

President's Report 2020

The year

This year has shown a period of rapid growth in our membership and turnover which is hardly surprising considering the new facilities we have.

Roger will take you through the accounts but there are no surprises there.

Another boomer year – a whacking 40% increase in membership income .

The People

Behind all of our success is the committee.

Glen Seymour as vice president plays a vital role and his contribution to this club is immense. He organises Club day and the Spring Tournament is his babyand keeps members in touch with emails . He is astute , diligent and solid. He is my recommendation for President

Kate Whithear our secretary has added a lot to our club with her IT skills and her efficiency. Implementing the Clubspark system and having all club documents accessible on google drive has made life so much easier. Her workload has become incredibly demanding. A possibility here is we split her job up with someone else to reduce the load .

We appreciate everything you do.

Roger Armstrong, our treasurer has had a difficult year trying to keep up with the extra work. We get accurate and precise financial information every month for the meeting where his experience and efforts are greatly appreciated. This is another demanding role and we are looking for someone to be his assistant to split the workload – If you don't want to commit yourself to the committee – but want to help this would be a great way to help out the club

Sarah Wisbey- She looks after new members and administers the access cards , She was dragged onto this committee a couple of years ago and I may be wrong but she is loving it. She signs up the new members and introduces them to the club. And now I believe she has thrown her hat into the ring for an executive officer's role.

Rich Stanton- our Tennis Club captain – he has his own special style and we love it. How about our Club champs this year? Pop-top corporate box , music . Burgers laid on and a record number of entrants. Rich will tell us about it shortly. Rich also does a lot of the building jobs around the club – and what about his scoreboards? They are fabulous

Di Brewer and her assistant Rob Muir– Our Squash club captains – They have really got squash flying due to their enthusiasm . The tournament they organised last year was a roaring success, The courts seem to be getting busier and busier and we have new squashes galore – keep up the good work

Chris Milne for his work on the maintenance of the club. You just have to mention a job to Chris and he quietly gets it done,

Glen Ratter has been a great help in court maintenance – cleaning , painting the lines and his endless job of freeing up jams in our sewer pump. Your input is really appreciated Glen

A special mention to Tim Hobbs. Tim has been one of the great contributors to this club . He has been bar manager for over 10 years. He is legally responsible for the operation of the bar and ensuring that we operate within the rules of our licence.

This is a big responsibility. He is stocking up the bar twice as much as previous years and this is a huge job. The time and effort he puts into this “fundraiser” is immense. An assistant for him would also be great.

Tim also runs the very successful Tuesday night competition aided by **Roger Kay** which he also has done for over 10 years. Thanks to Roger too

A special thank-you to **Heather Boomer** who for years has been our Junior administrator. She is an active and enthusiastic member of our club and her contribution to our Junior section has been greatly appreciated. She has done a wonderful job. She has passed the baton on to **Carla Kearney** . So welcome to Carla – We will hear from Carla on Junior Tennis shortly.

Others

Jo Tucker – Looks after the clubhouse. She coordinates the cleaner and keeps us supplied with necessary day to day consumables Toilet paper , cleaning stuff . Jo slides in under the radar but our clubrooms always look good thanks to her efforts

Dale Stutheridge for his organisation of table tennis on Wednesday nights

Special group of people –

Nicola Tullit – Osama Bin lady – very reliable.

Pippa – very responsible job filling up the ice maker.

The Gardeners – Headed by Anne Skelton and Karen Aitken

The mowing roster

– These people just do their thing - and nobody knows

The rapid growth of our club has caused a few problems. Not only the extra work for the committee as I mentioned, but it has created other problems concerning court availability. Sooner or later we may have to look at putting a cap on member numbers

On Sunday James (milky) a new member, stood up at the prize giving at the club champs saying that he was thrilled to be part of the club. He wanted to thank everyone for making him feel so welcome. This is exactly the kind of reputation which we have been seeking.

In conclusion

This is my last year as president. I have loved the position and feel proud of what the club has achieved and thank you all for your support. Our current committee is without doubt the best we have had in many years.

The club is run by a very professional, competent, enthusiastic group of volunteers.

I move on with the knowledge that the club is in good state and good hands once again

Phil Loughnan

President