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Friday(ish) Flash – 23rd April 2010

Welcome all, in this edition:

- Veterans' tournaments
- Maree's Bits
- Vouchers
- Fundraiser
- Thump Sports – getting to grips
- Finally – getting enough sects?

Vets' Tournaments coming up

Rotorua TC, Rotorua April 24-25 Ph 07 354 9006
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Maree's Bits:

Tennis Prize giving – Saturday 22nd May

More details to follow. Please book this on your calendar.

Upcoming tournaments –

Please note this list is not comprehensive and only covers those in the Tennis Central region. For a comprehensive list please see the calendar on the Tennis NZ website. New added event is in red.

Tournament name	Date	Closing date for entries	Further info from
2010 Tennis Central Trans Tasman fixture (RPC fixture – Renouf Centre)	24/25 April		Good luck Jerick, Paige, Kyle, Dana, Sheldon, Paris, Sam and Kyla!
Hutt Valley Winter Tournament	3-7 Jul		www.huttvalleytennis.co.nz
Manawatu Junior Spring Open	27 Sept-1 Oct		jared@tennismanawatu.org.nz
Slazenger Wellington Spring Junior Open	4-8 Oct		jen@regionaltennis.co.nz
Strike Tennis Labour Weekend (Wellington)	23-25 Oct		jen@regionaltennis.co.nz
Taranaki Junior Open	Oct/Nov - TBC		s.l.lloyd@xtra.co.nz



Michelle Low has made the nz masters hockey team to go to Sydney in 3 weeks, and to offset the costs there will be a movie-night fundraiser:

Movie Night
 Home By Christmas
 Thursday 29th April
 Spot Prizes - \$500, Dress Watch To Be Won
 Wine Cheese
 7.30 Start
 \$20 A Ticket

\$5.00 raffle 1st \$500, 2nd \$200, 3rd \$100, 4th \$50 for the prizes.

If anyone would like to support Michelle, they can get hold of her on 0210373092, Or evening 34 363632.

Many thanks.

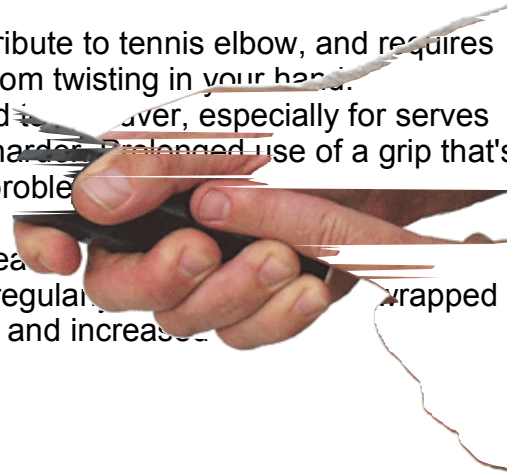
Thump Sports

Thump Sports –Open 7 Days or visit us online @ www.thumpsports.co.nz

Is your grip sized right for you? Take your racquet and have quick measure, line your palm up with the strings and grip as shown. You should be able to fit your index finger neatly in the gap.

So what? If your grip is too small it can contribute to tennis elbow, and requires more muscle strength to keep the racquet from twisting in your hand. A grip that's too large makes the racquet hard to maneuver, especially for serves and volleys and makes you grip the racquet harder. Prolonged use of a grip that's too big can also contribute to tennis elbow problems.

Not sure? Come and ask one of our friend team. We also recommend you replace your grip regularly. A wrapped grip provides you with better racquet control and increased



[Apologies to Zara for the poor reproduction of her weekly Thump Sports Information piece. The graphics lost something in the translation.](#)

FINALLY

Although this is not strictly tennis related, I offer the following as a public service to all Wanganui residents.

There are dark forces at work in the seedy underbelly of our cherished little river city. Not only do we have to suffer the indignity of the Mongrel Mob, Black Power, the Masons and Jehovah's Witnesses, but now there is an organisation that has the ability to rock the very foundations of our society. It has its own sacred rituals, its own funny handshake and, if left unchecked, could infiltrate the very highest echelons of our town.

I speak of that which, up until now, has only been whispered amongst the few.

I speak of the Blue Chartreuse Club.

This most secret of societies has been quietly recruiting new members, brainwashing them with the most foul, yet most addictive, of liqueurs – chartreuse. One small nip renders one incoherent. Two removes the capacity to walk. Three will put the unsuspecting quaffer into a coma.

First developed in France by some bored monks, this evil liquid celebrated its 400th birthday recently. Now one would think that if there were to be any celebration, it would take place in some quaint medieval Gallic village. No! Due to its geographically eccentric followers, a week-long secret party was held in Wanganui, no less! The makers of this fetid fluid sent a box of the stuff to BCHQ (which is in Aramoho), and the rest is history.

The message is clear. Lock up your daughters and sons lest they be seduced by the tantalising promise of pleasures untold. Be warned. The pleasures are fleeting, the gratification is momentary and before you know it, they will be fully-fledged members of the Blue Chartreuse Club, learning funny handshakes, speaking in a Chartreusian dialect and falling over a lot.

You may well wonder how I know so much about such a secret society. The answer is that I have seen it with my own eyes. I have been lured toward oblivion, have peeked over the edge, and have withdrawn from the abyss. I consider myself one of the lucky few. However, if any of you see me down at the club, clutching an odd-shaped bottle containing a suspicious blue liquid, you will know that I have succumbed. And if I happen to offer you some (unlikely) then run like the wind, for where blue chartreuse is concerned, ignorance is most definitely bliss.

Enjoy your tennis.

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