



FEBRUARY 2022

## Happy New year!

## Welcome Henry!

### Welcome Back!

Happy New year to everyone and we hope you have all had a chance to catch up with family and friends over the recent Christmas and New Year period.

### A new face in the Pro Shop, Say hello!

We are pleased to have a new staff member, Henry Chim, who will be working with us in the Pro Shop and on various programs. If you are around and see a new face... say hello!

## Wet Weather?

If in doubt, check 'weather news'.

With the current climate of La Nina providing plenty of rain, we have experienced many wash outs for our courts. We try our best to notify you when it is appropriate to call off play through the website weather page in a timely manner. We report on current court conditions at Pennant Hills Park and unable to predict and forecast ahead. So, continue to check our 'weather news' page on our website to determine court playability where we will post conditions as soon as possible. Remember also that if it is raining at your place, it does not necessarily mean that the courts are not playable.



# Adult Comp Returns

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We look forward to being able to offer competitive (and social) tennis again to all members and our general community, from juniors to adults. It is an opportunity to increase not just our physical health, but also our mental wellbeing. All comp and pool players have been made aware via email in relation to the commencement of our competitions as of 31 January. Please read this email carefully as it holds essential information on the return of our competition play. If you did not receive an email, please contact us so we can amend this.

As an Association we looked at the various options to get back to some type of normality for people and to be able to enjoy tennis.

### **With that in mind we have looked at:**

- Tennis NSW: From 1<sup>st</sup> February Tennis NSW are following NSW Health guidelines allowing all people to play in any of their competitions
- NSW Health guidelines, which the Association have been following in terms of providing a safe environment in terms of space in buildings and on courts (e.g., singles, and then doubles) cleanliness, and QR check-ins etc. for all people coming to the centres, currently whether vaccinated or unvaccinated.

### **We have made the following decisions:**

- We will continue to follow NSW Health guidelines which includes community sport for all, vaccinated and unvaccinated against COVID
- Social and online bookings will continue as they are now for all members and the community to continue to enjoy
- All coaching will continue under the guidance of the specific companies
- All NWST competitions will resume as normal and as advertised on our website for vaccinated and unvaccinated, noting that players who have COVID symptoms or are deemed a close contact **should not play** until they have recovered or cleared by following NSW Health guidelines.

This term we will be using the Xpoint system to shadow a few of our normal competitions formats. Some members will be familiar with Xpoint if they had the opportunity to play in the CV cup in November/December. Information will be sent out as needed, but currently competition reporting will remain the same. Some members/teams will be using both systems as part of the shadowing exercise.



# Twilight Tennis

**Everyone Welcome!** Members and community players, 6 - 9pm Fridays.

Come along for some tennis, a BBQ and some fun. Courts and balls supplied. Bring your own barbeque items and drinks. \$10 per adult. Children welcome too.

Email: [info@northwestsydneytennis.com.au](mailto:info@northwestsydneytennis.com.au) to let us know you are coming along with 'Friday Night Fun' in the subject line so we have adequate courts etc. Come one night, two...or all!

Sessions will take place each Friday till daylight saving ends at end of March.



## Yoga

**Everyone Welcome!** Get your Zen on.

Classes have started back up again, join us on Friday lunchtimes, Sunday mornings and/or Monday nights.... the new beginner's class has also been a hit..... See below for the class times and dates for the term. All Welcome!

**Fridays 11.45am – 12.30pm** – 4, 11, 18, 25 Feb

**Sundays 9.45am – 10.30am** – 6, 13, 20, 27 Feb

**Mondays 6 – 6.45pm** – 7, 14, 21, 28 Feb

Price per class: \$10 for Members; \$15 for Non-Members. Current Public Health Orders apply. BYO mat, water and towel.

Contact Mary [mary@fobal.com.au](mailto:mary@fobal.com.au) or 0421 049 850 to make bookings and payments.



## Tennis Balls & Racquets Needed!

**A Call for Used Tennis Balls & Racquets!** Put them to good use

Is your used tennis ball collection growing with time and not being put to any good use? These could be old comp balls, social hits and so on. Any old racquets sitting around the house no longer being used? Bring them in, any condition would be valued. The balls are used for our junior comp and racquets are in great need for our local high schools' sports programs. Any donations would be greatly appreciated and can be left with the Pro Shop.



# Tildesley Tournament 2022 - *Court unavailability!*

## Our Court will be unavailable 13, 14, 15 March.

The Tildesley Shield Tennis Tournament is a competitive singles and doubles schools team event which has been running since 1918. It is IGSSA's longest running carnival here at Pennant Hills Park Tennis Centre. We are proud to host such a prestigious event for Independent Girls Schools across Sydney and regional areas. This year, the event will take place across **13, 14, 15 March**.

We would like to make aware that all daytime bookings across 13, 14, 15 March will be unavailable to allow us to accommodate for this event. We thank you for your understanding.

## Calling all Girls!

### Up for some friendly tennis. Ages 10 – 14.

Any girls up for a friendly hit of tennis with any skill level welcome. Event will take place Sundays 20, 27 March. 3 April 2022, 1-3pm at Pennant Hills Park. Please send though any queries or your interest to Sharmila on [shykumar@hotmail.com](mailto:shykumar@hotmail.com). See additional Flyer below for more information.

LET'S HAVE  
FUN IN THE  
SUN!



**COME ON GIRL!**

Let's have a hit of tennis!  
Bring a friend along.  
Age 10-14  
Pennant Hills Tennis Club  
No skills required  
Just a smile !  
Sun 20th ,27th March,  
3rd April,2022  
Time 1- 4pm

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*It's tennis time!*

Contact Sharmila on  
[shykumar@hotmail.com](mailto:shykumar@hotmail.com)

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# Saturday Junior Comp

## Welcome Back! A few reminders for our first match.

We commenced our first match last **Saturday 5 Feb**, so check the draw on Xpoint to see which timeslot you are playing to avoid confusion.

- **Important Dates**

Start date: Saturday 5 February

Last match: Saturday 2 April

- **Xpoint and UTR**

From Term 1 2022 we will be using Xpoint Sports. This online system will allow players to input their own scores online. Your match results will be contributed to a players Universal Tennis Rating (UTR).

UTR is calculated by an algorithm using player's last 30 eligible match scores from the last 12 months. Xpoint results count towards Player's verified UTR with those results typically visible on the UTR platform within 7 days of match results being entered into Xpoint.

In regard to comp updates/changes and draws, this will be communicated through Xpoint website. Please check there weekly.

- **Trophies and Medals**

Please check with the Pro Shop for any unclaimed trophies and medals from a few previous comps. If uncollected, these trophies will be re purposed by the end of the term.

- **Pool Players needed for all timeslots:** From ages 8 – 18yrs for any of the following timeslots: 8am, 10am and 3pm. If you missed out on rego for this term, want to fill in for another timeslot on the day, or only want to play a few weeks throughout the term – **email:** [info@northwestsydneytennis.com.au](mailto:info@northwestsydneytennis.com.au)
- **Remember to have fun and Goodluck!**



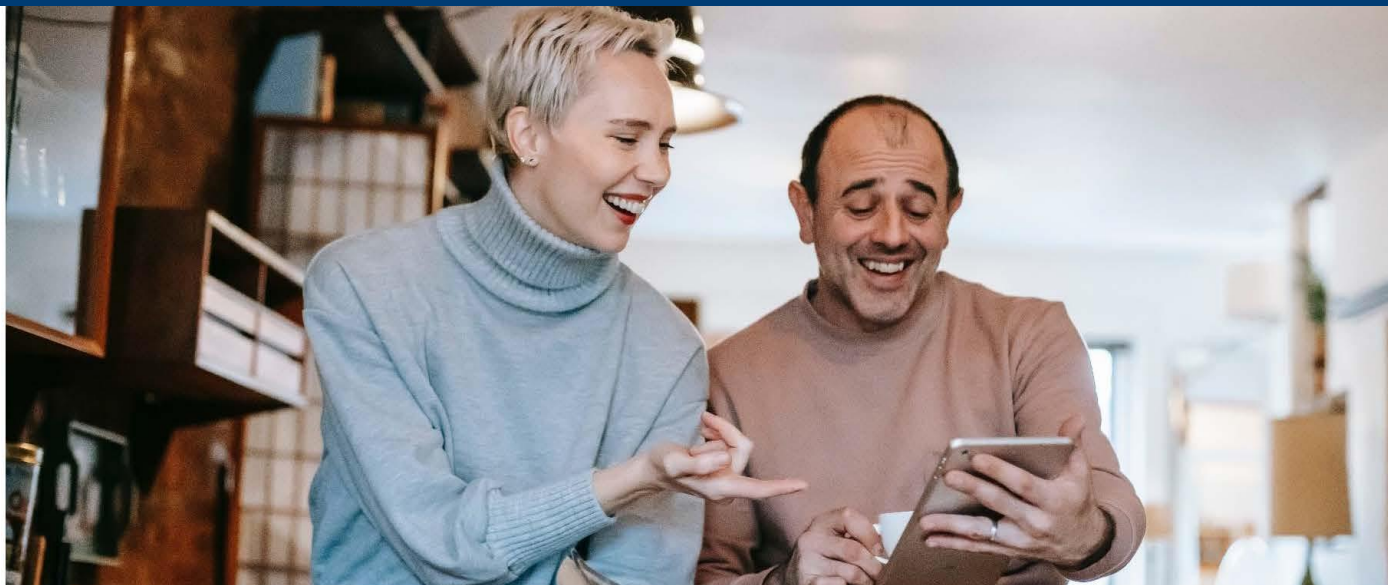
## Pro Shop Offerings

### The Pro Shop - what do we offer?

Our Pro Shop (and facilities) will again be accessible within the Clubhouse rather than through the front window. Please follow health guidelines to always wear a mask inside the clubhouse and use contactless payment methods when making transactions to help protect us all.

- **Tennis accessories:** Over grips, replacement grips, North West Sydney Tennis hats, visors.
- **Services:** Racquet Restring, grips application (Due to high demand for grip application we are requesting an additional \$5 for grip application)
- **Tennis balls:** Head, Slazenger, and Dunlop
- **Barista coffee**
- A range of **cold drinks**
- A range of **confectionary & snacks**
- **Ice creams**

## A WORD FROM OUR COMMUNITY PARTNER



### Combining finances with a partner later in life

*For many of us, love is something we find later in life at a time when our lives and finances are more established. If you're navigating the intricacies and often complexities of combining finances with a partner at a later stage of life, I've got some tips that could help.*

#### **What's mine is yours... or is it?**

When combining finances later in life, each party will likely have more assets, greater diversity in their portfolio, and a more complicated family set up. It's very important to be upfront and transparent about your investments, debts, regular expenses, and financial goals. Once you're clear on where you're both at, you need to decide how your finances might best combine to create the future you both want.

#### **Communicate and ask for help**

Objective advice can often be very useful. As your financial adviser I can help decide on the best strategies to cover your expenses, save, invest, and spend together. If things need to be a little more formal - particularly if you or your partner is still making payments to children from a previous relationship - then it could be worth formalising your financial agreement with the help of a lawyer. Communicate the relevant parts of your plan to your families, and make sure you talk to one another throughout the planning process and beyond.

#### **Be efficient**

There can be financial benefits to being in a couple. To get the best of your situation, make sure your tax affairs are set up efficiently, and your super contributions are well-organised.

#### **Managing your estate**

One important part of organising joint finances is making sure arrangements are in order should the worst happen. Make sure your estate planning is up-to-date and watertight. Your will should outline beneficiaries, clearly outline what happens to property, and make the relevant protections for any children you have. Leaving assets to them in a trust will avoid any issues should your new partner go on to marry again after you're gone. Professional advice will make sure you've covered any loopholes, and open communication will help maintain positive relationships with all involved.

Of course, everyone's situation is different. If you'd like to talk through what might be best for you and your partner, then I'd be delighted to help.

*Any advice is general in nature only and has been prepared without considering your needs, objectives or financial situation. Before acting on it you should consider its appropriateness for you, having regard to those factors.*

# Social Tennis

## Social Tennis Anyone?

Ever looking for a social game of tennis? At NWST there are various tennis social groups that are commitment-free. These days are fun, social, and great days to meet new people and get that bit of extra exercise and practice!

See below a range of social tennis happening weekly at both **Pennant Hills Park Tennis Centre** and at **Epping Tennis Centre on Midson Rd.**

For more information on the social groups visit [northwestsydneytennis.com.au](http://northwestsydneytennis.com.au)

### MEN'S SOCIAL – Pennant Hills

#### Monday Morning

- Time: Summer 7.00 – 10.30am, Winter 8.00am to 11.30am
- Age Group: 55 +, Intermediate + standard
- Cost: \$8.00

#### Thursday Morning

- Time: 8.00am to 11.30am
- Age Group: 55 +, Intermediate + standard
- Cost: \$8.00

For enquires contact **Alan Bedkober** on **0490 297 509**.

### LADIES SOCIAL – Pennant Hills

#### Tuesday Morning

- Time: 9.30am - 12.30pm
- Cost: \$7 members, \$10 non members
- All ages, intermediate standard

#### Wednesday Mornings

- Time: 9:00am - Midday
- Cost: \$7 members, \$10 non members
- Age: intermediate standard

#### Friday Morning

- Time: 9:00am - Midday
- Cost: \$7 members, \$10 non members
- Age: intermediate + standard

For enquiries email [info@northwestsydneytennis.com.au](mailto:info@northwestsydneytennis.com.au) or call **9481 0970**.

### MIXED – Pennant Hills

#### Monday Morning

- Time: 9.00am to 12.00pm
- Cost: \$7 members, \$10 non members
- Age Group: 50+, low – Intermediate standard

#### Saturday Afternoon

- Time: 1.00pm to 5.00pm
- Cost: \$10
- For Elite, Div. 1, Div. 2 standard

For enquiries email [info@northwestsydneytennis.com.au](mailto:info@northwestsydneytennis.com.au) or call **9481 0970**

#### Sunday Morning

- Time: 9.00am to 11.00am
- Age Group: 30 +, intermediate standard

For enquiries call **Dennis** on **0414 634 618**.

### LADIES – Epping, Midson Rd

#### Wednesday Morning

- Time: 10.00am - Midday
- Age: Group 50+, intermediate standard

For enquiries phone **Val Tuckwell** on **0408 852 808**.

#### Wednesday Morning

- Time: 9.00-11.00am
- Age: Older ladies welcome

For enquiries phone **Jane** on **9871 2933** or **0438 306 410**.

#### Thursday Morning

- Time: 9.00 - 11.30am
- Age: All welcome

For enquires phone **Cheryl** on **0403 160 976**.

### MIXED – Epping, Midson Rd

#### Friday Evening

- Time: 8pm - 10pm
- Age Group: 20 +, intermediate standard

For enquiries call **Phillip** on **0402 060 061** or **Laurie** on **0412 979 396**.

### MENS – Epping, Midson Rd

#### Monday Morning

- Time: 8.30am to 11.00 am
- Age Group: 50+
- Moderate standard
- Cost: \$7.00
- Sets: 8 game doubles playing with different players during the morning.

# History Unveiled

## Hotel Pennant Hills - one of our local community supporters with a bit of history!

The Hampden Hotel in Pennant Hills was built in 1898 by George Eaton. It was a large building, initially planned as a tourist hotel and a health resort. By the standards of the day, it was modern and one of the few first-class hotels outside the city.

The Hotel was an immediate success and booked out well in advance. Some of the early guests at the Hampden Hotel included George Reid and his wife in 1900 (Reid was elected Australia's fourth Prime Minister in 1904), and A.B. Patterson (Banjo) and his new wife, in April 1903.

In the early years Hampden Hotel guests and visitors regularly participated in organized pigeon shooting competitions on the Hampden Grounds. The competition would commence after trains from Sydney arrived with participants and once lunch at the Hotel was eaten. The competitors were assured of plenty of birds being available and generous prizes of up to £100 (put up by Eaton) for the winner. In 1915 the Hampden Hotel had an extensive renovation which included a new tennis court, located where the Hotel's car park is today.

The Hampden Hotel was a favourite of Prime Minister Billy Hughes who stayed there in the lead up to the December 1922 election. However, this was not successful as Hughes was not re-elected as Prime Minister and the Hampden Hotel was forced to sue him for payment of £15 owed from his pre-election stay. On 26th June 1962 the Hampden Hotel was formally renamed Hotel Pennant Hills, then became the Pennant Hills Inn, and now back to Hotel Pennant Hills – the PHH. Or just the 'Penno Pub' as the locals call it.

The above excerpts are previously published - For the full article on the history of the Penno Pub refer to the book "Man Made the City but God Made the Bush" by Nathan Tilbury.



The Hotel Pennant Hills (HPH) has always come to our aid for vouchers and raffle prizes when requested which as an Association we appreciate greatly. So to show our love back, why not call in for one of their bistro meals or just a quiet refreshment with your tennis buddies or family.



HOTEL PENNANT HILLS





**Saturday 9am - 3pm**  
**26 February 2022**

**Uniting Church**  
**Cnr Boundary Rd & Bellamy St**  
**Pennant Hills**

*Parking on Bellamy St vacant lot opposite church*

- Meet with professionals providing child and parent services
- Everything from education and therapy to sport
- Guest speakers
- Magician performing onsite
- Variety of programs on offer
- Food and drink available

**FREE**  
**ENTRY**

**Interested?** For stall enquiries please contact Marion at BPHUC on 9875 3436  
website: [hillsparentingexpo.org](https://hillsparentingexpo.org) | email: [admin@hillsparentingexpo.org](mailto:admin@hillsparentingexpo.org)

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