Bundaberg Table Tennis Association

November 2022 Newsletter



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HI EVERYONE, THE YEAR IS RAPIDLY DRAWING TOWARDS THE END BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF EVENTS STILL TO COME OVER THE NEXT MONTH AND AT THE START OF THE NEW YEAR, SO PLEASE READ ON:

Important Dates:

19 November Junior training camp

19 November Special Olympics tournament

Sunshine Coast

19 November Cree Shield Inter-club match v

Rockhampton (Bundaberg)

20 November Hopes training camp and tourna-

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25 November McDonalds Bundaberg Primary

Schools Championship

25 November Term Junior 4 Finals

27 November Annual Presentations Night

2 December Qld Schools Championships Finals

(Brisbane)

5&6 December Spring Season finishes 9-20 January Junior training sessions 31 Jan / 1 Feb Start Pre-Winter season

PEARLS FROM PETE



Club President, Peter Marris

Hi All, After missing last month, there are a few things I can bring you up to speed on. We are having a lot of difficulty finding

a contractor to quote and conduct the insulation work we wanted as part of getting the club air conditioned. There is very little inclination for anyone to take on this project, due to its complexity and cost. The whole project comprises various stages, insulation being just one. The others are upgrading the Ergon electricity supply to 3 phase, increasing the solar panel and battery storage capacity to offset the ongoing electricity costs, and the installation of the split system aircon units. Each phase in its own right is expensive. The club has already received a significant donation from an anonymous donor towards the aircon project, and we just heard this week that our grant application with the Gambling Fund was successful, which was for the sum of \$20,000. We are due to hear back from Ergon at any time now with a quote for the 3 phase power upgrade. We anticipate this to be somewhere between ten and twenty thousand dollars. The committee have decided to make the 3 phase power upgrade the first stage, in lieu of the insulation, because of the difficulty we have been having finding a contractor to perform the work. We are currently now seeking quotes to increase our solar panels and battery storage as the second stage. This is considered to be important to be able to offset the costs of running 8-10 split system air conditioners in the facility without it being insulated. The units will work hard, and power costs could prove to be too high to be sustainable. The club currently has sufficient funds to complete the power upgrade, and a significant solar and battery upgrade. Once these projects have been completed, we will look at getting the aircon units installed. Once they have been in operation for a period of time, we will have a better picture of our running costs. If they prove to be still too high, we will then revisit the idea of insulating the building.

Cree Shield is approaching fast, it should be a great night of action and friendly rivalry for us to hopefully regain the title. Good luck to all players representing Bundy on the night. See you at the Presentation night in December.

Cheers, Pete

ANNUAL PRESENTATION NIGHT

Sunday 27 November 5.00 - 8.00 pm

5.00 – 6.00 pm Socialising / social play

6.00 - 7.00 pm BBQ

 $7.00-8.00~\rm pm$ Presentations, including Bundaberg Closed trophies and certificates, and announcement of 2022 Club Awards (Player of the Year; Representative Players of the Year; Volunteer of the Year; Noel Wilson Fair Play Award)

CREE SHIELD v ROCKHAMPTON

Remember Deleece's heart-stopping win over Emily Steffen in the final singles of the deciding team match here in 2020?

Thanks to everyone who has nominated to play against Rockhampton but there are still a few possible vacancies available. Teams will be decided next Wednesday so get your name on the list if you haven't done so already.

PLEASE NOTE that players who are selected are asked to bring a plate of food for the supper which will be held after the matches on Saturday night.

JUNIOR & HOPES TRAINING CAMP

The Same weekend, Table Tennis Queensland will hold a FREE Junior training camp, conducted by Queensland Junior coaches Matthew Pettett and Kelsey Le Maistre. This camp is open to all Juniors on the Saturday (12.00 – 4.00 pm) and all Hopes players (born 2011 or later) on the Sunday. This will include a Hopes tournament for players to qualify for the Queensland Hopes camp and tournament in Brisbane in January.

Nominations to attend the training camp need to be made by going online to the TTQ website by Monday 14 November. Hopefully, many of our Juniors will be available to attend this excellent opportunity.

QUEENSLAND SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP - BUNDABERG TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to all players who participated in last Saturday's Bundaberg Schools tournament which produced many wonderful matches in all age groups. Nineteen teams from five schools nominated with club members, not surprisingly, dominating in most divisions.

The Open Boys title went down to literally the last point with Bundaberg Christian College (Braydon Chapman and Matthew Udal) winning the deciding doubles 13/11 in the third game from Bundaberg State High's Kane Chantarat and Kye Meuli. This was after Kane had beaten Braydon in three games and Matthew 12/10 in the second game, while both Matthew and Braydon had narrow wins over Kye. Third place went St Lukes' Rohit Mysore and Jonty Murdoch.



Open Boys medallists - Kye, Kane, Braydon, Matthew, Rohit, Jonty

In the Junior Boys Division, the competition was extremely even with most matches very close. Eventually, Shalom College (Lincoln Carter and Will Martin) won the final 3-0 from BCC's William Te Pairi and Ari Maatta but again the matches were hard fought. So too was the play-off for third place which was won by St Lukes Janiru Hewamadduma and Thomas Ross from Bundaberg High's Lachlan Anderson an Shaurya Jain.



Junior Boys medallists - Ari, William, Will, Lincoln, Thomas, Janiru

The Junior Girls decider between St Lukes (Sithuki Hewamadduma and Shanae Oosthuizen) and Shalom's Christina and Hannah Lee went to the final singles when Shanae beat Hannah to give St Lukes a 3-2 victory after Sithuki had won her two singles.



Junior Girls medallists - Sithuki, Shane, Hannah, Christina

Woongarra State School won both of the Hopes competitions. Cohen Sheather and Oscar Dunlop won the Boys event from St Lukes (Arnaf Ahmed and Lucas Nejman) while Meredith Sheather and Sophie beat teir team mates Rebecca Zapp and Pyiper Redgard for the Girls gold medal.



Hopes Boys medallists - Arnaf, Lucas, Oscar, Cohen, Marley, Ashton



Hopes Girls medallists – Rebecca, Pyiper, Meredith, Sophie, Indie, Pyper

The winning teams and runners-up are now eligible to travel to Brisbane for the State Finals on Friday 2 December.

SPRING SEASON

Both the Tuesday and Wednesday night competitions will finish in the first week of December. In Division One, there will be final between the top teams at the end of November. In Divisions Two and Three, the top team at the end of the second full round will claim the premiership.

TERM 4 JUNIOR SEASON

The Term 4 Junior season will finish on Friday 25 November as the following week it is expected quite a few players will travel to Brisbane for the State Finals of the Queensland Schools Championships. The last night of Friday Junior coaching will be November 18.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

The final Special Olympics tournament of the year will be held at the Sunshine Coast on Saturday 19 November. As has been the case throughout 2022, several Bundaberg players are expected to take part, so good luck to all of them.

JANUARY JUNIOR TRAINING **SESSIONS**

Steve and Bernadette Mitchell will again conduct coaching sessions during the last two weeks of the schools holidays (January 9 -20). Sessions more experienced players will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays (10.00 am -12.00 pm) and on Tuesdays and Thursdays (10.30 am -12.00 pm) for beginners and less experienced players. The cost for each session will be \$15.00 per player. Bookings need to be made by Friday 9 December - contact Steve on 0407 169 718 or steve mitchell@dodo.com.au.

Please tell your friends and relatives if they have children interested in playing Table Tennis. The program Steve and Bernie ran in January this year resulted in many new juniors joining the club.

ADULT COACHING & TRAINING

Monday night Adult coaching will continue on Monday nights until the end of the playing season from 7.00 - 9.00 pm). All players are welcome so just turn up on the night if you wish.

CLUB SHIRTS

Orders for the club shirts can be made at any time cost is currently \$50.00. These shirts are light, comfortable and guick 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

TT SHIRTS FOR SALE

A small number of table tennis shirts were purchased at the National Championships for the club to sell to members. Sizes range from XS - M and are priced at \$15.00 each, two for \$25.00. If interested, check them out at shirt rack upstairs. Examples are shown here:





LOST PROPERTY

There is, again, a growing collection of water bottles, jackets, etc so please check them out in the canteen to see if any belong to you.

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.

2023 Membership Fees Subject to change

(NOTE: New members joining now will be registered to the end of 2023)

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
Junior Non-Member	\$	7.00
Weekly Fixture Pass		
Adult	\$	25.00
Junior	\$	19.00
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 4 Coaching Pass		
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One session per week	\$ 80.00
Two sessions per week	\$150.00
Three sessions per week	\$220.00
Extra sessions	\$ 8.00

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 Publicity / RecordsDave Delpratt

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

Next Committee meeting Monday 12 December

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 October \$61.90 2022 total so far \$594.20

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.

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Some great action shots from the Bundaberg Schools tournament (Courtesy Steve Ricketts)





Cohen Sheather (Woongarra Hopes) Christina Lee (Shalom Jnr Girls)



Kane Chantarat (Bundy High Open Boys)



Lachlan Anderson (Bundy High Junior Boys)



Rohit Mysore (St Lukes Open Boys)



Thomas Ross (St Lukes Junior Bovs)