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Welcome all, in this edition:

- Vouchers
- Maree's bits
- Finally – (Non) Player profile.



MAREE'S BITS

Dunlop Slazenger Junior Open

You can now enter this online (payment still has to be by cheque or direct credit). Once the draw has been made it will also be on this link. Check back and you can see which other players have entered.

Go to <http://tnz.tournamentsoftware.com/> and the tournament will either show up as one of the most recently changed, or you can put Dunlop into the "Find Tournament" box and it will be the only available option.

Are you available during the day and want to earn some extra money?

There will be a free Grasshoppers coach training course held on September 17th either in Wanganui or Palmerston North. The Grasshoppers programme is a games based programme that focuses on fundamental skills. It is taught to primary school students during their normal school PE session. I did this course last year with very limited tennis skills so as long as you have common sense you will be taught what you need to know. You do need to be able to pass a police check to go into a school.

I can provide a lot more information than the short paragraph above so if you would like to know more, please contact me on 3436275.

Milo Promotion

You could be a winner simply by purchasing any 310g, 530g or 900g pack or tin of MILO then entering online, by mail or text. You and your sports club (and we'd love to be considered) have the chance to win 1 of 3 major prizes of \$20,000 MILO Sports Cash!

There's \$10,000 for each major prize winner & \$10,000 for their nominated club (hint, hint).

Each time you enter you'll also go into the weekly draw for \$1,000 Sports Gear Grant, a \$500 Rebel Sport voucher for you and a \$500 Rebel Sport voucher for your nominated sports club!

Entries don't close until 31 October, so get Mum and Dad to buy heaps, you get something nice to drink and we could both be winners 😊

2010 Performance Training Camp with Clint Packer

Clint Packer (Tennis Central Regional Performance Coach) will be holding a Performance Tennis Camp In Taranaki (Pukekura Park Tennis Club) on 11-12 September 2010. For more information, as well as the registration form, please contact me. I will put the forms up in the Junior Notice Board next week.

Upcoming junior 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 or updated events are in red.

Tournament name	Date	Closing date for entries	Further info from
Manawatu Junior Spring Open	27 Sept-1 Oct		jared@tennismanawatu.org.nz
DUNLOP SLAZENGER JUNIOR OPEN 10's, 12s, 14s, 16s, singles & doubles Over \$12,500 in prizes <u>HELD IN WANGANUI</u>	4-8 Oct	5pm, 30 Sept	tenniswang@xtra.co.nz
Strike Tennis Labour Weekend (Wellington)	23-25 Oct		jen@regionaltennis.co.nz
Taranaki Junior Open	23-25 Oct		s.l.lloyd@xtra.co.nz
AMI Tennis Central Primary Schools (Wanganui)	Fri 5 Nov	Selected	Maree – closer to the time
TC Invitational Weekend (Wanganui) – to participate you need to enter those tournaments that are part of the points race	6-7 Nov	Selected	Maree or Clint Packer
Hutt Valley Christmas Tournament	18-22 Dec		
Taranaki Open	27-30 Dec		
REP FIXTURE – Quad Rep Weekend (played in P/Nth or Feilding)	27 Feb	Rep Ladder	Maree
REP FIXTURE – Wanganui vs Taranaki (played in Manaia)	20 Mar	Rep ladder	Maree
REP FIXTURE – Tennis Central Match	TBC	Rep Ladder	Maree

FINALLY – PLAYER PROFILE?

It seems no-one wants to be subjected to the status-elevating “Player Profile” section. The only suggestion was from Dave the Prez, who thought that Zara nee Cornish could make an interesting victim, and even though she is not strictly a tennis player, the sheer force of her omnipresence at the club tipped it in her favour, which is to say that there was a lack of any alternative whatsoever. Zara is the red-headed (this week) lass who caters to your every whim in the sports shop and to dig up the dirt, what better source than her very own Dad.

Now Pastor Paul and those of his ilk are known to have only a tenuous grip on reality at the best of times, but the list of his daughter's achievements went far beyond the realms of even Paul's vivid imagination. I must say that Zara looks very well for her 85 years, which is the minimum amount of time she must have spent on this earth to have notched up the experience suggested by her father's ravings.

With the marvels of cut and paste, consider the following:

I prefer to boast- she is a trained chef (top graduate, including an exchange to Switzerland), she is a fashionista, she is a cracker seamstress, she was class arm wrestle champ in year 8, she has danced lead in ballet productions, she was lead singer in a rock band that won a national comp and a \$1500 recording deal. She plays drums and guitar after having given up piano in year 8. She has won speech competitions and the school cup for senior debating. She has taken the lead role in the school production and choreographed the winning entry in the National Secondary Schools stage challenge. She has a certificate in digital film.

Paul then mentions that Zara recently wrote off her car. Methinks the good pastor realised that he may have gone a little far and wanted to somehow redress the imbalance. At least, thankfully, he avoided using the word “awesome”, that most over-used and diluted word in the country.

Of course, what we wanted was not so much the angelic qualities that we all see in our offspring, but the tawdry tales of teenage drunkenness, the knicker-wetting as a toddler, the dummy-spits when a curfew was imposed - all good stuff and eminently more readable. However, we play the cards we are dealt, and for Zara it means that she now has a reputation to live up to and will henceforth be selling us tennis balls whilst arm-wrestling with one hand, playing the drums with another, with one foot plucking a guitar and the other tickling the ivories. All this while debating the various qualities of French and Swiss cuisine and to top it off, taking a polaroid of the whole performance.

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For good measure, these made me chuckle:

My wife told me I was no longer romantic so I booked a table for the two of us on Valentine's Night. Problem was she's rubbish at snooker.

and

Double negatives are a no-no.

Enjoy your tennis.

Terry Wright
Accent Curtains and Blinds