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New Court Watering Procedure – April 2008

In January 2008 the Bundoora Tennis Club chemically treated all of its 6 red porous courts. This means the Club is now working under a Water Conservation Plan (WCP) to allow us to **use** and **water** all of our 6 courts. This WCP has been granted in accordance with the guidelines as approved by Yarra Valley Water. You may have noticed the large blue corflute sign on the fence entrance stating our Club's participation in the program. This process requires regular water usage readings to be taken and provided to Yarra Valley Water to ensure we meet our targets.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO YOU?

You can now **use** and **water all** 6 of our red porous courts. However, we need you to be fully aware of the new watering procedures and ask that you read the information below carefully, which sets out the new watering methods for our courts.

HOW TO LOOK AFTER OUR CHEMICALLY TREATED COURTS:

- Water before each set (as previously done)
- Under the WCP, we can now water **after** the completion of a match. So if the court is a bit dry and dusty after your match, just apply a **light sprinkle** then bag the court. If the court is damp enough, just bag it.
- The court **must be bagged after every set.**
- We recommend the following watering times as a guide –
 - Before the match : 2 minutes (for both ends)
 - After each subsequent Set : 1 minutes (for both ends)
 - After match, if needed to settle dust : 1 Minute (for both ends)
- If the court is dry and dusty – it needs water. Nothing there has changed. The difference is that we are now permitted to do so, but with a bit of care. **Red porous courts need water to survive.**
- Chemically treated courts need much less water to maintain their playability than non-treated courts. But this **does not mean that you don't need to water them.** Use common sense – its just about being sensible.
- If in doubt, give it a light sprinkle. Otherwise, just try and run your foot lightly across the surface and if the red dust flies up – please give it some water.

We are all still learning how to manage our chemically treated courts but one thing is certain, they still need water, although significantly less levels since the chemical treatment. As with all maintenance matters common sense must be applied.

We hope this helps you to understand what we are all trying to achieve – a safe and well maintained facility for all of us to enjoy. Thank you for your co-operation.

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