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NOTTING HILL / PINWOOD TENNIS CLUB Inc.

Annual Report 2007-08

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Social Activities Convener:	Vacant	*	
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* Positions due for re-election

** Positions vacant



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1- Presidents Report

As a direct result of the work put into our 10 year forecast and the prudent implementation of the activities arising from it we have been able to achieve the major financial objectives set over the past few years. Along with the strong membership platform we can be well pleased with the current performance of the club. Consequently I am happy to report that those items we set out to complete have been achieved. In terms of infrastructure we have:

- Upgraded the light heads on courts 6, 7 & 8 (Originally installed 1986)
- Installed reverse cycle air-conditioners for the Bert Faux Pavilion.

This has been part of a \$100K update programme that has been spent over the past 5 years.

Once again the club has had a tremendously successful year, which is underscored with the following key activities.

- ITF Optus Notting Hill International
- Hosting Tennis Victoria's High Performance Academy
- Internal Competitions, men's nights and ladies mid-week
- School court hire – Wesley and Mazenod
- Strong membership level and participation

The next project on the club's radar is the building of courts 11 & 12. However the capital cost of this inclusive of lights is \$135K. It is planned that this will be completed in two stages, courts (\$105K) and lights (\$30K). It is likely that we will the funds for the first stage of the project within the next 2-3 years, however we will require support if we are to complete this project in this timeframe and will be applying for a facilities grant from the Victorian Government. We still need to be mindful of the need to save \$60K to resurface the courts by 2013-14.

Whilst membership fees have increased with CPI over the past few years Tennis Victoria's player registration fee has increased such that the net fee received by the club has actually declined. This fee is now billed separately to the membership fee. Thus this year we need to increase fees higher than previously anticipated. One of the largest increases on the cost front has been that of electricity which has increased by 25% each year since 2004. We have been advised that over the next year it will increase by about the same amount and has been included in next years budget.

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	B2009
Revenue	\$62,840	\$72,210	\$78,402	\$105,354	\$93,128	\$106,796
Revenue net ITF	\$42,094	\$44,144	\$49,382	\$70,944	\$64,682	\$76,984
Costs net ITF & Asset Purchases	\$46,950	\$39,443	\$43,279	\$63,023	\$51,324	\$59,832
Club Operating Profit	(\$4,856)	\$4,700	\$4,111	\$7,920	\$13,357	\$17,151
ITF Profit	\$13,176	\$14,203	\$17,262	\$12,411	\$14,818	\$15,530
Capital Improvements	\$34,481	\$0	\$23,920	\$12,862	\$30,550	\$8,700
Net Profit	(\$26,142)	\$18,681	(\$2,546)	\$7,469	(\$1,879)	\$23,980
Cash	\$12,437	\$31,118	\$30,562	\$40,301	\$38,783	\$69,650

It is clear that the playing requirements of our members has change over time with some of the traditional formats not being supported by players. The clearest three examples of this are mid-week ladies, week end ladies/mixed and night tennis all in decline. On the flip side the NHPTC experience is showing that player groups are setting up their own structures. Some of the driving forces behind this seems be flexibility and availability. Our Tuesday evening men's doubles, Thursday men's singles and Social Retirees Thursday afternoon sessions all have this in common. Our Thursday evening's singles competition in particular starts and finishes early so is proving very popular with 20-35 year old men. If we look at our history it was not too long ago that we had 20 night teams entered in WDTA and now

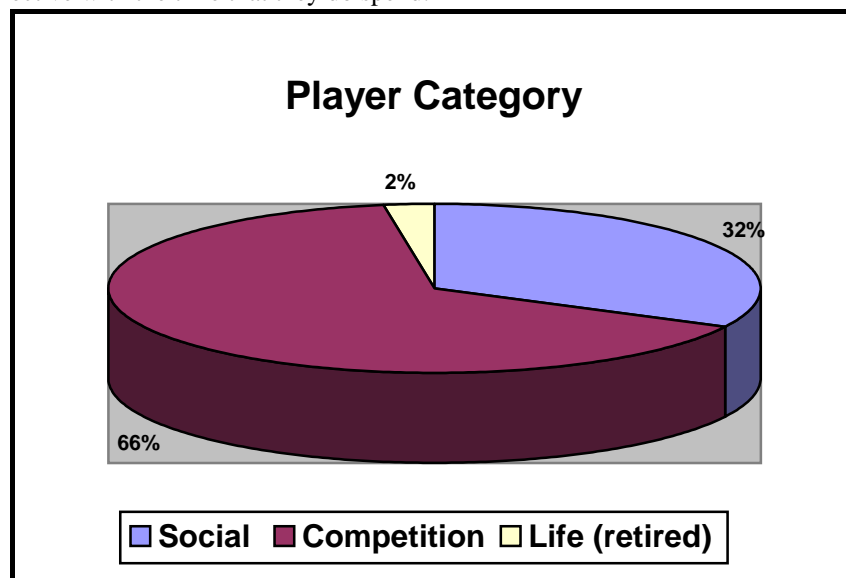


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that is down to two. WDTA are reformatting the competition to encourage a more social aspect and early finishing of matches as our decline mirrors theirs.

Thus our club needs to be aware of member requirements and allocate the facilities such that as much as possible, all are satisfied. It is a must that we capture our member requirements and have this information on file. We must maintain our awareness of player driven formats as these can change over time and with personnel. We will support the more traditional formats such as WDTA, NDTA, Pennant, MEMRLTA etc as there still is demand for these and we need to keep the critical mass of players to ensure we can enter enough grades of teams.

To feed our intra and inter club competitions we must be aware of how we find and introduce players into the teams. The easiest is the juniors where the coaching attracts players and introduces them into competition as a part of their development. Other areas are more difficult to identify. Creating a NHPTC BRAND and differentiating ourselves from rival clubs may be one way of ensuring we get our slice of the player pie. We have recently paid for advertising for mid-week ladies and will continue with these efforts for our various competitions as needed into the future. A new communication strategy is being developed so that convenors spend less time contacting players and are more effective with the time that they do spend.



As can be seen approximately 32% of our members are social players thus we need to ensure that they access to play. We have introduced free tennis under lights through winter between 5:00 – 7:30 pm weekdays with this in mind. Competition Convenors need to ensure that were applicable courts are set aside for social play.

We are more than aware of some major issues that challenge us including:

- Lack of new member volunteers for
 - ITF Notting Hill
 - Committee & sub-committees
 - Working Bees
- High membership turnover ~20% p.a.
- Decline in female participation in tennis

Our inability to successfully motivate members will ultimately lead to either the reduction in services or paying managers.

As a volunteer based community organization I encourage all of our members to support each other as well as making our visitors feel at home. It is important for the club to reach out to the community in which we are placed and I am proud of our continuing program in helping Berangarra School and Scope. We also sponsored Street Smart – Information booklet for teenagers put together by the Victorian Police Citizens Youth Clubs.

I would like to thank the many people at the club for their support and kindness, especially the retiring committee members whether there contribution has been large or small. It all helps. Without our volunteers nothing would happen. I would like to think that all of our members are asking themselves; when can I help.

Enjoy your tennis and participate – it's your club.

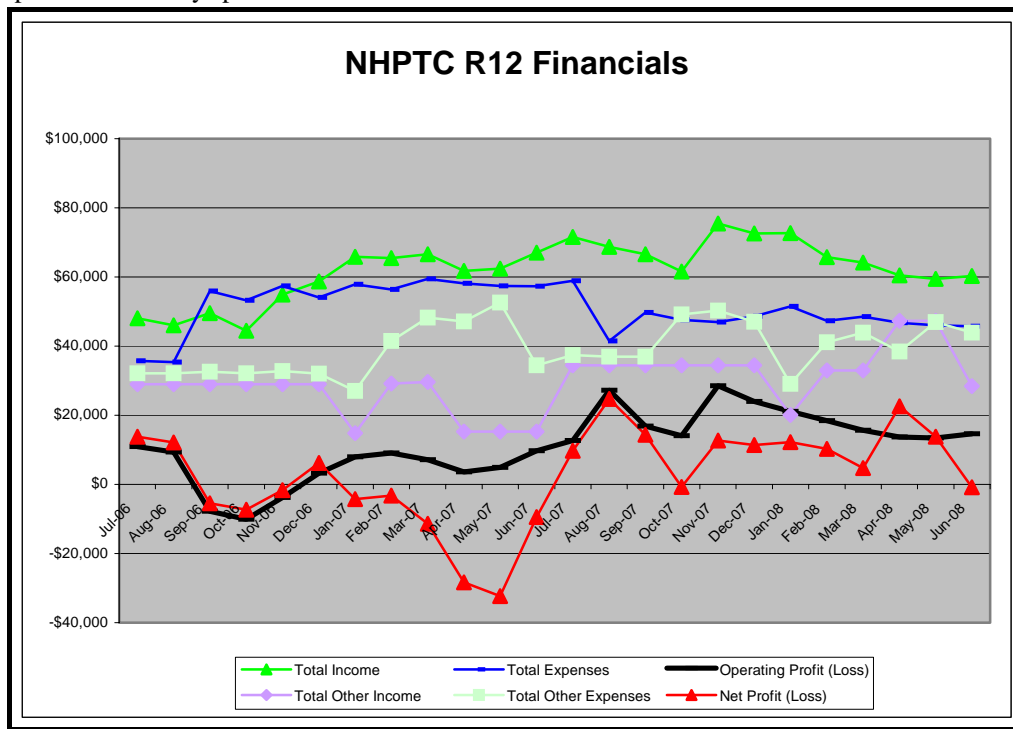


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B - TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial Year 2007-08

In summary other than the purchase of air-conditioners during the ITF the financial performance has generally been inline with the budget set. The need to repair the underground power lines was the only unexpected mandatory spends.



Banking

- Higher interest account has been set up with Westpac. \$20,000 currently invested.
- Cash \$38,783

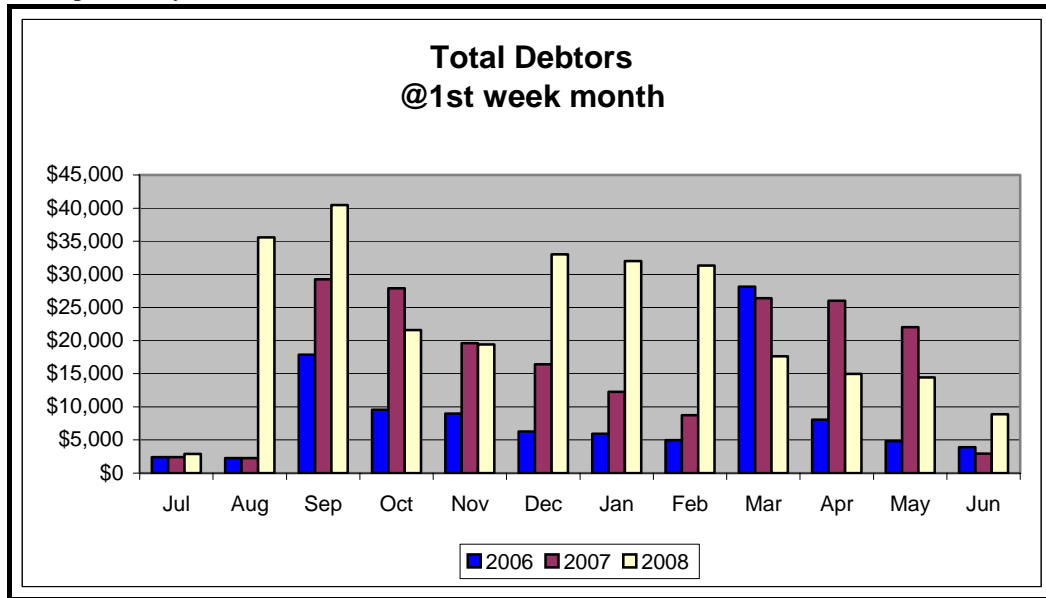
P/L - YEJ08 Comments

- Basic profit has been re-invested into capital works and maintenance.
 - Tennis Club profit \$13,866
 - ITF profit \$14,818
 - Capital Spend \$30,550
- Revenues
 - Court hire up due to consolidation of Mazenod and Wesley.
 - Lighting down
 - WDTA night tennis no convening nights
 - Fundraising down
 - No functions
 - Revenues of Entertainment books mostly on 08-09 year.
 - Fewer Pavilion hires
- Costs
 - Electrical failure of lights on court 5 cost \$3,039 to repair.
 - General maintenance down as not enough volunteers for working bees etc.
 - Electricity use increase as budgeted both hours and unit cost.
- Capital Spends
 - As Tennis Victoria stopped using NHPTC's facilities for their High Performance Academy and returned to Melbourne Park we paid the balance between the cost of the lights and the court hire fee on lights installed on courts 10 & 11.
 - Refit of light heads on courts 6, 7 & 8.



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- Purchases of two air-conditioners were bought forward from the 2008-09 budget year into this year due to the extreme temperatures during the ITF.
- Accounts Receivable \$8,869.65 vs last year \$2,953.00. This is due to in part an influx of new members for winter season plus ball monies (\$3,892.65) and lack of resources to bring in old debt (90+ day \$4,977.00). Last years 90+ day debit at year-end was \$1,433.00 and the previous year \$3,288.50.



Budget 08-09

- Revenues
 - Membership assumption = same as 2005-06 times new fees less 15% to allow for resignations & new members at pro-rata rates
 - Fees, as the increase in Tennis Victoria's fee (TVA) outstripped the increase in fees the net effect has been that the clubs membership fee has decreased. Thus it is necessary that the fees be restored to the previously forecast levels.
 - ITF same net revenue and cost
 - Fundraising – minimal returns consistent with past 5 years
 - Triva Night
 - Chocolate drive
 - Entertainment books
- Costs
 - Electricity: A recent detailed study of the clubs electricity use broke down the costs into power usage and power rate. Since 2004 the increase in electricity cost for the club has been on average 25% p.a.. It is anticipated that the use will remain at current levels until courts 11 & 12 are installed and that the rate is budgeted to increase by 25% as indicated by the Victorian Govt. (see forecast 2008 – 14)
 - Repairs & Maintenance
 - A total of \$5,000 p.a. allowed for repairs as determined in a maintenance audit of the pavilion.
 - Pavilion
 - Toilets/shower repair \$1,000
 - Television \$3,000
 - Grounds
 - New entrance sign \$2,000
 - Bins x 2 - \$1,200
 - Seats x 2 - \$1,200
 - Nets x 2 - \$800

Thus 2008-09 is a year of consolidation and saving for the major spend to finally complete the development of the site as well as ensuring that there are sufficient funds for resurfacing in 2014.



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Profit & Loss [Cash]

July 2007 through June 2008

	2006-07 Actual	2007-08 Actual	2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Budget
Cheque Account Year End	\$39,792.54		\$38,329.68	\$29,500.89
Investment Account Year End	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$40,000.00
Bar Float	\$100.00		\$150.00	\$150.00
Garden Float	\$50.00		\$50.00	\$0.00
Repairs & Maintenance Float	\$200.00		\$200.00	\$0.00
Treasures Float	\$54.65		\$0.00	\$0.00
Internal Night Float	\$100.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
Mid-week Members Float	\$54.00		\$54.00	\$0.00
Total	\$40,351.19		\$38,783.68	\$69,650.89
Accounts Receivable			\$8,982.15	
	2006-07 Actual	2007-08 Budget	2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Budget
Income				
Competition/Court Fees				
Balls	\$16,195.96	\$15,837.45	\$14,548.47	\$15,572.00
Visitors Fees	\$438.80	\$438.80	\$486.70	\$510.06
Court Hire	\$8,644.00	\$8,640.00	\$11,001.00	\$11,692.80
Lighting	\$7,123.37	\$7,123.37	\$4,942.06	\$6,168.00
Total Competition/Court Fees	\$32,402.13	\$32,039.62	\$30,978.23	\$33,942.00
Membership				
Membership Fees	\$18,642.75	\$22,659.54	\$22,453.35	\$26,957.60
Tennis Victoria Affiliation	\$6,396.00	\$6,754.00	\$5,145.15	\$6,204.00
Key Deposit	\$380.00	\$380.00	\$220.00	\$220.00
Total Membership	\$25,418.75	\$29,793.54	\$27,818.50	\$33,381.60
Coaching Commission				
Coaching commission	\$650.00	\$669.50	\$550.00	\$1,000.00
Total Coaching Commission	\$650.00	\$669.50	\$550.00	\$1,000.00
Fundraising				
Entertainment Books	\$3,240.00	\$1,800.00	\$645.00	\$1,950.00
Bar & Canteen	\$5,942.54	\$6,261.64	\$3,681.37	\$3,873.42
Pavilion Hire	\$2,005.00	\$1,800.00	\$475.00	\$900.00
Drink Machine Commission	\$163.77	\$163.77	\$140.69	\$140.69
Club Functions	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fundraising	\$371.00	\$371.00	\$127.35	\$0.00
Total Fundraising	\$12,272.31	\$10,946.41	\$5,069.41	\$6,864.11
Other				
Donations	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$142.75	\$0.00
Telephone Income	\$31.70	\$31.70	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$108.30	\$1,800.00	\$176.35	\$1,795.50
Sundry Income	\$25.00	\$0.00	(\$12.50)	\$0.00
Total Other	\$171.00	\$1,831.70	\$306.60	\$1,795.50
Total Income	\$70,914.19	\$75,280.77	\$64,722.74	\$76,984.07



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	2006-07 Actual	2007-08 Budget	2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Budget
Expenses				
Competition/Courts				
Trophies & Awards	\$874.70	\$1,394.70	\$932.60	\$932.60
Balls	\$7,485.73	\$7,957.13	\$7,408.00	\$8,584.13
Affiliation/Team Entries*	\$8,717.00	\$9,499.00	\$2,446.00	\$2,720.00
Tennis Victoria Affiliation*	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,211.00	\$6,204.00
Fines	\$518.00	\$300.00	\$723.00	\$200.00
Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00
Total Competition/Courts	\$17,595.43	\$19,150.83	\$15,720.60	\$20,040.73
Fundraisng				
Entertainment Books	\$2,880.00	\$1,440.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,590.00
Bar & Canteen	\$5,009.31	\$5,009.31	\$2,454.63	\$3,049.97
Club Functions	\$2,139.04	\$2,139.04	\$427.50	\$0.00
Total Fundraisng	\$10,028.35	\$8,588.35	\$4,682.13	\$4,639.97
Maintenance				
Clubhouse Cleaning	\$1,955.00	\$2,221.59	\$2,560.00	\$2,048.84
Repairs & Maintenance	\$7,662.71	\$5,000.00	\$1,722.27	\$6,400.00
Gardening	\$1,030.35	\$1,320.00	\$1,000.70	\$1,200.00
Lighting Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,039.30	\$300.00
Total Maintenance	\$10,648.06	\$8,541.59	\$8,322.27	\$9,948.84
Utilities				
Gas	\$231.65	\$238.60	\$240.17	\$251.70
Electricity	\$6,914.95	\$8,643.69	\$8,144.47	\$9,471.79
Insurance	\$3,079.31	\$3,171.69	\$2,798.21	\$2,932.52
Security	\$607.75	\$625.98	\$364.65	\$636.92
Council Rates	\$1,001.00	\$1,031.03	\$1,031.03	\$1,080.52
Water	\$534.65	\$1,069.30	\$482.20	\$964.40
Total Utilities	\$12,369.31	\$14,780.29	\$13,060.73	\$15,337.86
Office				
Bank Fees	\$554.51	\$554.51	\$605.56	\$1,000.00
Postage	\$1,267.66	\$1,300.00	\$838.33	\$878.57
Telephone Expenses	\$1,607.16	\$1,700.00	\$1,818.46	\$1,905.75
Printing & Stationary	\$996.09	\$996.09	\$1,266.98	\$1,236.51
Computer/Internet Expenses	\$1,398.82	\$1,000.00	\$847.75	\$888.44
Audit fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
Total Office	\$5,824.24	\$5,550.60	\$5,577.08	\$5,909.27
Other				
Sundry Expenses	\$1,629.55	\$1,629.55	\$1,170.36	\$1,507.95
Consumables	\$805.44	\$785.81	\$465.70	\$501.25
Keys	\$378.11	\$600.00	\$100.00	\$104.80
Sanitary	\$1,207.25	\$1,243.47	\$1,757.87	\$1,842.25
Total Other	\$4,020.35	\$4,258.83	\$3,493.93	\$3,956.24
Total Expenses	\$60,485.74	\$60,870.49	\$50,856.74	\$59,823.91
Operating Profit	\$10,428.45	\$14,410.28	\$13,866.00	\$17,151.16
Other Income				
ITF Notting Hill Int. Income	\$34,410.06	\$32,149.11	\$28,446.94	\$29,812.39
Total Other Income	\$34,410.06	\$32,149.11	\$28,446.94	\$29,812.39
Other Expenses				
Pavillion Equipment & Fittings	\$4,317.50	\$1,700.00	\$9,984.09	\$3,000.00
Grounds Equipment & Fittings	\$11,052.50	\$17,900.00	\$20,579.08	\$5,700.00
ITF Notting Hill Int. Expenses	\$21,998.95	\$15,790.69	\$13,628.77	\$14,282.95
Total Other Expenses	\$37,368.95	\$35,390.69	\$44,191.94	\$22,982.95
Net Profit (Loss)	\$7,469.56	\$11,168.42	(\$1,879.00)	\$23,980.60

* 2006-07 Actual TVA was grouped in Affiliation/Team Entries

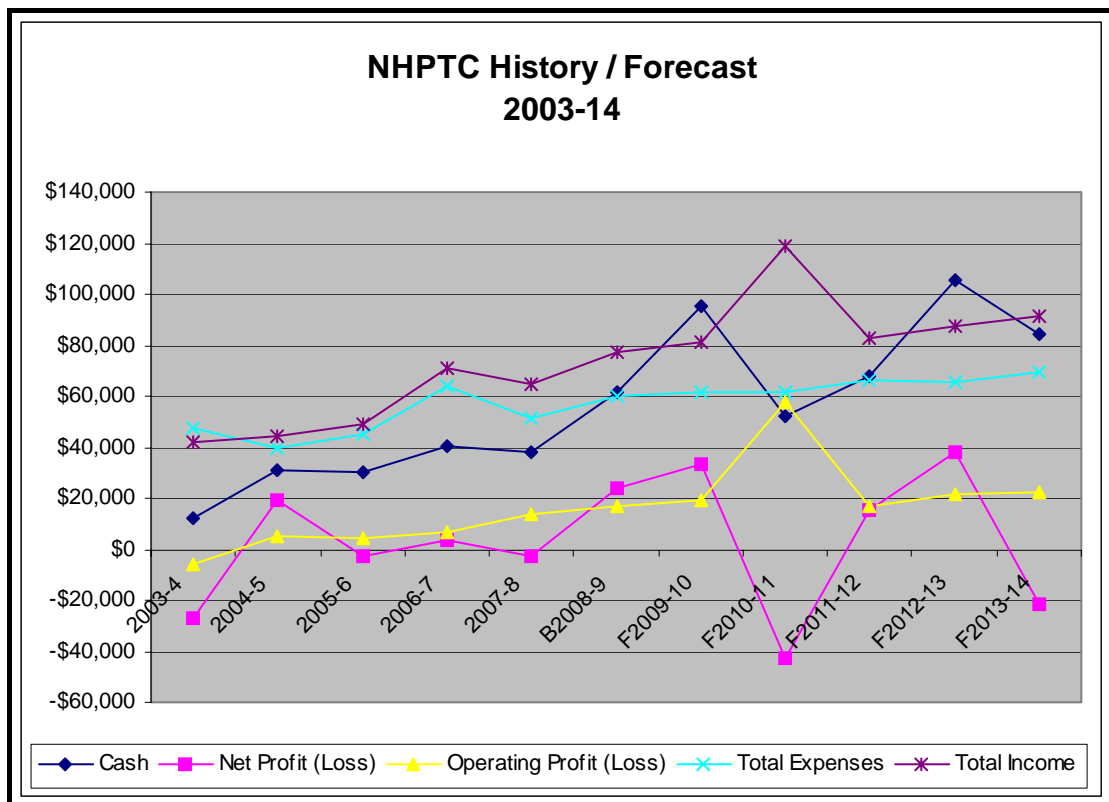


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Financial Forecasts 2008 - 2014

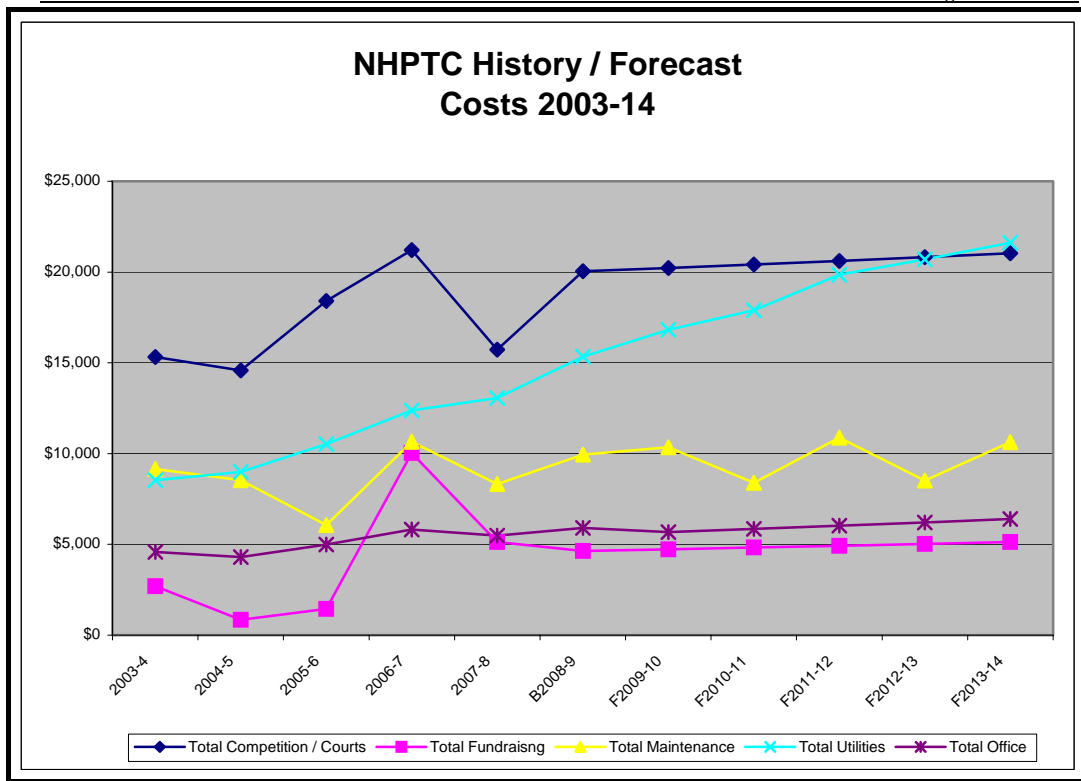
Assumptions – very conservative

- Revenues
 - Membership – nil growth
 - Fees – catch up then CPI per annum (see below)
 - Teams – steady
 - Court Hire – Mazenod, Wesley, SSSA, Associated Catholic Colleges
 - Pavilion hire – modest 3 per annum
 - Facilities grant for Courts/Lights 11 & 12 (2010 – 2012) ~\$33K
 - Tournaments
 - ITF continuing (once court development is complete NHPTC is not sensitive to the income from this tournament)
 - Australian Money Tournament – opportunities available, Tennis Victoria is running the first at NHPTC 2008.
- Costs
 - CPI
 - Utilities: Electricity costs to increase 25% in 2008-9 then 5% p.a.
 - Courts 11 & 12 (\$110K) in 2009/10 (second half)
 - Lights Courts 11 & 12 (\$30K) in 2010/11 (second half)
 - Court repainting \$60K in 2013/14
- Cash
 - Maintain \$15K in the cash account remainder in high interest account. Currently \$20K.
 - Minimum cash policy \$20K.

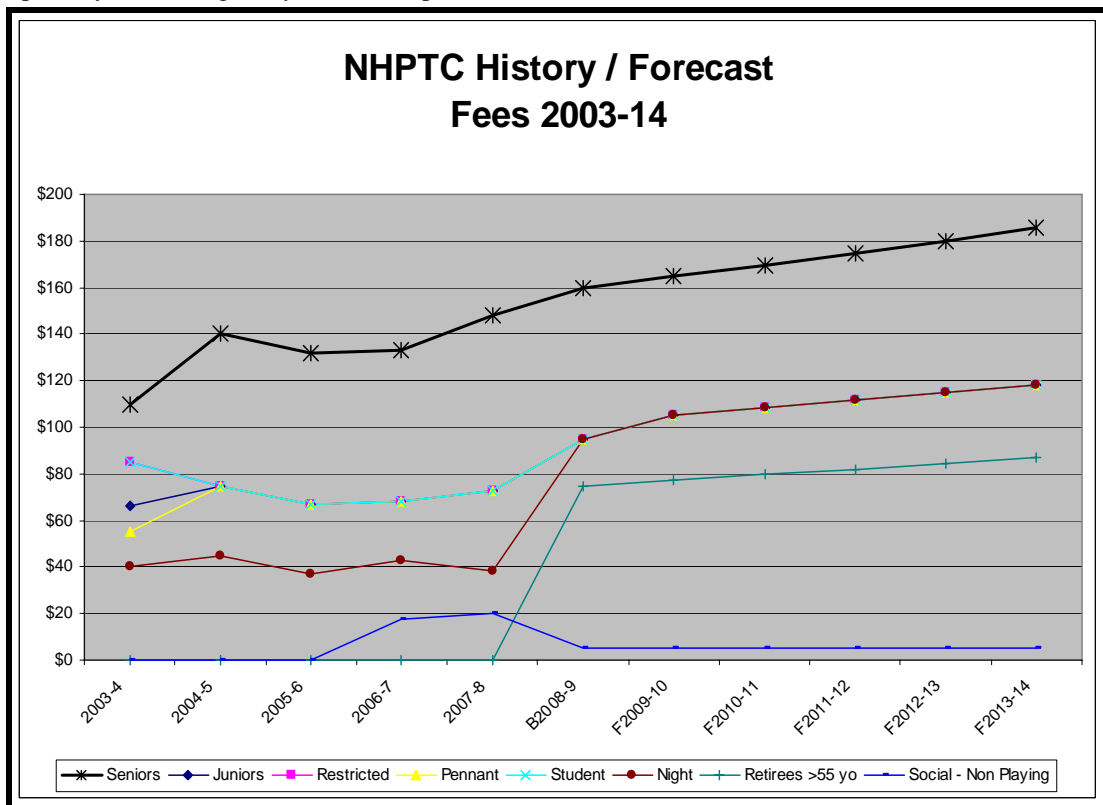




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Fees have been increased by 5% per annum each year since 2004-05, these being inclusive of the Tennis Victoria affiliation fee. During 2007-08 Tennis Victoria combined and made compulsory the affiliation and player insurance fees. These have steadily increased and have been implemented after NHPTC had decided its fees at our AGM's. When we look at our membership fees net of the Tennis Victoria affiliation fees we can see that in fact we have gone backwards. The TVA is now invoiced separately. Following this years catch up we have forecast fees to increase at CPI.



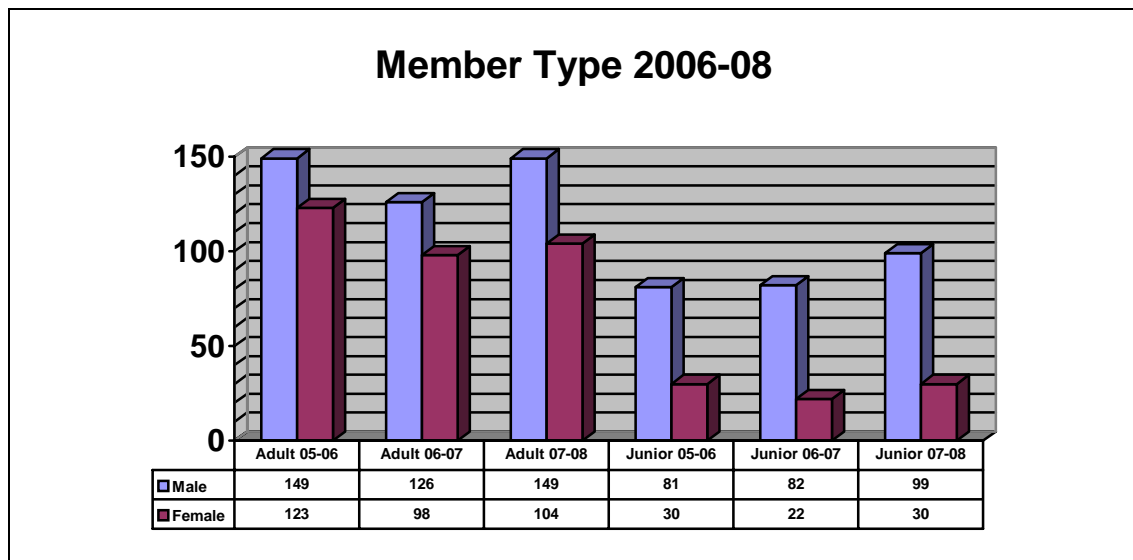


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Membership Report

Category	Unfinancial	07-08	06-07	05-06	04-05	03-04	02-03	01-02	00-01	99-00
Seniors	21	100	101	127	123	112	109	164	130	120
MWM	5	86	75	93	24	29	23	25	28	28
Nights	1	6	13	16	13	17	17	17	23	22
Pennant	4	13	6	5	1	1	0	1	0	8
Student	4	28	20	20	16	10	20	13	18	
Juniors	30	134	112	122	117	95	125	88	96	84
Social	0	18	2	2	2	0	10	6	2	2
Total	65	379	329	385	296	264	304	314	297	263
Life		12	12	13	13	12	12	11	11	11
Honorary		5	8	10	11	9	10	10	11	5
New members		116	72	154	96	31	70	46	63	65
Resigned		66	113	65	64	132	23	86	11	83

It is clear from our statistics that we are able to attract members without promotion however on average ~20% leave each year. The committee is investigating ways of better communication with members to encourage greater participation such that members value their membership increasing retention rates. Our members have been fantastic in helping attract new members as has our coaching staff. On the negative side we usually only pick up that these new players are involved at the club once they have started playing in teams. This then causes problems in chasing membership funds.



We continue to have a turnover over of members especially those that don't see value in their membership as they fail to engage in the various activities of the club

Issues

- Tardiness of members responding to membership renewal notices continues
- Enlisting members in the broader activities of the club.
- Membership payments via direct credit where there have been no member name or invoice number has led to un-necessary follow-ups and member annoyance.



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Categories: two new membership categories will be included in our pallet. Both designed to encourage membership numbers.

- Seniors Over 55 retirees – a discount category to encourage older members to stay
- Juniors 9 and under – a free category designed around our youngest group. These are mostly the youngest players not yet playing juniors however have started to receive tennis lessons. This allows for player registration from the coaching program.

Competitions Report

Seniors:

Highlights: The team of Stephen Fotakis and Tomas Habsuda won WDTA's Challenge Cup Summer Competition.

Period	07-08	06-07	05-06	04-05	03-04	02-03	01-02	00-01	99-00
Summer	13	11	9	12	12	18	20	12	
Mixed Doubles	2	1	3	3	2	5	3	0	
Ladies Doubles	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	4	
Men's Doubles	1	2	1	2	2	2	7	3	
Men's Singles/Doubles	10	8	6	7	7	10	7	5	
Period	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
Winter	6	8	6	6	6	11	12	10	7
Mixed Doubles	0	2	2	3	2	4	4	1	1
Ladies Doubles	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	3
Men's Doubles	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	4	1
Men's Singles/Doubles	5	4	3	3	3	4	6	2	2
Pennant Teams	5	10	6	6	3	9	5	5	5
Total Winter Teams	11	18	12	12	9	20	17	15	12

Trends

- Men's Singles/Doubles is growing
- Poor transfer from Pennant 07 teams to WDTA Summer 07-08
- Men's Doubles in decline
- Ladies tennis all but dead
- Few Juniors transferring to Seniors

Issues

- Chasing members who seem to ignore the WDTA team registration cut-off dates.
- Increase in Membership not transferring into Saturday Seniors

Pennant:

Period	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002*	2001
Men's	Grade 2	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3
Men's	Grade 7	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 7	Grade 3	Grade 7	Grade 5
Men's	Grade 8	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 11	Grade 6	Grade 12	Grade 6
Men's	Grade 11	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 11		Grade 7	Grade 13	Grade 7
Men's		Grade 8	Grade 11	Grade 12		Grade 10		
Men's		Grade 9	Grade 13	Grade 13		Grade 12		
Men's		Grade 10				Grade 13		
Men's		Grade 10						
Men's		Grade 15						
Ladies	Grade 5	Grade 2				Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 4
Ladies						Grade 4		
Total	5	10	6	6	3	9	5	5

* Tennis Victoria changed the structure of grades & sections



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Juniors:

The last financial year has seen a recovery in numbers playing and teams entered. The number of players in teams for Winter 08 is at the highest level for the last six years.

Summer	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06	2004-05	2003-04	2002-03
Team #	16	10	14	12	12	11
Boys	56	36	47	38	38	38
Girls	18	16	29	30	31	27
Total	74	52	76	68	69	65
Retirees (18+)	0	0	7	6	3	2
Winter	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Team #	18	11	11	12	10	9
Boys	59	53	45	41	36	35
Girls	19	17	16	28	26	29
Total	78	70	61	69	52	64

Along with success there arises an increase in problems.

- Administration
 - In the transfer of non-member young players from the coaching groups, the process needs to be formalised to ensure that their details are gathered to ensure memberships are invoiced and paid.
 - Contacting and managing the greater numbers of players becomes onerous for convenors
 - Court availability is reduced to one court per team and capped at 20 teams for the Saturday. Thus the prospect of Sunday competition for juniors needs to be considered and a second Junior Convenor would need to be found.
- Behaviour
 - Players entering teams and not being available or pulling out completely incurring unnecessary work and fines.
 - Parents not being available to drive their children to outside venues.
 - Parental interference with team harmony.
 - Players failing to complete team score sheets.

Every now and then we have surprises and this year we have enjoyed the company of Cuong Tran and his compilation of player statistics. For his proactive efforts Cuong was named the “Best Clubman” for 2008.

Mid Week Members:

Unfortunately this year we have lost our Wednesday day team to competition, leaving this club with two teams, Tuesday MEMRLTA and Thursday WDTA. Both teams have made the finals however losing to stronger teams. Our Thursday social tennis from 1 PM for both ladies and men continues to be a lot of fun. New players are always welcome.

Socially the ladies Christmas Party was once again a success but unfortunately it will be our last night party. This year we plan to have a champagne breakfast or brunch party on Saturday 7th December.

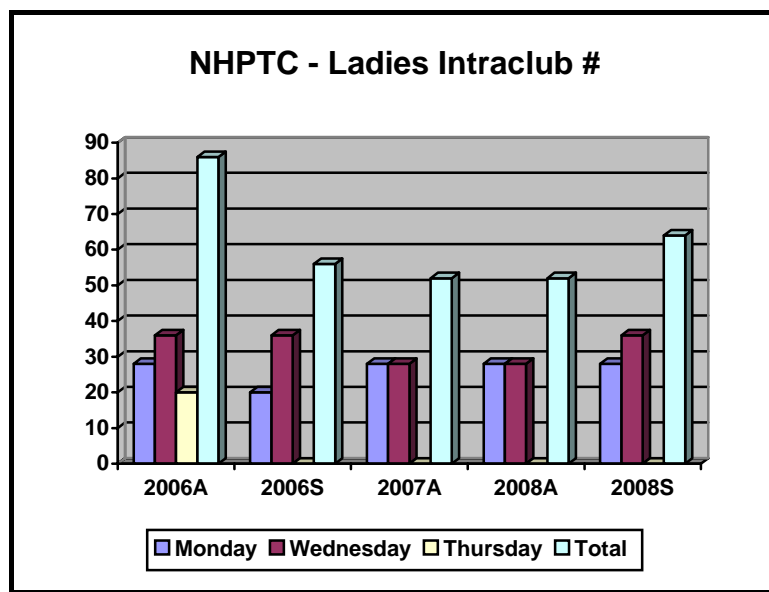
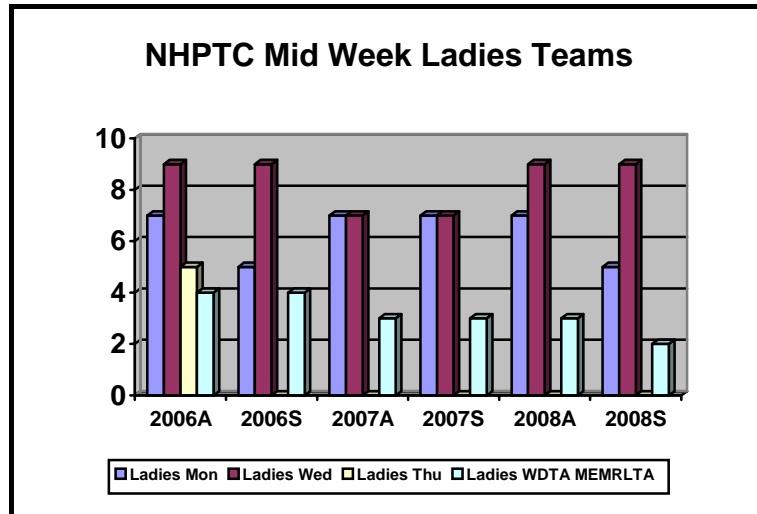
Barbara Caldwell continues to represent our club being the record secretary for Wednesday EDTA. After many years as the Mid-Week Treasurer Barbara Grenfell has handed the baton to Barbara Caldwell. Thank you Barbara for a job well done. To all the ladies who helped keep the garden and grounds in great shape and put in a tremendous effort in making the IFT Optus Notting Hill International tournament so successful, a special thank you. Further we have raised over \$1,000 from our second hand books for Charity.

Finally, thank you to our ladies committee for all their work and efforts over the year.

Lesley McKay – Mid-Week Members Representative.



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Night Tennis:

The traditional night tennis held at NHPTC has changed dramatically over the past few years with the decline in teams entered into WDTA Night tennis competitions. The club has supported a range of formats as we have found that members have been interested in those that were on offer. Some of this has been by chance (closure of Wheelers Hill Raquette Centre) and some by design (Men's Singles).

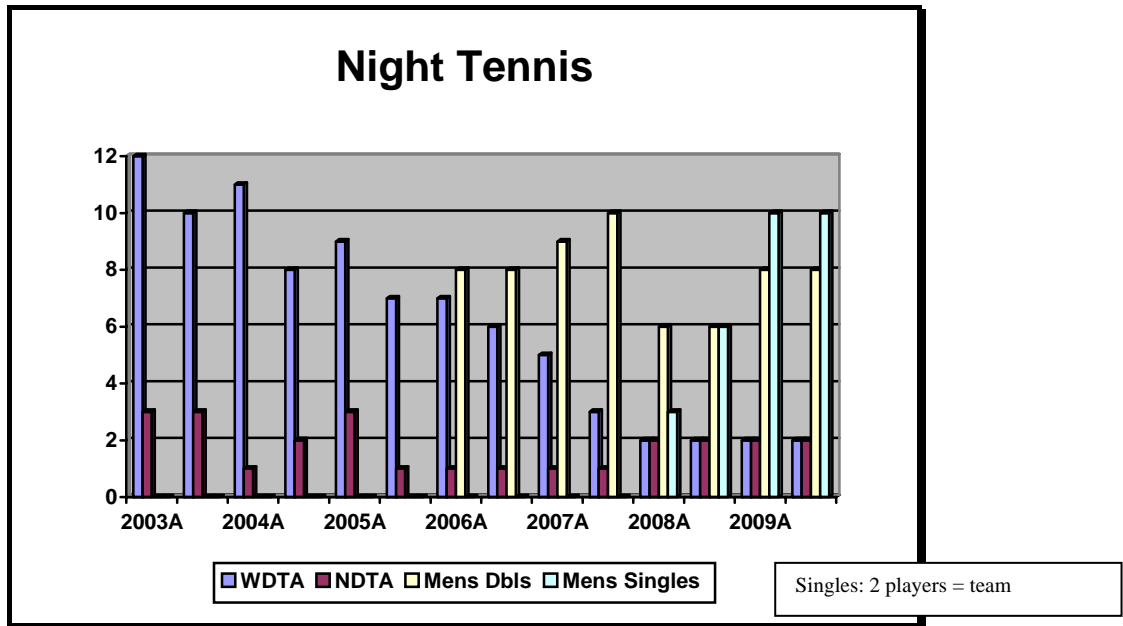
1. External Competitions
 - a. WDTA – historically matches have been convened at a home club for an entire season and the number of nights allocated to a club depended on the number of teams a club entered. Players could play for years and never actually play at their home courts. NHPTC entered men's, ladies and mixed doubles teams. Waverley Tennis has reformatted this competition. It is now a home and away, two courts per team. The club supports these changes and is again finding a renewed interest by players. Two teams are entered the Spring 08 season. Up from one.
 - b. NDTA – a few teams have consistently entered into a men's singles (Davis Cup format) two courts allocated per team.
2. Internal Competitions
 - a. Men's Doubles – This competition is held on a Tuesday evening having been transferred from Wheelers Hill Raquette Centre two years ago. This is a two court



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per team competition with a player ranking within a team to enable variously graded players to play in competition.

- b. Men's Singles – A newly established competition (player driven) where players of Pennant Grade 3-8 level are invited to play. Players start early (~6:30pm) and play the best of a three set rubber before heading home relatively early. Perhaps we should best describe this as a girl friend / wife friendly competition.



Club Championships

This year's Championships were well supported by members and provided an excellent opportunity to gain serious match play prior to the Winter WDTA & Pennant Seasons. Unfortunately for the second year running there was no Ladies Championships.

Men's Championships



Sean Wilkeson



Daniel Vissenjoux

Daniel Vissenjoux
Defeated
Sean Wilkeson
6-1, 6-1



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Boy's Championships



Matthew Henricus

Matthew Henricus
defeated
Nicholas Bartholomeusz
5 – 7, 6 – 3, 6 – 2



Nicholas Bartholomeusz

Girl's Championships



Jayde Viccars



Anna Li

Jayde Viccars
defeated
Anna Li
6 – 2, 6 – 1