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President's Report

I was at the recent Australian Open enjoying the atmosphere of an event which is very significant in world sport. With over 700,000 people attending during the two weeks of the tournament, I understand that it is the most attended annual sporting event in the world. The crowds are energetic and enthusiastic in following the matches. People come from far and wide to enjoy the skills of all involved. Whether you are at Rod Laver Arena watching Roger play, or Court 22 watching two players you've never heard of from countries you're not even sure of where they are, it's impossible not to get caught up in the excitement of seeing a sport played at the very limits of human skill, movement and fitness. The TV audience for the Final was 3.37m with another 4.1m internet streams during the fourteen days of the tournament. There is incredible interest in this event from all age demographics.



Those of us playing seniors' tennis still enjoy pushing the limits of our tennis skills as well as enjoying the competition and social interaction of the sport that many of us have played since we were young children. However, we all know that there are many who started the tennis-playing journey, just as we did, and for one reason or another, did not continue. Seniors' tennis presents a great vehicle to encourage those people to re-join the tennis playing community. And there are many who have done so. Others may continue to witness the Australian Open as a wonderful event, but not even think to move from being a spectator to a player. Our task is how to turn tennis from an event into an activity with more people of all ages participating. We know that our society has changed in many ways with different and longer working hours; many more sporting and entertainment options; people being very conscious of time that they commit to particular activities; attention-spans reducing; and many more influences.

In marketing terms, it would seem that tennis is a good product – at least for watching the elite performers. Is it a good product for participation? It offers:

- Skill development
- Competition
- Social engagement
- Fitness development
- Opportunities for all ages

These are all ingredients that are important in the development of a healthy lifestyle. The fact that you can play the sport from a very young age into old age is a great thing to be valued. Tennis Seniors' in SA has a healthy membership base but we can always grow. As the baby boomers retire, it's an opportunity for people to resume tennis careers they may have left previously, or to play more tennis if they have maintained their involvement. The challenge really is how do our children and grandchildren engage with the support? How do we all turn an event in January, that has so much interest, into a sporting activity that is part of more peoples' lives?

John Haren
President, Tennis Seniors' SA

AUSTRALIAN OPEN MIXED DOUBLES IN MELBOURNE

It was a Sunday afternoon in late September. I happen to have reason to drop an envelope into Angelique Foran's mail box. Angelique happens to be my mixed doubles partner of a Saturday afternoon at CLWTC. She is also a vets member and plays on Tuesday nights. Anyway, Angelique was standing in her driveway. We chatted. During the chatting, Angelique asks "would you like to play in a mixed doubles event with me in a few weeks time at Kensington. It's for charity".

Four months later, we were playing at Melbourne Park (flights paid for) during the Australian Open in a semi final with six ball kids, six lines persons, and a chair umpire officiating. How could it possibly come to this? It got even better. The accreditation we had around our neck gave us almost free access to anywhere in Melbourne Park, including player locker rooms and cafeteria. - **Simply Sensational.**

At Kensington in October 2014, we played in a round robin Fast 4 event. We won the B division section against eight other pairs. That gave us the right to play against the rest of the B division winners from the other participating states. The event is called 'Win A Wild Card To The Australian Open Mixed Doubles'. The overall winner of the A division DID play in the Aussie Open Mixed Doubles main event. They were put out first round by the eventual winners, Hingis & Paes, a credible 6-2, 7-5.

This was the inaugural event. They are looking to make it bigger and better. Anyone over 18 can enter. Look out for details later this year. Angelique and I have had our turn, but we will give it another go. I'm sure there will be much stiffer opposition the second time round.

Ian Delbridge
Australian Open Wild Card Mixed Doubles Semi Finalist

For Your Diary



South Australia

Tuesdays Social Tennis (10.00am start – if hot 8.30am)

City v Northern Areas – South Park March 22nd

Clare SA Masters Games March 26-29 2015

Berri Carnival May 16th to 18th 2015

Australian Championships

Shepparton 2016 10th to 15th January - Teams

17th to 22nd January - Individuals

Adelaide in 2017

Interstate

April 3rd – 6th ACT Senior Championships, Canberra, ITF 3

June 5th – 8th Victorian Seniors Claycourt Championships, Dingley, ITF 2

July 3rd – 6th TSQ Championships, Gold Coast, ITF 2

Closing Dates for Editorial – 25th May 2015

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Thanks, Janet Wang

ACT TENNIS SENIORS CARNIVAL

Eleven teams from South Australia (seven men's and four women's) competed at Canberra from 5th to 9th January.

The Men's 50-59 Section 1 team captained by Greg Parker and the Men's 60+ team captained by Ian Delbridge were both successful.

There were several second placings, so overall a good Carnival for SA.

Reports from Captains Australian Teams Championships January 2015

MEN'S 50 -59 SECTION 1

We had a great week in Canberra with the weather reminding us of a Darwin summer; 31 degrees with a late storm predicted just about every day. We were lucky and didn't have any washed out matches, or matches stopped for heat, for that matter.

Our competition was round robin and we knew NSW1 would be tough, but as always managing our team of six (+ one reserve) and giving players adequate rest and breaks is always a challenge for the captain....lucky we had six captains.....so I became the benevolent dictator.... We had eight matches for the week, playing each team twice, and didn't meet NSW1 till the Wednesday morning....a good draw in hindsight.

A couple of solid wins the first day and we were surprised to see that Qld beat NSW1 in the first round. However, they had two key players out who were to arrive on the Tuesday.

Again a solid win on the Tuesday morning against ACT and a break to take in the Canberra sights in the afternoon. NSW1 fielded a strong team against us on Wednesday morning and when the bell went, we thought we had drawn at three sets all, but later discovered that we had lost on games. We had NSW1 again on the Friday in our last match and we realised it was likely to come down to this match, being our quasi-final.

Points were going to matter so Thursday results were going to be important and we had good competition from Qld and ACT, but managed to win both matches, dropping a set here and there.

The draw again favoured us in that we had the bye on the Friday morning and NSW1 had to play an early match as well. We were poised for the last match and commenced the match one point behind.

Well, it came down to the wire, after the first round it was two sets all. Mark Swanbury and I split the third rubber and Andrew Schuelke and Mike Degenhart had won the first set but were 5 – 2 down in the second ...if they lost this last set we had lost the gold....they fought back to 4-5 ...but with Mike D serving they were facing a set point downholding our breathsecond serve kicker to the backhand (of course!) NSW1 player tried a forehand winner down the line and missed!!! The bell went, so we won four sets to three and won the gold by two points.....well orchestrated....if I don't say so myself....

Many thanks to a great, selfless team....Bruce Watson, Andrew Thiel, Andrew Schuelke, Mark Swanbury, Mike Degenhart, reserve Steve Markey and moi.



Greg Parker

MENS 60+

Well bugger me—who would have thought???

The men's 60's team of Trevor Reeves, Ray Furness, Graham Chilman, Ron Russo, Chris Altman and myself went to Canberra feeling we were in with a good chance of making the Friday afternoon match. Our two or three practice hits at South Park showed glimpses of exciting things to come. Team morale was high and our blue sponsored King Private Wealth Management, Canberra drinking shirts were also a hit with the team.

Looking at the program, Victoria were the gun side. Fielding a team of five including three regular first pick Australian players, they appeared too strong for the field. But we had a master plan. We were to play them first up. We treated it as a warm up for the week with all six of us having a hit. Getting a feel of the humidity and not worrying too much about the score line. It worked. We got flogged 7-1.

So what was the master plan, you may ask. The pressure was now off. No-one considered us a threat or took us seriously. So we just cruised through the week beating anybody that the other states threw at us. We knew if we won all the rest of our matches since losing to the Vics, then we would get to have another crack at them on Friday.

Well bugger me!! That's what happened. Friday arvo came. The Vics had dropped two sets for the week and nobody, and I mean nobody, gave us a chance. Well bugger me again!!! With sensational strategic team pairings and positioning, we caught them napping. We whipped 'em 5-3 with a rather tense final set from Trevor and Ray to secure the fifth set and guarantee victory. It was a tremendous effort by our team all week.

The Winners



The Men's 50-59 Section 1 team of Mike Degenhart, Andrew Thiel, Bruce Watson, Mark Swanbury, Andrew Schuelke, Greg Parker and Steve Markey



The Men's 60 + Div. Team of Ron Russo, Chris Altman, Trevor Reeves, Ian Delbridge, Graham Chilman and Ray Furness

Thanks to Sue Hand and her troops for organising the state dinner. With only three or four players missing, if that, it was a great night with the usual banter and frivolity. Well done to all who were in Canberra and survived the humidity. See you in Shepparton in 2016!

Ian Delbridge, Men's 60's Captain



MENS 70 + DIV 1

The 70+ team consisted of three members from last years Div 2 side which was successful in Hobart – Theo Weinmann, Rob Hann and Peter Dawe. This year in the stronger first division, we were bolstered by the addition of Don Burgess, Dennis Haupt and Ken Adam of WA, who flew in from Paris.

There were five teams in our division – NSW 1 and 2, Vic, Qld and SA and we had to play each of our opposition twice in a round robin format with a bye in each round.

With thunderstorms forecast for every day it appeared ominous, but although we certainly had thunderstorms, generally they were of a night and our team at least did not lose any time.

Day 1 began promisingly with a good win over Vic. which is always satisfying. However we were soon brought down to earth with an 8-0 loss to the strong NSW 1 team. This team made up of mostly Australian representative players did not lose a single set all week and so won comfortably. Rob and Theo almost achieved bragging rights in the second round when they held a set point against NSW 1 at 5-4, only to eventually lose in a tie break.

We quickly put this loss behind us and went on to defeat each of the other teams twice to finish in second place. well clear of the third side. A great effort.

An easy team to captain with every player happy to play with one another or take a turn off. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Peter Dawe, Captain



Women's 50/55/60 Division 2

The players making up this team were Lynn Parnell, Rhonda Pamment-Kraft, Ria Szewczuk, Sue McKelvie and Di Reynolds (captain)

The first day we played at Melba against WA2-50 and NSW2-55, losing both matches, but took heart in claiming one set in each match.

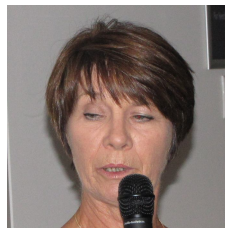
Tuesday, we had one match in the morning at Lyneham on clay courts against NSW2-50 who were the top ranked team and although we enjoyed the stronger hitting, we were beaten quite convincingly. We all enjoyed the bye break in the afternoon.

Wednesday morning we were back at Lyneham and achieved success beating WA3-50. In the afternoon we started the second round as there were only five teams in this section and the results were much the same.

Thursday we were at Belconnen and had some injury concerns so Sue Caddy who had been on the side lines supporting the team, kindly agreed to step in to help us out for a couple of sets. A big thank you to Sue. We only had one match on Friday against WA3-50 at Weston Creek and unfortunately they got the upper hand this time.

I would like to give a special mention to Claire DeMack who shared her support around and was invaluable as a water runner, bag carrier and very encouraging displaying the "nice shot" sign from the sidelines. Thank you girls for your support and a great week of fun and laughter.

Di Reynolds, Captain



Women's 65/70/75 Division 1

Our team: Carole Johnson, Sue Russo, Sandra Bryant, Chris Cave and Sue Hand
We travelled over in a convoy of five cars staying at Hay on the way over and Balranald on the way back with just two cars - I guess you could call this team bonding.

After a win in Hobart last year, we were promoted to Div 1, a big call. We were three days on the clay, a first for us all. We started off with Victoria, lost two tiebreakers, but lost 0/8. After that, we played Queensland 2 (a very good match) and then played two NSW teams and managed wins against these teams.

On Thursday morning NSW 1 played us. We managed games and not many of them. They finished first and as we finished fourth; we played them in the semi-final that afternoon. We managed to improve by one game. They were by far way ahead of any other team and had world players in their team.

We played NSW on Friday morning to play off for third and fourth. After a rain delay, we did not finish, but managed to win overall. It was a good win for us. Clay was not our preferred surface, but we can say we have done it and do not need to do it again.

The main complex was far from being finished, but when it is, will be quite something. The other complexes were much smaller, but mostly okay. The Opening Ceremony was held on Sunday night and was very good considering they had to go to plan B for the ceremony. They also mastered handing out the food and also the free glass of wine.

Our State Dinner was held at the Tradies Club on Tuesday night and was hosted by Mark Swanbury who once again did a great job. Accommodation was very good and quite central to the main complex.

The presentation dinner dance was also very good and a good night was had by all who attended.

Our team once again was very competitive and also a privilege to Captain.

Roll on Shepparton!!!!



Sue Hand, Captain

**TEAM OF THE YEAR, PLAYER OF THE YEAR,
ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR AND PLAYER RECOGNITION
AWARDS.**

At a wonderful event at the Hellenic Club Canberra, Tennis Seniors Victoria were announced as winners of the Teams Carnival Trophy. Glen Busby from Victoria won Player of the Year after a fantastic year which saw him ranked No. 1 in the World in both singles and doubles in his age group. Gail Jones from TSACT won Administrator of the Year for her dedicated work over many years for seniors tennis. Nola Collins was named winner of the Player Recognition Award – coming back from adversity to have a great year on the court after thirty years of playing National, State and local tennis.

RELAY FOR LIFE/TENNIS SENIORS SA 7TH FEBRUARY 2015 QUIZ NIGHT

A Quiz Night was held at the Tennis Seniors Clubrooms and we had 114 contestants. A very good number.

We set up the Clubrooms on Friday afternoon and my thanks go to Sandra Bryant, Chris Cave, Claire DeMack, Rhonda Walker and Janet Wang for helping. It was a job well done and we managed find enough tables and chairs to seat everyone. Flowers once again by Claire who also provided table decorations. Thanks to Rhonda and Neil Walker who organized a fruit basket through Tony and Marks Fruit shop at Campbelltown. (They also won it as the door prize)
My thanks go to all the people who donated heaps of prizes for our raffle, Heads and Tails, and many other competitions during the night.

The night was hosted by Grant Higgins who did a great job, managing to keep everyone involved and kept the night very interesting. The bar was manned by various members and my thanks go to them. The night was won by a team called The Grinners who won a basketful of wine, nuts and chocolates which was also donated.

My thanks also go to Tennis Seniors SA who donated the Clubrooms which enabled the Relay for Life Team to raise a substantial amount of money towards their walk. The questions were provided by Brian Hemming and were enjoyed by all and provided a great variety overall.

At the end of the night, it was all hands on deck and the Clubrooms were put back together in a very short space of time, and my thanks go to all who helped. This cannot be achieved without our members who once again came to the and I believe we have the most support of any of the states, which is proven over and over again!!!
Many thanks to all.



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Sue Hand
(on behalf of the Relay for Life Team)



Social Event - Fund Raiser

Our very enthusiastic Social Committee under the guidance of Sue Hand is busily arranging a Movie night at the Capri Theatre. Once details and a date are finalized, the event will be publicized at South Park on competition nights (and days).

Web News

Unfortunately, Sue McKelvie has not been able to prepare a report for this issue

The website is a great place to look for reports of our great wins in Canberra. The Berri entry form is now up on the web and can be downloaded from 'Application & Entry Forms' on the Home page. Nomination forms for our Winter Competitions will soon be up also.

Read about Social activities being planned in the Latest news page, in particular an end-of season event before the centre is handed over to Adelaide Hockey.

Remember; keep your eye on the web as it is the way to keep you up to date with the latest happenings around the club.

If at any time you have anything you think should go on the Web, please don't hesitate to contact me via my email, found in the SAVET or on the Web.

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VIC	www.tennisseniorsvictoria.com.au
QLD	www.tennisseniors.org.au/qld
NSW	www.tennisseniorsnsw.org
WA	www.tennis.com.au/seniorswa
ACT	www.tennisseniors.org.au/act



SUMMER WEEKLY COMPETITIONS

All competitions are heading towards the penultimate rounds in their seasons, before getting to the all-important (to some players) FINALS.

Monday Mixed: -

Half Volleys are still dominating Division 1, with *Hit That* being the team they will meet in the final on 30th March.

Division 2 is being led by *Sideliners*, with *Tennis Tragic*s, *Fab Five* and *Footloose* all with a chance to make the final.

Tuesday Ladies -

Paragold are leading Division 1 from *NE2-5-11is*, but no other team has any chance of making the final on 24th March.

Division 2 has *Terriers* leading, with *Mixtures* and *Strings* to fight for the other spot in the final.

Wednesday A Grade Men: -

Of the nine teams playing in this competition, only *Poker Boys*, *Hoo Ever* and *Wombats Mob* look to have realistic chances of playing in the final on 25th March.

Thursday B Grade Men: -

Eagles are leading Division B1 with very little between *Grand Slammers*, *The Whackers* and *Rabid Racquets*, so it is still a guess who will be the second team in the final on 26th March for the Robin Archer Trophy.

Tontine Slammers and *Eagles2* appear likely to play in the Division 2 final for the Brian Arnold Trophy.

The Daytime Open Competitions :-

Thursday's Division 1 currently has *Peter's United* trailing *Chris's Hot Shots* although anything could happen in the remaining weeks, as all teams seem to have floating membership. Their last day of play is scheduled for 19th March.

Wednesday's Division 2 sees *Bob's Mob* leading *Eddie's Musketeers*, with *Orrin's Newbys* not far behind, with their season scheduled to conclude on 18th March.

It is pleasing to be able to report that some **TEAM CAPTAINS** have helped the Recorders by providing all the details needed to register new players on the Tennis Australia database, viz, family name, given name and a middle initial, as well as date of birth, email and postal addresses, and a phone number. All players have to be in the database before their scores can be recorded. An indication of any other club that they are registered does assist the recorders to identify the player and prevent duplication. **UNFORTUNATELY**, not all Team Captains are co-operating and the Recorders often have to make a guess or at least a phone call. The Recorders would both appreciate all captains co-operating.

WINTER WEEKLY COMPETITIONS

It is time to nominate for our Winter Competitions which are due to start in the week beginning Monday 27th April 2015 on Monday and Wednesday nights as well as Thursday and Friday mornings. Nomination forms are included with this issue and should be returned to your Competition Co-ordinator no later than the closing date. Your cooperation in meeting the deadline makes the task of planning, preparing draws and programmes much easier and saves lots of phone calls to check that teams (even regular teams) do intend to play and have just forgotten to nominate.

At this time, the format will be the same as previous winters, but a couple of interesting alternatives merit consideration. They both would lead to earlier finishes on those cold nights.

*How about a switch to the new **Fast4** format, playing six four game short sets with a five point tie-break at three all, instead of the normal six game tie-break sets? Not sure about “No-lets”!*

A lot of doubles competitions are now using “No-Ad Scoring”, where a deciding point is played at deuce with receiver choosing on which side to receive? In Mixed Doubles, man serves to man and woman serves to woman

If you have any thoughts about either of the above or have other suggestions how to finish earlier, discuss it with your teams, talk to other teams and your Co-ordinator.

Recent Tennis Australia Initiatives

To assist members to think about the **Fast4** format with which I have had experience as an Official, I have included on Page 16 of this issue the Information supplied by Tennis Australia to explain the rules and how a match is played in this format. You may have seen it in exhibition matches, ATL matches or ask Ian Delbridge and Angelique Foran how they found it during their AO2015 experience.

My advice as an Official was sought recently on the temperature at which play should be suspended/cancelled. I have attempted to summarise TA’s Extreme Weather Policy updated last September on Pages 16 and 17, but for the full policy, I suggest you go to their Website, www.tennis.com.au where you will find a full explanation of terms, the philosophy behind the policy, wet weather suspensions, lightning and other hazardous circumstances. Well worth a read.

Brian Arnold

Fast4 Match Formats and Rules

The objective of the Fast4 format is to create faster paced matches for competitors so players can play more matches within a shorter space of time. Also, by using some different rules as outlined below, players get a slightly different tennis playing experience.

Please see below the specific rules for the Fast4 format;

No Lets

When a player is serving and the ball clips the net tape and lands in the point will continue. If the returning player forgets the rule and catches the ball then the serving player will be awarded the point.

No Advantage – Receivers choice

If a game gets to deuce, the winner of the next point will win the game. The receiver will get to choose which side of the court they will receive the serve from.

Best of three, first to four game sets

To win a set a player must win four games. At three games all, a tie break will be played. To win a match, a player must win two four game sets.

First to five point tiebreak

At three games all when a tie break is played, it will be a first to five point tiebreak. The tie break will be played using the following rules;

- Player A serves the first two points, Player B serves the next two points. After four points players swap ends. Player A then serves another two points. If neither player has reached five points then Player B will serve three points. If the tie break score gets to four points all then the receiver chooses which side they will return from. A player does not need a two point lead to win the tiebreak.

Sitting Down during match

Players are not allowed to sit down between games. They are only able to sit down at the end of the set.

Extreme Weather Policy – September 2014

This Policy relates to tennis tournaments, competitions and events conducted by or on behalf of Tennis Australia, Member Associations, affiliated organisations, member affiliated organisations, regional associations and affiliated clubs. It is designed to protect competitive tennis players from injury and illness that may result by playing tennis in extreme weather conditions. The policy recognises that all players can be at risk.

Extreme weather (heat, lightning, wind and as a by-product smoke) can pose a health risk. Although the risk of heatstroke in tennis is low, playing in hot and humid conditions in particular can impair the body's ability to lose heat. Older players in particular, those with specific illnesses i.e. diabetes, heart disease, may also be at increased risk.

Competition/Tournament and event organisers have a duty of care to players, officials and other tennis participants, which include regularly monitoring environmental and playing conditions and acting to minimise the risk of heat stress or threat of illness or injury to players, officials and other tennis participants.

Extreme weather may be defined as including weather that threatens the immediate or long-term safety of individuals, as a result of rain, lightning, wind, heat or other unusual or unpredictable weather conditions.

Schedule Of Requirements And Recommendations For Extreme Heat

The following outlines the minimum requirements which will determine the activation of this policy in relation to extreme heat at tournaments. It also takes into account the varying climate impacts across Australia.

- **For players over the age of 16 the following applies**
 - Where the WBGT** is 30 C or greater -
 - Reduction of scoring formats to either a match tie break (10 point) at one set all (with or without no- ad scoring) or best of 3 short sets with no-ad scoring . Alternatively a 10 minute break between the second and third sets, in a best of three sets match must be provided.
 - All play must be suspended (on completion of the current game) and no further matches are to commence if;
 - The WBGT is 34 C or greater or
 - The Ambient Temperature is 38 C or greater
- **For players competing in the over 60 (Super Senior) categories**
 - Where the WBGT** is 30 C or greater –
 - Reduction of scoring formats to either a match tie break (10 point) at one set all (with or without no-ad scoring) or best of 3 short sets with no-ad scoring. Alternatively a 10 minute break between the second and third sets, in a best of three sets match must be provided.
 - All play must be suspended (on completion of the current game) and no further matches are to commence if;
 - The WBGT is 34 C or greater or
 - The Ambient Temperature is 36 C or greater

** "WBGT" is the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature

TENNIS SENIORS AUSTRALIA

YOUNG SENIOR TEAMS SELECTED TO REPRESENT AUSTRALIA IN THE ITF CUPS FOR 2015 IN TURKEY

WOMEN

YOUNG CUP 40+ 1 KELLY PARTRIDGE © QLD
2 MICHELLE TOWNSON QLD
3 SASCHA MORRIS NSW **

COURT CUP 45+ 1 KERRY CYPRIEN QLD
2 CHRIS LUHRS © SA
3 LINDA ROBERTS QLD
4 ANNE SAVILLE VIC

MEN

ITALIA CUP 35+ 1 ANDREW TAVELLA © SA
2 ADRIAN MUSCILLO VIC
3 ALFONSO SAMMASSIMO VIC
4 MICHAEL WALTERS QLD

TRABERT CUP 40+ 1 JARROD BROADBENT © VIC
2 MORGAN YOUNG VIC
3 PAUL MACKNAMARA QLD
4 DAMIEN POUND VIC

DUBLER CUP 45+ 1.IGOR JOVANOVIC © NSW
2.GARRY NADEBAUM SA
3 CHRIS O'MARA QLD
4 DARREN BLADE QLD

**** Must compete in Australian Senior Individual Championships January
2015 to be selected**

*Congratulations to South Australian members, Chris Luhrs,
Andrew Tavella and Garry Nadebaum on their selection.*

WORLD TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

2015/16

Young Seniors 2015

16 - 29 March – Antalya Turkey

Seniors 2015

8 - 21 June – La Baule France

Super-Seniors 2015

21 September - 4 October – Umag and Novigrad Croatia

Young Seniors 2016

20 June – 3 July Helsinki Finland

Super-Seniors 2016

24 October - 6 November – Antalya Turkey

The ITF have advised that as from 2016, the World Team Championships will be held Sunday-Friday (not Monday to Saturday as is currently the case) and the Individual Championships Saturday to Saturday (not Sunday-Sunday). This is in response to feedback that players find it difficult to remain on site until the end of Sunday of the Individual Championships due to work or family commitments.

RANKING LISTS

**Please be advised that TSA Ranking lists are available on the TSA website
– www.tennisseniors.org.au**

**Players who are traveling overseas to compete in ITF tournaments MUST
advise Gail Bates on maxgailbates@bigpond.com that they have played in
an overseas ITF tournament or their results/points will not be added to their
TSA rankings**

VALE DOUG WARD

27-11-1934 TO 18-12-2014

Doug was a member of Veterans Seniors from mid 80's to late 90's and was actively helping to run the tournaments from behind the scenes by erecting or dismantling signage, controlling the ball usage or helping out in the tournament box.

Doug spend many hours in our garage running off copies of the Newsletters before "the labour saving devices came in".

His tennis teams were successful on two occasions that I can remember, in Canberra and Perth when he was in his 60's.

He encouraged others to become involved as a volunteer (like Brian Arnold) and during the International Year of Volunteers in 2001, he received a Certificate of Recognition as a valuable contributor to Volunteers.

Pauline and family wishes to thank the many members and friends for their attendance at Doug's funeral.

Your expressions of sympathy by flowers, cards, friendship, phone calls and donations to the Heart Foundation were overwhelming and very much appreciated.

Doug would be so humbled.

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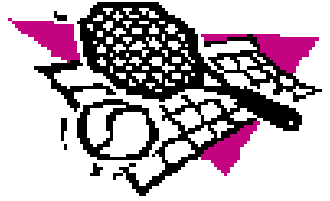
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Twenty eight senior tennis players enjoyed a hit of tennis in the bush at Wattle Range on December 14th. They also enjoyed turkey, ham, and salads followed by delicious Xmas pudding and a visit from Father Christmas. There was a three-way tie between Jay Brokken, Ken Bowden and Peter Barry with Terry Bailey being runner-up in the Men's competition. Marg Moffatt won the Women's Competition from Trish Douglas.

The first senior tennis event for the new year was held at Millicent on Sunday 18th January, with twenty players enjoying a hit of tennis.
Winning man Doug Lang (Millicent) r/up Steve Wakefield (Tarpeena)
Winning lady Marg Moffatt (Mt Gambier) r/up Trish Douglas (SE)

South East seniors tennis players travelled to Lucindale on Sunday 8th February to participate in a tennis challenge with the Murray Bridge players on lawn courts. South East female winner Leane Graetz (Lucindale) and male winner Ray Hill (Bordertown), while Murray Bridge winners were Kathy Pfeiffer and John Owens.



Next event will be held at Beachport on March 15th at 11am. Bring own lunch

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Walter O'Loughlin

Walter O'Loughlin, born in Pinnaroo 14/2/1938, passed away 14/8/2014.

Wally as he was known to most people, started his full-time tennis with the grown ups at the age of eleven years as a fill-in for Saturday, but was chosen every week from whatever sport there was and was good at all. Wherever he went tennis balls, racquet and shoes went with him.

He got a job at Post Office Mount Gambier and then to Murray Bridge Post Office. Played hard court tennis for Mypolonga, also coached the young juniors at Murray Bridge hard court.

His last matches were on lawn at Sturt Reserve Murray Bridge - his health wouldn't let him play any longer. After a long time of sickness and operations at Royal Adelaide Hospital, he passed away at Murray Bridge Soldiers Memorial Hospital.

He also played in Alice Springs, Port Pirie, Naracoorte Masters and in the Adelaide Masters, mostly with Theo Weinmann.

Wally played 64 to 65 years.

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Local News

WARM WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Association: & South Park

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South East: Steve Wakefield & Murray Robinson

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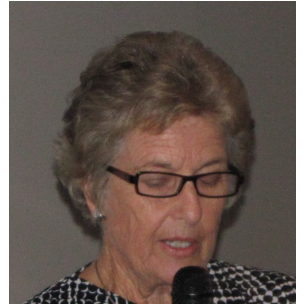
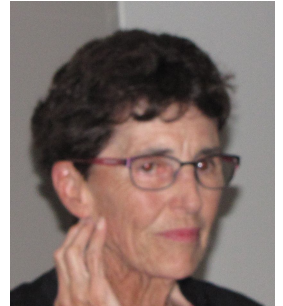
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