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The President's 2019-20 Report to AGM

I began last year's report by saying that it had been a challenging year. Little did I know what was in store for us all for 2019-20! Despite the significant interruptions to our playing and social programs as a consequence of the tight restrictions forced on us, the committee has worked throughout to ensure that we provided as much opportunity to continue playing tennis as we could under the circumstances.



Weekly Competitions and Social days:

All summer competitions were unfortunately suspended just short of the scheduled final nights and the teams in top position were recognised as the winners. During the enforced shutdown, the Tuesday and Thursday morning social programs were able to continue using only the two public courts and all players responsibly observed the ten maximum on any day.

From early June, we were able to begin our winter competitions and team numbers are consistent with previous years.

Tuesday and Thursday morning social days see around five or six courts used consistently though we could cater for more.

Facilities:

Courts 1-6 have now settled well and are playing beautifully. The main pitch area has also settled more and over the past 4-5 weeks, I have noted, having played on a number of them, that the bounce is improved (although the drop shot is still very effective).

With Roger Sanderson managing the maintenance and development issues across the complex for the consortium and supervising our grounds worker, the whole facility has been kept in peak condition.

Australian Championships:

Seven teams – four men's and three ladies' – travelled to Busselton in January to contest the Australian Teams' Championships with three teams winning their division. Well done to those players who again represented our state strongly.

At this stage we have not received any confirmation that this event will be held in 2021, but ACT have notified that they will be unlikely to be able to host the teams week. At the time of writing this report, TSQ have indicated that they would be willing to stage both weeks. We expect that a decision will be made shortly, and members will be advised as soon as we are.

Tennis Seniors Australia:

At the AGM of TSA, held in Busselton during the Australian Teams' Championships, a new executive was elected, with only two of the previous members continuing. This new executive has established more open communication with the state divisions and it is clear that it is keen to re-establish contact with Tennis Australia, with a view to working collaboratively to further the provision of tennis for seniors across the full range of abilities. We look forward to further developments in this endeavour.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the significant contributions of our retiring committee members: -

Janet Wang has been our reliable secretary for many years. She has been the contact person to whom everyone would turn with any number and range of enquiries. Janet, you have been invaluable to the TSSA over your time and we thank you for your service.

Rob Crawford is also not re-nominating after quite a few years' service. His thoughtful input will also be missed. Rob has also been the wordsmith who compiles and sends out the emails to members. His ability to clearly convey the required information to keep the membership informed has been appreciated.

Tony Murphy is also taking a well-earned break. He has managed much of the legal issues around our liquor licence requirements as well as sourcing grant options and compiling applications. His work in this area has benefitted the Association through quite a number of grants being gained.

Donna Freeman has also advised that she is not seeking re-election and her input from a (relatively) younger viewpoint will be missed also.

Each of these people will leave a lasting legacy as a result of their significant contributions to the operations of the Association and we thank them for their work.

Finally, I am also stepping aside from the committee as well as from the position of President. I have greatly enjoyed the many tennis opportunities and the friendships that are available through Tennis Seniors and I have been privileged to contribute to its ongoing development. I look forward to enjoying many more years of tennis at the South Park complex.

I urge all members to consider contributing to the future of TSSA through the committee and I wish the new committee success in continuing to develop the excellent range of tennis activities offered.

John Schluter

President

For Your Diary



SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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

Thursday Social Tennis

Friday Open Court Twilight Tennis – start 5.30 pm

State Championships: - cancelled for 2020

2021 Australian Seniors Carnival – Cancelled

(See page 17)

2021 Australian Seniors Individual Championships

April 2 – 6, Lyneham, Canberra

INTERSTATE 2020

Nov 21-22 Tasmanian Seniors Championships NRT6

Nov 20-23 Victorian Grasscourt Championships Yarrowonga Tennis Club ITF2

Closing Dates for Editorial, 20 November 2020

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Treasurer's Report to AGM

This report should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the accounts

Changes in System Management

Members subscriptions were automated this year with most members receiving their subscriptions via email with an accompanying invoice. Electronic payment options were also included in the email. This methodology removed manual handling of subscription renewals, but more importantly, provided a base to track actual revenue from member subscriptions.

The Association absorbed the commission cost relating to electronic payments by members. Members expressed appreciation for the ease in renewing their subscriptions.

Unfortunately, we still have a duplicated membership record as 'My Tennis' database operated by Tennis Australia does not readily interface with our system. We use My Tennis for e-communications to members.

We are working collaboratively with Tennis SA towards an integrated solution that may become operational from 2021 year. That would include:

- E-communications including SA Vet magazine
- Automatic member registration with Tennis Australia
- E-member subscription renewals and e-payment options
- Club Website (already transitioned).

Review of Operations

Operating profit/(loss) for the year was (\$29,324); last year (\$12,452).

Table 1 below shows the trading results after adding back non-cash items:

Table 1	2019-2020	2018-2019
	\$	\$
Operating Profit/(Loss) Operating Statement	(29,324)	(12,452)
Add: Non Cash/ non cash received items		
Depreciation expense	7,318	7,963
Investment impairment	4,657	0
Debtors impairment	2,890	0
Amortization of leasehold improvements	<u>18,174</u>	<u>63,606</u>
Operating profit before depreciation and impairments	3,715	59,118

Key Areas of Trading Activity

Operating revenue and specifically Team Fee income for the current year was affected by players not being able to play due to the Corona Virus restrictions. Offsetting this revenue loss was canteen and court hire for the Masters Tournament held at Park 20 in October 2019 (canteen revenue - \$ 3,422 and court hire - \$3,600).

Operating Expenses

Member subscriptions were also affected by the virus with numerous members not electing to renew their subscriptions. Accordingly, a provision for Doubtful Debts has been raised - \$2,890 at year end.

Insurance Costs

The Association has taken advantage of Tennis Australia's inclusive Club 'umbrella' Business Risk insurance policy which will result in a full year saving of some \$4,800 per year. Last year, we also moved to be covered for Public Liability insurance under the Tennis Australia insurance policy.

Review of Statement of Financial Position

Non-current investments

An amount of \$120,000 is now treated as non-current as the likelihood of applying those funds for Court Replacement costs now has a horizon of 8-10 years.

Current Liabilities – other

Funds have been received from known sources. The Association has clarified that those funds were deposited in favour of the Association. The funds will be transferred to revenue progressively from the 2020-21 year

‘Acknowledgement of Janet WANG’s service to TSSA’

At the 2020 AGM outgoing TSSA Chairperson John Schluter spoke of Janet Wang’s amazing contribution to Tennis Seniors over an extended period, including more than twenty years as Secretary.

He shared that nothing was too much trouble for Janet. She was held in high esteem by tennis organisations in South Australia and across Australia.

He praised Janet for her level of involvement, an involvement that did not diminish when her playing of tennis ceased.

On behalf of all members, he thanked Janet for her magnificent efforts and achievements, adding that he and all members look forward to her continuing presence around the Association.



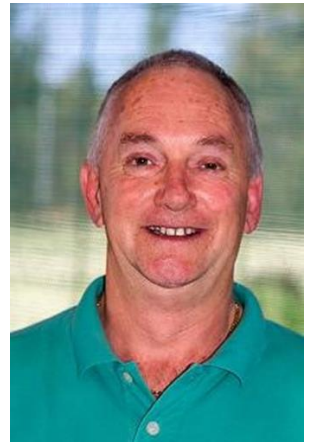
‘John SCHLUTER - Acknowledgement of service to TSSA’

(The following was presented by Rob Crawford at the 2020 TSSA AGM)

John SCHLUTER has given remarkable service to TSSA over the thirty or so years of his membership and we should take a few minutes of this AGM to acknowledge John’s enormous contribution.

Briefly, John joined Veterans Tennis SA (as it was known then) in 1991. He began his administrative roles by joining the committee for two years in 1994 and 1995. He was elected as President from 2004 to 2008 and continued as a committee member as Past President in 2009.

John rejoined the committee in 2013 and he has remained an active member of the TSSA committee until his retirement on 18 Aug 2020. During the last two years of this period (2018-2020), John took a leadership position again, acting as TSSA Chairman. John deservedly received Life Membership for his contribution in 2017.



There are many noteworthy contributions that John has made. We can mention only some of these: -

As President in 2004–2008, John played a senior role in negotiating with Adelaide City Council for TSSA and Adelaide Hockey to lease and develop the old Adelaide Bowling facilities at Park 20 for tennis and hockey playing grounds.

In 2004-2008, John was also critically involved in a legal dispute that threatened the viability of TSSA and Adelaide Hockey. The company that laid the original carpet surface for the Park 20 complex contested their responsibility to repair their faulty work. TSSA and AH eventually won the dispute, and TSSA and AH gained an outstanding venue for their future activities.

More recently, John was involved in achieving grants from ACC and Recreation & Sport for the recent court resurfacing of courts 1-6. In this process, John was involved organizing the removal of the old underlay surface by TSSA members. This effort by TSSA members saved TSSA up to \$30k for this court surface replacement.

John has worked on Committees for Australian Tennis Seniors Championships in 2009 and 2017.

John's efforts in arranging the ongoing sale of used tennis balls have provided significant additional funds to TSSA.

John has provided overall leadership and advice to the Coordinators for TSSA's regular competitions.

The successful outcomes of John's many TSSA activities have not happened by chance. John's management approach is loaded with leadership, originality, and pragmatism. As many of you know John's professional career focused on education and if you share a glass or two of red wine with him he can tell very interesting stories of and some of the issues he has dealt with, particularly during both John's and Diane's early times as teachers in the far west of South Australia. His stories are very entertaining and illustrate his ability to identify immediately the source of a problem. His solutions to such problems are inventive and effective. John has used the same imaginative "can do" approach to manage issues that have faced TSSA during his leadership times and he is widely recognized as the "go to" man whenever a problem or task arises.

John has played in the regular TSSA competitions and Berri Carnivals for many years. He has always played with enthusiasm, fairness, and enjoyment, and he enjoys winning!

There is no doubt that John will continue to play Seniors Tennis and enjoy the excellent company of his many TSSA friends.

John - TSSA thanks you for your invaluable contribution to TSSA's success and growth over the last thirty years. Enjoy your administrative retirement and the coming years of Seniors tennis.

**** Congratulations Roger Sanderson ****

TSSA was proud to announce that Roger Sanderson, our Treasurer, has been elected to the Board of Tennis SA. We congratulate Roger on his achievement and wish him a successful and enjoyable term as a Tennis SA Director.

Roger's contribution to TSSA has been significant and impressive. As Treasurer, Roger has managed TSSA's finances professionally and very effectively. In addition, Roger has applied his management skills in broader areas of TSSA's administration by initiating a range of facility improvements across the South Park complex. Importantly his liaison with committee members of Adelaide Hockey Club and Pulteney Grammar School has been instrumental in fostering the positive relationship between the member groups of the South Park consortium. As many of our members would know this has changed a difficult period of consortium operations into a very functional and cooperative consortium.



Roger's skills and experience have been a major asset to TSSA. Roger can take TSSA's best wishes in his new role as a Tennis Director and we have no doubt that Roger will make a significant contribution to the fostering and promotion of tennis across SA in his new position.

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South Australian Tennis Seniors

2020 - October Tennis Carnival Weekend

3rd & 4th October 2020

Venue: South Park Tennis Seniors Centre located in Adelaide's South Park Lands near the corner of Greenhill Rd. & Peacock Rd. opposite to where Roberts St. connects into Greenhill Rd. UNLEY SA 5061.

Doubles/Mixed Events - Round Robin

In conducting this inaugural event we wanted to provide an opportunity for senior tennis players 35+ of all levels, and from across the state, to enjoy two fun days of tennis before commencing another exciting summer on the court.

In the words of Max FORAN our Promotions Officer, "We have introduced this exciting weekend in order to help keen players say goodbye to the gloom of another chilly winter that has been exacerbated by the impact of COVID-19".

The organising task group consisting of Roger SANDERSON (convenor), Karen AHERNS (Carnival Organiser), Max FORAN, Leonie MILLARD, Norbert JAHNKE and Frank SPIEL determined that entrants would be grouped according to their skill levels to play doubles on the Saturday and mixed doubles on the Sunday in a round-robin format. It was sought to have groupings of eight with seven sets being played on the Saturday, four in the morning followed by three sets after lunch. Each set was first to six games with tiebreaker if required. Players expressed their enjoyment in having the time to interact with others and getting to know new players from various locations in South Australia.

We had entries from players in the tennis seniors' associations of Northern Areas (Jamestown, Pt. Broughton & Pt. Pirie), Riverland and Murray Bridge & Districts, as well as a group from the Adelaide Hills.

In the afternoon, in response to player's feedback, we collapsed the Ladies Groups 1, 2 and 3 to enable greater levels of interaction between the players from varied locations that was greatly appreciated. A special thank you to Leonie MILLARD who facilitated this.

On the Sunday, our Mixed Doubles got quickly underway with four groups of eight and a group of four. Although we had scheduled four sets to be played, with each set to be first to nine and tiebreaker if required, most groups automatically adopted first to six games and tiebreaker if required. We also re-scheduled to complete all sets before lunch at 1pm, presentations and winding up.

Players' feedback indicated that they would like to see this approach continue next year as it meant that those who had long distances to travel could do so in the afternoon and still enjoy the public holiday back home! Next year, we will most probably still have the 'Skilled' groupings play to 9 but commence a bit earlier to ensure that we finish at 1pm.

Participants particularly enjoyed the café style setting within the clubroom and out front on the terrace. On Saturday, having the coffee van by the entrance an hour before signing in was a great initiative and many would like to see it there again next year and on the Sunday!

Overwhelmingly, feedback from players indicated, "book us in for next year's October Long Weekend!"

Feedback from participants also indicated that there exists an opportunity to hold one more carnival each year at South Park Tennis Seniors centre using this format. Our TSSA Tournaments/Carnival Subcommittee will explore the possibilities!

We will be loading a link to a PDF document on our website that has participants listed in their various groups and accompanying photographs as per the following example: -



SUNDAY - MIXED GROUP 5

- | |
|-------------------------|
| 1 PETER ADAMS |
| 2 JAY TAYLOR |
| 3 NORBERT JAHNKE |
| 4 FABODALI 'FAB' ALBORZ |
| 5 JO CASEY |
| 6 LIZZIE O'HARA |
| 7 BEV VIRGIN |
| 8 LEONIE MILLARD |

A special thank you to our legion of volunteers as a successful event does not occur by chance! Roger SANDERSON in his role as convenor and with the team developing the 'Running Sheet', it meant that everyone knew what the tasks were!

What was excellent to observe was how people volunteered! e.g. Daniel FLAHERTY – BBQ; Tony MURPHY – all things COVID; Max FORAN – 'Press'; Leonie MILLARD & Sue HAND with support from the 'Backroom Crew' such as Donna NEWBERRY & Barbara MATHEWS (pictured) who catered superbly.



The 'Backroom Crew' received great support from Angelique FORAN on the Sunday, and Sandra BRYANT and Chris CAVE on the Friday afternoon when setting up. Did like observing how Sandra and Sue got their husbands busily working packaging! In naming and acknowledging people you always run the risk of missing some, apologies! Nevertheless, thank you to everyone who jumped in and finally a thank you to all participants who really did adopt the approach of "let us enjoy our tennis and have fun!"

RESULTS for the Men's Doubles & Women's Doubles Groups

held Saturday 2 October 2020.

Ladies Groups 1, 2 & 3 – **Wendy DOOLETTE & Ann-Marie YEATES**
 Ladies Group 4 – **Genevieve DAWSON**
 Men's Group 1 – **Theo WEINMANN**
 Men's Group 2 – **John SCHLUTER**
 Men's Group 3 – **Gary STIBBS**

RESULTS for the Mixed Doubles groups

held Sunday 3 October 2020.

Mixed Doubles Group 1 – **Theo WEINMANN**
 Mixed Doubles Group 2 – **Les OST**
 Mixed Doubles Group 3 – **Wendy DOOLETTE**
 Mixed Doubles Group 4 – **Ingrid FLAHERTY & Stephen HOSKING**
 Mixed Doubles Group 5 – **Jay TAYLOR**

Ladies - Group 1	Ladies - Group 2	Ladies - Group 3	Ladies - Group 4
Eunice Smith	Wendy Doolette**W	Libby Timmins	Jane Linn
Ros Mitchell	Elaine Fitzgerald	Jo Casey	Wendy Butler
Lavina Blieschke	Noni Ferguson	Ann-Marie Yeates**W	Ingrid Flaherty
Susan Fox	Lyndall Thomas	Cally Toma	Gill Scott
Jeanne Weinmann	Debbie Wherry	Debbie Tayler	Jane Karl
Jessi Symens	Elsie (Marthina) Grobler	Lizzie O'Hara	Ania Kritzinger
Yvonne O'Dea		Beverly Virgin	Genevieve Dawson**40
Lyndall Thomas		Leonie Millard	Donna Freeman
Mens - Group 1	Men - Group 2	Men - Group 3	
Gordon Fry	Raymond Rossiter	Peter Adams	
Don Burgess	Philip Case	Jay Taylor	
Theo Weinmann**34	Rob Linn	Norbert Jahnke	
Jack Reddin	Kym Millard	Micheal Popcock	
Les Ost	Frank Spiel	Gary Stibbs**39	
Orrin Newby	Stephen Hosking	Fabodali Alborz	
Jeff Brown	John Schulter**43	Hermann Magerkorth	
Wayne Rose	Ian Maddern	Marcelo Guera	

WEEKLY COMPETITIONS

Open Mixed Doubles – 2020 Winter Season

Report - Frank Spiel

In future years we will recall this season as the one that occurred despite having to manage COVID-19, a disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus. We got to understand that 'CO' stands for corona, 'VI' for virus, and 'D' for disease. Formerly, this disease was referred to as '2019 novel coronavirus' or '2019-nCoV.'

Our weekly competitions resumed from Wednesday 10th June, but we were unable to play the following two Monday evenings due to wet weather.

However, we finally got out there and enjoyed some very cold and still evenings, with over fifty players regularly being involved, as our six teams competed alongside six teams involved in the Men's Division 1 – A Grade competition.

Players quickly adapted to the new 'playing etiquette' and were very conversant with new terminology, required behaviours and practices that included:

COVID-19

COVDSafe & COVDSafe app.

'self-isolate'

'14-day self-quarantine'

'flattening the curve'

'good hygiene'

'social / physical distancing' (1.5metres)

Density (one person per 4 square metres) and social distancing

Post-match touching of racquets and elbow touches

'Roadmap for easing COVID-19 restrictions'

'Stop the Spread'

It was a memorable season and one that Max, and I enjoyed as Competition Coordinators. We appreciated how numerous players volunteered to be fill-ins to cover those of us who succumbed to injuries!

For our competition we did not hold finals and at the end of the season the noticeably clear and deserving winners were Sideliners consisting of team members Rob HANN (Team Capt.), Mel GILMOUR, Nick WISEMAN,

Trevor WIENERT, Wendy DOOLETTE, and Ros MITCHELL. Trevor, Wendy, Ros and Mel were presented with bottles of wine by Ian DELBRIDGE, who looked resplendent and official in his COVID Marshal jacket.



The tables hereunder contain the statistics for the **2020 Winter Season** that were prepared and consistently posted by Ernest STEVENSON who does a great job as our TSSA Statistician, TSSA Membership Officer and as Four Play's Team Captain!

RESULTS IN ALL DIVISIONS

Monday Nights

Mixed Doubles:

Sideliners	81 points
FAB five	56 points
Footloose	51 points
Enigma	47 points
Shot Mates	47 points
Four Play	25 points

Men's A Grade Doubles

Punters	65 points	5.42 pts ratio
Poker Boys	64 points	5.33 pts ratio
Wombats Mob	52 points	4.83 pts ratio
Celtic Kin	38 points	3.17 pts ratio
Chappies Chumps	32 points	2.67 pts ratio
Hoo Ever	21 points	1.75 pts ratio
Eagles	16 points	1.33 pts ratio

Wednesday Nights

Men's B Grade Doubles, Div. B1

Crows	81 points	6.75 pts ratio
Rabid Racquets	56 points	4.67 pts ratio
Smart Aces	48 points	4.0 pts ratio
Eagles1	45 points	3.75 pts ratio
Nearly Inn	22 points	1.83 pts ratio
Gerry's Aces	20 points	1.67 pts ratio
8 Balls	16 points	1.33 pts ratio

Men's B Grade Doubles, Div. B2

Line Callers	74 points	5.69 pts ratio
No NRG	72 points	5.14 pts ratio
Tontine	41 points	2.93 pts ratio
Muscat-ears	40 points	2.86 pts ratio
Baseliners	26 points	2.17 pts ratio
Volleys	19 points	1.46 pts ratio



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SOCIAL TENNIS

Players resumed their social tennis during the winter months, using courts 1 and 2 as one zone, courts 4 and 5 as a second zone and a third zone, courts 8 and 9, with about thirty players getting back on court.

Now they are back in full swing for the summer.

Tuesday Doubles:

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Thursday Open Singles/Doubles

Coordinators:

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wrose1944@gmail.com

John SCHLUTER Mob: 0411 022 930

jdschlut@bigpond.net.au

SUMMER COMPETITIONS

Although the winter matches went deeper into September than normal, the summer matches managed to start only a week later than normal and are now in full swing. Monday sees five teams in Mixed Division 1 and six teams in Mixed Division 2.

On Tuesday, there are only five ladies' teams competing this season.

Wednesday has the same six Men's A Grade teams competing as last season.

Thursday Men's B Grade has gone up to their maximum number, with eight teams in Division B1 and ten teams in Division B2, ensuring the best use of the centre.

A New Venture - Friday Open Court Twilight Sessions

Friday Open Court Twilight Sessions started on 23 October from 5:30pm.

The cost is only \$5 and all sessions will be held at our South Park Tennis Seniors Centre that is located in the parklands opposite 118 Greenhill Road, Unley.

The sessions are for anyone 25+ and is designed to give participants an opportunity to meet new people, have a laugh, and play tennis at their skill level.

You are encouraged to bring along colleagues, family members, friends, and others.

If you want more information please contact either Max FORAN Mob: 0409096017 or

Peter FRENCH Mob: 0421141132

2021 Australian Seniors Carnival & Individual Championships



Further to the decision of Tennis Seniors ACT to say they could not run the Australian Teams Carnival due to COVID-19, it has not be possible for Tennis Seniors Australia to make suitable alternative arrangements and regrettably the event for 2021 has been cancelled.

The teams carnival, the flagship of seniors tennis in Australia, has participation levels exceeding 700 players and with the social restrictions potentially impacting the opening ceremony, presentation dinner, team dinners, other social functions together with large groups of players passing each other at time slot changes, there was no choice other than to cancel. No decision has yet been made on the location of the 2022 Carnival.

The Australian Seniors Individual Championships were scheduled to be held in Lyneham, Canberra from 24 – 29 January 2021. Tennis Seniors ACT sought and Tennis Seniors Australia has agreed to re-program the championships to 2 – 6 April 2021 to replace the ACT Seniors Championships. If any event exceeds a 32 draw, it will be necessary to play matches on the afternoon of April 1. Given the COVID-19 restrictions may extend to this period, participants are strongly advised to not make non-refundable arrangements before the Entry Deadline.

Kevin LONERGAN

1931 – 2020



It is with sadness that Tennis Seniors Australia announces the passing of Kevin LONERGAN who was a great contributor to the South Australian Division and the national association for many years.

Kevin as a 20-year-old moved to Victoria and played A Grade Pennant for Grace Park. A highlight of this time was that Harry HOPMAN would visit the complex each Sunday morning and give Kevin and his team mates a Hopman-style workout.

Kevin returned to Adelaide and represented South Australia in annual interstate tennis challenge matches against Victoria from 1952-1958 and attained the ranking of Number 2 in South Australia. It was during this time Kevin won the "Burr" medal for best and fairest three times going on to be a professional coach at Memorial Drive for several years.

At 33, Kevin went on to play the international tennis circuit, competing in Wimbledon qualifying and the French Open, plus thirteen other European tournaments, winning two titles in France and Switzerland. He furthered his passion for tennis as a senior by playing in the US, UK and Europe many times, playing in twenty-one tournaments in Europe in 1990 alone and winning three of the over-55 singles titles in France, Germany and Italy.

As a senior, Kevin won the Australian men's and mixed doubles titles in 1990 and represented Australia in the world team championships in 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1996. He was a regular on the senior's circuit before retiring from tennis for about twenty years, then made a comeback in 2016 in the MS85+ at the Australian Seniors Championships in Shepparton. In 2017, Kevin prepared for the Oceania Regional Championships at Kooyong in the MS85+ by training four times a week and worked with a coach (John Caldana) to improve his fitness and skills, which is indicative of his commitment to his tennis. This was a special occasion as daughter Kerry travelled from the Gold Coast and sister Pauline WARD from Adelaide to play in their respective age groups to make it a family affair.

Kevin LONERGAN was an inspirational member of the Kensington Gardens Tennis Club, imprinting a long-lasting legacy, particularly with junior development.

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Web News

TSSA's new website and webpages are now established and we are committed to continually improving them.

You are encouraged to visit the website, become familiar with its content and to bookmark the site in your favourites for easy future access.

<https://play.tennis.com.au/TennisSeniorsSA>

One of our commitments is to provide photographs of personnel associated with Tennis Seniors SA, so that new members and visitors can readily identify whom to approach, when coming to the Centre for Social Play sessions, Weekly Competitions and/or Open Court Sessions.

We will wherever possible place our working documents on the TSSA website as part of our commitment to transparency and effective communication.

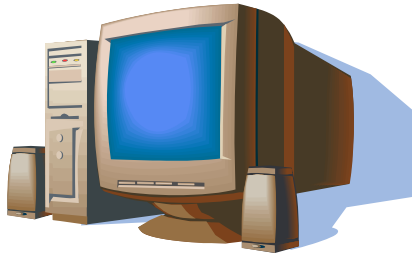
Cheers

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Northern Areas Seniors Tennis

(Parts of the following article were written by Val BROOKS in April 2020 for the Jamestown Journal.)

As with all sporting groups the Northern Areas Seniors Tennis Season suddenly finished immediately after the annual City vs Northern Areas match.

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All our remaining matches and the Berri Teams tournament were cancelled for the rest of the season. However, during the season, we have regularly had between thirty and forty players each fortnight for friendly/serious doubles matches. The season commenced in October 2019 with the first match being played in Pt Pirie. The rest have been played on lawn courts at Jamestown. Many of the daily winners have been decided by only a few games and even a draw on a couple of occasions. Barbecue teas have been held after matches with players and friends enjoying time to sit around and enjoy a chat after play.

As already stated, the last event held by the group was the City vs Northern Areas match held at Jamestown on the lawn courts on March 15th, 2020. Most of the play started at 10 am with doubles. However, one carload of city players got lost getting here, so on arrival they were rushed on to the courts, having to forego their morning tea and scones!! Mixed doubles followed before lunch, which was catered for by our club members. Reverse doubles were played after lunch.

After several close matches, the results were Northern Area Tennis Seniors with 39 sets and 348 games defeated City Tennis Seniors 21 sets and 268 games. Mmm! Home lawn court advantage, maybe

At the conclusion of the day the City Captain (*they won last year*) handed the “Brian Pink Memorial Shield” to the Northern Areas Tennis Seniors Captain. Northern Areas Tennis Seniors have now won the shield 6 times compared to the city’s 11 times.

Thank you to all who have attended from a wide area of the north during the 2019-20 season for your company and friendship.

The 2020-21 Summer Season has commenced and we await to be regaled with a colourful account of the exploits of our four intrepid players, Eunice SMITH, Yvonne O’DEA, Elaine FITZGERALD and Lavina BLIESCHKE who travelled down together to play in the inaugural TSSA October Tennis Weekend that was held in Adelaide on 2-3 October 2020!

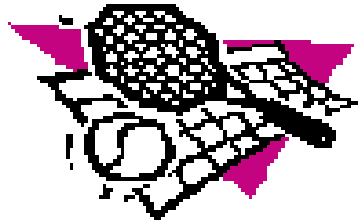


Our victorious Northern Areas Tennis Seniors Team with the “Brian Pink Memorial Shield”.

South East Seniors News

October event

President:	Trish Douglas
Vice President:	Marg Moffatt
Sec/Treasurer:	Helen Rathjen
Asst. Secretary:	Bronwyn Neil
Publicity Officer:	Helen Rathjen
General Committee:	Marlene Bull, Peter Barry, Elzette LeRoux and Christine Cramm



Eleven South East Seniors Tennis players enjoyed tennis at Blue Lake Sports Park on Sunday 18th October in good conditions.

The winning lady was Trish Douglas, with Jill Kamphuis runner-up. Peter Brennan was the winning man and Bob Brown was runner-up.



The next event for South East players will be held at Murray Bridge on Sunday 8th November at 10 am, with their next local event being at Naracoorte on Sunday 15th November at 11 am.

Invitation to City's South Parklands Seniors Players

Murray Bridge & District Seniors

Tennis Association

Invite you to join them
on December 13th at 4pm
Murray Bridge Lawn Courts,
Sturt Reserve

FOR TWILIGHT TENNIS

Pizza tea with fruit salad & ice cream

dessert, fun & fellowship



Christmas theme with prize for best Christmas outfit.

Cost \$10.00

Please feel welcome to come along & join us.



Enquiries

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Murray Bridge & District Seniors Tennis Association

Murray Bridge & District held their Annual General Meeting on Saturday 12th September in the Murray Bridge Lawn Tennis Association's clubrooms. Seventeen of our thirty members were in attendance and there were five apologies.

Long time President Rob Butcher has "pulled the pin" due to health issues. He was thanked for his years of service and guidance by Lorraine Graetz and this motion was well supported by those present.

Lorraine Vickers has once again stepped up into the president's spot thus leaving the vice president's role vacant. After some discussion, Gerry Korzeba has moved into this task. Gerry was president before Rob took on the job, so he is well prepared for the part. Kathy Pfeiffer continues her position as Treasurer and Lorraine Graetz will continue as Secretary.

At the completion of the AGM, those interested took to the newly lined courts for a first hit of the season. This activity was being thoroughly enjoyed when a cold snap and storm quickly arrived, scattering the players, and causing them to head home to their warm fires.

Local News

WARM WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Association & South Park: Seth Renton, Jamie Armfield, Tim Donnelly
Chris Theel and Mike Baldwin

Contact **Karen Ahrens** on **8271 2912** or **0410 315 220** 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 0419 855 182.

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 are
0419 855 182

Thanks, Frank Spiel

TSA RANKING LISTS

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

Players who are travelling 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

Sub-Committees 2020/21

With four members of the 2019/20 General Committee retiring at the Annual General Meeting (John Schluter, Janet Wang, Rob Crawford and Donna Freeman) and five new members being elected (Michael Pocock, Kathy Parker, Norbett Jahnke, Mary Johnson and Ken O’Dea), the new 2020/21 General Committee have yet to assess the persons with the most appropriate skills and interest to take on the various roles required on each of the Sub-committees. This task will be tackled at their meeting next month and the Sub-committees will be published in the December issue of SAVET.

The Sub-Committees are as follows: -

TSSA Promotions, Publicity, Sponsorship & Fund Raising Subcommittee

TSSA Tournaments Subcommittee

TSSA Competitions & Social Play Subcommittee

TSSA Catering & Social Events Subcommittee

***The new TSSA Committee will also appoint a Task Group to undertake State Team Selections and select a Men and Women State Captain**



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