

The University of Queensland Tennis Club Inc. Newsletter

April 2010



Fastennis Singles Tournament

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The Fastennis Singles Challenge Tournament, the Club's first daytime tournament for 2010, was played on Sunday morning, 18 April. 35 players competed in this participation-style tournament.

Because of rain overnight and again in the morning, the tournament was 2¾ hours late starting and late finishing. Everybody got to do some hard squeegeeing as a pre-tournament warm-up exercise.

In the Fastennis Singles Challenge, a Continuous Play Draw was used to keep everybody playing irrespective of whether they were winning or losing. Depending on their position in the draw, players got 5 or 6 matches during the tournament. A Fastennis set is won by the player first to win 21 points (like in the old table tennis scoring system).

The overall winner was **Ryan Carson**. The level winners were **Ryan Carson** (ITN 4-5 Men),



Krystyna Anderson (ITN 5 Women), Ben Upfal (ITN 6 Men), Jess Rowley (ITN 6-7 Women) and George Yap (ITN 7 Men).











Summer Season Fixture Results

The results for the Finals of the 2009/2010 Summer Season of BNTA Fixtures were:

MONDAY NIGHT (MIXED)

Pen Res **UQ Aliens**

d UQ Supremes

Division 1 Arrows d UQ Achievers

TUESDAY NIGHT (PAIRS)

UQ Panthers Pennant

d UQ Fruit Smoothies

Pen Res **UQ Hackers**

d UQ Stingrays

Division 1 **Moggill Munsters**

d UQ Can't Be Serious

Division 2 **UQ Chargers**

d UQ Balls Out

WEDNESDAY NIGHT (THREES)

Pennant 7 O'Clock Starts

d UQ No Bass

Pen Res G-Power d UQ Meteors

Division 1 **UQ Hackers**

d UQ Petty Cash

Brisbane Night Tennis Association Inc.



NIGHT SOCIAL **TENNIS**

THURSDAY NIGHTS 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

at the UQ Tennis Centre

\$12 for UQ Tennis Club members. BNTA members and students

\$15 for all others

All standards welcome Regular or occasional attendance Pre-Booking not required Balls provided Tea & Coffee available Snooker & Table Tennis Wide-screen plasma television Licensed Bar

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Summer Tournament Series

The Club's Sizzling Summer Night Tournament Series consisted of three tournaments played on 16 January (Doubles), 6 February (Mixed Doubles) and 20 February (Singles).

26 players (13 pairs) took part in the **Doubles Tournament.**

Because of the relatively low number of entries for each level, everybody went into an initial round of 3 Round-Robin groups with the pairs from each level distributed evenly amongst the groups. This was followed by a play-off round with 4 Round-Robin groups to sort out the final positions from 1 to 13. Prizes were determined on the basis of highest finishing position for the pairs from each entry level. players got 5 sets for the night.

The winners were Kevin Henriksen & Colin Prince (Open Men), Atsuko Nakamura & Ashley Wilkinson (Open Ladies), Ryan Carson & Rikki Hvorup (A Grade Men), Claudia Hong & Naomi Westaway (A Grade Ladies) and Craig Lam & Ben Shakespeare (B Grade Men).

44 players took part in the Mixed **Doubles Tournament.**

As a warm-up exercise, players indulged in some vigorous squeegeeing (courtesy of the torrential rain just before play was scheduled to start). Despite a slightly delayed start, the tournament was completed on time and it turned out to be a pleasant night for Tennis.

The event winners were Atsuko Nakamura & Tony Vickers (Open), Jess Rowley & Ryan Carson (A Grade), **Tiffany Vassallo & Martin Mulhearn** (B Grade) and **Joellen** Ksiazek & Jay Nair (C Grade).

The Singles Tournament was an outstanding success with 79 players Two events, the Open competing. Men's Singles and the B Grade Men's Singles, each had 21 entries.

Unfortunately, late rain prevented most of the play-off rounds from being completed on 20 February. As it then rained for the next couple of weeks, it wasn't until 7 March that the last of the play-off matches, needed to determine the event winners, could be played.

The event winners were Ashley Wilkinson (Open Ladies), Gary Jones (Open Men), Naomi Westaway (A





Grade Ladies), Ryan Carson (A Grade Men), Anna Petrie (B Grade Ladies), Elliot Warren (B Grade Men), Falanika Green (C Grade Ladies) and Jay Nair (C Grade Men).

All three tournaments were Category A events in the Club Grand Prix.

The Summer Tournament Series Winners, determined using the Grand Prix points system, were Atsuko Nakamura and Ryan Carson.

The leading points scorers in the Summer Series were:

Women

1.	Atsuko Nakamura	42 pts
2.	Naomi Westaway	34 pts
	Ashley Wilkinson	34 pts
4.	Jessica Rowley	32 pts
5.	Claudia Hong	30.5 pts

MELL		
1.	Ryan Carson	46 pts
2.	Gary Jones	32 pts
3.	Ben Shakespeare	31.5 pts
4.	Craig Lam	31.3 pts
5	Flliot Warren	30 nts



Summer Tournament Series Winners

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Doubles Tournament

The Club will be running an Autumn Round-Robin Men's Doubles & Ladies' Doubles Night Tournament on Saturday 22 May.

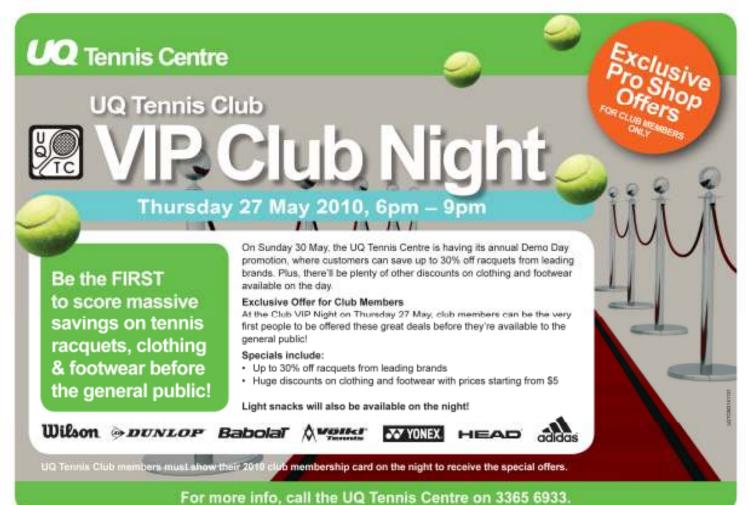
This is another participation-style tournament aimed at players of all standards. Events will be offered at four levels to cover all Fixture grades and Round-Robin formats will be used to guarantee that all entrants get lots of matches.

This tournament is being run in conjunction with the Brisbane Night Tennis Association (BNTA). Entry is restricted to players who are members of the UQ Tennis Club or BNTA.

Entries close on Thursday, 20 May.

Entry forms can be downloaded from the UQ Tennis Club Website. Entries can also be lodged on-line at http://tournaments.tennis.com.au but an additional on-line processing fee applies.





Improve Your Game



UQ Tennis Club Practice Sessions

Where: Check-In is on the Clubhouse verandah

\$8 per session for UQ Tennis Club members Cost:

\$12 per session for non-members

When: 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Tuesday Nights

Who: All levels (Beginners to Advanced)

What is provided? Balls, courts and a program designed to help practice your skills. The program now utilizes a Lobster ball machine.

What will I practise? Drills will be run on different courts, covering all aspects of the game including backhand, forehand, volley, serve and overhead.

What happens at 10 p.m.? Courts will be available from 10 p.m. to 11 p.m. for players who want to continue playing.

Can I come late or leave early? Yes, but the cost will still be \$8 or \$12.

Will coaching be provided? No. The Tennis Centre Pro Shop has some great individual and group coaching programs. The aim of this program is to put into practice what you have learnt from coaching. Employing coaches would result in increased costs and less time hitting balls.

Why come along? It's a chance to work on that shot that has always troubled you or regain some confidence after a lay-off. This is a great opportunity to experiment and challenge yourself to become a better player without the pressure of playing Fixtures.

Davis Cup

Australia will be playing Japan in the Davis Cup (Asia-Oceania Zone Group I, Round 2) at the Queensland Tennis Centre (Tennyson) from Friday 7May to Sunday 9 May. The match will be played on a specially-built clay court on the Pat Rafter Arena.

Series Tickets went on sale to the public on 31 March. Single Session Tickets went on sale to the public on

All tickets must be purchased through

Bookings can be made via the internet (http://www.ticketek.com.au), by phone (132 849) or at Ticketek Agencies.

The tie begins with two Singles matches on Friday, followed by the Doubles on

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Saturday and the Reverse Singles on Sunday.

If Australia wins this match, it goes through to the World Group Play-Offs in September which is the next step on the path back into the World Group for 2011.

For more information about the Davis Cup go to http://www.daviscup.com.

Tennis Queensland Registered Players had priority access to buy tickets from 26 to 30 March.

Moving?



New E-Mail Address?

Make sure you let the Club know.

Otherwise, we won't be able to contact you.

Please e-mail changes to: admin@ugtc.org.au

SUNDAY SOCIAL TENNIS

1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (April to September) 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. (October to March) at the UQ Tennis Club \$10 for UQ Tennis Club members

(\$13 for non-members)

Balls provided Tea & coffee available All standards welcome Regular or occasional attendance Table tennis & snooker Wide-screen plasma television Licensed bar (The Smash Bar)

Free Court Hire

UQ Students are now able to use the courts at the UQ Tennis Centre for free on weekdays between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

To book a free court, visit the UQ Tennis Centre Pro Shop or phone the UQ Tennis Centre on 3365 6933.

Free court hire for UQ Students is subject to court availability.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. may not be the most convenient time for playing Tennis; but as it is FREE, it is well worth the inconvenience.

The usual court hire rates for UQ Students are \$15.30/hour up to 5 p.m. and \$21.60/hour after 5 p.m.

'Free Court Hire for UQ Students' is a trial scheme that will apply until 30 June.

Look good on-court and off-court

Club Logo Clothing



Polo Shirts Dri-Fit Shirts T-Shirts **Vests**

Jackets Jerseys

All items made to order. Next order deadline 31 May.

