

Tennis Seniors Auckland News

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Hi everyone, it's definitely tennis season! Wimbledon is about to start, there has been lots of great seniors tennis action in the last couple of weeks, and our first "wooden racket" social tournament will be held at Mission Bay Tennis Club in two weeks.

The photos in this newsletter were taken at the last social tennis day, held indoors at the Scarbro tennis centre on Saturday 30 June, and at our recent fixture against the Lower Northland team, which was held at Mission Bay over the weekend.



Volleys all round - Mark on the backhand ...



and Patsy with an impressive forehand poach volley!

Social Play

Because of our upcoming social tournament at Mission Bay (aka The "Wimby" Challenge), the next indoor social tennis day is not until Saturday 28 July. Once again, this will be held at the Scarbro indoor tennis centre between 1pm and 3pm. Please feel free to come down and enjoy a couple of hours of free tennis in perfect conditions, followed by a chat over a cup of tea/coffee. Free to all members (balls provided). The remaining dates are as follows:

Sat 28 July Sat 11 Aug Sat 25 Aug (AGM)

Interprovincial Fixtures

As part of our drive to play our fixtures and tournaments at local clubs around Auckland, we played our annual fixture vs Lower Northland at Mission Bay Tennis Club on Sunday. There were many very close matches, and Lower Northland were actually leading Auckland after the first round of play, but our team gradually edged ahead, and ended up winning by a combined total of 218 games to 154. Many thanks to Mission Bay for hosting us, we look forward to returning there in the future. Anyone who is interested in playing in these fixtures and has not yet completed our survey, either click the following link and fill out our on-line survey <https://goo.gl/forms/PgNsPkv0JpiJCEfB3> , or alternatively, contact our fixtures convenor, Rob Robertson at robert@unboxed.me If you don't tell us you're interested, we won't know!



Returns of serve - Lucia pulled very wide on the forehand, and Peter "drills" a powerful backhand.

Fun Midwinter Tournament

Don't forget the "Wimby" wooden racket challenge! Keep Saturday 14 July free. I'll be sending you another email in the next day or two with the entry form and details. It will be a very fun day, with a fully catered lunch. If you can't wait for the entry form, contact either Julie at tenniseniorsauckland@hotmail.com or me at grant.waller@xtra.co.nz for more details.



There ain't nothing "social" about that. JP with a beautiful one-handed backhand!

Photos from the Fixture vs Counties - Sunday 10 June at Pukekohe

For your viewing pleasure, here are a few more photos from the weekend's fixture vs Lower Northland, and the indoor social day on June 30. (If you appear in any of the photos and would like a copy of the full-size file, please contact me at grant.waller@xtra.co.nz).



Forehand style - Terry at Mission Bay ...



and Janice indoors at Scarbro



*Lissa with a very aggressive topspin return of serve
... and stylish sunglasses too!*



Jenny approaches the net



Dee on the backhand return



Helen - full stretch on the backhand volley



Feleti's backhand return - very Ferrer-like!

I look forward to catching up with many of you in a couple of weeks at the tournament at Mission Bay.

*Grant Waller
President*