AGM – Social Report (2026)

This was my first year as Social Director, and I was fortunate to have Tracy Vitalei, Melissa Janjevich and Krisha Andrew join me on the committee. We had a wonderful year planning events and bringing members together. We have several people to thank for making these events such a success.

1. We were fortunate to have lots of volunteers sign up to help with our first event. Unfortunately, the weather had other plans! A special thank-you to all of them and to two very enthusiastic young volunteers who made a huge contribution throughout the season. Many of you will know Sam, Tracy's daughter, who attended most of our events, as well as Alex, Mel's daughter. We are incredibly grateful for their time, energy and willingness to help.

2. A big thank-you as well to Kyrylo and Ace for generously providing fantastic prizes for all of our events. Also thank you for being there on opening day with on court games ready. Your support was very much appreciated!

3. Nina and Emelia, many thanks for planning on court games for and then for helping to organizing indoor games and kids' activities when the rain started!

4. Thanks to OTA and Simon Burden for bringing the smash cage for opening day along with lots of swag as prizes.

We kicked off the season with Opening Day in May, which had an excellent turnout and lots of exciting activities planned. We had great decorations, on-court tennis games organized by Ace and Nina's team, and the OTA provided a Smash Cage and some great swag.

Unfortunately, just before the event was due to begin, Milton was hit with torrential rain! Despite the weather, our volunteers jumped into action to help move things indoors. A special thank-you to Kyrylo and his team, as well as Nina and Emelia, who did a fantastic job organizing indoor games and keeping everyone entertained. Although it wasn't quite the Opening Day we had envisioned, everyone pulled together and made the best of it.

We followed Opening Day with three tennis-themed events: the French Open Social in June, Ladies Night, also in June and Wimbledon Whites Social in July. Mel designed incredible posters for each event which went out to members a couple of weeks ahead of the events. Each event had a great turnout, was well organized, and featured fantastic, themed food and decorations and great on court music. Our wonderful members also dressed in the suggested colours for each event and all of them included some form of mini tennis tournament.

We also experimented with holding events on different evenings, based on the feedback and preferences members shared through the questionnaires and Google Sheets circulated

earlier in the season. We really appreciated everyone who took the time to provide their input.

One small challenge we encountered was members signing up and then cancelling at the last minute, or not showing up at all, when we had already organized the food, activities and entire evening around the numbers registered. So, consider this a friendly reminder: if you sign up, please do your best to attend! We may have to keep track of a few names for our second year!

Looking Ahead

Our final event brought the season to a close with approximately 66 people attending. This was a dinner dance event held at the curling club for the second year. We had great games which our members joined in very enthusiastically. We had decorations, prizes of course, dancing, delicious food catered by CF Catering Events in Milton, and, most importantly, lots of fun and laughter. I think everyone had a wonderful time, and we so appreciate you joining!

Finally, thank you to all our members for your enthusiasm, participation and support throughout the season. It was a pleasure being part of creating some fun opportunities for everyone to enjoy the social side of our club, both on and off the courts. We hope you enjoyed the events as much as we enjoyed organizing them. Thank you again to our committee, volunteers, sponsors and everyone who contributed.

Here's to another great year at Milton Tennis Club in 2027!