



**Well what a 2020 we have had thus far!**

**Firstly the horrendous bushfires and now the covid-19 pandemic!**

**Tennis as a whole has come through the other side relatively unscathed with our local clubs only having to close for a limited time (due to the councils health and safety concerns) compared to other sports who had a much longer stint on the sidelines so to speak.**

**With a few alterations to the way we do things and the easing of restrictions from our governing bodies we have had the opportunity to get back on the court reasonably quickly.**

**I would like to thank the Northern Beaches Council for taking on our recommendation of offering rent relief to our local clubs during the last quarter of the 2019/2020 financial year, I am sure all clubs were grateful and appreciative in these tougher times!**

**It is pleasing to hear reports from our local clubs and coaches that their facilities and services have seen an increase in demand for court hire and the like so let's hope this good weather continues!**

**Inter district 2020 was unfortunately brought to an abrupt halt with only a couple of rounds being completed. A big thank you to all our participants who represented TNB this season.**

**I hope you all had some time to watch some great matches recently during the U.S Open and isn't it great to see some new faces taking out the title. Here's hoping the Australian summer of tennis goes ahead as planned!**

**I would like to take the opportunity here to thank James Channon, who recently voluntarily stepped down from the TNB committee. We thank James for his outstanding contribution over the years – your efforts certainly haven't gone unnoticed.**

**We have been excited to integrate TNB competitions with our existing xpoint tennis programmers and UTR. You may be aware that your profile now has an additional rating which compares you to the rest of the world. We have been working hard sending over tens of thousands of results to America to be uploaded giving TNB players accurate UTRs. We have now just gone live with doubles results also which is more of an interest to our open competition participants. Whilst all this is exciting xpoint and UTR are working their way through some teething issues so please be patient with this process.**

**Lastly, good luck to everyone competing in our competitions for the rest of 2020 and we look forward to seeing you all on the court.**

**Joel Goodwin  
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