Bundaberg Table Tennis Association

May 2022 Newsletter



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HI EVERYONE WE ARE NOW GETTING UNDERWAY FOR THE CURRENT SEASONS, AND WE ARE FAST APPROACHING THE BUNDABERG OPEN, THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AND OTHER TOURNAMENTS, SO PLEASE READ ON:

Important Dates:

21 & 22 May	Qld Junior training camp
4 & 5 June	Bundaberg Open
18 & 19 June	Rockhampton Open
24 June	Term 2 Junior finals
3 – 9 July	National Senior, Youth, Junior, Para Championships (Caloundra)
20 – 24 July	Qld Veterans Championships

PEARLS FROM PETE



Club President, Peter Marris

Hi All,

There's been plenty happening recently, some good and some not so good. Unfortunately, we were not successful in our grant application for the insulation of the facility. The committee is currently investigating alternative options and I will keep you posted with the developments in that area. On a positive note, we were successful with the Girls Training Grant, more about that further on in the newsletter. Our winter fixtures are now underway, good luck to all players and teams participating in that. I am certainly looking forward to playing again, but will still be several months away once my Achilles repair has fully recovered. Our next big Tournament is the 2022 Bundaberg Open, fast approaching on 4-5 June. I encourage you to register and participate. We are hoping to make this our biggest and most successful Tournament so far. We have managed to acquire several new Sponsors for this event, as well as our regulars. The new sponsors include Takalvans, Wide Bay Canopy and Filter Cleaners and Total Tools Bundaberg – a big thank you to those organisations for their generous support. I am preparing to Live Stream most of the finals and would appreciate any assistance from any persons with an interest and availability to learn how to do this. Contact me on 0427 987 363 to discuss further if you think you can help.

I would like to personally thank Deleece McDonald for taking on the role of Team Leader for the Bunnings sausage sizzle in my absence. A big thank you to the other volunteers that assisted on the day. The weather was ideal and the crowds at Bunnings were big, making for a very successful fund-raising activity for the club. A portion of these funds will be used to further subsidise our juniors for participation in the Qld Juniors earlier this year.

Another project the committee are undertaking is the development of a long-term Strategic Plan for our Club. Trevor Barrett has been participating in a series of online webinars from **Club Map** looking at diversifying and solidifying our income strategies, developing and expanding our volunteer base, as well as several other key strategic facets of running a successful not for profit club. TTQ are backing this concept, and several other Qld Clubs are also proceeding down this path. I will provide more information as it becomes available.

Meanwhile, good luck on the courts!

Regards,

Pete (Club President)

2022 BUNDABLIRG RADIOLOGY THANK YOU SPONSORS

With the Bundaberg Open now less than one month away (June 4 & 5), thank you to our sponsors for the tournament – Bundaberg Radiology, DGZ Chartered Accountants, Takalvans, Total Tools, Wide Bay Canopies & Filter Cleaners, Dymocks Bookstore, Ross Gray Motor City, Wessel Petroleum, Uncle Chans Chinese Cafe, Hon. Tom Smith (Member for Bundaberg, and TTQ Patron) & Hon. Stephen Bennett (Member for Burnett)

The entry form is now available online at our website or the TTQ website, and at the canteen. There are events for all ages and all levels so please consider playing. Players from Townsville, Mackay, Rockhampton and many of the southern Associations expected to take part.

Entries close on Wednesday 1 June

BUNDABERG OPEN RAFFLE

Thanks to wonderful donations of a wheelbarrow full of a variety of equipment by **Total Tools** worth **almost \$500.00**, and fuel vouchers from **Wessel Petroleum** worth **\$50.00** each, the club is running a major raffle leading up to the Bundaberg Open. Books of 10 tickets are being distributed to all members to sell to friends, relatives, work mates, etc. **Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00**. Please take at least one book to sell and return by Monday 30 May. The draw will be on Sunday 5 June at the Bundaberg Open.



BUNNINGS BBQ

A very big thank you goes to all the volunteers who helped at Bunnings last Saturday, especially Deleece who organised the whole event and was there from start to finish. It was a very busy day for all concerned, but also very successful in that the club raised over \$1300.



Bunnings bbq, in a rare quiet period !!

CONGRATULATIONS

Following the Queensland Junior Championships during the Easter school holidays, eight Bundaberg Juniors have been selected to represent Queensland at the National Championships which will be held at Caloundra at the start of July.

Natasha Jefferson & Tahia Zia (U 19 Girls) Andrew Udal & Braydon Chapman (U 19 Boys B) Kane Chantarat & Matthew Udal (U 17 Boys B & C respectively)

Sithuki Hewamadduma (U 13 Girls B) Janiru Hewamadduma (U 11 Boys C)

Also selected were former Bundaberg players Lucas Green, Vinuka and Sithuki De Silva, Dhriti Singh Panwar and Diwansha Kumaranathunga.

Congratulations on your selection and good luck at the Championships.

A couple of **Bundaberg Para TT players** are also likely to represent Queensland. This team will be announced in the coming weeks.

TRAINING CAMP

One of three Queensland Junior team training camps will be held in Bundaberg on the weekend of **May 21 & 22** under the guidance of Queensland High Performance and Development Coordinator, Matthew Pettett, and Queensland coach Kelsey Le Maistre.

PRE-WINTER SEASON

The Pre-Winter finals were held last week. Congratulations to the winning teams:

Premier Division Punishers (Steve Mitchell, Kane Chantarat) def Killers (Braydon Chapman, Andrew McCurley) 3-2





Premier Division winners

Division One Double D (Dave Delpratt, Deleece McDonald) def Papps (Pieter Poldervaart, Ashley Parrott) 4-1

Division Two Poor Execution (Hannah Sunley, Cathy Rivers) def Hit & Miss (Kingsley Parrott, Trevor Barrett) 3-2



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Division 2 winners

Division Three winners

Division Three HCT123 (Hayden Vincent, Caleb Caddell, Taylah Sim) def A Team (George Haggar, Louise Lawsen, Gordon Albrecht) 7-2

WINTER SEASON

The Winter season started this week with a small increase in the number of players compared to the Pre-Winter season. This season is scheduled to finish in mid-September, with a two week break during the June – July school holidays.

TERM 2 JUNIOR SEASON

This season has also seen a small increase of players compared to the Term 1 season, and the largest number since Term 4 in 2018 which is a very encouraging sign.

With this increasing numbers of players, especially many who are quite young and inexperienced, we are asking parents to assist when possible during fixtures, either with organising the players, umpiring, or helping in the canteen. If you are available, whether every week or occasionally, please let me know.

ADULT COACHING & TRAINING

In addition to the Friday and Sunday Social sessions, adults members are welcome to attend the **Monday night coaching** session with Dave Delpratt (7.00 – 9.00 pm; cost \$10.00) and / or the **Thursday night training** session run by Steve and Bernadette Mitchell (7.00 – 9.00 pm; cost \$6.00 for members, \$10.00 for non-members). New players are welcome to either session.

GIRLS TRAINING GRANT

The club has been successful with its application for Table Tennis Queensland's Women and Girls Development Program grant. This will provide funding to employ Bernadette Mitchell to conduct a ten week girls only group session once a week in Term 3. More information and application forms will be available in the coming weeks.

SPINNEROOS

The fourth Spinneroos program started a couple of weeks ago with eight players registering and already showing a lot of improvement and potential. This program will continue until June 15. Another program is scheduled to be held in Term 4.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS COMPETITION

Six schools (Woongarra, Branyan, St Patricks, St Johns, BCC, Norville) have entered a total of thirtythree teams (approximately 130 players) for the five week Term 2 Year 5 & 6 competition on Fridays. While most of the players have not played table tennis competitively before, they are quickly picking up the skills and showing a lot of enthusiasm, with several showing interest in continuing after the season finishes.

2021 - 22 COMMITTEE

President:	Peter Marris
Vice President:	Trevor Barrett
Secretary:	Hannah Sunley
Treasurer:	Cathy Rivers
Committee Members:	Rashed Aziz, Phil Freeman,
	Rhonda Dawson, Deleece
	McDonald
Patron	Pauline Langford
Grading Committee	Steve Ricketts, George Haggar,
	Dave Delpratt
Development Officer	Dave Delpratt
Publicity / Records	Dave Delpratt

All members are welcome to attend and speak at our monthly Committee meetings. Meetings are normally held on the 2nd Monday of the month, starting **7.30 p.m.**

Next Committee meeting Monday 13 June

MEMBERSHIP & PLAYING FEES PLEASE NOTE

ALL players who play in any club fixtures or regularly come to Social sessions and / or coaching sessions are required to pay membership fees so that they are covered by insurance.

2022 Membership Fees Subject to change (NOTE: New members joining now will be registered to the end of 2022)

Adult Club / Tournament	\$ 100.00
Adult / Student concession	\$ 90.00
Adult Social	\$ 55.00
Junior	\$ 55.00

2022 Playing Fees (Including GST) Subject to change

Fixture Fees Adult \$ 13.00 Junior \$ 10.00 Social Fees Adult \$ 6.00 Junior \$ 5.00 Adult Non-Member \$ 10.00 \$ 7.00 Junior Non-Member Weekly Fixture Pass \$ 25.00 Adult \$ 19.00 Junior **Family Social Fee** Members \$ 16.00 Non-members \$ 20.00 Coaching Adult \$ 10.00 Junior Squad \$ 10.00 Extra sessions during the same week \$ 8.00 Friday Junior \$ 7.00 **Term 2 Coaching Pass** (10 weeks) One session per week \$ 80.00 Two sessions per week \$150.00 Three sessions per week \$220.00 Extra sessions \$ 8.00

CLUB SHIRTS

Orders for the **club shirts** can be made at any time – cost is currently **\$45.00**. These shirts are light, comfortable and quick drying. To place an order, please see me.

There are quite a few of the previous type still available but these have been reduced to 20.00 – an absolute bargain as they are also a very good, long-lasting, quality shirt. Examples are on display upstairs.

Also available are some of our secondhand club shirts which have been used as hire shirts for tournaments. There is a range of sizes for sale, especially for younger juniors, for **ONLY \$5.00**. These would be especially useful for training sessions.

New club jackets can also be ordered. These are very comfortable and warm. These cost **about \$55.00** (to be confirmed).

FIRST IN, BEST DRESSED LITERALLY

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE WANTED

Soft drink cans & bottles, water, fruit juice, beer and spirits cans & bottles, tetra packs to be recycled. We receive **10 cents** for every eligible container so please deposit your "empties" in the bins in the foyer.

Amount raised in April \$79.00 2022 total so far \$295.70

Please save all your bottles and cans then bring them to the club so we can build our 2022 fundraising in a BIG way. Many thanks to our regular and occasional contributors.

OUR MAJOR SPONSORS



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