

Mid Canterbury Tennis Seniors

Annual Report 2015-16

I have pleasure in once again being able to report a comprehensive and successful season of both social and competitive tennis for a strong contingent of senior players. Our playing numbers remain strong with approximately 35 financial members.

During the season we played our usual Canterbury Country Mixed Team matches against the other Sub-Associations, with a couple of wins. We also lost a close encounter with Ellesmere Blue for the Dalzell Trophy when after the doubles we were locked at 4-4 but then proceeded to lose the mixed doubles 2-6. Unfortunately this was to be the forerunner to a repeat performance to the match for the Lindsay Weller Memorial Trophy against South Canterbury, when after finishing the doubles leading 6-2 we then lost the mixed doubles 1-7. Clearly more fraternisation and co-operation is required between the sexes.

Individual members achieved more success during the season, with several playing in Canterbury Country representative teams. A number of very good results were achieved by members in various regional tournaments and championships.

We once again held our own Drawn Doubles Tournament on the 3rd April 2016. The weather gods smiled on us with a brilliant day and 42 local and outside players had an enjoyable day. We only just broke even financially, but this was due to us being rather generous with our prizes. Hopefully it will encourage people to come back next year.

I would like to thank all of our committee for their work during the year, with special mention to Peter Yates, Secretary/Treasurer, Willie Christie and Jane Brosnahan, Team Selectors & Sue Smith MC Tennis Management Committee Delegate.

Also we must congratulate Alistair Clemens, our long serving Canterbury Country Delegate who was elected their Vice President this year.

So in conclusion, it has been a very satisfactory and happy year, (as is any year, in which one is still able to make it onto the court,) and most of us will look to the coming season with that thought in mind, along with the hope that the older we get, the better our tennis will be.?

Dennis Taylor
President