

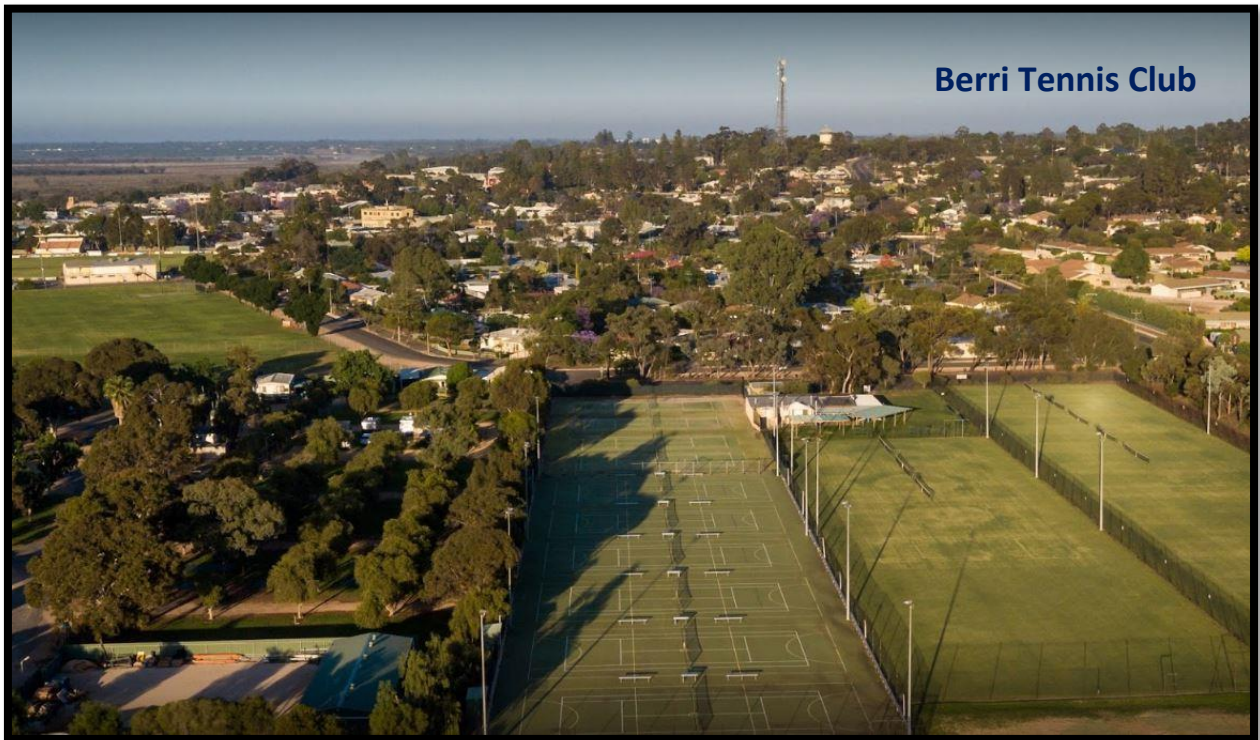


## RIVERLAND TENNIS SENIORS ASSOCIATION

*(Last updated 12 August 2021)*

### LOCATION:

Our home ground is the [Berri Tennis Club](#) located at [McGilton Road, Berri, South Australia](#) 245 kms ENE of Adelaide.



### ABOUT US:

We are one of four country based regional Tennis Seniors associations that are linked with [Tennis Seniors SA - TSSA](#) and affiliated with [Tennis Seniors Australia - TSA](#).

To become a member of our association, you must be over 30 years of age and pay an annual association fee of \$20.

### SOCIAL TENNIS:

Social Days are held on Thursdays during school terms 2 and 3 with play commencing at 10:00am and morning tea at 11:30am. We then have another hour of tennis and everyone is invited to lunch at 1:00pm at various venues in Berri.

### 2021-22 MID-WEEK LADIES' COMPETITION

This competition is held at various venues throughout the Riverland on Thursday mornings from 12 October 2021 through to Easter 2022. Matches commence at 9.15am.

If you are interested in joining a team please contact:

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**ANNUAL TENNIS SENIORS SA TEAMS CARNIVAL** - *commonly known as*  
**BERRI TEAMS CARNIVAL:**

In 2022 we are holding our [34<sup>th</sup> Berri Teams Carnival](#) from 14 to 16 May.

This event is held on the Saturday, Sunday, and Monday after Mother's Day each year with matches being played at Berri, Barmera, Loxton, and Renmark.

No Carnival was held in 2020 due to COVID-19.

The Carnival attracts players from Queensland, NSW, Vic, ACT, SA, and NZ. The number of teams has varied from 90 to 99 during this century. In 2021 we had 89 teams participating.

The carnival is a Tennis Doubles only competition with each match consisting of four 9 game sets -tiebreaker at 8 all.

Up to six players may play in each match, but no player can play in more than two sets in each match and no player can play with the same player more than once in each match.

Matches are played in the morning and afternoon each day with a trophy presentation at about 4:30pm Monday.

**HISTORY:**

The first correspondence regarding a tennis competition to be run over the May long weekend was written by Pam HARVEY to Ken SMITH on the 4<sup>th</sup> of December 1987. Pam was secretary of the Veteran's Tennis Association of South Australia at the time with Brian DEW as president and Brendon OSBORN treasurer. Subsequently a Riverland Veteran's Tennis Committee was formed and plans for the first team's carnival to be conducted jointly by the Veterans' Tennis Association and the Riverland Veterans' Committee were put into place. Two social events were to be held – a dinner dance at the Berri Hotel-Motel and a barbecue 3 course meal on Sunday night.

The first Teams Carnival was held at the Berri Courts on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup> May 1988. There were six men's teams from Adelaide, four from the Riverland and two from Northern Areas. The women's section comprised four teams from Adelaide, two from Riverland, and one from Northern Areas and a composite Adelaide / Riverland team.

The S.A Veterans' Tennis Teams Carnival has gone from strength to strength since that humble beginning with 20 teams increasing to 95 teams in 2002. The 19<sup>th</sup> Teams Carnival in 2006 was the first carnival to be played after the Adelaide Cup holiday was shifted to March. It was very encouraging to still have 95 teams enter even though Monday was now a working day.

Ken SMITH was at the helm for 15 Teams Carnivals followed by Mike SCHULTZ in 2002 and then Kaye and Peter TANNER since then.

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