



MatchPoint

Presidents Report

What a peculiar year 2020 has been so far....

Our own busy tennis schedule at Witta was slammed by Covid on March 22. We had continued doing our best to keep people on the court and safe. Tennis Queensland then implemented a shut down of all competitions and social play and before we knew it we were more or less in lock down.

Fortunately, at WTC were able to keep our courts open for hire, limited only to groups from the same household or singles, in a strict booking system. We hope the efforts made to keep the courts open helped to keep everyone sane and active. At the same time we made the court hire FOC

Our courts seemed to attract some lost players and even some people coming from the coast where their own courts had closed.

Roll on April and May – at last we could play doubles – and eventually up to 10 people at the tennis center.

June 1 – Tennis Queensland, Tennis Australia and the Queensland Government announced about new guidelines, rules, roadmaps.... the larger tennis centers at the coast opened then closed again 2 days later. At Witta, we again stayed open and now had up to 20 people at the venue – Monday morning ladies social and Saturday afternoon mixed tennis was able to resume – BYO Chair if needed, drinks, hand sanitizer. Club house was still closed – but we can play - everyone knows the social distancing guidelines and hand washing recommendations.

What's next???

Organized Wednesday, Friday and Sunday fixtures resume after 10 July.

The clubhouse will be open on Saturday 11 July – we will keep up social distancing and washing our hands.

The kitchen will be closed for now but at least we can play tennis and sit on our lovely deck (one person per 4 square metres)!

Our new normal, so let's stay safe and remain cautious so we can keep on playing tennis.

Cheers
Mike



Fixtures Teams



The Wagtails



The Wildcats



The Whistlers

All fixtures resume the week of 12 July!!

All teams managed to commence the season except for the Wompoos who had a bye in their first round.

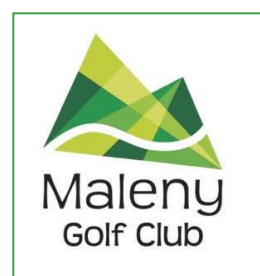
Witta Tennis is happy to introduce a new team to its Wednesday representative family the Misfits under the leadership of Kylie Copas.



The Wompoos



The Vikings



Open Court Sessions



Witta Tennis Club has taken part in a Tennis Australia program called 'Open Court Sessions'. We welcomed lapsed and new players to the club over a number of Monday nights. It was tennis with a difference – one hour of court time with hosted drills, games and half court tennis, followed by supper and drinks on the deck. A great way to 'Get Your Racquet On' and to be with players of a similar standard and experience.

The sessions run for 8 weeks and we were cut short by Covid in March... we will resume the sessions as soon as possible. We'll keep you posted.



Out and About



Jill Murtagh has been volunteering at the Brisbane Tennis International for ten years. Dusan Lajovic after winning his single game, presented her with the ten-year badge. It was a wonderful ten days of Tennis. Congratulation Jill.



Libby Howlett and her sister Sue and a couple of friends at the Australian Open



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