

Spring Newsletter 2019

Welcome to the Spring edition of the MTC newsletter. Lots of exciting tennis related events happening over the next few months so have a read and if you have any questions have a chat to one of our friendly committee members or send an email to info@mtc.co.nz



Our MTC Committee

It was encouraging to see over 20 people attend the recent AGM. A great sign that we've got engaged members who want to know what's going on in the club, and who want to contribute. A big thank you to the outgoing committee for all their hard work over the years. Here's an intro to our new members, they're here to help so reach out if you have any questions.

PRESIDENT: Irene Wong, 021 157 0090, president@mtc.co.nz

I'm excited about the year ahead, we'll reinvigorate some of the basics while trying new things.

I've contributed to the committee twice in the last 7 years as secretary and then social convenor. It's a privilege to step into the President role and guide the new team. We'll aim to act in the best interests of our club and members, encourage a positive culture, build on our great foundation, and retain and grow membership.



CLUB CAPTAIN: Jason Kane, 027 482 8096, captain@mtc.co.nz



The role of the Club Captain is to organise the interclub playing section of the Senior Club. This includes the teams for Tennis Central Premier Interclub, Hutt Valley Tennis Divisional, Presidents Interclub and Frampton Winter Interclub.

Along with Interclub, the Club Captain organizes the annual Senior and Masters Club Championships for the club in April of each year.

If you are interested in playing interclub please get in touch!

TREASURER: Rachel Inglis, 021 313 434, treasurer@mtc.co.nz

Rachel first joined MTC in 2013 having never played tennis before. She has represented the club in Presidents and Frampton competitions and currently plays in the Tuesday night Twilight League.

Rachel is the Finance and Commercial Manager at Macaulay Metals and has taken over the role of Treasurer.

TWILIGHT CONVENER: Geoffrey Inglis, 021 328 129, twilight@mtc.co.nz

Geoffrey has been a member of MTC for a number of years, and has represented the club in Mens Interclub, Presidents and Frampton competitions.



He is also a former committee member coming back to his old post of Twilight Convener and currently plays in the Tuesday night Twilight League. By day, Geoffrey is a Senior Software Developer for Foodstuffs North Island.

SECRETARY: Daniel Jupp, secretary@mtc.co.nz



Hi I'm Daniel – I have been a member of MTC for around 12 years now. I've always found it to be a friendly club with some good social occasions away from the court as well as on.

We have members playing across a number of different grades and leagues and this gives us a really nice cross-section of the tennis world. Coupled with our very good facilities and fantastic court surface I think that we have for sure one of the best clubs around.

FUNDRAISER: Chris Milne, 027 442 2708, property@mtc.co.nz

Chris has been a member of the club since 1991 and was club treasurer from 2004 up until the 2019 AGM.

He is now responsible for the Club's fundraising and building development, including dealing with the replacement deck.

In his remaining spare time Chris is a Hutt City Councillor, chair of Nikau Foundation (Wellington's community foundation) and chair of Technology Valley.



JUNIOR CONVENER: Dave Foster, 021 105 3762 juniors@mtc.co.nz



I've been a member here at Maungaraki for about 20 years (we've lived up here for a while now) playing twilight tennis.

I've also spent a bit of time supporting my two sons playing interclub - Aidan is still an active member. This is my second stint as Junior Convener. It should be an exciting season for our junior members!

GENERAL: Stewart Clarke, social@mtc.co.nz

Hi, I'm Stewart – I've been coming along to tennis since I moved to Maungaraki about a year ago when I signed my stepsons up for the summer – their interest waned, but the club kept me. I play Monday night twilight, and can assure you my enthusiasm far outweighs my skills on the court – I'm really keen to help this club thrive – we have a real gem here.



Love Tennis Festival Sat 7th / Sun 8th Sep, 1- 4pm



We're opening up the club in a fun, free event for people of all ages who want to try out, or get back into tennis.

First 100 visitors to our club each day get a Hell's Pizza voucher, we'll have a barbie, giveaways, and games. This is a great way for us to celebrate tennis and our club, and everyone can participate.

Come on down and bring friends, neighbours or anyone who might like to give tennis a go!



Junior Tennis Starts 11th September

This year we've had a change of night – all Junior Programmes will now be on Wednesday afternoons, from the 11th September 3.15 pm. Jacob and Gary will assign and organise juniors into the session that best suits their level, but as a general guide:

5 - 7 y/o at 3.15 pm | 8 -10 y/o at 4pm |
11 - 13 y/o at 5pm | 14+ y/o 6 - 7.30 pm

Contact juniors@mtc.co.nz for more info.



Winter Twilight Yankee

We've had some great nights of tennis over winter and hopefully more to come in spring! The end of Winter Yankee tournament is on Monday 16th September. BYO food and drink. The spring twilight season will start on 7th October – this includes revitalising our Thursday night sessions which start at 6.30pm.

If you are changing nights or have any questions about the Spring Twilight contact: Geoffrey - twilight@mtc.co.nz

Facebook Page

We only have one Facebook page now so please check you are following the correct page. All the latest club updates will feature here including events and cancelations of tennis days. <https://www.facebook.com/MaungarakiTennisClub>

Quiz Night

Thanks to everyone who supported the annual Quiz Night a few weeks ago. Whether as a competing team member or behind the scenes helper, your contribution towards the club is greatly appreciated.

Special thanks to **Audrey Daly** for organising this event – it takes a lot of hours and managing tasks of numerous volunteers. Big thanks also to **Tony Borra** - our MC, Quiz Master, and general referee of proceedings during the evening. It was a great night and lots of fun had by all. Fantastic prizes were won; there was healthy competition between teams and a great fundraising outcome with well over \$1,000 raised.



Dates for your Diary

Saturday 7 th / Sunday 8 th September	I Love Tennis Open Days
Wednesday 11 th September	Junior Tennis Starts
Monday 16 th September	Winter Yankee
Mon 7 th / Tues 8 th / Thurs 10 th	Spring Twilight Starts
October 7 th	Fees due
November	Movie Night

