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MARCH 2016

We Are Ready for the Season!

Welcome to Season 2016. We are well and truly up and running now with all our teams in place (phew!!).

Welcome to all our new players and especially those that have joined us from the Drury club in our younger grades. There is a real strong positive vibe from the teams and we know it's going to be a great season both on and off the court.

We have 11 teams this year.

Platinum and Diamonds – Premier Sapphire – Senior Amethyst and Peridot – Under 15 Garnet, Ivory and Zircon – Intermediate Turquoise, Gems and Ebony - Junior

A big **Thank you** to our **selectors** without whom putting teams together would be so much harder. We work hard to involve independent selectors to each age group "panel". They provide an independent view based on what they see on the day and selections are then made free from the influence of parents. These selections are always a panel decision and take into account a number of factors as we try to get the best blend of players from a "team" perspective. Thank you **Miles, Wendy, Lyn, Demelza, Denise, Alana, Maria, Donna and Michelle** for doing such a great job.

Opening Day

A reminder that the traditional **Opening Day Parade** will take place on the first day of play on <u>3oth April</u>. The parade takes place at **10am** and we ask all players to turn out in your club colours and show your support.

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If you have any photos you are happy to share or if you take any during the season please send them to us. You can also email them to; *klpihama@gmail.com or catherines@outlook.co.nz*

Grading Days

Our **Prem teams** start grading on Wednesdays from **16th March** at PNC so pop down at <u>zpm</u> and show your early season support.

The Junior and Under 15 teams have their grading day on 2nd April. The Intermediate teams are on 9th April and finally the Seniors on 16th April.

Good luck everyone and we look forward to seeing you all on court.

FEES Due...

We still have a significant number of players who have not fully paid their fees. This is not fair to those that do pay on time and it also poses challenges for the club in meeting our early season commitments.

Failure to pay by the end of grading will see you at the risk of being **stood down** until the fees are paid. We charge just enough to get us through each season and rely on players paying on time as we do not ask you to do any additional fundraising during the season.

Please talk to Kristal or Catherine if you need to make arrangements for your payments. Reminder our bank account no is 12-3031-0073716-01 if paying by internet banking, use name and team as reference.

Sideline behavior

As a club we support and encourage the principles of sportsmanship both from our players and our supporters.

PNC make it very clear that poor sideline behavior can result in that person being evicted from the courts. With many young players and umpires in our club we ask that you embrace these principles to ensure that both playing and umpiring is an enjoyable experience. By all means be noisy and supportive on the sideline but keep it positive. Critical feedback to players is the job of the coach, not the parents.

Equally, as a club, it is important that we look after the young umpires who are all learning. Do not direct any comments to the umpires and if you see any abuse of umpires, at any level, go immediately to the control room and ask for the duty umpire.

Please help us look after these girls who are giving up their time to give something back to their sport.



Inaugural Club Day Saturday 19 March 10.30am at Conifer Grove School



In our player survey last year the suggestion was made that we needed to have some pre-season "day" to bring the club together. Now that we have separated out the prizegiving we thought this was a great idea.

Securday 19 March is Club Picale Day, please come along and Join in the fun, there will be prizes for the "best dressed" team! along with a lot of old fashioned picnic day activities such as egg and spoon races, three-legged races, gumboot throwing and more!

Gates will open at 10.30am bring the gazebo, some food for a shared lunch, sunscreen (we hope) and have some fun with us! Coaches will provide more information as they discuss this with their teams.

We look forward to seeing you all there!!



TO OUR SPONSORS

It's always hard to keep small clubs like ours financially stable without relying on lots of fundraising so every little bit of support we can get helps. It's great to be able to acknowledge the early season support we have received.



Liz, from Physio Mechanics, is joining our Premier Teams during grading and Regional Premier League (on a Friday from June) as the on court primary carer. Liz and the team will be providing any follow up injury management and treatment for our players as well. With handy offices in both Takanini and Karaka the friendly staff are ideally placed to help you out with any treatment you may need.

Congratulations to Platinum who won their grade at the tournament.



Alison Kemp, from Barfoot and Thompson in Papakura (and a past player) has sponsored the entry fees of the pre-season tournament for our Premier Teams. This was a great help to the club when at the start of the season fees are still coming in and it is hard to sometimes find that early season funding. If you want friendly local real estate advice give Ali a call.



We like to shop local where possible and our Stirling Sports store in Papakura give us a great discount on our purchases of netballs and other equipment. We really appreciate the boost this gives to our ability to purchase the equipment we need each season. Please support them when you are looking for sports equipment, clothing or shoes.

Enjoy grading and we look forward to seeing you around the court and hearing about how you get on in the next issue of Bounce.

Jill Collins, Club President

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