

COUNT ES TENNES

**Term 3/4 2023** 







Counties Tennis Association & Pukekohe Tennis Club welcomes a new GOLD sponsor: **JBuilt Projects Limited.** Thank you Dean Jamieson for supporting tennis in Counties Region.

### <u>Hello Counties Clubs!</u>

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Winter is fading away fast and the 2023/24 season is fast approaching! Here is quick update on what has been happening in Counties Tennis during the winter season and what is coming up on the new seasons calender.

#### **COUNTIES TENNIS INTERCLUB**

Starts on October 26th, 2023. Registrations close on October 19th, 2023. Please contact your club to join a team.

This season Counties Grade Champs are included in the Interclub Competition and will be played on Feb 3rd/4th/6th 2024 – Waitangi Weekend for Juniors and on February 24th/25th 2024 for Seniors.

The Prizegiving for the competition will take place on Sunday, April 7th, 2024.

Registrations should be starting to come in now ready for kickoff after Labour weekend!

#### **REP MATCHES:**

Our top regional players have been training really hard all throughout the year and after 2 years of disruption, Counties Reps matches are now back in full swing. On August 20th, our 10's,12's 14's team played against Waikato in a modified rubber due to another lot of bad weather in their Indoor Tennis Centre. In a very tightly contested competition Counties went narrowly down 13-11 matches. In November we will have 2 more matches: Counties vs Bay of Plenty on Nov 5th, 2023, in Pukekohe and against Mairangi Bay Tennis Club on Nov 26th 2023, on the North Shore

(Counties Rep squads training TERM 4 MONDAYS: Contact Lynette Jobnston if you would like your child or someone at your club considered for extra training.





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# **COUNTIES TENNIS AGE CHAMPS 2023-2024**

IMPORTANT: 2023-2024 Counties Tennis Age Champs will be played earlier in the season: on October 14th/15th, 2023. Registrations are ALREADY open on <u>www.countiestennis.co.nz</u>. We encourage all Interclub players to enter this competition as we want to discover our top players in the Counties region.

## **SCHOOLS TENNIS:**

Our Term 3 Free Schools coaching programme for yr 2-4 sponsored by Te Manawa Active Aotearoa has now been completed. Schools that received the free tennis tasters from our Counties Coaches this year were St. Joseph's School, Bombay School, Pukekohe East School, Pukeoware School, View Rd School, Puni School and Sandspit School. The programme was really well received and your individual Clubs would have received an email encouraging you to follow up with local school with your Tennis Clubs advertising.

## WAITANGI WEEKEND TENNIS:

**Counties Senior Closed Championships** 2023-2024: our biggest tournament will be played on Waitangi Weekend, **Feb 3rd/4th/5th/6th**, **2024** along with the **Counties Junior Grade Championships** (Grades 4-7) – BOOK YOUR CALENDAR.

## **BUSINESS HOUSE:**

Counties Tennis Clubs run team social doubles competitions in Term 4, 2023. Individual entries and non members are also welcome. Your local organizer will find a team for you.

Counties Club	Days	Start Date	Contact Person
Pukekohe Tennis Club	Wednesdays	Oct 18th, 2023	cherie.arnet@ricecraig.co.nz
Waiuku Tennis Club	Wednesdays	Oct 11th, 2023	waiukutennisclub@gmail.com
Patumahoe Tennis Club	Mondays	Oct 16th, 2023	paul.housham@savory.co.nz
Patumahoe Tennis Club	Tuesdays	Oct 17th, 2023	robynnclark67@gmail.com











#### **COUNTIES RACQUETEERS**

Counties Racqueteers - the vibrant Masters tennis experience for those over 35. Get ready for some dynamic doubles action! Typically, we enjoy around 6 to 8 matches during the offseason, competing against other regions. We're thrilled to announce that CTA Racqueteers (masters tennis) is making a comeback! After a brief hiatus, we're ready to hit the courts once again. With a few new players, we're set to take on Thames Valley/Paeroa. Stay tuned for more updates and exciting opportunities for tennis and camaraderie! We're gearing up for a full restart in the winter of 2024.

#### **ELECTIONS - COUNTIES CLUB HOUSE LIMITED ACCESS**

Counties Tennis Centre clubhouse will host Advanced Voting from Monday 2/10/2023 to Friday 13/10/2023 mainly from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM with a few late nights. When voting takes place, the use of the clubhouse for the players will be limited only to allow access to the courts and bathrooms. All courts will be available for use as normal. However, please pass through the clubhouse promptly and quietly and use the outside deck or side of the courts to congregate and chat while the voting team is at work. Thank you so much for your understanding.

## COUNTIES TENNIS ASSOCIATION INDOOR ARENA PROJECT

We are thrilled to share some exciting developments regarding our indoor center project. In recent times, we have achieved significant milestones in securing funding, both through lotteries and, most notably, the Sports and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund. You can read the full article on our progress can be found on the Counties website.

As of now, we have successfully secured a remarkable 80% of the total funding required for the project, marking a significant milestone in our journey.

Looking ahead, our project team is actively working on the following key tasks:

- 1. Finalizing the selection of our structure supplier, which will enable us to proceed with the final design phase and initiate the building consent application process.
- 2. Exploring a range of fundraising options to secure the remaining balance needed to fully realize our vision.
- 3. Establishing a visible funding progress board at the Counties Tennis Association (CTA) facility, where we will also showcase arena designs and other project-related updates.

These achievements are a testament to the dedication and hard work of our team and supporters, bringing us one step closer to creating a state-of-the-art indoor center that will benefit our community for years to come. We invite you to stay tuned for more exciting updates as we continue to make strides towards our goal!

