

Our Club – Our Community

Opening the doors to new and emerging communities

Grange Tennis Club
‘the flood gates have opened’

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The Journey Starts

- **Tentative beginnings**
- **Two years later**





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Resources

- **Office for Recreation and Sport**
- **Tennis SA & Tennis Australia**
- **Other organisations**
- **The Club**
- **The Parents**



Positive Outcomes

For kids and parents

- **Tennis & social interaction**
- **Racquets and Memorial Drive visit**
- **Extra training & scholarships**
- **Part of the club**
- **Participants become assistant coaches**
- **Part of Team**
- **Parents play too**



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Positive Outcomes For the Club

- **More members**
- **Two extra teams**
- **Multicultural Food & Wine Fair Fundraiser**
- **Exposure via media (Stateline program)**
- **Raising the club's profile – Tennis SA coach of the year.**



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Conclusions/Recommendations

- **Target agencies rather than schools**
- **The right day (Sunday)**
- **4 x 5 week blocks**
- **Regular Contact**
- **Release ownership – aim to become sustainable**



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