

# SORRENT

## TENNIS CLUB

# Newsletter

**January 2021**

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**Club Website** [sorrentotennisclub.com.au](http://sorrentotennisclub.com.au)

### From the Committee

Season's Greetings and Happy New Year!

As 2020 comes to an end, the committee would like to sincerely thank all the staff members, coaches and volunteers for their efforts in making it a very successful year in spite of the difficult circumstances. We would like to thank all of our members for their staunch support and camaraderie during the year of Covid19.

Thank you also to our generous patrons and sponsors for their much appreciated contributions.



Currently on the committee:

President- **Barbara Troncone**

Vice President- **Chris Tapley**

Secretary- **Bronte McMahon**

Treasurer- **Katy Turnock**

Men's Captain and IT Manager- **Daniel Triantopolous**

Ladies Captain- **Suzanne Lucas**

Junior Coordinator- **David Buckoski**

Social Coordinator- **Kate Dawson**

Grounds and building Manager- **John Genovese**

Kate Dawson will be moving to Sydney soon and will be sorely missed. If anyone is interested in taking over as Social Coordinator please contact Kate or another committee member.

## 2020 Wrap Up

It was an interesting year which I am sure we will not soon forget when Covid-19 changed the world in so many ways. It was particularly challenging for the Club through March and April 2020 when the government guidelines for the pandemic were changing almost on a daily basis. Although the clubrooms had to be closed for several weeks, happily we did not have to close the courts other than for a few days. Soon we were able to play singles, and then resume doubles tennis followed by competition tennis for the 2020 winter season.

Although we need to maintain vigilance and Covid safe practices, we have been fortunate in WA that we have been able to continue playing tennis and stay relatively Covid free.

Many of our traditional annual events were postponed from their usual scheduled dates to later in the year, but we successfully managed to hold our Club Championships, Open Day, Club Dinner and Mixed Doubles Tournament in September/October.

## 2020 CoJ Junior Hardcourt Tournament

In January 2020, we held the Gold Series Junior Hardcourt Tournament, generously sponsored by the **City of Joondalup, Tennis Only** and **Sports Surfaces**. There were 190 entries and entrants included many of WA's best junior players.

We are currently running this prestigious event again—from 5 to 9 January. Updates for the 2021 event in the next issue.



The Sorrento Tennis Club wishes to thank our sponsors, tournament director **Jan Budden**, Tennis West, Tennis Officials, club staff, volunteers and participants for consistently making it a very successful tournament.

## Social Functions

Open Day went ahead as usual in October as well as Ladies Melbourne Cup Day and the December Christmas Parties and Family Fun Night. Many thanks go to all the staff and the volunteers for their great organisation and hard work for these events.



Although some of our usual social functions were cancelled because of Covid, the Annual Club Dinner went ahead later - on October 10<sup>th</sup> - with a lavish Casino theme.

Thank you to Kate Dawson, Cath Fitzgerald, Chris Tapley and all the other helpers that made this a very memorable night.



## Club Championships

The club championship events were delayed for Covid shutdowns and were held late in September- thank you to Daniel T and John G for successfully running the event in difficult weather conditions. Congratulations to all our Club Championship participants and winners.

## Mixed Doubles Spring Tournament

This event was held on 4 October 2020 and once again was a great success with 44 entries in 4 divisions.

Thank you to all the helpers and wonderful participants and a big thank you to Realmark for their kind sponsorship.



## Recent Club Improvements

- Repair and maintenance of the creche and admin office wall cracks- thank you to the CoJ
- Replacement of wooden outdoor benches with new recycled plastic material benches- thanks again to the City of Joondalup
- New fluorescent lights in the creche and storerooms
- Restored outdoor fixed bench seating – thanks Anna for your handy work
- Purchased a glass washer for the bar and a pennant court allocation board– thanks Chris
- Replaced both water fountains
- Upgraded patio furnishings- thank you Chris for your efficiency and vision – it looks amazing!
- And finally, some new security cameras installed throughout the club- thanks Daniel and Belinda



## Calendar of Events

### Upcoming events:

5-9 Jan	2021 COJ Junior tournament
26 Jan	Australia Day Social tournament
Feb- May	monthly Family Fun Nights- TBA
26-28 Mar	Club Championships
24 Apr	ANZAC Social tournament
25 June	Club Dinner
24 July	AGM
Aug/Sept	Quiz Night – date to be confirmed

## From the Coach

### City of Joondalup Primary School Tennis Competition:

On Friday 4th Dec Instyle Tennis ran the City of Joondalup Primary School Tennis Competition. 9 schools competed this year including Davallia primary, Poynter primary, Hillarys Primary, Marmion primary, Landsdale Primary, Sorrento Primary, Dun Craig primary, Woodvale primary and Craigie Heights primary. The event was massive with over 180 players, support from Sun Smart, Tennis West, Instyle Tennis coaches, teachers, parents plus volunteers from Sorrento Tennis Club. A big thanks to everyone mentioned for your help! All schools competed hard and showed great sportsmanship. Congratulations to all players and schools for your amazing effort! A special congrats goes to Marmion Primary, the winning school for 2020.



## Pennant Shields Update

The older pennant shields have been retired! We have been busy documenting the older shields and they have been removed from display, but you will be able to look them up online on our website once they are catalogued. If you would like to keep an old shield please let us know as we will be soon disposing of any shields older than 2006.

## Ladies Captain's Report

Thank you to all our lovely ladies for their support, assistance and attendance at the various club events during 2020. Special thanks to those currently working in the Canteen for the junior tournament. Our social tennis days continue at a steady rate and our 2020/2021 summer pennant teams are doing well.

Some of our pennant ladies took part in the Walk to d'Feet MND in November and don't we look stunning! Best wishes to you all for a safe and healthy 2021.

Suzanne Lucas





**Holiday Clinics:**

Instyle Tennis has 3 exciting and dynamic holiday tennis clinics left for these school holidays. Players will experience tennis instruction, gameplay, multi-sport, mini Olympics, tournament/competition day, fancy dress day, water bomb fights, Sorrento's got talent, treasure hunts, prizes, final day BBQ and more! The clinics will run on:

**Happy New Year Clinic:** Tue 12th Jan - Fri 15th Jan.  
9am—12pm \$180  
**Aus Open Clinic:** Tue 19th Jan – Fri 22nd Jan. 9am—  
12pm \$180  
**Back to School Clinic:** Wed 27th Jan – Fri 29th Jan.  
9am—12pm \$135

**Term 1, 2021 Enrolments**

Online enrolments for adult and junior lessons in term 1, 2021 are open! To enrol, head to our website: [www.instyletennis.com.au](http://www.instyletennis.com.au)  
 Term 1, 2021 group lessons start from Saturday 6th Feb onward.

Richard Sampson



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