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# From The President

The strength of an organisation like Tennis Seniors SA lies in its leadership. Our Management Committee is an exceptional group of people who do a mountain of work that is largely unseen, but ensures that all of us have a good experience as part of Tennis Seniors. In this report, I want you to have small insight into some of what they do for the benefit of each of us.



Louis Kemenyvary is leaving us as our maintenance person. Louis puts in countless hours to ensure that

South Park functions efficiently. I really want to thank Louis for the role he has played. It often goes unnoticed, but is vital to the centre operating effectively and Louis has done it faithfully over many years.

Sue McKelvie has taken on administration of the website and keeps it updated as the public face of the organisation. Sue goes about it with no fuss so that we can all be kept informed about the activities of the organisation.

Rob Crawford works with Sue to ensure that the publicity side of things is under control. Rob is incredibly adept at writing stories about identities in the Tennis Seniors world. Look out, he might be drafting a story about you!

Janet Wang puts in countless hours as Secretary. Tracking the email traffic alone is almost a full time job and Janet is diligent and dependable in that crucial role of keeping on top of our communication.

Chris Cave works alongside Janet to produce our Management Committee minutes which are critical to the recording of discussions and decision making. Chris also works with others to ensure that the clubrooms are spick and span, as well as being involved in supporting other activities.

Sue Hand organises social events and many of the activities that support events like the State Championships with catering. Sue works with Chris to ensure that the clubrooms are presentable. Sue has indicated she will not be seeking nomination for another term. She will certainly be missed!

Roger Sanderson has taken on the role of Treasurer with gusto. He has been crucially involved with setting up better relationships and systems with Adelaide Hockey Club and the Consortium. He has also initiated our strategic planning process.

John Schluter has been instrumental in our successful grant submissions. John is the ultimate collaborator who makes things happen when they don't seem possible. His versatility means that nothing is too difficult for John to take on.

Graham Chilman is working away at increasing our sponsorship income and providing a single reference point for sponsors in building their relationship with Tennis Seniors. He's also driving our enhanced relationship with Tennis SA with great enthusiasm.

Dennis Haupt is our erstwhile Vice President. Dennis literally does everything. From fixing nets and backstops to getting Adelaide City Council to do things, Dennis always has something on the go. Like the rest of the Committee, his commitment is amazing.

There are many more things I could say about what each Committee member does, but the best thing about them collectively is that they have forged a great team which ensures that Tennis Seniors SA is a well run and highly regarded organisation. Thank you to each of them for putting the time and effort into the administration of the sport that they all love.

I also pay tribute to our former Treasurer and Life Member, Lorna Harmer, whose untimely passing has had a big impact on all of us. She will not be forgotten.

Thanks also to all the other people who aren't on the Committee, but volunteer their time and expertise to ensure our various events, competitions and activities run well.

I would also like to invite each member to consider nominating someone for the Committee come the August AGM. It is important that we continue to attract dedicated people to the Committee. It will also be my last year as President, so you may want to think about someone you believe could fulfil that role.

We have received grants to upgrade courts 1-6 at South Park and are currently negotiating when those surfaces can be replaced. Thanks particularly to Tony Murphy who worked with John Schluter on that successful grant application.

Enjoy the rest of the summer season.

#### John Haren

# For Your Diary



#### **SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

Tuesdays Social Tennis (I0.00am start – if hot 8.30am) 31st Berri Carnival May 19th 20th & 21st 2018

#### 2019 AUSTRALIAN CARNIVAL/CHAMPIONSHIPS

Shepparton: - Teams Week - January 7-11 Individuals - January 13-18

#### INTERSTATE 2018

Mar 8-12 Oceania Regional Championships, Kooyong, ITF Regional 1

Mar 30-Apr 2 ACT Seniors Championships, Canberra, ITF

Jun 8-11 Victorian Seniors Claycourt Championships, Dingley, ITF 3

Jul 6-9 TSQ Championships, Gold Coast, ITF 1

Sept 28- Oct 1 NSW State Championships, Eastwood Thornleigh DTA, ITF 2

Oct 5 11-14 WA Seniors State Championships, ITF 3

Nov 11-13 SA State Championships, ITF3

Nov 17-18 Tas 35+ Seniors Championships, Domain TC, NRT 6

Nov 23-26 Victorian Seniors Grasscourt Championships, Yarrawonga, ITF 2

Closing Dates for Editorial June 20th 2018

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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 <a href="maxgailbates@bigpond.com">maxgailbates@bigpond.com</a> that they have played in an overseas ITF tournament or their results/points will not be added to their TSA rankings

# 2018 AUSTRALIAN TENNIS SENIORS AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

SA only entered five teams, four men's and one ladies. The results were as follows:-

MEN'S TEAMS	35/45/50 SA1	2 <sup>ND</sup>
	50+	2 <sup>ND</sup>
	70+	5 <sup>™</sup>
	75+	6 <sup>™</sup>
LADIES TEAM	70/75	5 <sup>TH</sup>

# **2018 POINTS TROPHY**

	<u>STATE</u>	TEAMS	WON	LOST	PERCENTAGE PERCENTAGE
9	ACT	9	209.5	562	37.27
8	WA	18	430	1070.5	40.16
7	NSW	28	792.5	1764.5	44.91
6	VIC	11	340.5	747.5	45.55
5	EUR	1	32.5	64	50.78
4	SA	5	155	304	50.98
3	NZL	3	96	184	52.17
2	JPN	1	29.5	56	52.67
1	QLD	40	1518.5	2455.5	61.84
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# Ladies Team Report

On 6<sup>th</sup> January we arrived in Queensland, settled in and did the shopping for essentials! Practice on Sunday morning and afternoon was held at the Miami and Gold Coast clubs. The number of South Australian teams was well down – only four Men's and one Women's teams, with some SA members on loan to other states as there were not enough to fill any more SA teams. Two ladies, Sue Russo and Di Reynolds, played for NSW 3 (65, section 2), reached the Grand Final against WA and ended up with Silver. Well done to these two for playing for another state! We hope next year numbers from SA will be a lot better and there will be SA teams for them to play in. Hopefully, we will have a greater representation at Shepparton.

#### SA, where were you this year????

My team comprised of Sandra Bryant, Gail Weinert, Pauline Fielden, Chris Cave and myself. We played in the 70/75 grade. The five venues were well placed over the Gold Coast. The biggest centre was at K.D.V. where we played NSW (world players) on clay. This didn't help but, as NSW only dropped games for the whole week and we only had to face them once, we thought the only way from there was up! Next was WA and we had an 8-0 win!!. Tuesday morning, we played Victoria. This was unfinished, 4 sets 36 games(Vic) – 3 sets 24 games(SA). Tuesday afternoon against New Zealand ladies was once again unfinished, 4/36(NZ)- 2/25(SA). Wednesday morning, we played Qld and although we lost 8/48-0/15, the score really doesn't indicate. Wednesday afternoon was a bye and we thought about hitting the surf, but decided to give it a miss as we didn't want to give the lifesavers too much work by saving us, even though we were between the flags. Thursday morning, we played Victoria again. This was also unfinished, the first two rubbers were even but they took the next two. This meant we played WA for fifth or sixth. We won 8-0 again. Overall, we were competitive in most games, with NSW winning our Division.



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My thanks to my team, once again they were a pleasure to play with and to Sue McKelvie. We hired a "bus" to ferry the team around and although Sue was a co-driver, she did most of the driving even taking us up to the mountains on our afternoon off. Sue, Claire DeMack and David Fielden were our supporters over the week, sharing themselves between us and Sue Russo / Di Reynolds' team.

I would also like to thank Dennis Haupt for organising the State Dinner and Mark Swanbury for hosting it - well done. Chris Cave carried the flag for our small group at the Opening Ceremony. The Dinner Dance was held at the same venue as the Opening Ceremony -again only two tables from SA .

Overall, the week was great and enjoyed by all who attended. SA finished fourth with a couple of the Men's teams winning Silver. Great effort! There were a few new faces in the Men's teams and hopefully they will continue coming.

## WHERE WERE YOU SA?

Sue Hand, Capt. Ladies 70/75 team

# Men's Team Reports

# **Men's 35**

SA35 men's team consisted of Andrew Brewster who had to play top in Queensland, David Mullins, Scott Hughes, Dane Bennett, Elliot St Claire and myself. It was great to introduce Dane and Elliot to their first Australian Championships - hopefully a lot more to come.

The team played some great tennis all week; we had a round robin with first past the post. We had five teams in our age Group. Tennis was played at a high level with no easy matches. Unfortunately we lost a few tiebreakers on Wednesday to eventual winners Qld1, which was the telling match.

In the end, a great week and fun had by all, great team effort. Silver medalists.

Cheers Rino Trafort (Captain)

Ps Thanks to my personal driver for the week Steve "Evil" Markey.

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# Men's 50

Following our success in 2017, we came into Qld's 2018 as defending champions so we had to ensure that we fielded as strong a team as possible, being Andrew Thiel, Mike Degenhart, Andrew Schuelke, Mark Swanbury, Garry Nadebaum and the return from long turn injury of Greg Parker.

You would expect having six players in the 50 age group should be enough; however, as is the norm in seniors tennis, we had a number of players going into the carnival with little niggles with only three fit players to commence the teams week initially.

In our age group, we had seven teams of which we played everybody once with a semi final on the Thursday afternoon and a final on the Friday morning.

We commenced the week with solid wins against all teams on Monday., Tuesday. and Wednesday morning with the much anticipated match against the top ranked Qld1 team on Wednesday afternoon. Whilst looking forward to the match, we were not looking forward to playing on the clay courts which are foreign to us. The final result against Qld1 was a resounding 6 love loss with 2 sets unfinished.

With our battered egos, we regrouped for the semi final match against WA which resulted in a strong SA win and another opportunity to play the might of Qld1.

In the Friday 10.40am Final against Qld1, we had nothing to lose and therefore decided to change some of our pairings around with the view of at least staying in the match longer and being competitive.

We put Scheulke/Degenhart in the first double, always going to be tough against the No. 1 pair from Qld, which resulted in them splitting the sets while Nadebaum/Swanbury in the second double getting both sets - SA 3 sets Qld 1 set.

The reverse doubles pitted Swanbury/Degenhart in the fourth double losing both sets with Nadebaum/Scheulke in the third<sup>d</sup> double winning the first set and going down in a tight tiebreaker in the last set.

The end result was a heart breaker four sets apiece, with Qld successful by the bare two games after a more than competitive match which lasted just under four (4) hours. Whilst the end result was not in our favour being runner up, I was extremely proud of our fight to not only stay in the match, but to be more than competitive right up to the end with a great bunch of blokes.

In addition, the support that we received from Chris Luhrs, Kimberley Nadebaum and the Markey's cannot be underestimated with a great week had by all.

Swanee

# Gold Coast Silver Medallists



The Men's 50+ team pushed the almost invincible Qld1 team, Losing a marathon final by only two games.



Sue Russo and Di Reynolds played with NSW Team3 in the Ladies 65+, Section 2 and won silver medals

# MEN'S 70 TEAM

It was disappointing that there were not more SA players for the 2018 Australian Teams Championships. Maybe the reason was the expected weather conditions, which are always hot and humid at that time of the year, or the cost of accommodation on the Gold Coast during school holidays.

We were struggling to enter an over 70's team, so Rob Hann and I dropped down from the 75's to make up the five players. The team consisted of Roger Davey playing in the 70's for the first time, David Cadman, Dennis Haupt, Rob Hann and Peter Dawe. Then a surprise. An American player was looking for a team and we were more than happy to accommodate him. We felt that the fact that he was a leftie (always handy) ranked 24 in the World in the over 70's singles, 22 in doubles and 11 in mixed, we may be able to squeeze him in. However, our newcomer was a no-show and with Dennis unavailable for the first day, we went from a team of six including our star American to the bare four members.

We lost our opening game against QLD 2 on games and in the afternoon were belted by eventual winners WA, 7 sets to 1 with our sole set being won by Roger and Dave against two regular Australian Representatives. Day 2 and now with five players available, we had comfortable wins against NSW and ACT, each 7 sets to 1 and continued on day 3 with a 6 sets to 2 win against QLD 4. We then completed the 8-team round robin with a loss to eventual runner up QLD 1 (Roger and Dave managed to take a set against an Australian Representative pair again) and a 6 sets to 2 win against QLD 3. The four wins and three losses earned us 41.5 points and third place.

Unfortunately, in the play off between three3 and four we lost, placing us officially fourth, quite a good effort.

Peter Dawe (capt)



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# City vs Northern Areas Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

# Northern Areas charged up at Jamestown

Seemingly charged up by their international tourist attraction – the world's biggest battery – the Northern Areas team played consistently strong tennis throughout the day to dominate over the City team in both the Men's and Ladies' Doubles as well as the Mixed Doubles section.

It was a perfect, sunny tennis morning as we gathered at the Jamestown Tennis Club and began the day by renewing friendships for some while also meeting new friends over a delicious morning tea.

Due to some late withdrawals, the City ladies' team was two short, so the locals provided the necessary top-up players.

We clearly knew that we were in for a difficult day when the first round of doubles saw the Northern Areas win nine of the twelve Men's sets and eleven of the Ladies. It was of little consolation that twelve of the sets lost were 4-6, 5-7 or 6-7!

After waiting for Robert Hann and Michael Pocock to complete their marathon 6-7, 6-7 loss to Russell Foulis and John Perry, we took to the courts again for the Mixed Doubles. Northern Areas again dominated winning nine sets to three with most of those being quite clear-cut results.

Over a delicious cold meat and salad lunch, catered in the typically lavish fashion that we have come to expect, complemented by a choice of pavlova, lemon meringue or fruit salad, some of the City team members tried to nobble the Northern Area players with offers of an alcoholic beverage with their lunch. This seemed to have had the desired effect as in the Reverse Doubles round, the City managed to pick up five set to seven in the Men's and four sets to eight in the Ladies' doubles.

Special mention should be made of the efforts of Heather Pfitzner and Mary Johnson from the City team who both won three of their four doubles sets as well as each also winning their mixed sets. For the men, Henry Young and Les Ost combined well to win all four of their Men's sets.

The Brian Pink Memorial Trophy was again returned by City men's captain John Schluter to the Northern Areas captain Twink Sparks and it will spend another year in its country location.

Thanks must go to the Jamestown club for ensuring that the complex and courts were in immaculate condition (although some 'interesting' bounces were experienced at times which the country folk obviously handled better!), and to all of the Northern Areas hosts for the wonderful country catering for lunch and afternoon tea. We look forward to hosting the country team again in 2019 and advise them to remember to bring the trophy with them!

We also note that this year's Jamestown Easter Tournament is their 100<sup>th</sup> which is a magnificent effort and must be in line for the longest running Easter tournament in Australia! If you're looking to play in an Easter tournament, this venue is recommended.

#### Results:

Reverse Doubles:

Men: City 5 sets 57 games, Northern Areas: 7 sets 62 games Ladies: City 4 sets 43 games, Northern Areas: 8 sets 61 games Northern Areas: 9 sets 61 games Northern Areas: 9 sets 94 games Northern Areas: 9 sets 61 games Northern Areas: 11 sets 76 games

Overall: City - 16 sets 241 games, Northern Areas - 44 sets 354 games

# Teams:

Men		Women			
City John SCHLUTER ©	<b>Northern</b> John WALKER	<b>City</b> Jenny SHORT	<b>Northern</b> Karen PILKINGTON		
Martin HAHNHEUS		•	Heather BORMANN		
Rob CRAWFORD	Andrew NOACK	Gail WEINERT	Jenny PARRISH		
Larry CAYAYAN	Malcolm PARRISH	Barbara MATHE	WS Julieanne O'DEA		
Luke O'DEA	Peter FLOWER	Heather PFITZN	ER Kay COX		
Trevor WEINERT	Kevin O'DEA	Mary JOHNSON	Mary BIDDLE		
Robert HANN	Russell FOULIS	Julia WILSON	Carol SIMS		
Michael POCOCK	John PERRY	Sonya CLARK	Cynthia ARTHUR		
Jay TAYLOR	Allan CHAPMAN	Sue HAND ©	Yvonne O'DEA		
Jeff BROWN	Twink SPARKS ©	Chris CAVE	Elaine FITZGERALD		
Les OST	Willy POLOMKA	Sue MCKELVIE	E Yvonne TOBIN		
Henry YOUNG	Glen HAMMAT	Claire DEMACK	Eunice SMITH		
			Nett HAMMATT		

John Schluter/Sue Hand (captains)

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# SUSAN LINFORD'S MEMORIAL TENNIS DAY

# WHEN

Sunday 29th April, 2018 9am Start - 4pm Finish WHERE

Reade Park Lawn Tennis Club

Hereford Place , Colonel Light Gardens

# **TO ENTER**

**Email John Gericke on** 

jgericke@senet.com.au

#### with your

- · Name / Male or Female / Age
- Previous Division Played

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Wednesday 25th April

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- · Light Barbeque to conclude the day
- · Entry:- \$25 Per Person
- · Format:- Round Robin Doubles and Mixed

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# **SUMMER 2017/18 WEEKLY COMPETITIONS**

The current Summer season is now very close to concluding, with only the last few rounds and any finals to be played, before the courts are handed over to Adelaide Hockey at the beginning of April.

# **Night Competitions**

#### Monday Mixed Doubles: -

Both Division 1 and Division 2 are scheduled to play first versus second, third versus fourth and fifth versus sixth on their last competitive night, with seventh having a bye in Div. 1 and seventh versus eighth in Div.2. *Serve You Right* will probably play *Tennis Tragics* in Division 1, while *Footloose* and *Sideliners* will contest the Division 2 final.

#### Tuesday Women's Doubles: -

**NE447** and **Paragold** will be finalists in Division 1, with **Spin 'n Win** taking on **Hot Shots** on that night. In Division 2, **Mixtures** will be playing either **The Girls** or **Strings** in the final.

#### Wednesday Men's A Grade Doubles: -

Top position will be determined over the next two rounds and may be influenced by the extra bye that *Wombat's Mob* have received. The final will be between them and *Poker Boys*, while *Hoo Ever* look most likely to have the last night as spectators.

## Thursday Men's B Grade Doubles: -

Because of the number of teams in both divisions, the last night will be an ordinary round in Div. B1 and Div. B2. The top two teams in Division B1 will almost certainly be *Rabid Racquets* from *Crows*, while *Eagles2*, *Line Callers* or *Tontine* will win the trophy, depending on the effect of the bye that *Eagles2* still have to receive.

# **Day Competition**

### Wednesday Open Doubles, Div. 2: -

These teams will be playing a Round Robin on their last morning for Summer. *Murphies Hawks* are in prime position to finish top from *Newbies Young Bucks*.

# **WINTER 2018 WEEKLY COMPETITIONS**

It is anticipated that the Winter Season can commence on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April, the day that schools return from their Term 1 holiday. This will allow three rounds to be played before the break for the 31<sup>st</sup> Riverland Carnival at Berri, Loxton, Renmark and Waikerie.

As in previous Winter Seasons, there will be a Mixed Doubles competition on Monday nights, as well as the Men's A Grade competition. Their matches will probably be scheduled to commence at 7.30pm and almost certainly each match will be played on two courts, thus giving a reasonable chance to conclude at a civilised hour. Of course, after-match activities may extend much later.

Wednesday night's will probably comprise two divisions of Men's B Grade doubles. Again, scheduling will aim for two courts per match.

It would be good to have sufficient interest to be able to offer a Women's competition, but past seasons suggest this is unlikely.

The Thursday Open Singles/Doubles and Wednesday Division 2 Open Doubles will continue as in the Summer Season.

Nomination Forms for these competitions are available on the Website, with printed copies of this magazine and at the South Park Clubrooms.



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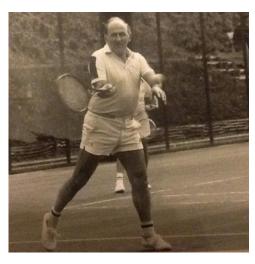
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# **JOHN MEHAFFEY: 1924 – 2017**

**John Mehaffey** died in his sleep peacefully on 10 December 2017 in New Zealand. He was aged 93.

Many younger Tennis Seniors SA members would legitimately ask "Who is John Mehaffey? What did he do to earn the renowned acknowledgement and recognition that Tennis Seniors SA gives now?"

John is particularly important in Tennis Seniors SA's history. He was instrumental in establishing the Tennis Veterans Association of SA in the early 1970s, which was the inaugural Tennis club in SA specifically for older tennis players. The Tennis Veterans



Association is now called Tennis Seniors Association of SA following its name change in later years. For initiating and developing Seniors Tennis in SA, Tennis Seniors SA expresses its acknowledgement and appreciation for John's major contribution to Seniors Tennis in SA and Australia.

The inaugural meeting to establish the Tennis Veterans Association of SA was held in the President's room of the SA Lawn Tennis Association, Memorial Drive in December 1972. John Mehaffey was elected President and he continued in this role until 1983. The original members of Tennis Veterans SA Association included the top ranked players from SA, including John, Tom Warhurst, Neville Quist and Gordon Schwartz. Some early members, including Stan Hawkins, Bob Oliver and Tom Gray maintained their membership for many years into the 2000's. In these earlier days, members had to be aged 45 years and above, and the major activity of players was to compete in Veteran Carnivals against Veteran Tennis teams from other Australian states. Membership was entirely male until 1975, when several women were introduced into the Association and made up an SA team, which also competed in Australian Carnivals.

The weekly team events, a strong current feature of Tennis Seniors SA, commenced in the early 1980s under John's presidency. They were initiated, based on an idea from Don Pike, another early member that many current members would remember.

John also played regular social tennis with other early Tennis Veteran members for many years, including Lew Ward and Eddie Drummond.



From Left: John Mehaffey, Eddie Drummond, Vin Kean and Ray Stoneham

John played tennis at the highest level both in SA and nationally. He held No. 1 ranking in SA in the 1940's and won several state titles. He also competed in Australian Open tournaments from 1946 to 1951 and again in 1955, competing against Australia's best, including Frank Sedgman and Mervyn Rose. In later years as a Tennis Senior, John held several Australian Seniors doubles and mixed doubles titles, and continued his tennis success in New Zealand Seniors tennis events after moving to New Zealand with his wife, Laurel.

John was a prominent and talented all-round SA sportsman, showing elite level skills in several other sports in addition to tennis. He played SANFL football for West Torrens and South Australia with distinction. He was also prominent in table tennis, badminton and golf. He also commented on sports events for the ABC on radio and TV.

John also established his own sports store in Adelaide, which became widely known and provided a large number of SA tennis players with equipment for many years.

Tennis Seniors SA expresses its sympathy to John's family and friends following his passing and gladly acknowledges his large and important contribution to Seniors Tennis in South Australia and Australia. They can be proud of the legacy that he has left. He was the leader responsible for establishing tennis specifically for seniors in SA. Tennis Veterans SA provided a successful forum for the early members. His presidency also provided a firm base for the growth in Tennis Seniors SA that occurred over the following years, resulting in the strong and successful club that we have currently in SA. Tennis Seniors SA remembers you and thanks you for your lasting contribution.

# LORNA HARMER

8 June 1946 - 22 January 2018



Lorna Harmer's many friends in Tennis Seniors SA, including the Tennis Seniors SA committee were deeply saddened to learn that Lorna passed away on 18 January 2018.

Lorna died at Black Point on Yorke Peninsula, where she loved to spend at the Harmer holiday home with friends and family. Tennis Seniors SA passes on our sympathy to Lorna's



time

family and friends following her passing and expresses our gratitude for her long and important contribution to Seniors Tennis in South Australia.

Lorna made a very significant and long term contribution to Tennis Seniors SA as a player, team member and administrator. She joined the Seniors Tennis club in 1990 and played many years of weekly competitions and other Seniors SA events. She also represented SA in the Australian Teams Carnivals on several occasions. Lorna took up the executive role of Treasurer of Tennis Seniors SA in 2002, and she

held this position until 2016. Lorna's efforts for Tennis Seniors SA were impressive in terms of the length of her commitment alone. Over this period, Lorna managed the regular finances of Tennis Seniors SA competently. Her role also included governing the finances of the consortium and the combined maintenance and ground replacement funds of Tennis Seniors SA and Adelaide Hockey.

In addition, Lorna conducted the finances for major events and projects, including acting as Treasurer for the Australian Championships 2009 held in Adelaide, managing the finances for the construction of six new courts in 2008/2009, and the installation of the large solar power system that has resulted in significant reductions in the Park 20 power costs.

During Lorna's period as Treasurer, Tennis Seniors SA has continued to provide a range of tennis and social activities for the members and to attract growing member numbers by developing the activities. Lorna's contribution to Tennis Seniors SA's success over this period is important and significant. She performed her role competently and effectively.

Lorna – Tennis Seniors SA thanks you for your untiring efforts and remembers you fondly.

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# VALE PAMELA HARVEY

1935 - 2018

Pamela joined Veterans Tennis in 1984/5.

Became a member of Veterans Committee in 1986/87.

Appointed Secretary in 1987/88 and continued as Secretary for three years.

Continued on as a member of the committee after her years as Secretary, until she retired from the committee in August 1994 at the AGM.



Merchandise coordinator for 1994 Australian Championships when Adelaide was the host.

She was involved in the formation of the Berri Carnival which is now in its 31 st year.

Coordinated the Tuesday Night Ladies Competitions for many years at Prince Alfred College, Payneham and South Park Courts. Played Tuesday night tennis and was Recorder for years for Tuesday night tennis.

Represented SA for many years in Australian Championships held in different states each year.

She was also on the SAVET Magazine committee, assisting with typing of the magazine.

Was involved in the formation of the Northern Areas Division.

Social Secretary and on Social committee until 1997, assisting with the organisation of many social functions.

Catered for lunches when City v Northern Areas and City V Country matches were held in Adelaide.

Was made Life Member in 1999.

A very hard worker during her time with the Veterans/Seniors Tennis Association.

Condolences to Ted and her family.

# 2019 Australian Seniors Championships Shepparton

The Australian Seniors Teams Carnival and Individual Championships will be hosted by Tennis Seniors NSW on the excellent grass courts of Shepparton in Victoria. The Teams carnival will run from  $7^{th}$  -  $11^{th}$  January with the Opening Ceremony and practice on  $6^{th}$  January. The Individual Championships will run from  $13^{th}$  -  $28^{th}$  January.

Why is NSW hosting an event in Victoria? Technical issues with facilities at the main Newcastle centre have forced a late change of venue for hosting the Championships. However, despite extensive research, no other NSW centre could offer sufficient courts in close proximity to host the 100+ teams that attend the annual Championships

Across the border, Shepparton was ready, willing and able to offer support to Tennis Seniors once again. They LOVE having us there – it stimulates their economy! The Greater Shepparton City Council has come on board with support of all kinds – from administration personnel to marketing and funding. Ian Grose, the President of Shepparton Lawn Tennis Club and curator of the courts, has a team of volunteers that are happy to serve us again!

Shepparton Lawn Tennis Club is one of Victoria's premier grass court tennis venues with twenty two grass courts. Set in a spectacular location adjacent to Victoria Park Lake and alongside the Goulburn River, the club is within walking distance to motels, hotels, caravan parks and central Shepparton.

Some of the Teams Carnival will also use a facility in Mooroopna. The facility will be transformed from a sporting space to world class tennis courts.

If you are thinking of going, you also need to think about accommodation.

# **Change in TSA Executive**

The Annual General Meeting of Tennis Seniors Australia was held on the Gold Coast on 11 January 2018 during the Australian Teams Carnival. There were six positions available on the Executive Committee. However, there were more nominations than positions and a vote was held. Peter Dighton, 2017 Vice President, did not seek reelection.

The final result saw Clive Wilkinson as President, Pat Moloney as Secretary, Peter Froelich as Treasurer and Leanne Scot, Di Cassell and Ian Worland as Committee members.

The Vice President is yet to be confirmed.

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# Web News

The Website is the place to read the reports from the Captains of the teams who represented us in Queensland, January, 2018. We only had five teams, but managed three silver medals, a great effort by those teams, and a great time was had by all..

Unfortunately, we have had the deaths of two of our tennis family members since the last SAVET and these are reported on the Web; you can read tributes to them, they will be sadly missed, particular Lorna Harmer as she has only just, in the past few years, retired from being our Treasurer.

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 endof season event before the centre is handed over to Adelaide Hockey.

Remember; keep your eye on the Web and Facebook as these are 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.

#### Cheers

Web master Sue McKelvie suemckelvie@bigpond.com

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# 31<sup>ST</sup> RIVERLAND CARNIVAL

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# 2018 ITF WORLD SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Nominations are now open for Australian Representative Teams in the Seniors and Super Seniors. The closing date for nominations for the Young Seniors is yet to be advised in view of the change in dates. Any queries please contact Enid Besant Ryan.

Young Seniors:- Miami USA, 22 October – Teams, 29 October 2018 Individuals – preferred dates yet to be confirmed – closing date to be advised.

Senior:- Ulm Germany, Teams 12-18 August, Individuals 19-25 August – closing date 8pm 16 March

Super Seniors:- Umag Croatia, 16-22 September Teams, 23-29 September 2018 – closing date 8pm 18 May 2018

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### **South East Seniors**

Eighteen South East Tennis Seniors travelled to Wattle Range on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2017, enjoyed a hit of tennis and a sumptuous lunch in the bush in perfect conditions. Winners were Wendy MacDonald and Peter Evans, and Runners-up were Bernie Paltridge and Bob Brown.





South East Seniors enjoyed a hit of tennis at Corriedale Park in perfect conditions on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January. Winning lady was Trish Douglas with Helen Rathjen runner-up. Bob Brown was the Winning man from Bill Chapman, runner-up.



Eighteen South East Tennis Seniors travelled to Lucindale on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February to participate in a tennis challenge with nine Murray Bridge players in perfect conditions. The Annual Challenge Cup was won by Murray Bridge for the second year running. Winning ladies were Marg Moffat (Mt Gambier) and Elsie Grobler (Murray Bridge), with Leanne Watson and Kathy Pfeiffer Runners-up. Bill Chapman (Millicent) and Ray Rossiter were the Winning men, from Alan Schultz and John Owens.



Next event for South East Seniors will be held at Beachport on Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup>.

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# Country Divisions

# **Murray Bridge Division**

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#### **South East**

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Ass Secretary: Bronwyn Neil
Publicity Officer: Helen Rathjen

General Committee: Marlene Bull, Peter Barry, Elzette LeRoux

and Christine Cream

# Local News

# WARM WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Association & South Park: Bill Wallace, Simon Roesler, Donna O'Loughlin,

Geoffrey Leane, Jason Karas.

Association: Grant Kirkpatrick, Dale Bennett, Elliot St Claire, Tanya Griguol, Bima

Subagio, Eric Benson, Mendi Doroudi, Mark Allen, Lynton Manuel, Carolyn Travers, Darren McColl, Travis Simmons, Craig Hamilton.

Northern Areas: Fave Case South East: Zena Reinar

Contact Chris Cave on 8379 7352 or 0412 627 456 for state shirts and jackets.

#### **PRIVACY**

Tennis Seniors SA is required to use Tennis Australia's My Tennis database for recording member details. If you have any objection to such information being used in this manner, please contact our Secretary on 8376 8765.

# **DISTRIBUTION OF SAVET**

SAVET is now being provided to members by email, via a hyperlink access housed on our Tennis Seniors SA website. It important that all members continue to receive SAVET We are aware that some members do not have or have not provided an email address. Accordingly, we will continue to print some hard copies that will be posted to these members. Please ensure if you have changed your email address recently that you advise the Secretary of your correct email address.

## Tennis Seniors of SA - Secretary's phone number.

Please be advised that the telephone number for all enquiries for Tennis Seniors and the phone number to contact the Secretary is 8376 8765 or 0408 123 356 Thanks, Janet Wang

# Sub-Committees 2017/2018

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