

It is with much sadness that I wish to inform our membership of the passing of Rob Hann on the 23rd December 2021 at 78 years of age.

His private funeral was held on Wednesday 12th January 2022 at Kleemann Funerals Mt Barker. He will be sorely missed. Overleaf are some thoughts put down from a long time member of his 'harem'.

> Ian Delbridge President, Tennis Seniors SA



Robert Anthony Hann

2nd April 1943 ~ 23rd December 2021

Robert Hann

78 years young

Rob started playing Vets' tennis 26 years ago at Payneham where he met Chris. and things progressed for them from there.

Rob ran his own business with 2 employees and I'm sure he was a good boss and a fair one, although he wouldn't settle for anything less than he could do himself. He would often take Chris on a drive to see a job, and, on one occasion, they ended up on Kangaroo Island. He worked long hours and spent a lot of time on the road.

Rob always had time for a dinner out – especially if it was his turn to cook at home. He had a property at Oakbank and in his spare time worked there. Flowers and lemons were always in abundance which he and Chris generously shared. He also had a passion for cars and I believe, he had quite a supply up there. Another passion was flying his light plane and he spent quite a number of hours enjoying this hobby.

Rob had 2 daughters and a son and seven grandchildren all of whom he doted on. Nothing was too much trouble for him where they were concerned. Just lately he bought a property on the River Murray for the families. Recently he took Chris up there to show her the place.

Rob was never one to plan holidays, but when Chris put an itinerary in front of him, he was off. Their last trip was to see the Northern Lights which he thoroughly enjoyed.

Vet's tennis progressed to Tennis Seniors over the years and Rob continued to support the club strongly, playing in the mixed competition (sometimes the last one to leave on Monday nights) and Thursday night men's, participating in most tournaments including Berri, State Championships (often partnered by Ernest Stevenson) and Australian Championships, attending all social functions and willingly helping with maintenance. At many of these events he enjoyed not only the tennis, but also the after match activities and relaxation, where he was often seen in company with his "harem". Those who played in a team with him over the years have nothing but good memories of him. He was a popular and respected team member even though his racquet slipped from his hand and ended up in the backstops on the odd occasion.

At social functions he was always ready to buy a large number of raffle tickets and always the first round of drinks. Never seen on the dance floor but invariably great company – despite his Port Adelaide allegiance, he was OK!

Finally, I hardly need to say that he will be missed by all who knew him and, especially Chris and his family.