



Presidents Report for 2019/2020

Thank you to the squash and tennis committees for the great work they have done this year. We are privileged to have such a dedicated group of people within the club to support our growth and provide new experiences for our members and the local community. To the returning and new committee members, I look forward to a busy and rewarding year working with you.

Thank you to Wayne for your diligence throughout the 2019/2020 year. You have, as always gone above and beyond to ensure that events run smoothly, members are well informed, and that the club is a welcoming and safe place for all.

Thank you to Geoff for preparing the accounts for the year. We appreciate the time and effort that you put in to ensure that we can always see the club's financial position.

Thank you to our coaches who do such a great job with the junior players and also encourage our members to improve their skills.

Thank you all for following the clubs directives to keep our members safe during the COVID lockdown periods. We know that we have your support, and encourage you all to continue to sign in and follow national guidelines so that everyone feels safe within the club.

Thank you to the many club members who have helped keep the club running throughout the year. The club simply could not function without members willing to tidy courts, mow lawns, stock the bar, tend the barbeque, set up the club for events, do the draws for tournaments and leagues, provide food for events, staff the kitchen and bar, run tournaments, water blasting, maintain courts, and tidy store rooms. These are some of the many tasks carried out by members to help the club. There is a wonderful group of dedicated people who do a lot behind the scenes, thanks so much, the work you all do is very much appreciated. New helpers and ideas are always welcome, so never be shy to volunteer, offer suggestions, or just do something that you see needs to be done.

I would like to take a moment to remember Jeremy Clayton, who passed away suddenly in March. He was a magnificent competitor with lightning reflexes, an amazing game instinct and his own unique, not to be imitated style. Jeremy partnered with Matt Weatherhead won the men's doubles tennis league for the 2019/2020 season.

I would like to acknowledge our up and coming junior tennis member Annabel Chapman, who will head off to nationals in a few days. Good luck Annabel, we are proud of your determination and drive.

A major achievement this year is the installation of the new LED squash lights. Thanks to all who assisted to source the best option and with installation. This was long awaited, and has been much appreciated by the squash members. We have also accumulated sufficient funds to resurface 2 of the astroturf tennis courts. Uplifting the old surfaces will happen the weekend of December 19th and new surfaces will be laid towards the end of January 2021. Thanks to all the members that have contributed to this effort, through debentures, donations, movie nights, casino night, quiz night and mitre 10 BBQ's.



In the upcoming year we plan to focus on modernization and maintenance of the clubhouse and resurfacing of the other 2 astro courts. We encourage you all to provide input on specific areas that we should target and how you might like to assist.

Wellington Girls rowers will be using our facilities again this year. This hireage opportunity is an important fund-raiser for the club, so please ensure that you make our guests feel welcome during their stays.

If you have ideas about other revenue opportunities for the club we welcome your input.

We are running our annual Christmas midweek tennis tournament next Monday morning, anyone is welcome to enter, and all contributions and help are welcome, there will be strawberries and champagne, some great tennis action and a delicious lunch.

We would like to thank our many sponsors for their contribution to our club. Many of these are local businesses and we ask that you all support them in return.

Cambridge is a growing community, and we would like to see that reflected in our club. We welcome new members to the club, so when you meet newcomers, please invite them to have a hit at our club, either through Pay to Play, or on one of the tennis or squash more social programmes.

We strive to provide the best courts and club experience in the region in both squash and tennis and to make our club accessible to, and valued by the wider community.

Linda Webster, President