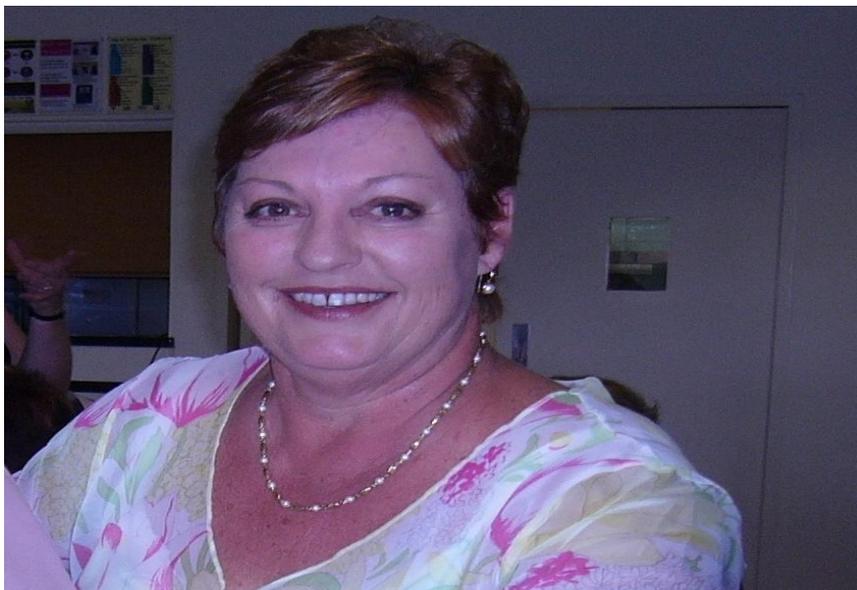




Nelson Bay Tennis Club Inc.

August Newsletter 2017

In Memory of Sue Foster



The passing of Sue Foster on Monday 7th August has saddened our past and present members. She fought a hard, brave battle with cancer and then a stroke. Our deepest sympathy goes out to her daughter, Sarah and Sue's sister, Shelley. Sue had been a valuable committee member since 2002. She always said it how it was, thus making for some lively discussions at our meeting. Sue was also in charge of Tuesday night competition for many years, organising the teams and reserves, with no one brave enough to question any of her decisions. The club kitchen was another domain of hers. Any tournament that required home cooking, Sue and Margery Matthews had exclusive rights to this area. The food they produced was fresh and plentiful but try and enter her space and the "Gordon Ramsey" came out in her!!! Much to the horror of Margery. Where Sue really stood out, was her fun loving times with the Thursday ladies. She entertained at many of their functions, one of which can be told here:

Sue donned a swimming cap (to appear bald) a pillow stuffed under T-Shirt (this is a big man), blackened all of her top teeth (then smiled through the entire performance). She was supposed to be camping in outback Australia. Her husband, Dave, had chopped down real trees and

bought them to the NB Bowling Club. He placed them all around the room along with a huge cardboard cutout of Uluru, a dingo, Lindy Chamberlain, many bottles of stubbies and a real, live aboriginal playing a didgeridoo.

This is just one story of many that our dear friend will be remembered for. You will be sadly missed Sue R.I.P

Written by Karen Lily

Interclub Challenge

On Sunday 30th July, Nelson Bay TC challenge Lake Macquarie TC to a few games of 'serious' social tennis. There were 40 players altogether and perfect weather. We played both men's and women's doubles and then mixed doubles. Thank you to all of the Nelson Bay members who represented our club. You all put in a fine effort to win 191 games to 163 games. We were the winners for the 5th time in a row. It truly was a fun day.



Steve Taylor was kind enough to give Jim Hickey some encouraging words as the numerous games exhausted most of us. I think "Get up you woos" was clearly heard.



Competitions

Monday Night: The finals were played on 24th July. The winners were Bruce Richardson,(reserved for Fozzy), Pat Crowe, Julie Andrews and Jim Hickey (reserved for Neil Scott) and the runners up were James McArthur (reserved for Phil Delandro) Jarrod Courts, Rod Stubbs and Jarrod Hickey. The next comp has now started and I am happy to say there are 6 teams playing.

Tuesday Night : There are only 4 teams in this competition so the finals are declared on the number of games won by each team. The happy winners by August 15th were Al Fisher, Jeremy Neilson, Roby Lang and Brent Merryfull with 78pts.

Thursday ladies: The finals were play at Fingal Bay courts on August 10th . For Division1 Donna Morrison, Jane Bellman and Kay Blyth defeated Julie Andrew, Cheryl Moss and Karen Lily. In Division 2, Anne Fletcher, Kate Sell and Trudy Blanchford defeated, by 1 game, Louise Barr, Ruth Croft and Deb Haynes. The new competition begins August 17th with the format changed to teams of 4.

July School Holiday Camp

This holiday season had plenty of sunny weather except for one day. Blake was very happy with the attendance. It was great to see a few new faces join in the fun. Even the young teenagers from Tomaree high had a fun time. Well done to Jess for being Blake's assistant coach for the day.



NBTC September/October Holiday Tennis Camp

Wk 1: September :Tuesday 26th , Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th

Wk 2: October : Tuesday 3rd , Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th

Full day 9-2pm \$ 40 (lunch included)

Contact Coach Blake 0403634667

NSW Combined High Schools Teams Final

On August 8th, 9th and 10th Nelson Bay tennis club hosted the NSW combined High School Teams Final, which was managed by Andrew Mitton from Bathurst. Over 100 players and parents from 10 schools from across the state travelled to the Bay to compete for the Floris Conway Cup and the Stan Jones Cup. Teams of 4 played doubles and singles matches. The spectators were extremely impressed with the high standard of tennis. Nelson Bay Tennis Club was complimented for its beautiful 8 court facility and magnificent view. Sydney Boys High won the Stan Jones cup and Endeavour Sports High (Sydney south east) won the Floris Conway Cup.

Thank you to the Senior members that assisted at the BBQ for Blake. Your time and effort is always appreciated.



Find me a tennis player

Don't forget that we are always

willing to accept new members into the club so feel free to invite a friend along to a game of tennis.

Lawn Bowls Fun Day : I have attached the flyer for the lawn bowls fun day. NBTC is a sub club to NBBC because we are under its supportive wing for fundraising , as is a number of other clubs in the district. (e.g. soccer, footy, surfing, marine rescue) This is done through the Friday night seafood raffle which I do about every 8 weeks. The money raised helps pay for all the little things on my shopping list for the tennis club. So please feel free to make up a team for the day to show your support.

Seniors Diary: I have booked the **Christmas party Wednesday December 13th**. We have the two conference rooms free of charge. The same procedure as last year, order your own food and they will bring it to the rooms. Ros and Linda are thinking of awards so a few of need to misbehave or change your mannerisms. I found a pretty trophy for a good girl.



