

## Newsletter April 2025

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Daylight saving has ended, bringing an end to the summer season. But Tuesday and Thursday morning tennis continues throughout the winter and this year Wednesday nights from 5.30pm. All are welcome.



To everyone in the club who volunteers their time and work tirelessly around the clubhouse and grounds. You all know who you are, so please give yourselves a pat on the back.

To our sponsors. The generosity of Taupō businesses provides huge benefits to our club. When you are out and around town, please support these organisations. If you would like to help our club with sponsorship or a sign, please chat with Ross or Bill.

- **Avis and Bottle-O** for their support of Shield and Business House. Both, of these organisations have been long-time sponsors of these competitions and they have committed to supporting these competitions ongoing.
- To the business with their signs around the courts:  
**Self Loader Logging**      **Triton Hearing**      **Chris Dykzeul Bayleys Real Estate**  
**Infracomfort**      **Core Build**      **Apex**
- **Sports Café – Kashif**. Thank you Kashif for the prizes and support for our tournaments. If you need new court shoes, visit Kashif and he will fit you out.
- **Tech Central**: Thank you Grant for your tech knowledge, for our printing and scanning requirements and for your support of the Masters tournament.
- **Lakecrest Lifestyle Village**. Lakecrest are the naming sponsor for our Masters Tournament in September, however there are other Taupō businesses who also support the tournament. Thank you to everyone for their ongoing support.  
**Bayleys Realty**      **Penny Homes**      **Taupō Funeral Services**      **The Merchant**  
**Pak n Save**      **Bottle-O**      **Victorias Café**
- This year has been a successful year for Grants. Thank you, Margaret, for the work you put into submitting the applications and to the community trusts who have supported our club with grants.  
**Grassroots Trust**      **Pub Charity**      **NZ Community Trust.**

## Support local Taupō business



Have you thought about playing at night and then thinking - nah, I can't see.

The committee have been working on a proposal to replace the current floodlights with LED lighting. LED lighting will provide improved lighting across all courts and yes, you will be able to see more clearly. Based on full funding being received through Grants, we will proceed with this project. Our thanks to Bjarne Larsen for his work on getting the project to this point.



Incorporated Societies Act 2022

**Constitution:** Thanks to Ross and Jane who have been working on the new Taupō Tennis constitution. To enable the committee and members to have time to read and comment prior to the AGM, when the constitution will be presented for adoption, the committee proposes that the 2025 AGM is held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2025.

**Trophies:** Our Club Championships have finished for the year and our congratulations to our winners. The current trophies are looking a bit sad, and it has been agreed that it is time for new trophies. Andy Mellor and Moira Peters have offered to donate new trophies for the Men’s and Women’s singles. The committee are looking for donations of trophies for the Men’s Doubles, Women’s Doubles and Mixed/Combined Doubles. Please talk to Janice if you are interested.



There are two trophies (see photos) that are missing from the clubhouse. Do you know where they are or shed any light on their whereabouts?

- The Bell Trophy. Donated by Lyndsay Cutler
- Bert’s trophy: Won as the Volunteer of the Year Award by the TDC. This trophy had been gifted to the club by Bert’s family.

Members are sure they have seen the trophies post-renovation, but any information you have is welcome. Please talk to a committee member.



**Committee:** We are looking for new members to join the committee in 2025-26. Volunteers make a difference and are at the heart of any club. If you are interested talk to Ross or Janice.

**Pickleball:**

Pickleball at the courts over the past two months has been very successful with good numbers turning up each week. The Recreation Centre upgrade has been delayed, so there may be an opportunity for further play up until the end of May. Watch your email.

**Social games:** Unfortunately, some members are taking advantage of the use of their FOB to have a game of tennis at the club with a non-member without making any additional payment. Your tennis subscription allows **you** to play tennis anytime at the club. Non-members are required to **pay \$10 per person and we rely on our members’ honesty to pay this fee.** Money can be paid into the club bank account with court hire as the reference.

It with sadness that we advise that Mark Kim passed away on the 21<sup>st</sup> of February 2025. Mark Kim was a respected club member who moved to Auckland in late January. If you were out and about early in the morning, you could see Mark at the courts practicing his shots and on Monday morning playing with the Monday morning group and a generous contributor to the club. Rest in peace Mark.

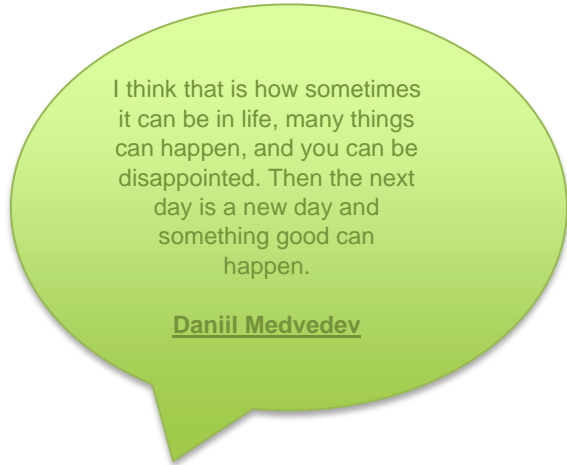
**Important Dates:**

Club Days:

Tuesday and Thursday mornings – 9 – 11am.

Wednesday evenings 5.30pm -

**Annual General Meeting:** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2025 5.30



I think that is how sometimes it can be in life, many things can happen, and you can be disappointed. Then the next day is a new day and something good can happen.

Daniil Medvedev