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AUTUMN SINGLES TOURNAMENT RESULTS

It was all action at the UQ Tennis Club last Saturday night (6 April) as 47 players competed in the Club's **Awesome Autumn Series Singles Tournament**.

Great weather and lots of close matches. Check the photo highlights on Facebook [here](#).

Also, great to see good entries in the Open, B Grade & C Grade Ladies events.
But where were the A Grade Ladies??

The level winners were **Barbara Sulzbacher** (C Grade Ladies), **Michael Leon** (C Grade Men), **Lan Ho** (B Grade Ladies), **Ken Bagget** (B Grade Men), **Claire Cottam** (A Grade Ladies), **Michael Cottam** (A Grade Men), **Yuka Yamaguchi** (Open Ladies) and **Thomas Ladbroke** (Open Men).

The winners of the prizes in the HEAD Lucky Draw were **Qv Ho**, **Sainath Chavatapalli**, **Ethan Gunn**, **Lucas Hughes** and **Marco Sulzbacher**.

Check out all the match results [here](#).

The Club's next tournament is the Awesome Autumn Series Mixed Doubles Tournament on Saturday night, 4 May.



2019 Autumn Singles Tournament Prize Winners:

Back Row - Lucas Hughes, Ethan Gunn, Michael Cottam, Ken Bagget, Marco Sulzbacher & Thomas Ladbrook

Front Row - Yuka Yamaguchi, Claire Cottam, Michael Leon & Barbara Sulzbacher

TENNIS CLUB FOCUS - PRACTICE

You can't learn the game or improve your game without hitting lots of Tennis balls.

Some years ago, the Club realised there was a gap in the programs available at UQ, particularly for Beginners. The Tennis Centre offered great coaching programs to teach people how to play and the Tennis Club offered great competitive and non-competitive Tennis programs for people who could already play. But there was no easy avenue for people learning the game to

get out and improve and gain confidence by hitting lots of balls.

And so the Practice Program was launched, mainly to complement the coaching programs and to help those learning the game.

Of course, the Practice Sessions aren't just for Beginners. Players of all levels can come along to practice shots in a friendly & social environment and have a cold drink on the Clubhouse verandah afterwards.

Different drills are run on each court, covering all aspects of the game. Players rotate through all the drills during the night. There is no coaching provided but everybody gets to hit lots of balls.

Practice runs on Wednesday nights from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

For Ordinary Members, Associate Members & Junior Members, the Practice Program costs \$8/night. For non-members and Restricted Members, the cost is \$12/night. Pre-registration is not required – just turn up on the night and check in upstairs on the Clubhouse verandah.

For more information about the Practice Program, go to <https://www.uqtc.org.au/practice-sessions>.



Check out more Practice Program photos on Facebook [here](#).

AUTUMN MIXED DOUBLES TOURNAMENT

The Club's Tournament Program for 2019 continues with the **Awesome Autumn Series Mixed Doubles Tournament** which will be played on Saturday night, 4 May, starting at 7 p.m.

Entries close on Thursday, 2 May.

Entries for the Mixed Doubles Tournament will only be accepted where a partner is nominated and that partner also lodges an entry. Sunday Afternoon Social Tennis and Thursday Night Social Tennis are great places to chase up a

doubles partner. Fixture players, ask your team-mates or somebody you have played against.

The **Awesome Autumn Tournament Series** consists of three participation-style tournaments:

Doubles - played on Saturday night, 23 March

Singles - played on Saturday night, 6 April

Mixed Doubles - Saturday night, 4 May (7 to 11 p.m.)

Participation-style tournaments are designed to cater for players of all standards and use round-robin formats that keep everybody playing irrespective of whether they win or lose. As each tournament will be played to completion in a single night, participants will get lots of Tennis.

More information about the Autumn Night Tournament Series can be found [here](#).

Entry forms for the Autumn Night Tournament Series are available from under the Clubhouse and can also be downloaded from the Club Website [here](#).

Entries for the Autumn Mixed Doubles Tournament can be lodged on-line via the Tennis Australia Tournaments Website [here](#)*, where players can also check that their entry has been received.

** Tennis Australia has made its tournament on-line entry system needlessly complicated. When players go to enter on-line, they are asked to create a Tournament account if they don't already have one. To create a Tournament account, players need their 11-digit Tennis Australia My Tennis Player ID Number. Unfortunately, although the TA tournament on-line entry system still requires the 11-digit Player ID Number, Tennis Australia has stopped issuing Player ID Numbers automatically for new players being registered through My Tennis (as it is switching to using player e-mail addresses for identification purposes). This means that players who do not have a Player ID Number, or don't remember their number, need to contact Tennis Australia via play@tennis.com.au or 1800 752 983 to obtain their number or have a number created for them (information required - name, postal address, unique e-mail address, birthdate and a phone number).*

SOCIAL TENNIS THIS SUNDAY

Social Tennis is on this Sunday afternoon (14 April) but will be restricted to 9 courts because of the **Brisbane Age Championships** which are being played at the UQ Sport Tennis Centre from 14 to 17 April.

Some posters and the Club's Information Booklet list no Social Tennis on 14 April because of the age tournament but Social Tennis will now be going ahead as the tournament will not need as many courts as originally booked.

GRAND PRIX RACE

The Grand Prix is an award competition for all UQ Tennis Club Ordinary, Associate & Junior members. Restricted Members are not eligible for the Grand Prix. Players earn points for their participation and level of success in Club tournaments and sanctioned unrestricted open tournaments played from January to November. As points are cumulative, those who play the most tournaments will be among the leading points scorers. As the points are the same at all levels, an ITN 7 player has just as much chance as an ITN 4 player of winning the Grand Prix.

After the completion of the Club's first six tournaments for the year, the leading points scorers in the Club's **2019 Grand Prix** are:

Ladies - 1. Sabrina Blaas (94.0 pts); 2. Jo Baulch & Amanda Bryant (64.0 pts); 4. Ashley Wilkinson (46.0 pts); 5. Yuka Yamaguchi (34.0 pts); 6. Lan Ho (30.0 pts); 7. Christeen Spencer (26.5 pts); 8. Barbara Sulzbacher (24.0 pts); 9. Susan Ko (22.5 pts); 10. Claire Cottam (22.0 pts)

Men - 1. Michael Leon (76.0 pts); 2. Colin Prince (72.0 pts); 3. David Drew (71.0 pts); 4. Timothy Page (55.0 pts); 5. Ken Bagget (50.0 pts); 6. Robert Dair

(48.5 pts); 7. Mark Hodgson (48.0 pts); 8. Andrew Bate (46.0 pts); 9. Marco Sulzbacher (38.0 pts); 10. Branko Koncarevic (36.5 pts)

Check the Grand Prix Rules and the Points on the Club website [here](#).

INTERVARSITY TENNIS

In 2018, Australian University Sport launched the new **UniSport Nationals** to replace the Australian University Games. Each year, sports are divided into two divisions on standard, based on results in the previous year's Nationals.

If you are a current UQ student, interested in representing UQ in the 2019 UniSport Nationals Tennis competition, you need to lodge an expression of interest **NOW**.

As UQ finished 2nd in the Women's Tennis and 6th in the Men's Tennis at Last year's Division 1 Nationals, in 2019 the UQ Tennis Team will be competing in the Division 1 Nationals which will be played on the Gold Coast from 28 September to 3 October. The Division 2 Nationals will be played at the Gold Coast from 7 to 11 July.

UQ Sport organises all UQ teams for the Nationals. Part of the process is to appoint a Sport Specific Manager (SSM) for each sport to coordinate selection trials & training sessions, organise travel, accommodation & uniforms and travel to the Nationals to oversee the team's participation in the competition.

Nominations for the SSM position for Tennis and **expressions of interest for the UQ Tennis Team** should be sent to the UQ Sport Competitions Manager, Emma Taylor, at teamuq@uqsport.com.au.

For more information about the UniSport Nationals, go to:

<https://www.unisport.com.au/nationals>

GREAT COURT RACE

Entries are now open for the **2019 Great Court Race** which will be held on Wednesday, 22 May.

First held in 1985 to celebrate UQ's 75th anniversary, the event is based on the Great Court Run at Trinity College, Cambridge University which was immortalised in the film '**Chariots of Fire**'.

Headlined by the blue ribbon Men's and Women's Great Court Races, the event also includes College, Club and Staff Relays.

Race nominations close on Friday, 3 May.

For more information and to register, go to:

<https://uqsport.com.au/whats-on/great-court-race/>

KEEP INFORMED

There are always lots of things happening in the UQ Tennis Club.

You can check out what is coming up on the Club Website:

<https://www.uqtc.org.au>

For programs, click the relevant information Tab and check for a story on the Home page. For events, there will always be a story on the Home page.

Another way to stay informed is to like the Club's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/uqtennis/>

Posters about events are also displayed on the Club Noticeboard under the clubhouse.

Everything about the Club and its Programs can be found in the Club's Information Booklet, which can be viewed on-line:

<https://www.uqtc.org.au/file/uq-tennis-club-information-booklet>



UPDATING YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

The Club's Management Committee goes to a lot of trouble to make sure Members are kept informed about what is happening in the Club.

However, this is only possible if Members' contact information is up-to-date. **If you move or change your e-mail address, please let the Club know.**

As players are registered with Tennis Queensland using Tennis Australia's My Tennis on-line database, those with a valid e-mail address will receive an automated e-mail receipt from Tennis Australia confirming their registration. They will also receive a notification about how to access the on-line system to update their personal information themselves. **This**

notice infers that changes to contact information made on-line in this way will automatically be conveyed to the Club. This is incorrect. Any changes must be notified separately to the Club, preferably via e-mail to admin@uqtc.org.au.

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