

**GOSFORD TENNIS CENTRE
MEETING 9TH. DECEMBER 2013**

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT COMMITTEE

November 2013

BOTTOM COURTS NOVEMBER 2013

Over the past few months the surfaces of courts designated "Bottom Courts" (Numbers 23, 22, 20, 18, 16, 14, 21, 19, 17, 15) have become WET during normal days play.

- That is to say that water has "leaked" from below the playing surface
- So much so that at VARIOUS TIMES each particular court was deemed "UNSAFE and hence UNPLAYABLE"
- This is particularly disturbing for the following reasons:
 - Recently the GDTA Committee of Management were advised by "a company deemed to be specialists in this field (name omitted for legal reasons) that the best method of correcting these faults were to have "SPECIFIC" repair work done to each court.
 - As I was not privy to the specifics of the job specifications I cannot make further comment. Other to state that as a long time tennis professional I have seldom experienced RANDOM LEAKAGE of this on tennis courts and especially of the "hard court" model.
 - Perhaps the court-bases could have been examined a little more thoroughly. This of course may have made ALL parties a little more aware of the ensuing base problems. Rather than simply "gaining the "contract for work"
 - Long term this has done, and will be seen to do much more harm than good to both the court re-construction company and of course to the "playability" of the Gosford Tennis Centre Lower Courts reputation.
 - As a severe consequence of these WET COURTS matches were transferred from "DRY" courts to courts that became" WET" during the course of play BUT NOT PHYSICAL RAIN – but simply from RANDOM LEAKAGE from cracks on the court surfaces.
 - This of course was a SEVERE MESS to the reputation of not just the Centre Management but the reputation of the GDTA Committee for many obvious reasons.
 - Additionally a further point is that when matches were allocated to those wet courts they could NOT be used. This caused a LOSS of COURT PLAYING TIME. Over the 4 days it is estimated that time lost due to LEAKAGE of COURTS – NOT DUE TO RAIN – was a minimum of 4 courts each day for a minimum of 3 days or 12 days lost at this occasion.
 - Perhaps the GDTA Committee could look into lost income due to "faulty workmanship" ?
 -

- Unfortunately this is NOT the only occasion this has been happening.
 - This happens at almost ALL Gosford tournaments and requires further investigation.

ITEM TWO for discussion:

- BBQ
 - At first investigation by a "Registered Gas Fitter / Plumber" it was his opinion that MUCH work should be done by himself prior to further usage.
 - During a recent visit by Jennys Brother-in-Law – also a "Registered Gas Fitter / Plumber" he was able to do some work on the fittings and bring them up to a suitable workable stage.
 - However he too did say that these are temporary fixes. The area is not of a suitable condition until the roof is fixed due to "fair wear and tear over many years".

ITEM THREE for discussion:

- Gosford Junior Open 13th January to 17th January
 - Application has been made and approved.
 - GOLD OJT tournament
 - This means that the Referee MUST be of the "LEVEL WHITE"
 - i.e. Stephen Gibson
 - if available – Stephen has made himself available
 - entries are currently being taken for the following events:
 - 12u Boys Singles \$60 entry fee
 - 14u Boys Singles \$60 entry fee
 - 16u Boys Singles \$60 entry fee
 - 12u Girls Singles \$60 entry fee
 - 14u Girls Singles \$60 entry fee
 - 16u Girls Singles \$60 entry fee
 - 12u Boys Doubles \$20 entry fee
 - 14u Boys Doubles \$20 entry fee
 - 16u Boys Doubles \$20 entry fee
- & 12, 14, 16 u Doubles Girls @ \$20 entry fee each.*

HOT SHOTS

- 8u Boys Red Ball \$25-
- 10u Boys Orange Ball \$25-
- 12u Boys Green Ball \$25-
- & Same Girls Hot Shots.

} WORRY - NOT MUCH INCOME
FOR WORK & COST INVOLVED
BUT GOOD PRECEDENT!

ITEM FOUR for discussion:

- ? 2014 JUNIOR BADGE
- ? 2014 MEMBERSHIP & MIMS CARDS.