

# Pines Tennis Club

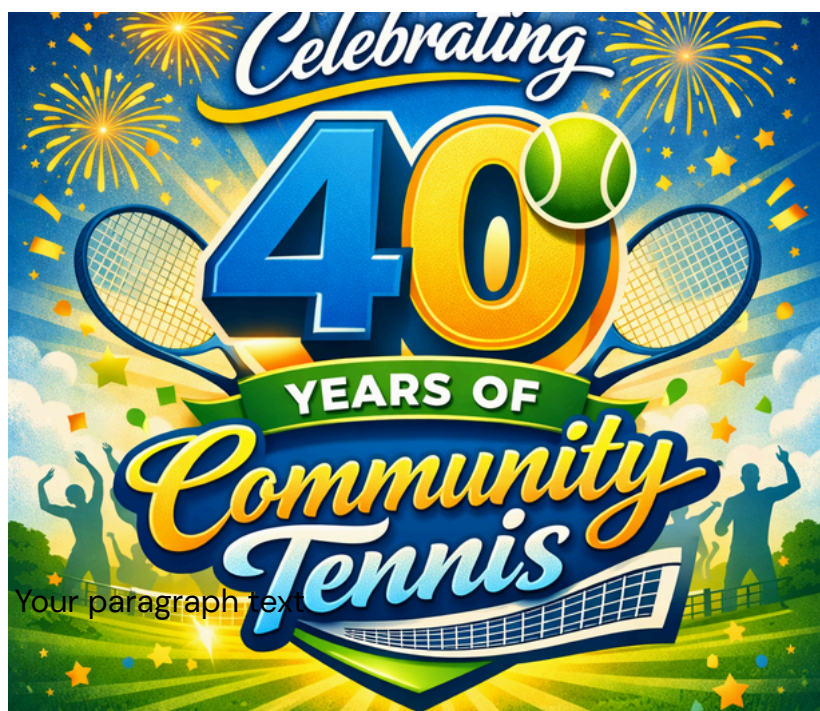
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## CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF COMMUNITY TENNIS

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**40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner /Dance**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

**7.00pm**

**Lanyon Vikings Club (Heidelberg St, Conder)**

**\$80.00 per person**

**Members, Past Members and Guests**

**[Book here](#)**



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# POLO SHIRTS

Celebrating 40 years



Also available a "muscle shirt" for men and women with no sleeves and no collar

4 Styles to select from, \$45.00 each. Please select your style, size from attached chart, quantity and total cost.

Add to the order form at the club or contact Rosa Cotta: 0404 766 468

Please pay into Pines bank account directly with the following details:

BSB: 082-923  
Acc No: 0353 49114

Ref: Polo + Surname

Orders required before 17 April 2026  
Date extended from the 10<sup>th</sup> of April

- **Graeme Barnes: President**  
**0409308039**
- **Dianna Barrett: Vice President**  
**0431771235**
- **Tony Bishop: Treasurer**
- **Aaron Sharplin: Secretary**
- **Daniel Jimenez: Social Media**
- **Nestor Palma**
- **Rosalin Mawlanazada**
- **Craig McKellar**
- **Pablo Jiménez**
- **Katrina Burgess**
- **Rosa Cotta**

**Robert Jamieson: Coach**  
**0432118204**

# A Community Tennis Club run by and for our members

## About our Club

### *Did you know?*

- We have approximately **170 members** in our Club community
- **25 members** are juniors or under 19
- **34 members** are over 65
- Up to **40 members** play in our organised Tuesday and Wednesday night galas each week
- Over **50 members** participate in mid-week social tennis events
- There were **143 court bookings** by members in the month of February alone
- We have **4 teams** in the Monday/Tuesday night league and 4 teams in the Thursday night Autumn Canberra Tennis Leagues
- We are represented by **3 teams** in the Saturday Junior Tennis Leagues competition

**All of these events are coordinated by our amazing volunteers (with the exception for the Junior Tennis Leagues, which are coordinated by Rob Jamieson at the Canberra School of Tennis).**

## A Potted History:

### It all began when:

It was learnt that the ACT Government was considering constructing a local tennis club in the Tuggeranong Valley. A citizen-run group called the South Tuggeranong Progress Association (STPA) had been established and was tasked with forming committees to develop proposals for new facilities in the Valley. A meeting was organised with the STPA, who were particularly interested in the development of a new tennis club.

Following this initial meeting, further discussions were held with ACT Government officials and a formal proposal was submitted. A premium site was selected in Fadden Pines and the original name chosen for the club was the the **Tuggeranong Tennis Club**.

However, we were advised at the time that the name had already been registered as the operating name for another facility to be developed further north in Fadden. Consequently, we chose the name **The Pines Tennis Club**, inspired by the beautiful location of our courts. Further disappointment came when the site we had been allocated was withdrawn by the Government, which decided to lease the site to a private enterprise. So, back to negotiating table for another site. Two alternate sites were offered by the Government, with the one selected being where The Pines now proudly operates from.

**(To be continued...)** Text provided by David Holloway

## New Water Cooler



We are excited to announce our new water cooler has been installed and is operational. We hope that all members will enjoy the refreshing cold water for drinking and bottle refills. Thanks so much to Errol Neish and Nestor Palma for bringing this project to completion.

## A reminder to sweep courts after playing

Just a friendly reminder to please sweep the courts after you finish playing.

Sweeping helps evenly distribute the sand and keeps the courts in good condition for everyone. Just sweep from the net out to the fence, and make sure that you push the broom forward if you are using it (same as in the photo, on the left).

Thanks for helping look after our courts — we really appreciate it!

### Tuesday/Wednesday Night Gala

Entries for Tuesday night gala and Wednesday night Flexi-gala are open!

Tuesday night gala is for more advanced or experienced players.

Term 2 begins on the 21 April 2026.

If you would like to play or reserve please contact **Nicole Lock**

**0439 907 005**

Commences at 7.00pm.

\$60/term payable first or second night.

Wednesday night gala is for a mix of players from advanced to beginner.

Wednesday evening is open to those who cannot commit to attending every week but register their interest each week with players, playing against others of about the same level.

Commences at 7.00pm

\$6.00 per night for members.

\$10 per night for non-members

Wednesday Flexi-gala: **Emma Phelan**  
**0414 300 871**



## Member Information Protection Officer

The Pines is committed to ensuring that our Club is a safe environment for all members. Importantly, we have a Child Protection Policy. All Office Bearers and coaching staff are required to have a Working with Vulnerable People Card.

Member Protection Information Officers (MPIOs) are there to listen to issues raised by members, before triaging and referring them to the right place to find a resolution. The MPIO is responsible for providing information about a person's rights, responsibilities, and options to an individual making a complaint or raising a concern, as well as information support during the process.

If you have any concerns or would like to discuss an issue arising at the Club, please contact Di Barrett on 0431 771 235 or Aaron Sharplin 0402 170 779

## Wednesday morning social tennis

9:00 am-11:00 am  
Cost: Free for members/non-  
members \$6.00  
Contact: Kerry Scarlett on  
0414 292 150

## Working Bee POSTPONED

Due to conflicting events, our scheduled Working Bee has been deferred. Stay tuned for a new date!. There are always plenty of jobs to do around the Club so if you see something that needs repairing or have an idea on improvements, please let someone on the committee know. Please be aware that the committee makes decisions on maintenance priorities and club expenditure on behalf of members, and the committee meets regularly, usually once a month. If you have time to offer, and the committee agrees, we will gratefully accept your help.

## Court Expansion Update

The Club is awaiting further information from the ACT Government. We will keep you updated on any developments.



## Congratulations Tony Bishop

Tony was recognised at the March ACT Tennis Club Forum for his contribution to our Club.

Tony has been the Treasurer and a valued member of the Executive team at The Pines Tennis Club for many years. His attention to detail and strong financial skills have been instrumental in ensuring sound financial governance at the Club. Tony commits countless hours to keeping the books shipshape and also manages the Club's membership database and resolves ClubSpark issues as they arise. More recently, he has taken on additional responsibility in managing Club membership.

Beyond his administrative contributions, Tony is always willing to roll up his sleeves. He regularly undertakes maintenance tasks around the Club and can often be seen repairing nets, fixing lights, and attending to court maintenance. Tony is a familiar and reliable presence at Club events, including Open Days and Working Bees. He is also an active participant in Club life, playing social and gala tennis as well as competing in the Canberra Tennis League.

Tony is the consummate volunteer and is highly deserving of recognition for his quiet, dependable, and tireless service to the Club.



## Canberra Tennis Leagues

The Adult Autumn Tennis Leagues begins on 23 March and will run for 11 weeks. We are well- represented this season with 8 teams participating across Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday night competitions!

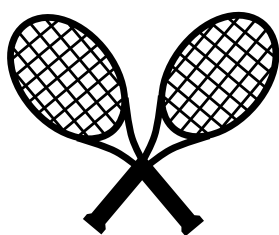
Keep an eye on our Facebook page for regular updates on our creatively named teams: Pines Trio, Pines Evergreens, Pines Panthers, Pines Topspinners, Pines Musketeers, and Pines Pastels. Good luck to everyone competing – we hope to see you decked out in the new Pines Polo shirt!

We also have 3 teams representing the Pines in the Sunday Junior Tennis Leagues. If you're at the Club while they are playing, check in and see how they are going. I am sure you will be impressed!

### BOOK A COURT

Did you know, court bookings during the day are free to members? Evening bookings attract a small reduced fee for members to cover the cost of lighting.

[Book Here](#)



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### Seniors Tournaments

Once again members have been out and about attending tournaments interstate. The Pines was well represented at the recent Ulladulla tournament and over the Canberra Day long weekend at Narooma





# **The Pines Tennis Club 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

## **Calendar of Events**

**Sat 13 June 2026  
Dinner/ Dance**

**Sun 5 July  
Ladies Day and Wimbledon High Tea**

**Sun 26 July  
Club Round Robin  
Hot chocolate, pancakes and mulled wine**

**Sat 22 August  
Trivia Night**

**Sat 26 September  
Multicultural Day and 1 point-slam comp.**

**31 October-1 Nov  
Club Champs**

## **Drinking alcohol at the Club**

Your committee continues to focus on issues important to members and the community. As such, we have developed a formal Alcohol Policy to create a clearer separation between alcohol consumption and junior-focused activities while preserving our valued social culture.

### **1. Purpose**

To ensure clear separation between alcohol consumption and junior activities, and to maintain a safe, child-focused and well-governed sporting environment at The Pines Tennis Club.

### **2. Background**

The Club does not sell or supply alcohol. Members may bring their own alcohol for personal consumption in accordance with Club rules.

As junior coaching and programs have expanded, the Committee recognises the need to formalise clear boundaries between junior activities and alcohol consumption to align with contemporary child safeguarding and governance standards.

### **3. Policy**

#### **3.1 Separation During Junior Activities**

During scheduled junior coaching sessions, junior competitions or junior programs:

Alcohol must not be consumed on or around court areas.

Alcohol must not be consumed on the verandah, pergola/BBQ area, or in external areas visible from junior coaching courts.

Alcohol consumption is permitted inside the clubhouse only.

Alcohol must not be taken into coaching areas or junior gathering spaces.

#### **3.2 Storage**

Alcohol must not be stored on Club premises, including inside the clubhouse.

All alcohol brought onto the premises must be removed at the conclusion of the session.

#### **3.3 General Expectations**

Members are expected to consume alcohol responsibly and in a manner consistent with the Club's Code of Conduct.

#### **3.4 Authority**

The Committee or its delegate may direct any person to cease alcohol consumption or remove alcohol from the premises if the policy is not being followed.

#### **3.5 Review**

This policy will be reviewed by the Committee after 12 months of operation.



## Coaching at the Pines

Coaching at The Pines, led by Rob Jamieson and his experienced team from CSoT, continues to thrive with a fantastic range of programs for all ages and abilities.

Adult sessions include the ever-popular Cardio Tennis—a fun, high-energy workout that gets you moving while improving your game—as well as Adult Technique Groups designed to refine your skills and boost confidence on court. One-on-one coaching sessions are available for adults.

For younger players, dedicated children's coaching programs provide a supportive environment that nurtures both tennis fundamentals and a lifelong love for the sport. Whether you're new to the game or aiming to take your skills to the next level, there's something for everyone at The Pines with CSoT!

**Did you know that new members who pay for an annual subscription are entitled to one half hour free coaching sessions with the CSoT.**

If you would like to know more, give Rob a call on 0432 118 204 or email [Robert@Csot.com.au](mailto:Robert@Csot.com.au)



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