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Welcome all, in this edition:

- Maree's bits (including South Island Masters' Games)
- Finally – Hawera. Will they let us back?

MAREE'S BITS

Community Coaching Course

There is a CCC being held at the Renouf Centre in Wellington on Sunday 7th August.

There needs to be a minimum of ten (10) participants for this course to proceed. If you are interested please contact Mike Ryan in Wellington on mike.ryan@tenniscentral.co.nz

Hutt Valley Tennis Winter Tournament

To be held at Mitchell Park 23-27 July (2nd week of the school holidays). This tournament is part of the Central Points race, so could be important if you wish to be considered for the TC Invitational Weekend which is usually in November. Entry form and factsheet can be found on <http://tenniscentral.co.nz/Article.aspx?ID=6675>.

2011 Manawatu Winter Open

This is happening during the first week of the school holidays, also part of the Central Points Race. Further information about the Manawatu tournament can be found on www.tennismanawatu.org.nz.

Please note there are no indoor Nationals during the July school holidays.

Davis Cup

Unlike last year I have had no special offers come through from Tennis NZ. The tie is being held at the TSB Hub in Hawera on 8-10 July. It will be between New Zealand and the Philippines. Tickets, which include 3 day passes, family passes and special rates for children are available through Ticket Direct www.ticketdirect.co.nz, phone 0800 4 TICKET or the South Taranaki i-SITE Visitor Centre on 0800 111 323.

Those who purchase a ticket before 13 June go into a draw to win spot prizes

South Island Masters Tennis – Nelson – October

The tennis will be held at Hope Tennis Club the weekend of October 15 & 16th.
This is a great social event - only doubles and mixed doubles.
All the info including registrations can be found at www.simasters.co.nz

FINALLY

I have e-mailed the tennis NZ contact about the upcoming Davis Cup tie at Hawera in the hope that a select band of Wanganui merry-makers may again liven up proceedings at a courtside corporate table. After last year's shenanigans, though, I am not holding my breath. As it is, many of the participants have to duck down in the back seat of their cars when travelling through Hawera, as the locals seem to have very long memories.

One priceless image I hold is of the Pakistani coach wondering what the hell was going on as our table yelled and cheered for the Pakistanis, waving their national flag (a big one it was, too) with gay abandon. The poor man could not work out if we were ex-pat Pakistanis who had lost our tans, or whether it was a crafty Kiwi ploy to put them off their game. Even funnier was accidentally meeting up with the Kiwi team in the pub afterward and having to explain our decidedly non-patriotic behaviour to them.

That said, on the off-chance that we get invited back, places will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis, although last year's attendees will have first refusal. If there is enough interest, we may be able to get two tables this year. Let me know if you are interested. The day will probably be the Sunday, 10th July, for the reverse singles.

Has anyone got a Philippino flag lying around?

Saw a werewolf at the bus stop this morning. Or possibly just a very hairy guy. Either way, the silver bullets worked.

I bought a sofa from Harvey Norman last year.
364 days later and I still haven't sat on it.
But tomorrow I will.
That was part of the deal, don't pay any interest for a year.

Enjoy your tennis.

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