronger pipeline of emerging tennis talent across the nation, focusing specifically on developing players between the ages of 7 and 12.

With the excitement of the Australian Open building, I am thrilled to share that I am coaching Daria Saville and will be supporting her throughout the summer of tennis.

The junior competition at Parkdale, both the BRTA (Sunday Bayside competition) and MJDTA (Saturday Moorabbin competition), are an integral part of our junior pathway. Congratulations to all teams on their recent season results and achievements. Competitions break for the Christmas holiday period and return in February 2025.

Thanks to volunteer parents for putting on a mouth watering sausage sizzle/brunch on the last weekend of competition play.

At Michael Logarzo Tennis we offer private lessons, group coaching and cardio tennis for juniors and adults.

Another exciting initiative is the 2025 Green Ball Series which provides 10/u players with a clear and structured pathway and competitive tennis. The GBS will be held at Parkdale on 13 & 14 January 2025 and 7 & 8 April 2025.

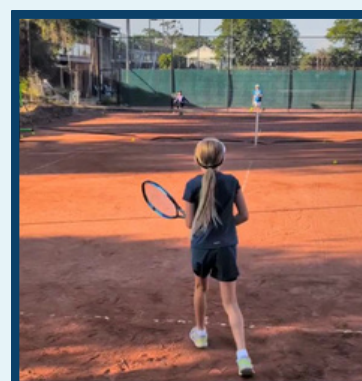
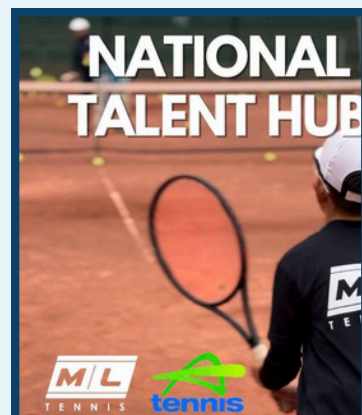
Looking for a special Christmas present? Consider giving a tennis lesson voucher to that special person who loves their tennis? OUR holiday program over January is now open for bookings.

Contact us for information about lessons and coaching.

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**M/L TENNIS**

**SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMS**

Junior Ages 5 years and up  
Green Ball Series Tournaments  
10s & 12s Performance  
Adult Bootcamp

3 venues  
Full days and Half-Days

**AO holiday programs**  
Presented by Weet-Bix

Chadstone Tennis Club  
Parkdale Tennis Club  
Hawksburn Tennis Club



# Junior competition



## MDJTA (Moorabbin District Junior Tennis Association)

### Saturday competition

Three teams competed in the Spring competition from July to December and all teams made the finals. Congratulations to Girls Section 4 and Green Ball 1 teams who won their Grand Final. Well done to all our teams who competed.



Boys Section 9  
Casper, Reggie, Oori,  
Henry & Benji



Girls Section 4  
Taylor, Charlotte, Ela, Lola,  
Isabel & Lilly



Green Ball 1  
Riley, Tahlia, Milla & Harper

## BRTA (Bayside Regional Tennis Association)

### Sunday competition



Four teams competed in the Spring competition from July to December and three of the teams made the finals. Congratulations to Section 12 and Section 20 Blue who won the grand final. Section 15 were Runners Up. Well done to all our teams who competed.



Section 12  
Miller, Callan, Owen,  
Cooper, Ben, Matthew &  
Ilinca



Section 15  
Matteo, Arlo,  
Perrine, Samaira  
& Lily



Section 20 Blue  
Aiden, Aaron, Aidan, Weston  
& Archer

# Seniors



## BRTA Saturday Winter competition

This season we have 4 teams playing in competition: Men Section D7, Mixed Rubbers 2, Mixed Rubbers 3 and Mixed Rubbers 4. The competition runs from October to March when finals are played. All teams are currently inside the top 4 on the ladder. Good luck to all teams.

## Tuesday Night

Congratulations to Tuesday night winning team Public Enemy who narrowly defeated team Beastie Boys by 1 game in the Inhouse competition. Many thanks to Jess Stewart for running the competition and providing the late night snacks after the tennis has finished.



Winners: Team Public Enemy

Players: Tony Quinn, Richard Sedunary (sub Bernard Hickey), Lada Moricka and Michael Thynne (sub Myles Johnson).

Runners Up: Beastie Boys

Players: Ian Watterson, Greg Jones, Debbie Byass and Andrew Joynt



Debbie Byass, Myles Johnson and Giulio Incani

Players of the Season		
Place	Female	Male
1st	<u>Debbie Byass</u>	<u>Giulio Incani</u> & <u>Myles Johnson</u>
2nd	<u>Lada Moricka</u>	Ben Quinn & Lachlan Couper
3rd	Sue White	Shaheen Allie & Greg Jones

## Wednesday Night Social

This group has been steadily building throughout 2024 and there is now a core group of attendees who enjoy their social tennis. Thanks to Jody Thompson for convening the group.



## Thursday Seniors Social

A mixed group get together and play doubles tennis on the synthetic courts. Its a great way to keep active and social. Thanks to Bev Cattermole for convening the group and organising the tennis.



## Thursday Night Social

Congratulations to Thursday night winners team Sopranos who defeated team Simpons in a thrilling finish by 2 games. Many thanks to Sharyn Gordon for running the competition and providing the late night snacks after the tennis has finished.



Above left: Winners team Sopranos  
Players: Paul, Thomas, Alex & Clinton  
(substitute for Matt)

Above right: Runners Up team Simpsons  
Players: Nick, Michael, Ange & Tatianne

Left: Players of the Season - Paul & Mel



## Friday Social

A mixed group get together and play doubles on the synthetic grass courts. It's about the tennis and the socialisation. Play is often followed by a coffee at a local cafe. Many thanks to convenor Ann Chitty who organises the play and provides a morning tea to nourish the players. There is a Whats App group if you would like to be kept informed.



## Sunday Social

A mixed group get together and play doubles from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. This social tennis started midway through 2024 and numbers have built up progressively. We look forward to seeing more members enjoy this social tennis opportunity.



# Around the club

## BOOK A COURT



### Court hire

Use the Book a Court tab on the website to book a court and play with your friends. No charge for members and their friends. When you book on line the court is yours and you can play with friends or members.



### Facebook

Keep up to date with all that is happening at our club by following our Facebook Page. <https://www.facebook.com/parkdaletennis>



### Instagram

Keep up to date with all that is happening at our club by following our Instagram Page. <https://www.instagram.com/parkdaletennis>



### Invite your friends to place tennis

We are happy to admit more members into our Club. Tell you friends about our great club and invite them for a hit.



### Emails from the Club

Club emails are sent out regularly to all members. Please check your junk or spam folder in your email account to ensure that our emails are not going into the wrong folder. If you change your email address please let us know.



### Club apparel

Club Tshirts and hoodies are available to order. Tshirts are \$33.00 and the hoodie is \$50.00. If you would like to order please contact Michele on 0434 285 032.



### Lost property

Have you lost an item of clothing or left it behind at the clubrooms? Please check the lost property bins located in the clubrooms.



### Recycle old tennis balls

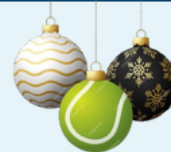
Thanks to members who have been placing their old tennis balls in the recycle bin in the clubrooms. Thanks to Val for co-ordinating this environmentally friendly initiative.



### Vending Machine

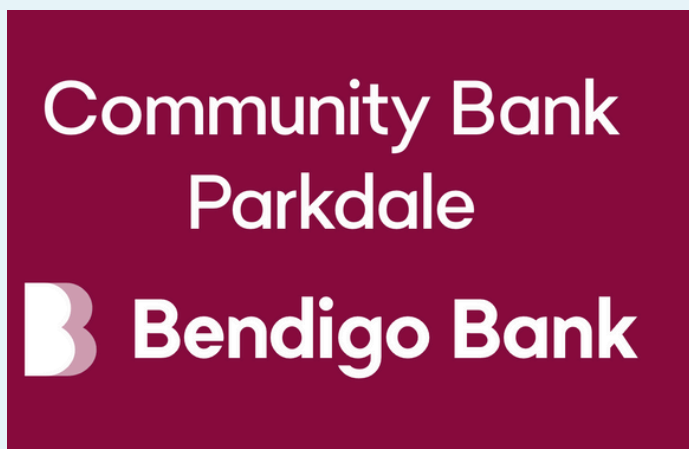
For your convenience and use we have a vending machine in the downstairs clubroom. Included in the vending machine are snacks, drinks and tennis balls.

## Sponsors



### Bendigo Bank

By supporting the Community Bank Parkdale profits will be given back to our community through sponsorships and grants, this also allows funds to be contributed back to the club through sponsorship. Help us by supporting our sponsors. Contact Community Bank Parkdale about banking, wealth and insurance products on 9587 6500



### Buxton

Thanks to Buxton Mentone for their continued support of our club.

If you are buying or selling your house with Buxton Mentone mention that you are a Parkdale Tennis Club member. An amount of \$1000 from the commission will be donated to our club. Contact Mathew Cox, Director and Auctioneer at Buxton Mentone on mobile 0413 102 224 for your real estate needs.

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