

Junior Yellow Dot



Newsletter of the Dickson Junior Squash Club

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Managing the Juniors

Many of you will know that, until recently, Robyn Douglas managed the Dickson Juniors for many years. During her time as manager, she exceeded all expectations that the club, parents and players had placed on her. Her organisational skills were legendary – she did everything from putting teams together, finding reserves, organising travel to venues, liaising with Squash ACT, applying first aid, and providing an occasional shoulder to cry on. She will be sorely missed, and we'd like to take this opportunity to thank her for all the time and effort that she enthusiastically gave. Robyn will not be too far away, and no doubt, from time to time, we'll still see her around the courts.

With Robyn moving on, we are very fortunate that Kristine and Steve Lindner have offered to take over the role that Robyn vacated. We extend them a warm welcome, and thank them for the kind offer.

As Robyn would attest, the task is not always easy, but immensely rewarding. We would encourage all players and parents to support Kristine and Steve in the future. Players can provide this support by carefully listening and following instructions. Parents can help by understanding the difficulty of the role, and by offering and providing assistance when needed.

Coaches

Due consideration needs to be given by players to the coaching staff. It's not always easy to find enough people willing to coach at our time of the afternoon, and we need to ensure that player (mis)behaviour does not make their task difficult.

We'd like to pass on our sincere thanks to our current crop of coaches: Trever Fritzlaff, Tristan Wells, Peter Trevitt, Shaun Douglas, Steve Hall, Ben Phillips, Chris Bodenschatz, Finian Kennedy, Paul Cartwright, and many others who help out from time to time. We're deeply indebted to the time and effort that these guys put in.

2007 Autumn Pennant

The next term starts after training on 4 May, and goes through to 6 July.

How are we going? Very well. Over the page are two tables that give us the detail.

The first table is for individual players, and shows how their "matrix" score has changed from the start of the pennant up to the break. Congratulations to those that have forged ahead. For those whose matrix hasn't increased, keep trying, there's another half of the competition to turn things around. Many of these players have jumped grades or positions since last competition, and are enjoying the challenge of playing at a higher standard.

The second table shows how each team is progressing within their grade. *** Check out Dickson 3 in Division 3. This team was added to the competition after it had started, and has done exceptionally well to claw its way up the ladder. Well done guys!

To track individual and team progress, don't forget that you can access "The Matrix" at www.squashmatrix.com, and follow the links to ACT Juniors. Call Richard on 6230 6353 if you need help accessing or using this wonderful tool.

Can't Play?

There have been a number of cases where we've found out at the last minute that a player can't play on the night. This places extreme pressure on the managers to find a replacement. If a replacement can't be found, it is embarrassing to the Club if the opposing player has travelled some distance to find no opponent. In the future, please notify Richard O'Rourke as soon as humanly possible after you become aware of the likely absence.

Club Championships

The Junior Club Championships will be held later this term – keep an eye out for further information.

Name	Division	Team Name	Player Position	Matrix +/-
Logan Fleming	3	Dickson 3	2	+ 20.69
Joseph Howard	2	Grays	3	+ 15.06
Phillip Page	3	Dickson 3	3	+ 11.42
Fletcher Hall	6	Dickson 1	1	+ 10.39
Mitchell Hall	5 green	Dickson 2	2	+ 9.2
Samuel Lock	3	Dickson 2	2	+ 8.92
Michael Howard	3	Dickson 2	1	+ 8.83
Leanna Davey	5 green	Dickson 1	2	+ 7.81
Josh Larkin	1	Johns	1	+ 7.28
Scott Reid	1	Manning	3	+ 5.63
Harry Hogwood	3	Dickson 3	1	+ 4.87
Zac Blakemore	5 green	Dickson 2	3	+ 4.01
Leland Barnett	6	Dickson 1	2	+ 2.7
Katelyn Lindner	5 green	Dickson 1	1	+ 2.55
Hayley McKenna	5 gold	Dickson	2	+ 0.92
Shaun Douglas	1	McKay	1	+ 0.21
Madelaine Barnett	5 gold	Dickson	3	+ 0
Bethany Lindner	5 gold	Dickson	1	- 1.25
Alex Lock	6	Dickson 2	1	- 1.89
Matthew Hall	3	Dickson 2	3	- 2.36
Rich Wang	6	Dickson 1	3	- 2.4
Mavineet Kumar	2	Prince	3	- 2.5
Hannah Fritzlaff	1	Johns	3	- 2.75
Hayden Fritzlaff	5 green	Dickson 1	3	- 2.97
Hannah Howard	6	Dickson 2	3	- 3.47
Nathan Etheredge	3	Dickson 1	3	- 6.56
Sebastian Blakemore	3	Dickson 1	1	- 7.74
Harrison Barnett	5 green	Dickson 2	1	- 9.04
Maniqa Kumar	3	Dickson 1	2	- 9.41

Division	Team Name	Current Ladder Position	Player (if composite team)
1	Johns	2	Hannah Fritzlaff
1	Mackay	3	Shaun Douglas
1	Manning	4	Scott Reid
2	Grays	1	Joseph Howard
2	Prince	3	Mavineet Khumar
3	Dickson 2	1	
3	Dickson 3	4 ***	
3	Dickson 1	5	
5 gold	Dickson	3	
5 green	Dickson 2	1	
5 green	Dickson 1	2	
6	Dickson 1	2	
6	Dickson 2	3	