

Clarinda Tennis Club

100 years of History



1913 - 2013



This Book is dedicated to all those individuals & families that have sacrificed their time, skills and lives to making the Clarinda Tennis Club such an amazing place to enjoy and be part of. We thank you all for your effort, and you will always be remembered as the heart and sole of the Clarinda Tennis Club.



Secretary
Tennis Club
Clarinda

Clarinda

3-11-13

Meeting convened by L S Castle
for the purpose of forming
Tennis club, about 25 present.

Present. -

Messrs D Smith, M Smith
& Bunney, L. S. Castle, A Jack,
& Mason, D Curtis, H Moulder,
Misses Mason, Jack, Knight,
Brunet;
Mesdames Castle, Brunet, Tomb

Moved by L S Castle. Sec
D Smith that Mr & J. Bunney
take the chair. Carried

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& Bunney. that a Tennis club
be formed. to be called. Carried
Clarinda Tennis Club

King of the Castle

Founding Member

Mr. L. S. Castle convened the first meeting in 1913. As one of the leading figures in the Club's rise in this area in the late teens and early twenties, he held the position of Foundation Secretary and Treasurer in 1913 and Secretary from 1914 to 1918 and 1922. He also held many other positions and represented the Club on Committees in helping pioneer tennis in the district.

One of the greatest Club men ever, he organised many functions in his 22 years as a member, such as obtaining the services of the Oakleigh Orchestra to play at the fund-raising Open Air Concerts, arranging purchase of the original land for the Club and drawing up tournament and Club rules, many of which still stand today.

Born in 1878, Mr. Castle was still taking an interest in the Club's affairs at the time of his death in 1963 and was eagerly awaiting the Club's Golden Jubilee later that year.

Some Foundation facts

One acre of land for the first site of the Club in Clarinda Road was offered for sale by Mr. K. Dowling for £20 (approx. \$40) on any terms suitable to the Club.

The courts built in 1913 were made of asphalt - costs included Tar at £5/10/5, Cab hire 15/-, Timber 11/-, Net Balls and paint £1/9/6, Shed £5/8/9. Fence netting was donated by Mr. Hanney.

On the 8th May 1914 a galvanised shed measuring 12 feet by 10 feet was erected.

Meetings were held in the Clarinda Presbyterian Church hall for which the Club donated 10/- each year. Many of the Club's past and present members are part of the Church congregation.

The Club also has a close association with the Clarinda State School which was used for meetings and social functions, such as the 'Welcome Home' Social in 1919.



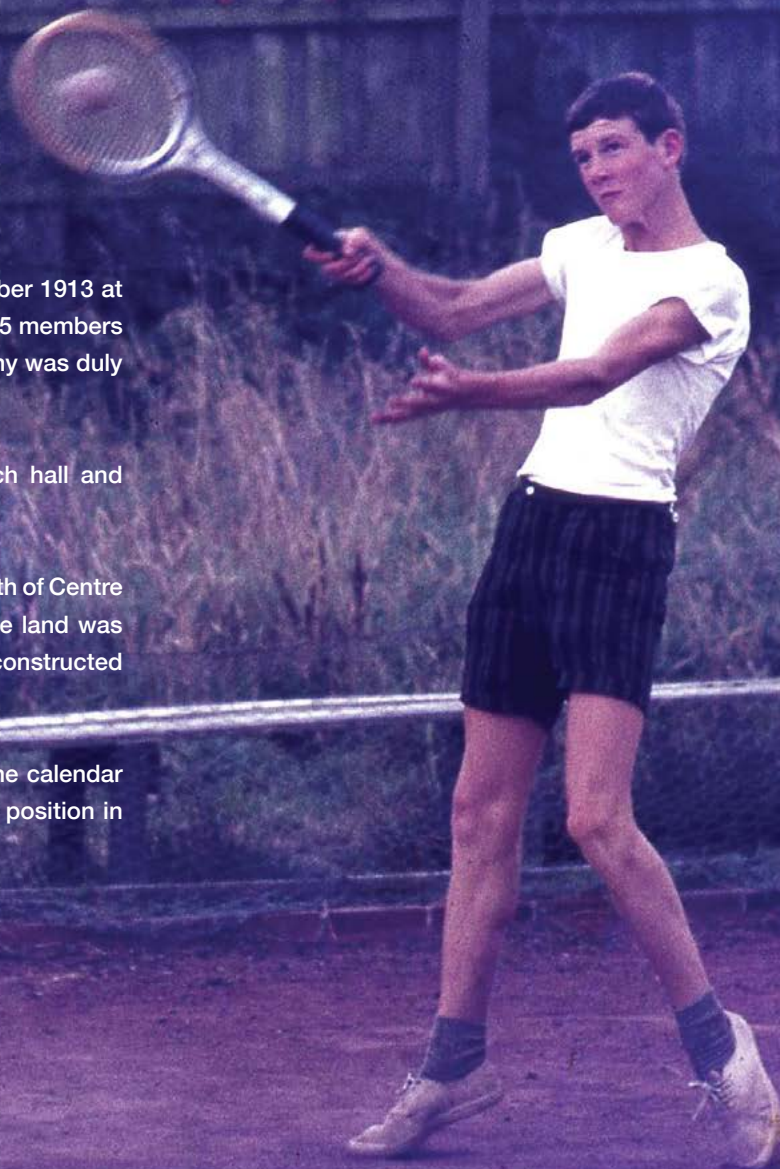
The Beginning ...

Clarinda Tennis Club was formed on Monday 3rd November 1913 at a meeting convened by Mr. L. S Castle and attended by 15 members "for the purpose of forming a Tennis Club". Mr. E. G. Bunny was duly elected the first President of the Club.

Meetings were held in the Clarinda Presbyterian Church hall and membership cost 5/- shillings for Gents and Ladies.

The tennis club was first located in Clarinda Road, just south of Centre Road, the original site is now the Bunnings car park. The land was acquired for £20 (Pounds) and the original courts were constructed of asphalt.

The annual Easter tournament was the major event on the calendar and the Afternoon Tea Fund Treasurer held an important position in the club.



The Early Years ... Market Gardens, Church, Tennis

- 1913** - Mr. E. G. Bunny elected as first President with Mr. L. S. Castle as Secretary & Treasurer. Annual subscription was 5/-.
- Land acquired in Clarinda Road for £20. Trustees of the Club were Messrs. L. S. Castle, E. G. Bunny & F. Huband.
 - An Open Air concert was held on the Club grounds.
 - Club colours adopted as Navy Blue and White.

- 1914** - Official opening of courts held on 24th October, the Secretary was asked to arrange a match for the occasion.

World War I

- 1915** - At a Committee meeting on May 3rd news arrived of the death of Mr. L. Sproston at the Gallipoli landing. The meeting was adjourned as a mark of respect.
- Other members who enlisted: F. Huband (Treasurer), H. Loydd, V. Saunders, H. Moulden, Mr. Lupton moved that "the action of committee be endorsed in arranging a send off social to members who have enlisted".

- 1918** - A Minstrel Entertainment was organised in Clayton Hall in aid of the Clarinda branch of the Trench Comforts fund.

- 1919** - A Welcome Home social was held on Saturday 6th September at the Clarinda School hall for "all members who have returned from the front".
- A letter was received from Mr. Lloyd refusing to accept the 4/- shillings towards the cleaning of the school after the Welcome Home Social.

- The Club agreed to pay half the costs for tuning of the piano.
- The President & Secretary were given power to act regarding the Lavatories. Two were erected on the Club property at a cost of £4/10s. each.
- Letter received from Mordialloc Tennis Club regarding a match. A basket picnic to be held on the day of the match.

- 1920** - A new set of Club Rules were adopted - a total of 18 rules were drawn up to manage the Club's business.
- It was moved that a match with Glen Waverley be played on Saturday 28th August.
 - Secretary to write to the Moorabbin Council for tar on the same condition as supplied to the Heatherton Club. Arrangements for the tar to be left in the hands of the President.
 - Single gents asked to pay 6d. per week for refreshments. Ball Fund fees increased from 3/- to 5/- per year.

- 1921** - The Secretary was instructed to write to the Head Teacher Clarinda State School suggesting that two boys and two girls be given free memberships for 12 months.
- Junior membership was introduced "boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 16 years be allowed to join the Club at half the usual fee."



1922 - A motion that £2 be paid into a Sinking Fund to liquidate debt on land was carried.
- It was agreed, with the assistance of donations made by members, to pay off the remaining debt on the land.

1923 - It was agreed that 3 Trustees for the land be appointed and that one Trustee retire each year and another Trustee be appointed. Mr. Battersby, Mr. Lee and Mr. L. S. Castle were elected as Trustees.

1924 - A Singles Ladies and Gents Tournament was held, entry fee 1/- for Ladies & 2/- for Gentlemen. The Ladies to play 40 strokes and Gentlemen 50 strokes in the tournament. Winners were Miss D. Scott and Mr. A. Jack who received medals at the next concert.
- The Secretary to write to the Metropolitan Gas Co. for the cost of asphalt for top dressing the courts.
- Teams were entered in the Clayton & Springvale District Association.
- A and B teams decided by positions on the Club ladder.
- Correspondence received from Clarinda Presbyterian Church Ladies Guild requesting the alteration of the opening matches of the Association on the 13th September, the Saturday of their Bazaar.
- The Secretary reported having received a letter from the Clayton Tennis Club to attend their official opening on November 17th.
- Annual subscriptions were Gentlemen 15/-, Ladies 7/6 and Juniors half the fee. Ball fund was 5/- and 10/- was paid for use of the Church.

1925 - All losing players were to return the balls after the completion of Saturday matches.

- A tender of £24 from Mr. Baker was received for the making of a clay court, however he was unable to do the courts as the material was not suitable. In May, Mr. MacIntosh was interviewed and he agreed to make a court of brick dust on a foundation of cinders for £25. In September, the Secretary reported the courts had been completed and paid for in full.
- The Amusement Committee recommended that a concert be held. It was agreed to spend £1/10/- on the concert and the Secretary was to arrange the printing of tickets.

1926 - All Ladies were asked to provide the edibles for Afternoon Tea or if they do not to contribute 9d. to the Afternoon Tea Fund.

- A Club tournament to be held at Easter with Championship and Handicap Singles, Doubles and Mixed events for Ladies and Gents. Entry fees 2/- for Singles and 2/6 per pair for Doubles. All matches to be best two out of three sets.
- Challenges for positions on the Club ladder must be made in writing and signed by both players and handed to the Captain. Top players to be challenged at least once every three months.

1927 - A letter was written to the Oakleigh Police in regards to persons breaking into the pavilion.

- The Ball Fund and General Fund were combined into the one fund. The Afternoon Tea Fund remained in place.
- Selection of teams by positions on the Club ladder was rescinded and a Selection Committee was formed for the first time.

The Early Years ... The Great Depression & World Conflict

1930 - Mr. James Lee was appointed as President and so began an era of 14 years as leader of the Club.

1931 - At a General Meeting in August it was moved that "steps be taken to finish the Easter Tournament". Matches were scheduled for 29th August with the Ladies Singles final on the 5th September and Mens Doubles Final on the 12th September. "Secretary to inform players in writing of the date of each match and unless they are present to play they shall forfeit. Weather permitting."

1934 - A letter of apology was sent to Keysborough Tennis Club re "the non-attendance of the B team in a match at Keysborough."

1935 - A vote was called when it was proposed that "there be no tennis on the courts on Sundays." The motion was passed 11 votes to 4.

1938 - Coaching: a motion was passed that "the Captain give hints on playing where necessary."

1939 - The Secretary was to carry out the ordering of 25 dozen cream cakes, 2 bottles of coffee, 6lbs. of sugar, 1 tin of Palais wax and two Prizes.

World War II

1940 - The club had a membership of 13. Two teams were entered in the Clarinda Dandenong Tennis Association consisting of A & B grades.

- The enlisting of two of the B team players in the AIF was recorded

- "Mr. A. Smith who was Captain throughout the season and Mr. H. Fleisner who was a very capable Secretary."

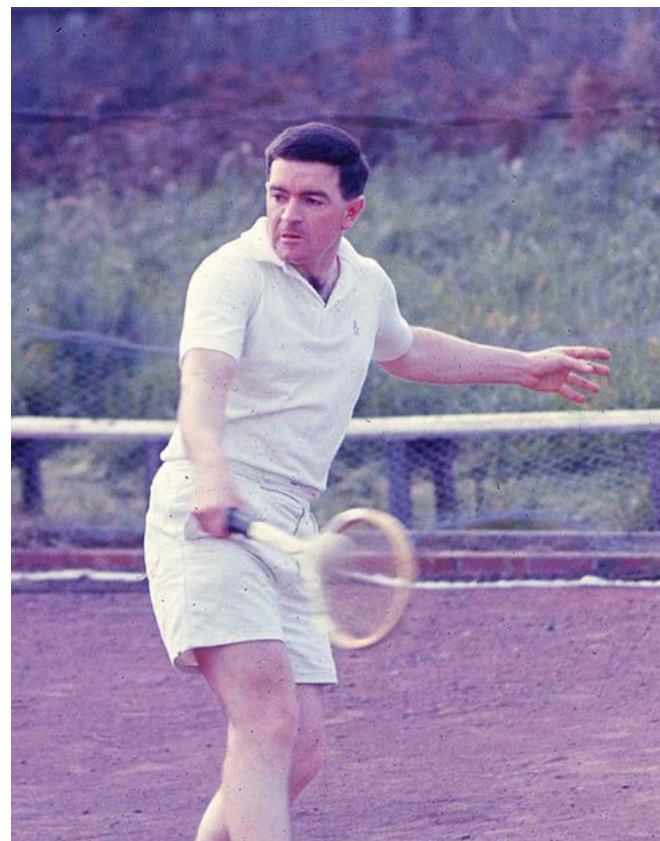
1944 - No Annual Meeting was held and no Office Bearers elected.

1945 - The minutes of the previous Annual Meeting (September. 1943) were read by the "pro-tem" Secretary Mr. H. Fleisner. The Treasurer's report was accepted and acknowledged. "A very good credit balance was shown when the difficulties of maintaining a club during the war period are considered." Mr. H. Fleisner was elected as President.

1946 - A motion to rescind the previous ruling to disallow Sunday tennis was carried by 10 votes to 4 - "thus permitting the future playing of tennis on the Club courts on Sunday."

- Arrangements were made with regard to having water installed at the courts.

1947 - The first Life Members of the Club were appointed, Mr. J. Lee (14 years as President) & Mr. A. Jack (24 years as Treasurer).





From Market Gardens to Suburbs

- 1950** - The corner store (on Centre Road) was approached and asked "if the Club could leave tennis balls and afternoon tea dishes at the store."
- Subscription fees were 25/- for Seniors and 10/- for under 16 years.
- Secretary to communicate with Headmaster of Clarinda school for two boys and two girls between 12-14 years to be given free membership for a year.
- 1952** - A General Committee was formed consisting of President, Vice President, Secretary, three Ladies and three Gents. A Social Committee was also formed for the first time.
- 1953** - It was agreed by the members that the estimate of £150 for the laying of a third court be accepted.
- One A, two B and one C grade teams were entered in the Clayton District Protestant Churches Tennis Association.
- At a General Meeting, the Secretary moved that "a fine be imposed upon the person who speaks on any subject other than the one that is in discussion."
- 1954** - A Building Advisory Committee was formed so as to enquire into all the aspects of the building of a Clubhouse & Conveniences. A plan was submitted with an estimated cost of £150.
- 1956** - Youngsters wishing to learn tennis, charged 6d. an afternoon.
- 1958** - Moorabbin Council to be advised that we intend paying 40 quarterly installments on the making of Clarinda Road.
- 1962** - A fourth court was installed, made of an all weather porous surface known as "En Tout Cas" at a cost of £410.
- 1963** - The Club celebrated its 50th anniversary.
- 1964** - On the 15th September, Mr. C.Zahara from Electronic Industries Limited wrote to the Club Secretary, Mrs. S. Duggan, with the following proposal "This Company is interested in purchasing the tennis courts used by your Club in Clarinda Road." Thus began a process to move the Club from its origins in Clarinda Road to its existing location in Crawford Road.
- 1965** - A plot of land was identified in Crawford Road and the necessary approvals to transfer the land in Clarinda Road were sought from Moorabbin Council.
- A general meeting of the club passed the necessary resolution to transfer the tennis courts to Crawford Road.
- As the Crawford Road site was under the control of Oakleigh Council, applications for permits and re-zoning had to be approved by the MMBW (Melbourne Metropolitan Board of Works) before Council could approve. So began the red tape.
- 1966** - Weatherproof Constructions were awarded the contract to construct the new courts (\$5,446) and fencing (\$1,664) based on their quote of \$7,110.
- Final approval from Oakleigh Council & MMBW was still pending prior to the Christmas break.

Premiership double to Clarinda



ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES LIMITED



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15th Sept. 1964

The Hon. Secretary,
Clarinda Tennis Club,
Mrs. S. Duggan,
40 Clarinda Road,
CLARINDA.

Dear Mrs. Duggan,

This Company is interested in purchasing the tennis courts used by your Club in Clarinda Road.

It is realised that the sale of these courts would most certainly upset your competition schedules. However, you might put before your members for future consideration our interest in this matter.

Particularly we would like to straighten our fence which runs around the rather overgrown end of your property and we would like to make an offer of £200 for that piece of ground which would be necessary to straighten the dividing fence as mentioned above. Naturally, we would pay for the cost of moving the fence and any other incidental items which are necessary.

The £200 price for this small piece of ground was arrived at from the unimproved value shown in the land assessed by The Deputy Commissioner of Lands.

Should your members decide to negotiate the sale or alternatively the whole of the courts I would be most happy to discuss the matter further.

Look forward to your comments in due course.

Very truly yours,

C. C. Zahara
C. C. ZAHARA
GROUP PROPERTY OFFICER

ING LAWN TENNIS CLUB



New Location... A Big Step Forward

Electronic Industries (later known as Astor - a Television and White Goods manufacturer) had established a factory on Centre Road which extended behind the tennis courts on Clarinda Road.

On the 15th September 1964 the Company wrote to the Club suggesting that they would like to acquire our land in Clarinda Road. After much correspondence land was finally purchased in Crawford Road and building of the 6 porous courts commenced in 1967. The courts were completed in 1968 and the Club played its first tournament in October 1968. The Clubhouse was commenced in October 1968 and completed in March 1969.

The new complex was officially opened in April 1969 by Mrs. Warner, wife of the Chairman of Electronic Industries, Sir Arthur Warner.







1967 - Paul Durrant appointed as Club Coach.
- Architect Len Hayball was assigned to design the new Clubhouse and parking with a budget of \$15,000. Final cost of courts & fencing was \$10,426.

1968 - The first Round Robin was played on the new courts on Sunday 11th August.
- The Certificate of Title to the land at Crawford Road was transferred from Electronic Industries Limited to Mrs. Mathews and Mrs. Duggan as Trustees of the Club.
- All members and visitors were asked to park their cars on the vacant block next to the courts or on the one side of the road so that there will not be any inconvenience to our neighbours.

1969 - Discussion on admitting new members - it was decided to close the membership for the present time. Membership stood at 48 men, 44 women, 28 girls, 29 boys.
- An application by the East Oakleigh Tennis Club for use of the courts on a Tuesday was deferred until the summer.
- Official opening of the Clubhouse was set for April 12th with Official Opening Ceremony at 2:30pm. Afternoon tea for official party first. Junior members to be invited. Enquiries to be made to Church regarding catering and cost - \$61 plus \$17 for other costs.
- The Tuesday tennis ladies were allowed the use of the kitchen on a month's trial followed by a review of the situation.
- The President reported the block of land adjoining the courts had been offered for sale to the Club for \$3,500. The offer was refused.

1970 - Approval to obtain a Championship Board for a cost not exceeding \$50.
- Enquiries to be made regarding heating in the clubhouse and the building of a barbecue outside.
- A Liquor Permit was obtained for the Clubhouse at a cost of \$20.

1971 - Yellow tennis balls can now be used in matches.
- The inaugural Clarinda and District Annual Tournament to be held on the Queen's Birthday weekend in June.

1972 - Any person who has applied for membership and is on the waiting list and who does not appear at the courts before the Annual Meeting will be dropped from the list.
- Moved that a definite closing time be set for using the clubhouse after matches and weekdays, unless there is an official function. Times suggested as 10pm Summer, 9pm Winter. Amended to 10pm at all times - Carried.
- Social committee reported the Football and Basketball matches were successful, as was the snow trip to Mt. Buller.
- Due to drought conditions, watering of courts was restricted to manual watering from watering cans with a roster of members drawn up over the summer period.

1973 - Ken Richardson appointed as Club coach.
- As the drought continued, the club reverted to sinking a well for bore water as well as laying pipes from the quarry under Centre Road to the courts at a cost of \$700.
- Duty Roster: it was decided that the team playing on Court 1 will be responsible for Clubhouse cleaning duties.





1975 - New dress rule - Coloured tennis wear and footwear allowed, no advertising allowed on dress. Track suits not permitted during play, only for 10 minutes hit up. Sets can be claimed if player not properly attired.
- A motion to proceed with the installation of lights on three courts at a cost of \$6,000 was defeated.

1976 - Major repairs to the courts are required. E. Richards to be contacted.
- Booking made at The Swagman for 150 people for a social function in November.
- Membership at its maximum and no new full-paying members can be admitted.
- First LTAV Pennant Premiership won by Ladies D Special team.

1977 - Colin Price appointed as Club Coach.
- the Committee felt that \$21,000 was far too much to warrant purchasing the vacant block of land next to the courts.
- Brick flower beds and BBQ were constructed.
- A sub-committee was formed to make enquiries regarding the cost and associated facts of court lighting systems.

1978 - A report on the new drink machine mentioned that money is being collected and none appears to be missing; the money was jamming because of incorrect coins being put in (also washers).
- A letter of congratulations was sent to Carol Draper upon her winning the New Zealand Open.
- An application by the East Oakleigh Ladies Tennis Club to use the courts was discussed and approval given for the use of three courts each Wednesday.

- The Club delegate moved that Clarinda affiliate with the VTA (Victorian Tennis Association) and disaffiliate from the LTAV.

1979 - Maintenance report stated that Working Bees have been poorly attended. With the sewerage going through we will need larger numbers to clean up our courts.
- Gas heaters were installed.
- Rule 18 now reads "Coaching position to be advertised annually, in the Sporting Globe or similar newspaper, during September each year." Coach to be appointed by the end of October.
- Due to the fact that we don't have Court Captains it was moved that the Social Committee become Court Captains at any time when social tennis is being played.

1980 - The President's report stated - Membership has increased, especially in the Junior ranks where there is a waiting list.
- Mid Week Ladies reported they had 6 teams in EMRLTA, 6 in SDTA and sometimes 2 in DDTA on Wednesdays.
- The idea put forward by the Senior Selectors of having rotating teams was defeated.

1981 - The Treasurer reported membership numbers stood at 239.
- Senior teams were entered for Summer in ESTA (3 teams) and DDTA (7 teams) of which Section 1 and 9 were Premiers. In Winter, two teams in ESTA finished on top and four in DDTA with Section 20 on top and Section 21 in 3rd position.

1982 - Membership reached 286.
- Junior Committee reported that as seat belts are now compulsory it is necessary to have two cars for conveying teams.

The Later Years ... Back to the Future

- 1983** - The local water authority, MMBW (Melbourne Metropolitan Board of Works), imposed water restrictions which forced the Club to impose a levy on members to pay for someone to water the courts.
- The Club donated \$150 towards the DDTA Ash Wednesday Bushfire appeal, which raised a total of \$2,138.
- 1984** - Pam Mackay took over as interim President during the year. In her President's address at the AGM, Pam stated that "So few people realise what it takes to run a club such as ours and thanks are due to the past office bearers and committee members".
- New membership will be probationary and shall be reviewed after each AGM to consider the acceptance or rejection of full membership.
 - A Special General Meeting was called to seek member's approval for the Committee to proceed with "Incorporation" of the Club. Benefits of Incorporation include that Public Liability is limited and members are protected against any excessive claims and the Club is able to hold property in its own right, eliminating the need for Trustees on the Title.
- 1985** - John Stooke appointed as Club Coach.
- The Pool Table needs to be fixed or removed.
 - Bingo was introduced as a major fund raising effort, held every Friday night it gradually built in numbers, bringing people and finances from outside the Club.
 - Teams were entered in the Waverley & District Tennis Association (WDTA) for the first time.
- 1986** - A new category of Social Membership was introduced to include the many Bingo players who actively support the Club but are not interested in full category membership.
- The Club's newsletter adopted the title 'From the Sidelines'.
 - A Maintenance levy of \$10 per senior and \$2 per junior was set to employ a Maintenance person due to poor attendances at working bees.
- 1987** - Funds from Bingo have contributed to improvements such as installation of new carpet in the clubhouse and a new water heater.
- 1988** - The Club celebrated its 75th anniversary and 20th year at Crawford Road with a pleasant Sunday get together and 150 people in attendance.
- Further improvements to the Clubhouse were made with renovations to the kitchen providing more storage and bench space.
- 1989** - The Club made a presentation to Oakleigh Council on the feasibility of relocating the Club to a larger Council-owned site such as Namatjira Park. Following detailed costings by Council's Engineering Department the proposal was shelved due to the shortfall in funding required.
- The Shirley Duggan Scholarship was first awarded to a junior boy and girl, selected by the Club Coach, in recognition of personal achievement in sportsmanship, tennis ability as a player, supporter and ambassador of the Clarinda Tennis Club. The inaugural winners were Leanne Harman and Chris Marriott.





- 1990** - Dane Nebel appointed as Club Coach.
 - An Application for Planning permit was lodged with Oakleigh Council for the installation of lights on the six courts. The application was refused by Council after objections by local residents.
 - With the closing of Bingo due to falling numbers, the Social Committee was challenged to come up with new ideas to raise funds and dress-up theme nights proved popular as was Clarinda's very own Ballet Company performing Swan Lake. The result was a record profit of \$4,000 for the year.
- 1991** - The Certificate of Title to the land in Crawford Road was transferred from Mrs. Mathews and Mrs. Duggan to Clarinda Tennis Club Incorporated.
 - An appeal to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal in September to overturn Council's refusal for a lighting permit was rejected.
- 1992** - Despite rejection of our lighting application and lack of support for relocation, the Committee began planning for the long term future at Crawford Road, including a court maintenance program, more storage and a new water tank. The Coach set up temporary floodlighting on court 3 for his Winter program (without objections).
- 1993** - 80th year celebrations were held on Melbourne Cup Day with a social tennis day.
- 1994** - Ben Salmon appointed as Club Coach.
 - Introduction of a Maintenance Levy in an attempt to improve participation of members at Working Bees, seems users prefer to pay, as the move had little impact.
- 1995** - A Tennis Fun Day, sponsored by Tennis Australia, was held for the first time.
 - A Club Liquor Licence was obtained, it was moved from now on all drinks to be paid for up front and the "slate" to be done away with.
- 1996** - The Club welcomed members of Clayton Methodists and Clayton Tennis Clubs as a result of the closure of their clubs. The Mid Week Ladies numbers, in particular, were boosted by the Clayton ladies.
- 1997** - The Annual Open tournament was moved from the Queen's Birthday weekend in June to the Labour Day weekend in March to take advantage of better weather and daylight saving.
- 1998** - The lighting of Court 1 was proposed at a cost of \$10,000. A submission to Council was waiting approval. A grant of \$4,000 from Council was conditional upon obtaining a permit.
 - The outdoor area was improved with the building of a pergola and relocation of the BBQ.
 - The Annual Open tournament was a tremendous success with 207 entries.
 - It was noted in a Social report that the bar continues to be a very popular meeting place after tennis.
 - The 85th anniversary of the Club was celebrated in October.
- 1999** - In May an appeal to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) was allowed and a permit was granted for two illuminated tennis courts.

2000 - Ten years after our first attempt, lights were installed on Courts 2 & 3.

- The Juniors continue to grow with 10 teams entered in the upcoming competition.

2001 - A very good year socially with a profit of \$5,300 from the Social Committee and major contributions from Gayle's Bar, the Christmas Party, Cup Day function, Trivia Night and Annual Tournament canteen & BBQ's.

2002 - The Clayton Bowling Club was a major sponsor of the Club.

2003 - The Club Championships for 2004 were moved to September on a trial basis.

- L. J. Hooker became the club's major sponsor and along with the South Eastern Animal Hospital have continued to sponsor the club for the past 10 years.

- Relocation of the Club to Namatjira Park was back on the agenda after Kingston Council asked for proposals from the community for development of the parklands.

2004 - Grants received for post pads, new chairs. Trophy cabinets installed in Clubhouse, court curtains installed for coaching.

- Council advised there was no land available for relocation however they were willing to assist with getting more courts under lights (although not financially as we are a private club).

- The Club enjoyed the financial benefits of 21 sponsors for the March Annual tournament.

2005 - The Clubhouse interior brickwork was painted giving it a more modern look.

- Our very own web site and newsletter 'The Swinging Serve' kept members up to date with Club news.

- A formal Contract for the Coaching position was introduced, providing commitment and security for development of long term programs and planning.

- The Club was successful in winning its first Men's Tennis Victoria Pennant flag in Grade 13.

2006 - The ongoing drought resulted in water restrictions being introduced again, which restricted use of our courts and the Club having to use hard courts at Oakleigh South Primary School for Junior and Senior matches.

- Juniors keep growing with 12 teams (11 making Finals) and 14 teams proposed for the next season.

- Tennis Victoria sent an acknowledgement of Clarinda's contribution to their Business Planning CD-ROM and advising that our Club's website will be used as a "Best Practice example" of Club Development and Administrative processes.

- A move to develop an overall strategic plan for the Club was initiated.

2007 - The Club was successful in obtaining several grants to greatly improve facilities, being:

- A Water Fund grant of \$29,500 to install two 18,500 litre water tanks to capture water from the clubhouse roof.

- A Court grant of \$37,500 to replace surface on courts 1, 2 & 3.

- Lights were installed on court 1 under the Project Management services provided by Mark Collins from Tennis Victoria and Court Technology Vic.

- Annual Open tournament was cancelled due to water restrictions.

- Junior membership changed from under 16 to under 18 to align with rules of MDJTA (Moorabbin & Districts).





- 2008** - Sinking Fund established to cover future costs, such as replacement of fencing, maintenance and replacement of court surfaces.
- Resurfacing of Courts 1, 2 & 3 with Classic Clay synthetic surface.
 - Water tanks installed for watering of courts 4, 5 & 6 and connection to toilets.
 - The Club newsletter went digital in the form of an e-news bulletin to help get news to members on a more regular basis.
 - The strategic planning culminated with a Business Plan detailing objectives and budgets for future Projects.
- 2009** - Improvements to and replacement of court fencing was completed.
- A ride on mower was purchased to assist with court maintenance and lawn mowing.
- 2010** - An important and growing aspect of the Club is now night tennis which runs four nights a week, entering teams in WDTA night competition and also social play at the club. The club continues to successfully run it's own 90 minute singles competition on Thursday nights.
- Approval for lights on Courts 5 & 6 was obtained from Kingston Council, although a curfew of 9:30pm meant an appeal to VCAT for an extension.
 - The Clarinda Facebook page was launched, "a form of communication used by younger people and a really good way of keeping in touch".

- 2011** - Lights installed on courts 5 & 6 with a 10pm curfew and a cost of \$44,000.
- The club had all 8 Junior teams make the finals this year, including Girl's Section 1, that finished in top spot and took out top honours by winning the grand final.
- 2012** - Car park fencing was installed for the safety of the young families now involved with the Club.
- The Club receives a Defibrillator as part of a grant from St. John Ambulance and its Defibs Save Lives Campaign.
 - Solar panels installed on the roof to take advantage of the power rebates on offer and to offset costs of lighting and general power usage. The Club continues to look for ways to 'go green' and reduce our footprint on the planet.
 - Ben Salmon completes his term as Club Coach after 18 years of service.
- 2013** - Marco Persi appointed as Club Coach.
- Launch of Clarinda Tennis Club's own stand alone website www.clarindatennis.com.au and Twitter account.
 - The outside of the Club house is freshened up and painted with a more modern colour scheme.
 - Crime prevention grant helps to fund an upgrade to front fence including new sliding entry gate.
 - Centenary year of the Club celebrated in November.

We would like to acknowledge those that have contributed to the making of this book, special thanks to Ian McLean for research and copy writing, Cory Hall of Corza Advertising & Design for the design and layout and to all those that have supplied information, stories and photographs. Thanks to you, our club's great history can be enjoyed by generations to come.

Presidents

1913 - 1920	E.G. Bunny	1957 - 1961	D. T. McLean	1991 - 1997	I. D. McLean
1920 - 1928	A. H. Castle	1961 - 1964	G. Reed	1997 - 1999	Mrs. G. Hall
1928 - 1929	A. Britton	1964 - 1967	C. Bryant	1999 - 2002	A. Trinder
1929 - 1935	J. Lee	1967 - 1975	D. T. McLean	2002 - 2004	E. P. Glico
1935 - 1936	A. Jack	1975 - 1977	A. Gladstone	2004 - 2005	G. E. Hall/I. D. McLean
1936 - 1944	J. Lee	1977 - 1979	J. Liberts	2005 - 2007	A. Trinder
1945 - 1946	H. Fleisner	1979 - 1981	Mrs. S. W. Duggan	2007 - 2011	G. E. Hall
1946 - 1949	K. Lee	1981 - 1983	T. Siphthorpe	2011 - 2012	K. S. Lang
1949 - 1951	H. Fleisner	1983 - 1984	T. Siphthorpe/Mrs. P. Mackay	2012 - 2013	C. Hall
1951 - 1952	R. Brown	1984 - 1987	D. Robinson	2013	M. Kirby
1952 - 1956	R. W. Mathews	1987 - 1989	G. E. Hall		
1956 - 1957	K. Davies	1989 - 1991	L. Blackley		

Secretaries

1913 - 1918	L. S. Castle	1945 - 1947	J. Crawford	1982 - 1992	I. Bjorkman
1918 - 1919	B. Banton	1947 - 1949	H. Fleisner	1992 - 1996	Mrs. M. Clark
1919 - 1920	D. Jack	1949 - 1951	Miss M. Bayliss	1996 - 1998	D. Adams
1920 - 1921	A. Jack	1951 - 1952	Mrs. M. Mathews	1998 - 2002	Miss J. Kuzmiuk
1921 - 1922	S. Castle	1952 - 1953	Miss. G. Papworth	2002 - 2004	A. Rooke
1922 - 1923	Miss E. Smith	1953 - 1954	Mrs. N. Little	2004 - 2005	J. Holt/Mrs. K. O'Meara
1923 - 1929	D. Jack	1954 - 1956	N. K. Mathews	2005 - 2006	J. Holt
1929 - 1938	J. Price	1956 - 1958	Mrs. N. Little	2006 - 2007	J. Holt/Mrs. L. Scott
1938 - 1939	B. Baker	1958 - 1959	Mrs. N. Little/Mrs. S.W.Duggan	2007 - 2009	Miss M. Thomson
1939 - 1940	H. Fleisner	1959 - 1976	Mrs. S. W. Duggan	2009 - 2010	Mrs. G. Hall/A. Rooke
1940 - 1941	Miss D. Britton	1976 - 1979	A. Marriott	2010 - 2012	Mrs. J. Mulholland
1941 - 1944	A. Baker	1979 - 1982	Mrs. B. Lawrence	2013	Mrs G. Hall

Treasurers

1913 - 1914	L. S. Castle
1914 - 1916	F. Huband
1916 - 1918	James Lee
1918 - 1919	Miss E. Peace
1919 - 1920	Jos. Lee
1920 - 1921	James Lee
1921 - 1923	L. Castle
1923 - 1924	C. McKelvie
1924 - 1948	A. Jack
1948 - 1951	J. Beanland
1951 - 1952	Miss D. Britton
1952 - 1953	R. J. Mathews
1953 - 1954	J. Connell
1954 - 1955	Mrs. S. Reddan
1955 - 1960	D. T. McLean
1960 - 1961	Miss D. Larman
1961 - 1963	Mrs. S. W. Duggan

1963 - 1968	K. Rice
1968 - 1972	Mrs. M. Cartledge
1972 - 1974	Mrs. M. Oakes
1974 - 1977	Mrs. S. Barr
1977 - 1978	C. Crampton
1978 - 1980	C. Crampton
1980 - 1983	D. T. McLean
1983 - 1985	D. Brown
1985 - 1988	N. Daniels
1988 - 1991	J. Hindmarsh
1991 - 1992	J. Dennis
1993 - 1997	D. T. McLean
1997 - 1998	Miss K. Burland
1998 - 1999	Mrs. M. Clark
1999 - 2000	Mrs. G. Hall
2000 - 2001	Miss K. Burland
2001 - 2013	Mrs. G. Hall

Coaches

In the early years of the Club one of the roles of the Club Captain was to coach the younger players.

1963 - 1965	Trevor Arrowsmith
1967 - 1972	Paul Durrant
1973 - 1976	Ken Richardson
1977 - 1984	Colin Price
1985 - 1990	John Stooke
1990 - 1994	Dane Nebel
1994 - 2012	Ben Salmon
2013	Marco Persi

Life Members

L. S. Castle, A. Lee, D. Jack, R. W. Mathews, Mrs. S. W. Duggan, I. Bjorkman, D. T. McLean, Mrs. J. Rice, A. Gladstone, Mrs. B. Rivett, Mrs. H. McLean, A. Marriott, Mrs. G. Meadows, Mrs. A. Newland, G. Hall, Mrs. G. Hall, I. McLean, J. Holt, Mrs. S. Foy, B. Salmon

Club Champions

	LADIES	MEN		LADIES	MEN
1967	Mrs. S. Duggan	N. K. Mathews	1991	Miss. K. Burland	A. Haddad
1968	Mrs. D. Harding	K. S. Lang	1992	Mrs. G. Hall	A. Haddad
1969	Mrs. M. Carroll	I. Bjorkman	1993	Mrs. G. Hall	J. Antonopoulos
1970	Mrs. G. Howard	I. Bjorkman	1994	Miss. J. Ford	D. Adams
1971	Mrs. G. Howard	J. Liberts	1995	Miss. K. Burland	B. Salmon
1972	Miss. S. Marshall	T. Rivett	1996	Miss. J. Ford	B. Salmon
1973	Miss. C. Draper	J. Liberts	1997	Miss. K. Burland	B. Salmon
1974	Miss. C. Draper	J. Liberts	1998	Miss. L. Harman	B. Salmon
1975	Miss. K. Norris	T. Rivett	1999	Miss. K. Burland	B. Salmon
1976	Miss. J. Stewart	J. Liberts	2000	Miss. K. Burland	B. Salmon
1977	Miss. C. Strickland	B. McLean	2001	Miss. K. Burland	B. Salmon
1978	Miss. K. Norris	B. McLean	2002	Miss. K. Burland	B. Salmon
1979	Miss. J. Brody	B. McLean	2003	Miss. E. Rooke	B. Salmon
1980	Miss. K. Norris	B. McLean	2004	Miss. V. Nheng	B. Salmon
1981	Miss. J. Brody	J. Rivett	2005	Miss. V. Nheng	P. Goutziomitos
1982	Mrs. J. Newell	J. Rivett	2006	Miss. V. Nheng	P. Goutziomitos
1983	Mrs. G. Mathews	P. Smith	2007	Miss. E. Rooke	A. Fazliu
1984	Mrs. G. Hall	G. Hall	2008	Miss. E. Rooke	Z. Josic
1985	Mrs. M. Donovan	A. Haddad	2009	Miss. E. Rooke	A. Fazliu
1986	Mrs. G. Hall	J. Stooke	2010	Miss. R. Pitts	A. Kotnik
1987	Miss. K. Burland	D. Adams	2011	Miss. E. Rooke	Z. Josic
1988	Mrs. G. Hall	A. Haddad	2012	Miss. R. Pitts	Z. Josic
1989	Miss. K. Burland	A. Haddad	2013	Miss. R. Pitts	Z. Josic
1990	Mrs. G. Hall	J. Stooke			







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