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## Friday(ish) Flash – 11<sup>th</sup> November 2011

Welcome all, in this edition:

- Wilton's bits
- Finally – Thanks Michael

### WILTON'S BITS

#### Junior Subs Reduced

Because of the Clubs commitment to provide a pathway for Juniors and to encourage the development of young players at an early age, an amendment be made to Junior Subs. This recognizes the fact that for Juniors, term 4 and term 1 are the extent of their summer sport, not the entire year as the original sub suggests.

First

That the Junior (Prim) annual sub be reduced to \$75

That the Junior (Sec) annual sub be reduced to \$90

Second

That the sub for Junior (prim) joining in term 1 / 2012 be \$40

That the sub for Junior (sec) joining in term 1 / 2012 be \$45

Country Sub

Junior (prim) reduced to \$50

Junior (sec) reduced to \$60

Half this sub to be charged if joining in term 1 / 2012

All coaching fees are additional to the requirement of Juniors to be financial members of the WTC.

Redressing the issue of all subs paid to date this year.

For all the Juniors who have paid the original sub this year, there will be a credit of \$25 held by the Club on their behalf. Rather than refunding multiple Junior members the Club has proposed to bulk fund JD TENNIS the \$25 per paid member for coaching in term 1, 2012.

### Home Junior Rep Match v Taranaki

We have 2 practice sessions organised to prepare for our home rep match against Taranaki on December 4th. The 1st training session is on Wednesday the 23rd of November from 4pm -5.30pm. for 10's and 12's, and Thursday 3.30-5pm for 14's and 16s. The 2nd session is on Sunday the 27th between 12 noon and 2 pm. We are also looking to do an additional training on Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> December at 3.30pm. These practices will involve, tactical knowledge of doubles and mixed doubles, executing basic skills, establishing the line-up, and growing team chemistry. Those in the team make sure you all get along.

## Lost and Found

LOST – A ball basket! It was WTC written on the sign of the ball basket, if you know where it is please email me at [tenniswang@xtra.co.nz](mailto:tenniswang@xtra.co.nz)

## Junior Coaching and Match play

**Monday** After school primary school coaching with Leanne Lock 3.30-5pm [the.locks@clear.net.nz](mailto:the.locks@clear.net.nz)

**Friday** Secondary school coaching with Leanne and match play with Peter Reid.

**Saturday** Juniors from both Primary and Secondary schools come down the club from 9 -12 for match play and practice.

**Extra Lessons** Contact JD tennis for more technical and individual development on [jeremy\\_pigou@hotmail.com](mailto:jeremy_pigou@hotmail.com).

**Xmas Tennis Camp**-JD Tennis is having a tennis camp on the 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup> of December, contact [jeremy\\_pigou@hotmail.com](mailto:jeremy_pigou@hotmail.com)

## Upcoming Tournaments

- Gisborne Xmas Tennis tournament 14th-17th Dec.  
<http://www.tenniswaikatobays.co.nz/Article.aspx?ID=3654>
- Hutt Valley Junior Xmas Tournament

10s, 14s & 18s - Sat 17 Dec to Sun 18 Dec <http://www.huttvalleytennis.co.nz/>

- Taranaki Junior Tournament, to be held @ Pukekura Tennis Club, Upjohn Street, New Plymouth from the 20<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> of January 2012. Entry deadline's on the 13<sup>th</sup> of January. <http://www.tennisnz.com/Central/Article.aspx?ID=6675> P.S: Taranaki will also run another "TARANAKI OPEN" being part of the Central Points Race at the end of December 2011. The tournament will be open to junior and senior players. Factsheet and entry forms will be available and emailed out shortly.

**Wanganui Tennis Club Champs** – We are looking to run this over the space of 2 days we are looking to get as many entries as we can this year for both seniors and juniors so don't be shy to enter, even if you don't think you are a contender for the title it will be a great event if you all enter and support the idea.

**Parents brings a child /Child brings a parent day** – watch this space.

## Tip of the Week

**Continental grip** – also known as the chopper grip, if you are not using this grip for your serve, and your forehand + backhand volley you are severely hindering your development as a player, it allows natural pronation on the serve and enable maximum control on volleys, next time you get to the courts or even against a wall see how it feels. Many beginners or intermediate players will use the eastern grip for these shots, try and wean yourself the eastern grip for the serve and the volley, learn and use the continental grip.

**FINALLY**

I was sorry to hear that Michael Smyth was resigning as both secretary and as club captain. He has put a huge effort into what amounts to a generally thankless task. If we have failed to previously give him the credit that was due, then we should all do so the next time we see him. It is easy to take for granted the people that make this club tick, but as sure as day, there would be no club without them. If there are any members out there with a bit of time on their hands that can assist, either as a committee member or as a volunteer, then please throw your hat into the ring. If you don't, Michael may well bring the boys round your place and sing at you.

If religions are like football teams, Buddhism would be the Wellington Phoenix of the league – they always sit near the bottom, don't have many followers, are pretty inoffensive and don't bully anyone much. So these gems are for the embattled Phoenix – the next win can't be far away....

### ZEN TEACHINGS

1. Do not walk behind me, for I may not lead. Do not walk ahead of me, for I may not follow. Do not walk beside me for the path is narrow.. In fact, just piss off and leave me alone.
2. Sex is like air. It's not that important unless you aren't getting any.
3. No one is listening until you fart.
4. Always remember you're unique. Just like everyone else.
5. Never test the depth of the water with both feet.
6. If you think nobody cares whether you're alive or dead, try missing a couple of mortgage payments.
7. Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes.
- 8.. If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.
9. Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how to fish, and he will sit in a boat and drink beer all day.
10. If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably well worth it.
11. If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.
12. Some days you are the dog, some days you are the tree.
14. Good judgement comes from bad experience ... and most of that comes from bad judgement.
15. A closed mouth gathers no foot.
16. There are two excellent theories for arguing with women. Neither one works.

17. Generally speaking, you aren't learning much when your lips are moving.
18. Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
19. We are born naked, wet and hungry, and get slapped on our arse ... then things just keep getting worse.
20. Never, under any circumstances, take a sleeping pill and a laxative on the same night.

I lost a pair of very cool, suave, expensive Bolle sunglasses a week or so ago. They were found hanging on the fence wire (where I had left them) and were put into the right hand side of the lockable noticeboard under the metal flap. When I went to retrieve them, there they were, gone. If anyone knows what became of them, please let me know so that I can get Michael and the boys around to sing at the miscreant until they hand them over.

Enjoy your tennis.

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