

## Events at Nambas

January 2021

### Social – mixed

Saturday 8am – 10.30am

Sunday 8am – 10.30am

Tuesday 7.30am – 11am

Wednesday 6.30pm – 8.30pm

Thursday 7.30am – 11am

Friday (Advanced) 5pm – 8pm

### Fixtures

Training has started on Monday nights at 6.30pm.

Team Entries close – **Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Jan**

Grading Meeting Tues 2<sup>st</sup> Feb

Appeals close 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb

Draws published 4<sup>rd</sup> Feb

**Start Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb**

Finals 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Jun

Non Playing dates – School Holidays –  
5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>

Public Holidays 26<sup>th</sup> April & 3<sup>rd</sup> May

### Veterans

Team Entries close on the 12<sup>th</sup> of Feb. If you are interested in playing in Vets, please contact Yanni 0400 270 340

# Nambas Tennis Club

The Committee hope you had a fantastic Christmas and New Year and we look to seeing you all back this year.

## VIP of the Month

Linda Doolan



My parents came from England with my three brothers, arriving in Australia in 1950. I was born in Kilcoy in 1952 and a few months later we moved to Paynters Creek Road, Nambour, where dad grew pineapples. One of my earliest memories is walking through the rows of pines and having my little arms and legs scratched. I hated those spiky leaves!

Pineapple prices plummeted so dad went cane cutting. Sunday afternoon was burn-off time and I helped, holding my wet sugar bag, eyes scanning the sky, ready to put out any floaters (embers).

I attended Nambour State School and in 1961 when I was in grade four, I did tennis coaching at Nambas for a year. One lunch hour per week, I and a few other students traversed a log bridge over the creek to the court.

In 1968 I met Nambour-born Peter, at the Nambour Show. We married two years later, I was 17, he was 19. We had Natalie in 1972 and Julie arrived in 1975.

When I was 29 I played tennis in the mid-week ladies comp for Alinga, Maroochydore for a couple of years.

I enjoy writing and I have won a couple of competitions, one where the prize was a five day holiday on Heron Island for two which was fantastic.

I played netball, vigoro and squash though no more tennis until 2012 when I saw an ad for a coaching clinic at Nambas, yes, I was back at Nambas after 51 years.

I became a Nambas committee member six years ago.

I have often said, rather dramatically, that tennis saved my life. After caring for my parents for ten years, when I finally had spare time, I was searching for a diversion and tennis came to my rescue, both physically and mentally.

We have lived in Nambour, Maroochydore, Buderim and now lovely Palmwoods.

My joys are Peter and our family, gardening, reading, writing, walking, word puzzles and once in a while hitting the perfect back-hand down the line passing Larry.

**Linda will be sharing a monthly poem in our Newsletter.**

**"Worry" by Linda Doolan**

Worry, your brow crinkles.  
 Eyes squinted with concern,  
 Eating deeply into your self.  
 When will you ever learn,  
 Your shoulders are only so wide,  
 Don't give so many worries a ride.

A tree grows without a care,  
 If it's let alone to stand there.  
 A child plays with his mind intent,  
 On the single ambition to  
 enjoyment.

Be a tree, once every while.  
 Be a child with frivolous style,  
 Once every while.

Sincerely, Linda

**Nambas Tennis News****Christmas**

**Christmas Party Donations – Thanks so much to Linda and her feet walking around Nambour and gathering donations.**

The following Nambour businesses generously provided donations to the Nambas Christmas party:

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| The Duke on Queen Street – | men's haircut;     |
| Majestic Cinemas -         | double movie pass; |
| Chemist Warehouse –        | men's fragrance;   |
| Amcal Chemist -            | \$25 gift voucher; |
| Hungry Jack's -            | 5 family dinners;  |
| Priceline Chemist -        | gift basket.       |

It would be appreciated if members would consider supporting these businesses that supported Nambas Tennis Club.

**Storage Shed and Hitting Wall Updates**

The Club was unsuccessful with its application for a new storage shed, and has therefore decided to fund the shed itself. The Club is seeking approval to erect a 4.57 metre by 3.06 metre by 2.4 metre shed adjacent to court 3. A quote of \$8,561 has been provided by Titan Sheds at Yandina. The shed will be constructed on a concrete slab with roller door access to court 3 and hinged door access to court 4. Documentation has been provided to the Sunshine Coast Council for the Owner's Consent process to be undertaken prior to purchase and construction of the shed.

Engineering plans have been drawn up for a hitting wall inside court 4. The Club is still waiting for a quote to construct the hitting wall.

**Junior Playing Fees**

At the December meeting the Committee decided that players under 18 years of age would only be charged half of the adult price to play social tennis.

**Nambour Heights Update**

The Club has lodged an expression of interest with the Sunshine Coast Council to take over the lease of the Nambour Heights tennis courts at Isabella Street if the lease becomes available. At this stage the Nambour Heights Progress Association continues to operate the lease and Sunshine Coast Council has not offered the lease to Nambas but has asked for preliminary financial information from Nambas and our plans for Nambour Heights. If the lease is offered to Nambas the Committee will undertake due diligence to consider if the lease is in the long term interests of Nambas tennis Club before making a final decision. Tennis Qld have indicated that Nambour Heights would be treated as a separate club requiring a separate affiliation fee (around \$2,000 per year). Resurfacing the two courts when required would cost about \$18,000 - a grant could be sought through the Community Benefit Gambling Fund to fund this. Nambour Heights would offer 2 hard courts and a possible income source from hiring out for coaching or social play.

**Additional Coaching Position**

At the December meeting the Committee considered three applications to offer coaching at Nambas. The Committee agreed to discuss/offer a coaching position to Michelle Jaggard-Lai, but after discussions the offer was declined. The Committee agreed to invite Michelle to attend the January to discuss a coaching position at Nambas. The Committee has agreed that Michelle should submit a coaching plan for Nambas, and the Committee will also develop a coaching plan for Nambas.

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### **Follow-up from the 2020 Annual General Meeting**

At the 2020 AGM the Committee undertook to consider (a) the size of the Management Committee, (b) spending caps before the need to call a meeting of members for spending authority and (c) the cost of ball machine use by Committee members and other members

#### **Size of Management Committee**

The Committee discussed several options, such as (a) setting the number of committee positions to cover duties required by the club and limiting the committee size to that number and (b) limiting the size of the Committee to deter 'takeovers' and vote stacking. A majority of the Committee supported the current system of an unlimited number of Committee members, and this is therefore the recommended option. However, the Committee will consider the effectiveness of the 16 member Committee elected at the 2020 AGM over the coming year for possible further discussion before the 2021 AGM. Mark Lovett and Terry Moore have resigned from the Committee since the 2020 AGM, making a current Committee of 14 members.

#### **Spending Cap**

The Committee suggests a cap of \$10,000 should apply to non-maintenance expenditure before the need to call a general meeting of members for spending authority.

#### **Cost of Ball Machine use**

The Committee decided that ball machine hire should be reduced from \$15 per hour (daytime) to \$5, comprising \$3 court hire and \$2 ball machine hire, for all members (Committee and non-Committee). Night time ball machine hire will be reduced from \$20 to \$7, comprising \$3 court hire, \$2 for lights and \$2 ball machine hire. The Committee hopes that this fee change will encourage greater use of the ball machines.

Members should contact the Committee at [nambastennis@gmail.com](mailto:nambastennis@gmail.com) if they have a strong objection to this fee reduction.

#### **Members Code of Conduct**

At the January meeting the Committee agreed to a Members Code of Conduct. Code of Conduct will be displayed at Nambas.

#### **Membership Update**

We currently have 83 memberships for the 2021 year.

#### **Coaching Court**

At the November meeting the Committee decided that court 4 should be used for coaching, but another court could be used if (a) court 4 was unusable after rain or (b) Club members did not require the other court or were unlikely to require it for the duration of a coaching session.

#### **Club Round Robins**

Round Robin tournaments will commence at 9am Saturday 27 February 2021, and then bi-monthly on the last Saturday of the month. If you are interested in playing please email the club at [nambastennis@gmail.com](mailto:nambastennis@gmail.com) or put your name on the sheet outside the clubhouse.

#### **2021 Autumn Fixtures**

Expressions of Interest to play in the Autumn Fixtures has commenced and training has now started on a Monday night at 6.30pm. For any queries, please contact Yanni 0400 270 340.



## Nambas Friday Ladies Final

Welldone to our Friday Ladies who were in the finals.

From left to right - Rhonda Budden, Joy Anear, Lois Baverstock (Captain) & Lynn Hood.

## Congratulation Ladies.

## Ball Machine

The Queensland Government provided \$3,780 to Nambas Tennis Club to purchase a new ball machine to enable Queenslanders to participate in sport and recreation activities.

Our new ball machine has arrived. The committee is currently working on arrangements for access for our members and more details to follow.

There will be a register set up in the shed with envelopes for payment. The envelopes are then to be placed in our clubhouse door slot. Instructions on how to use the ball machine will be hanging up in the shed also. The ball machine has an external battery as it will be housed in the new bottom shed we are planning for ease of access onto the courts. The shed will not have power so the battery will be charged in the original shed. Once we work out access, we will send an update.



***Do you have any photo's you could send in for our Newsletter, Facebook and website? Please send them to: [nambastennis@gmail.com](mailto:nambastennis@gmail.com)  
We would love any family recipes or funny jokes etc***

