

AFTERNOON TEA

Afternoon tea is provided inside the clubhouse at approximately 3.45pm Saturday and Sundays. The price is \$1.00 for tea or coffee (bottomless cups) and a biscuit. During the tea break there are generally a few announcements in relation to forthcoming tennis and social events.

BAR LICENCE

The Liquor Licence belongs to the Melville Sporting Association (of which the Tennis, Cricket and Football Clubs are members). Each club has a nominated Bar Manager to look after each club's interests. A limited licence operates on Saturdays and Sundays. Please remember DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE – use a skipper. We want to keep our members safe. People drinking alcohol must stay within the Liquor Licensed area, designated as the clubhouse and brick paved area.

MELVILLE SPORTING ASSOCIATION (MSA)

Tennis club members are automatic members of the Melville Sporting Association. The MSA has a Committee, consisting of three members from each of the Tennis Club, Hilton Park Cricket and Melville Football clubs. The Committee administers the clubhouse facilities. All members of the MSA have full use of the upper floor. Each club has its own rooms on the lower floor. The Melville Junior Football Club also has its own canteen on the lower floor.

Each club holds various social functions during the year and is required to book the club house through the MSA to set dates aside for their various functions.

We encourage tennis members to socialise with all members of the MSA and to take part in all social activities.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Male toilets and female toilets/showers are on the upper floor. Male showers are located on the lower floor (directly below the Captain's Room). A baby change table is located in the changing area within the female toilets.

For further details on any of the information provided above and any questions, please ask at the Captain's Office, or approach any of the Board Members.

Thank you.

Alex Foster

PRESIDENT



Home of the MELVILLE-PALMYRA TENNIS CLUB

Located on Melville Reserve, next to the Melville Recreation Centre, with access off Stock Road, near corner of Canning Highway & Stock Road, Melville.



MEMBER INFORMATION LEAFLET 2020/21

CLUB TELEPHONE	9330 2217	(Message Bank available)
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	https://www.facebook.com/melville.palmyra.tennis.club	

Hi and welcome to the friendliest club in the West!

We hope your introduction to our Club is a pleasant one, and we have prepared the following information to assist you. If you have queries or problems, do not hesitate to contact one of our Committee listed above or ask at the Captain's Office. Application forms for membership, information on social activities and copies of the Club Calendar are available from the Captain's Office or on the internet (address above).

OUR FACILITIES

- Enjoyable social and tennis program
- 14 tennis courts - 9 Grass and 5 Synpave Spring All Weather Courts (under lights)
- Excellent clubhouse with function and bar facilities
- Brick paved outdoor entertainment area with BBQ facilities
- Plenty of offroad parking
- All year round tennis.

SOCIAL TENNIS

On arrival at the clubhouse, please go to the Captain's Office. (If visiting, it would be appreciated if you would leave your name, address and telephone number at the office.) As sets are made up, players names will then appear on the set board displayed at the window. Most people play at least three sets of tennis during each afternoon. When you are leaving, especially if leaving before the day has ended, please advise the Office and make sure your name is removed. The Duty Captains try to mix sets as much as possible to provide variety. However, if you find you are often playing with the same players, please bring it to the attention of the Duty Captain. *You shouldn't sit off more than one set at a time. If this is happening, please do not suffer in silence – let the Office know.* We want you to enjoy your tennis!

MEMBERSHIP FEES

We make a conscious effort to keep fees affordable. The following fees (which include a compulsory Tennis West Affiliation fee and Personal Accident Insurance) apply for members in the 2019/2020 season. Pro-rata fees apply from January onwards

MPTC Membership Fees	1/7/20 to 30/6/21	Description
Full Adult	\$395 each	Full membership entitlement and access
Seniors (67+)	\$355 each	Full membership entitlement and access
Young Adult (18 - 25yrs)	\$250 each	Full membership entitlement and access
Country	\$135 each	Play social tennis when down from country
Non Playing Social Membership	\$55 each	Access to club and events
Junior 13 to 17	\$150 each	Full membership entitlement and access
Junior 12 and under	\$110 each	Full membership entitlement and access
Members pay no court hire fees, except for at night with a reduced fee to cover the cost of the lights.		

*Short-term memberships are available for interstate and overseas visitors – conditions apply.
Please contact the Finance Manager for information regarding payment of fees.*

VISITORS FEES

\$10.00 per visit - Seniors \$5.00 per visit - Juniors (maximum of three visits).

We encourage prospective new members to play once or twice to "road test" our club. You can download a FREE VISIT VOUCHER from the website or collect one from the Captain's office at the Tennis Centre.

TENNIS ATTIRE

Members and visitors, when playing or practising on the courts, are required to wear correct grass court tennis shoes. Ripple soled shoes are not permitted as they damage the grass courts. Black soled shoes are not permitted on the hard courts. If you are not sure about your shoes, please check with the office. We have good tennis courts and want to avoid damaging the court surfaces. Club polo shirts are available from the Captain's Office.

SOCIAL TENNIS

The Tennis Activities Manager and Committee organise social tennis between 2.00pm and 5.00pm on Sunday afternoons, Tuesday mornings from 8:30am and Tuesday evenings for our Fast-4 Tennis starting 7:30pm. Drinks & refreshments are available after social tennis. On Sunday, the nets are taken down to allow for maintenance of the courts during the week. Balls are returned to the Captain's Office after each afternoon's play has finished.

MID WEEK TENNIS

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning social tennis groups operate all year from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon each day.

AGGREGATE DAYS

Six afternoons during the season are devoted to the club aggregate competition based on scores from social tennis sets. Scores are kept for those six days and the eventual winner of the aggregate trophy is usually a player who attends all afternoons, and plays a reasonable game of tennis. You don't have to be a fantastic player. This trophy is generally for players who may not get the opportunity to win club tournaments during the season.

HANDICAP TOURNAMENTS

This event is held annually. Please check in the Tennis Program for the dates for the current season. Members complete the entry form and pay the appropriate fee. The Match Committee may vary the style of tournament and will draw partners for all doubles events. Each player is given a handicap. This gives all players the opportunity to compete competitively during the competition. Trophies are awarded for winners and presented at the annual Presentation Dinner Dance held in May or June. This event is very enjoyable without being too competitive.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Club Championships are also held annually and listed on the Tennis Program, with all members encouraged to compete. You find your own partners, complete the entry form and pay the appropriate fee. If enough players take part in the singles event, a "plate event" can be held for the first round losers. Trophies are awarded for all winners and presented at the annual Presentation Dinner.

TENNIS LEAGUE TEAMS

Veterans, Ladies, Men's and Junior teams are entered in the Metropolitan Competition each year. In September teams are selected from financial members. The competition generally runs from November through to March. There is a break during January. The teams usually comprise of six members each. They play at the club on alternate weekends. Most matches commence at 1.00pm and often conclude in the late afternoon. The teams have training sessions and represent the club, so appropriate tennis etiquette and standards are required. There may also be night competitions arranged during the season.

SOCIAL EVENTS

At different times during the year, the club organises various social events. Some are held at the clubhouse and others at outside venues. You are more than welcome to ask your friends and family to any of these functions. The social events help to create a happy spirit amongst club members and friends, and assist in our fundraising. Please check the Social Program for the dates for these events. Regular newsletters, notices and afternoon tea announcements, plus the internet, help to promote all social functions and tennis competitions.

COURT HIRE

All of the court hire is managed via Leisure Fit Melville (Formally Melville Recreation Centre)

Designated days for club play, i.e. weekends and Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday mornings, have been set aside by the Board. However, the hard courts can be hired out to members and the general public, both day and night, when not in use for organised tennis. Bookings for courts are made with the Leisure Fit Melville on 9317 7590. If club members want to practice their tennis on grass courts or hard courts they need to book via the Leisure Fit Melville. If you require a regular booking of the courts, the same procedure applies.