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TENNIS SENIORS ASSOCIATION OF SA INC





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The President's Report

Hi, I am Michael and I am here to help!

No, I'm not really from the government. I am actually your very new and very proud to say, "President of Tennis Seniors SA".

I am representing a new committee that's just had its second meeting. We are part of a club that has over 350 members, maintains eighteen synthetic grass courts with lights and clubrooms in the heart of Adelaide. We run a year-round range of doubles and mixed doubles competitions, as well as social tennis for all levels and



come-and-try sessions. We share this magnificent facility with Adelaide Hockey Club and Pulteney Grammar School.

I marvel how this has all happened, i.e. the hard work in putting all this in place including High Court challenges, club room fires, and the day-to-day management of the competition, the partners and the facilities.

So I would like to thank the hard work and dedication of the past committee, in particular those who've just finished long-terms of commitment to our club, namely, John Schluter, Janet Wang, Tony Murphy, and Rob Crawford. We are very fortunate to be in this position and shouldn't take this club for granted.

Every ten to twelve years, the courts need replacing at a cost of around a million dollars and membership and fundraising are very important and so a big thank-you to the people who were involved in the inaugural and highly successful October tournament that raised \$1500 for the club.

Of course the hard work doesn't stop and COVID-19 has added a lot of extra pressure on administration and finances. So it's up to all of us to do what we can to help and that might be introducing new members or just being extremely pleasant and fun to be with!!

I really look forward to getting to know you, our members, whether it be on the court or over a drink and chat around the clubhouse.

Michael Pocock

TSSA President

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Our New President

First name and surname? Michael Pocock

Age? 67

Occupation? Retired farmer – (Lameroo and

Willalooka)

Any leisure/community activities other than tennis?

Just finished building a canoe. It took fifteen years — it's a beauty, but I tend to do my back every time I take it somewhere!

How did you get started in tennis?

Smithville 1960 – four hardcourts, flies, bitumen, and hot! Jack Walker was a great coach.

At what age and for which team did you play your first competitive match?

Probably filled in at Gurrai when I was 12, because it was so hot and they needed a fill-in.

For which clubs have you played?

Lameroo, Keith, Willalooka, and some schoolboy tennis. Now play Tennis Seniors SA and Millswood.

Which competitions do you play at Tennis Seniors?

Thursday night doubles, Winter and Summer.

Do you play in other competitions and for other clubs?

Yep I play for share tips on Friday at the Seniors – singles. I throw the matches, but have had some good tips.

Can you tell us of any tennis achievements/awards/memories?

I am not very competitive, but have some great memories of Lameroo Easter

Tournament – eight grass courts and many happy campers there. I suspect many children were spawned there!

Are other family members involved in tennis?

My three daughters can play but they seem to be busy having families at present.

I hope to see them out soon.

How long will you continue to play tennis and why?

To the box I hope! There are so many inspirational older players I see at the Seniors.

Can you tell us your most admired current or past tennis player(s)?

Ken Rosewall's serve.

What do you hope to achieve in your role on the Tennis Seniors SA Committee?

Spread the word on what a great club it is with a really diverse lot off members. Try to put a bit back into it because there has been a lot of hard work by past members to get it to 18 courts, lights and clubhouse – all for a very reasonable cost.

For Your Diary



SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Tuesday Social Tennis (I0.00am start – if hot 8.30am) Thursday Social Tennis Friday Open Court Twilight Tennis – start 5.30 pm Sunday December 13 – 4 pm Twilight Carnival at Murray Bridge Lawn Courts

22-23 January 2021 - Welcome Back Carnival — South Park Centre Click on https://play.tennis.com.au/TennisSeniorsSA/Tennis/JanEvent for Registration Form

1 February 2021 – Summer Competitions Resume – South Park Centre 28 March 2021 – South Park Centre - Representative teams from City and Northern Areas play for the **BRIAN PINK MEMORIAL SHIELD**.

In addition to the usual 12 men and 12 ladies teams from the respective areas, we are looking to expand participation on this day to include a wider range of players from the metro members as well as members from other country divisions. The details for the composition of these teams is still in the planning stage, but **click**

on https://play.tennis.com.au/TennisSeniorsSA/Tennis/TeamsMatch for updates. John Schluter

15-17 May $2021-33^{rd}$ Berri Teams Carnival

Riverland Seniors Tennis Association

2-3 October 2021 - October Carnival Weekend - South Park Centre

14-16 November 2021 – Tennis Seniors State Championships, ITF2 South Park Centre

ACT

2-6 April 2021 – Australian Seniors Tennis Championships Lyneham, Canberra

Queensland

21-23 May 2021 – Tennis at the Great Barrier Reef Masters Games – Cairns **Western Australia**

10-14 October 2021 - Tennis at the XVIII Australian Masters Games - Perth

Cover Picture

Ros Mitchell hit it off with two Northern Areas ladies at our October Carnival and will have the chance to renew their friendly rivalry at our Welcome Back Tennis Event on 22 - 23 January 2021

New General Committee Members

First name and surname? Kathy Parker

Do you have a nickname?

Age? 64. **Occupation?** Retired

If retired, what was your main trade/profession/line of work while gainfully employed?

Teacher, Medical Practice

Manager

Any leisure/community activities other than tennis?

Bridge, Reading (I am in two book clubs), Travel, Local History and "I AM A CROWS TRAGIC".

How did you get started in tennis?

My parents played so it was inevitable that my sister, brother and I would play. Before we started playing "real' tennis, my brother and I played ferociously competitive games of beach bat tennis on the back lawn.

At what age and for which team did you play your first competitive match?

I was about 11 when I played my first match as a fill in for a Saturday morning junior team at Broadview

For which clubs have you played?

Lots! Broadview, Collingrove (where I was secretary for a few years), Risdon United (Port Pirie), Memorial Drive, Berri, Tranmere, Kingswood.

There's also a good few clubs I played winter pennant for.

Which competitions do you play at Tennis Seniors?

I've been playing in the Monday night mixed doubles since I moved back to Adelaide from Berri in 2000.

Do you play in other competitions and for other clubs?

I play for Tranmere in the midweek grasscourts competition and play for Kingswood in mixed doubles on Saturdays.

Can you tell us of any tennis achievements/awards/memories?

Over the more than 50 years I've been playing tennis there have been premiership wins and even a few tournament wins but I think the best memories are those that you make off the court. I am lucky to have played with so many nice people and to have made so many friends through tennis.

Are other family members involved in tennis?

My brother still plays and, unlike me, still plays singles! He is quite a good player and I really enjoyed it when he played in my Monday night team. These days he claims that his knees are too sore from playing singles on Saturday to join me on Mondays.



How long will you continue to play tennis and why?

My Dad played until he was 91 so I think I've got a good few years left in me

Can you tell us your most admired current or past tennis player(s)?

Steffi Graf is a favourite of mine. I loved her athleticism. She had a fabulous forehand, but I loved her single-handed sliced backhand. It was so good that she hardly ever used topspin on that side, even though she could! Other favourites are John Newcombe, Evonne Goolagong and, of course, Roger Federer.

What do you hope to achieve in your role on the Tennis Seniors SA Committee?

I would like to see the number of people participating in our competitions grow. To do

this we need to find out what people are looking for as part of their tennis experience.

First name and surname? Norbert JAHNKE

Do you have a nickname? No

Age? 66 yrs.

Occupation? Company Director and Any leisure/community activities other than tennis?

Writing short stories, playing chess, movies and casual cycling.

How did you get started in tennis?

I played in High School and then did not play again until 42 years of age, playing casually at James Partington Tennis Clinics.

At what age and for which team did you play your first competitive match? 42 For which clubs have you played?

Kensington Hard Court, Ascot Park Hard Court, Millswood Lawn Tennis.

Which competitions do you play at Tennis Seniors?

B2 doubles - winter and summer.

Do you play in other competitions and for other clubs? Yes

Can you tell us of any tennis achievements/awards/memories?

Plenty of memories, both great and bad shots. No real awards or achievement worth mentioning.

Are other family members involved in tennis? Yes.

How long will you continue to play tennis and why?

I will play until the body fails, because I enjoy the game.

Can you tell us your most admired current or past tennis player(s)? Graham Partington.

What do you hope to achieve in your role on the Tennis Seniors SA Committee? I would like to see the Seniors run more efficiently.

I am keen to get teams to pay for the season in one lump sum as they do in every other club as this will allow greater revenue for the club and lessen the burden.

I would like to develop an application whereby teams' captains can find 'Fill-in(s)' on line via a mobile phone.

Increase the playing membership especially targeting younger players and thus bringing new blood into the club.

First name and surname? Ken O'Dea

Do you have a nickname? Not that I know of!

Age? 68. **Occupation**? Retired

If retired, what was your main trade/profession/line of work

while gainfully employed? Mechanical Engineer Any leisure/community activities other than tennis?

I also play racquetball. DIY repairs at home, "engineering at

home" – have a metal lathe and milling machine in my shed , using 3D modelling software to develop projects for my 3D printer, seeing my family including six grandchildren

How did you get started in tennis?

I started learning to play tennis at my local church courts when I was ten years old. We were given lessons for the first season (1962/63)

At what age and for which team did you play your first competitive match? Played my first match when I was 11 – Torrensville Methodist Church Tennis Club in the Uniting Church Tennis Association

For which clubs have you played?

Torrensville Methodist/Uniting, West Richmond Uniting, Immanuel Lutheran ed? in UCTA, Tennis Vet/Seniors, Colonel Light West Tennis Club

Which competitions do you play at Tennis Seniors?

Mixed Doubles Division 2 and Men's Doubles B1

Do you play in other competitions and for other clubs?

Yes, I play at Colonel Light West Tennis Club in Doubles only competition Div 2

Can you tell us of any tennis achievements/awards/memories?

UCTA Div.1 Premierships

UCTA Tournament Mixed Doubles win, r/up several times

Seniors Div.1 Men's Doubles premierships (two or more)

Seniors B2 Men's Doubles premierships

Seniors Mixed Doubles premierships

Successes at Berri Carnival

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Successes in Australian Masters Games in Men's Doubles

Successes in Country SA Masters Games in Men's Doubles, Singles and Mixed Doubles

Are other family members involved in tennis?

Yes. Two of my sons, Paul and Luke play in the Men's Doubles competitions at the Seniors

How long will you continue to play tennis and why?

I will play tennis for as long as I can to keep myself fit, mobile and motivated!

Can you tell us your most admired current or past tennis player(s)?

Past - Bjorn Borg Present - Roger Federer

What do you hope to achieve in your role on the Tennis Seniors SA Committee?

I hope to continue the great work that Tony Murphy has been doing (maybe not as well, but I'll be trying), assisting in the management of Tennis Seniors to continue providing the great facilities and competitive tennis that we all enjoy. I would also hope to contribute to the maintenance of the facilities using my skills and knowledge in

Engineering.

First name and surname?

Mary Johnson

Age? 63

Occupation? Retired

If retired, what was your main trade/profession/line work while gainfully employed?

Home-maker, dental nurse.

Any leisure/community activities other than tennis? I AM A NEW NANNA!!

I played netball until two years ago and now umpire netball.

Ran a playgroup for seventeen years until COVID hit this year.

Walking, Camping, Rock n Roll Dancing and Rock the Boat Music Cruising

How did you get started in tennis?

Our house backed on to the St Peters courts in Maylands when I grew up. I had lessons there and joined the club.

At what age and for which team did you play your first competitive match?

I was 14 and first played for St Peters Tennis Club

For which clubs have you played?

St Peters, Churches of Christ tennis clubs, Stansbury Tennis Club during school Christmas holidays, Seniors on Monday nights, filled in for various clubs on week days.

Which competitions do you play at Tennis Seniors?

Monday night mixed and I've also played at the Berri Carnival, Jamestown and the Australian Teams' Championships at Shepparton.

Do you play in other competitions and for other clubs?

Only as a fill-in

Can you tell us of any tennis achievements/awards/memories?

I have only good memories from tennis, have made lots of friends and love socialising after matches.

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Are other family members involved in tennis? No, my girls are netballers. **How long will you continue to play tennis and why?**

As long as I can

Can you tell us your most admired current or past tennis player(s)? Rafael Nadal for his great sportsmanship.

What do you hope to achieve in your role on the Tennis Seniors SA Committee? To learn as much as I can about Tennis Seniors and do my role as best I can to try and make being a part of our club a great experience for all members and visitors.

TSSA Member Protection Information Officers

Tennis Seniors SA (TSSA) is a *Member Affiliated Organisation* of Tennis Australia (TA) and consequently the <u>TA Member Protection Policy</u> applies to all TSSA Members.

(See next page for Policy)

At the TSSA Committee Meeting held 17 November 2020, our Chairperson and TSSA Social Play Manager, Michael POCOCK and our TSSA Competitions Manager, Norbert JAHNKE were formally appointed as TSSA Member Protection Information Officers

As a Member Association we are required to appoint a TSSA Member Protection Information Officer/s as prescribed in Clause 5.2 of the policy:



Member Protection Information Officer means a person appointed in accordance with clause 5.2, to act as the first point of contact for any enquiries, concerns or complaints around harassment, abuse and other inappropriate behaviour.

The role of our TSSA Member Protection Information Officer/s is described in the policy as per the following

- 5.2 In addition TA and its Member Associations must:
 - (a) appoint a Member Protection Information Officer to fulfil the functions set out in clauses 12,13 and 14 of this Policy, and to publish and display the names and contact details of such person to their members; and

Clauses 12, 13 and 14 of the policy prescribe the procedures to be followed by our TSSA Member Protection Information Officers in managing complaints

Tennis Australia's MEMBER PROTECTION POLICY Attachment A -General Code of Conduct

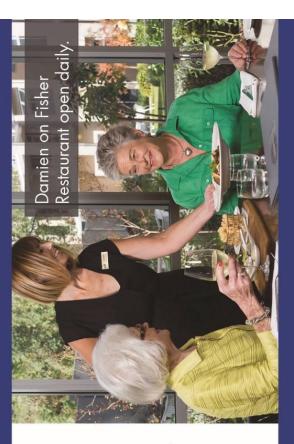
As an Australian Tennis Organisation affiliated with Tennis Australia, members of TSSA are required to comply with Tennis Australia's Member Protection Policy. Each member is required to meet the following requirements as outlined in *Attachment A – General Code of Conduct* in regard to their conduct during any activity held or sanctioned by Tennis Australia and TSSA and in any role they hold within Tennis Australia or TSSA.

- 1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of others.
- 2. Be fair, considerate, and honest in all dealing with others. Each player is responsible for all calls on their side of the net and must also help their opponent/s make calls if their opponent/s request it, provided however any player can call a "foul shot" (e.g. ball bounces twice before being hit "not-up"; ball has not reached the net when hit; or player's racquet hits the net) and that these calls occur in a timely manner.
- Be professional in, and accept responsibility for, your actions.
- Make a commitment to providing quality service.
- Be aware of, and maintain an uncompromising adhesion to, Tennis Australia's standards, rules, regulations, and policies.
- Operate within the rules of the sport including national and international guidelines which govern Tennis Australia and Australian Tennis Organisations.
- 7. Do not use your involvement with Tennis Australia or an Australian Tennis Organisation to promote your own beliefs, behaviours or practices where these are inconsistent with those of Tennis Australia and the Australian Tennis Organisations.
- 8. Demonstrate a high degree of individual responsibility especially when dealing with persons under 18 years of age, as your words and actions are an example.
- Avoid unaccompanied and unobserved activities with persons under 18 years of age, wherever possible.
- 10. Refrain from any form of harassment of others.
- Refrain from any behaviour that may bring Tennis Australia, and Australian Tennis Organisations into disrepute.
- 12. Provide a safe environment for the conduct of the activity.
- 13. Show concern and caution towards others who may be sick or injured.
- 14. Be a positive role model.

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TSSA Catering & Social Events Subcommittee

REPORT TO TSSA COMMITTEE

as of 17 November, 2020

Convenor: Mary JOHNSON

Tennis Australia (TA)

TA's Seniors Business Plan:

Adult Social Play initiative – morphed into TA's Get Your Racquet On program of which one element is Open Court Sessions.

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October 2020

Tennis SA (TSA)

Tennis SA Strategic Plan 2016 -2020

There are 3 Strategic Pillars contained in the plan Participation, Performance & Profile. The plan highlights 6 services. We seek links/support for our organisation in 4 of these:

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 $\label{lem:marketing, Media \& Profile} - seek support in developing our webpages to promote our regular SOCIAL and COMPETITION events for over 35's, tournaments/carnivals \& Friday Twilight sessions for 25+$

Work with Tennis SA designated metro & club support staff (Erin HAINES & Adrian DEZIN) to fully realise/utilise the club management system - 'Club Spark' for TSSA

KEY Strategies/Tasks TSSA Catering & Social Events Subcommittee is responsible to implement:	REPORTING Progre	ess / Outcomes:	
Responsibility for, and the management of Canteen operations in TSSA clubrooms, subject to where applicable, liaising with the TSSA Membership, Facilities & Risk Management Subcommittee's officer with designated responsibility in ensuring TSSA's compliance with relevant Liquor Licensing legislation and regulations, when alcohol is served and ensuring compliance to TSSA's COVID-Safe Plan requirements.	develop commo	up Tony MURPHY/ on understandings I establishment of ITSSA's Liquor Licen	regarding Bar
Identifying TSSA members who are willing to join the TSSA Catering & Social Events Subcommittee and/or join a pool of volunteers who can be called upon to assist with TSSA catering and/or organising TSSA Social Events	with, identified Subcommittee and other TSSA wish to assist h pool of volunte	(some of whom are members to ident er on the Subcomr	ous versions of this e listed hereunder) ify anyone who may nittee and/or join a led upon to assist in
Provide catering when requested by the TSSA Committee.	October Tennis 2020 – organise with Sue HAND consultation wi	reving of alcohol at Weekend Carnival ed by Leonie MILLA , and Roger SANDI th Tony MURPHY nodel to look at	l held 3-4 October ARD in consultation ERSON in
Organise social events or functions, as approved by the TSSA Committee.			
Explore fundraising opportunities & approaches and undertake with endorsement and support of TSSA Committee.			

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as of 17 November, 2020

TSSA Tournaments / Carnivals Subcommittee

Convenor: Karen AHRENS with support from TSSA Chairperson, Michael POCOCK & TSSA Secretary, Frank SPIEL

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KEY Strategies/Tasks TSSA Tournaments Subcommittee is responsible to implement:	REPORTING Progress / Outcomes:
Increase participation in Tennis Seniors SA State Championships Event:	N
Strategy contained in TSSA Strategic Plan 2019-22 Attract more participation from TSSA and interstate players in the Tennis Seniors SA Tournament	
Develop - Guidelines for Conducting TSSA State Championships Event (including Personnel Resources)	Karen AHRENS leading process to further refine draft Procedures for Organising 2021 Tennis Seniors SA State Championships for tabling with TSSA Committee
Develop a Tennis Seniors SA State Teams Selection Policy	Michael POCOCK - convene a task group, including current TSSA Men's & Women's Team Captains Mark SWANBURY & Karen AHERNS to develop a Tennis Seniors SA State Teams Selection Policy & Procedures for presentation to, and approval by the TSSA Committee

Establis	h Tournament/Carnival Dates for 2021 – 2022	Comments:
Appoint	Task Group Convenors for each:	
2021 January	2021 January Tennis Weekend Carnival Late January Task Group Convenor – Roger SANDERSON	Carnival to be run on same last lines as 2020 October Tennis Weekend Carnival with dates TBD refer to - Final Report for Task Group & TSSA Committee Members – 26 October 2020 Roger/Norbert to provide dates to Frank & Max regarding dates for 2021 January Tennis Carnival
		ASAP for inclusion in Dec. SA-VET Bulletin and TSSA web pages

2021 March	Annual City vs Northern Match vs Combined Country Team - Sunday 21/3 or 28/3 Include possible 3 rd Team that is a combination of South East, Riverland, and Murray Bridge & Districts Tennis Seniors Associations Task Group Convenor – John SCHLUTER	City is the host in 2021 Explore including other Country Seniors Associations as 3 rd Team Michael/Frank to discuss with John SCHLUTER work of task group for 2021 Annual Northern Areas vs CITY Match plus possible inclusion of composite country team
2021 May	33 rd Berri Teams Carnival — weekend + Monday after Mother's Day 15-17 May 2021 City based convenor supporting Riverland Tennis Seniors Association's Berri Team Carnival Task Group convenor Peter TANNER/Todd CHARLTON—John SCHLUTER	Support for Riverland Tennis Seniors to be taken up by a task group established by our TSSA Tournaments/Carnival Subcommittee Karen / Michael / John SCHLUTER / Frank Michael/Frank to provide response to Todd/Peter re support from TSSA re 2021 Berri Teams Carnival
2021 October	October Weekend Tennis Carnival – 2 nd & 3 rd October 2021 Task Group Convenor – Roger SANDERSON	refer to - Final Report for Task Group & TSSA Committee Members – 26 October 2020 and various documents utilised for running the carnival
2021 November	2021 West Beach & Districts Community Bank Tennis Seniors SA State Championships ITF Level 2 14-16 November 2021 Group Convenor – Karen AHRENS	Karen to provide Max with update article re planning for 2021 Tennis Seniors SA State Championships for inclusion in Dec. SA-VET Bulletin
2022 January	2022 Australian Teams Carnival	Victoria is hosting Dates & venue yet to be determined by TSA Executive
2022 January	2022 January Tennis Weekend Carnival	
2022 March	Annual City vs Northern Match – Late March – dates TBD Include possible 3 rd Team that is a combination of South East, Riverland and Murray Bridge & Districts Tennis Seniors Associations. Task Group Convenor – John SCHLUTER	City is the host in 2021
2022 May	34 th Berri Teams Carnival – weekend + Monday after Mother's Day 14-16 May 2022 City based convenor supporting Riverland Tennis Seniors Association's Berri Team Carnival Task Group convenor Peter TANNER/Todd CHARLTON– John SCHLUTER	
2022 October	2022 October Weekend Tennis Carnival – 1 st & 2 nd October Task Group Convenor – Roger SANDERSON	
2022 November	2022 Tennis Seniors SA State Championships Dates TBD Group Convenor – Karen AHERNS	Dates, venue and assigned ITF Level to be determined by TSA Executive based upon application lodged by TSSA
2022 December	50 th Birthday Carnival - Dinner	
2023 January	2023 Australian Teams Carnival	Dates & venue yet to be determined by TSA Executive

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as of 17 November, 2020

TSSA Competitions & Social Play Subcommittee

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KEY Strategies/Tasks TSSA Competitions & Social Play Subcommittee is responsible to implement:

REPORTING Progress / Outcomes:

Seek to increase/maximise participation in current TSSA Summer & Winter Competitions:

Current or most recent number of Teams or Players

Appointment of TSSA Competition Manager & TSSA Member Protection Information Officer (first point of contact for any enquiries, concerns or complaints around harassment, abuse and other inappropriate behaviour) for 2020-21

Norbert JAHNKE appointed as TSSA Competitions Manager & Member Protection Information Officer at TSSA Committee meeting held 17 Nov.2020

Summer Weekly Competitions:

(TARGET: 18 Teams each)

Monday night - Mixed Doubles Divs. 1 & 2

(5 & 6)

Tuesday night: - Ladies Doubles, Div. Open

(5

Wednesday night - Men's Doubles, Div.1

(6

Thursday night - Men's Doubles, Div. 2: B1 &

B2

(8 & 10)

Commenced 12 October 2020 – Outstanding numbers for Thursday Night – using ALL courts

Winter Weekly Competitions:

(TARGET: 18 Teams each)

Monday night - Mixed Doubles: Open

(6)

Monday night - Men's Doubles: Div.1

(7

Wednesday night - Men's Doubles, Div. 2: B1 &

Coordinators & Team Captains - last updated

B2 (7 & 5)

TSSA document Notes for TSSA Competition

12 Dec. 2019 requires review and updating

Due to managing COVID-19 ceased competitions from 14 March 2020.

Commenced weekly competitions from Wed. 10/6/2020

Establish Task Group to undertake review and updating of TSSA document - Notes for TSSA Competition Coordinators & Team Captains - last updated 12 Dec. 2019

day afternoons; Twilight weekday 5-7pm time slots except Fridays;
Michael POCOCK appointed as TSSA Social Play Manager and Member Protection Information Officer at TSSA Committee meeting held 17 Nov.2020
Due to managing COVID-19 ceased Social Play sessions from 14 March 2020. Re-commenced from Tues. 19/5/2020 Heavily promoted via TSSA Website, TSSA Facebook & TSSA Facebook Group pages
Max FORAN – Morphed from TA's Get your Racquet On – Open Court Sessions program that commenced 14/2/2020 offering sessions Monday & Friday 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Limited response. Altered focus to Friday from 14/2. CONCLUDED 14/3/20 due to COVID-19 Changed foci to offering Social Play Twilight Sessions for 25* at cost of \$5/session. Commenced sessions from 23 October 2020 Exploring links with Rotary Adelaide – Paul DENVER – new President from 2021 Target Audience: friends & family members of existing players/members; local community members; local workers; and people transiting pass each day on their way home.
Chris MANN, On CHAT & Rod COOK have agreed to be Social Coordinators for Sunday Morning sessions 9am to Noon. Will commence promoting from End of November 2020.



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TSSA Promotions, Publicity & Sponsorship Subcommittee REPORT TO TSSA COMMITTEE

as of 17 November, 2020

Convenor: Max FORAN

Tennis Australia (TA)

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Tournaments & Competitions – tangible support for staging and promoting our TSSA State Championships Event & other TSSA Tournaments/Carnivals

Marketing, Media & Profile – seek support in developing our webpages to promote our regular SOCIAL and COMPETITION events for over 35's, tournaments/carnivals & Friday Twilight sessions for 25+

Work with Tennis SA designated metro & club support staff (Erin HAINES & Adrian DEZIN) to fully realise/utilise the club management system - 'Club Spark' for TSSA

KEY Strategies/Tasks TSSA Promotions, Publicity, Sponsorship & Fundraising Subcommittee is responsible to implement:	REPORTING Progress / Outcomes:
Building stronger relationships with local clubs/associations to promote TSSA	Max – developed and using a media contact list Max – liaising with designated contact person from Tennis SA – Emily SMITH Frank – liaising with Country Regional Tennis Seniors Associations in developing on-line webpage profiles for each – as of 7/11/2020 all associations with exception of Riverland have a current profile.
Coordination of TSSA Sponsors' arrangements that includes: Developing, finalising and utilising a TSSA Sponsorship Proposal Package Managing existing sponsorship arrangements ensuring compliance and negotiating renewals Identification of new sponsors and negotiation of sponsorship arrangements Seeking sponsorship from Slazenger for two-ball cans to assist with sponsorship activities	Max – Developed and progressing a DRAFT Corporate Supporter package Max – exploring conducting a Sponsors' Night 2021 Frank to forward a signed copy of Slazenger Tennis Ball Support Package for period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2022 with James PARKINSON, Sportfolio Pty. Ltd. upon John SCHLUTER finalising Max in collaboration with Mary JOHNSON will contact Sue HAND to establish details involved in our Heidi's Bakery sponsorship
Strategy contained in TSSA Strategic Plan 2019-22: Develop TSSA usage of social media to publicise TSSA activities. Support redevelopment of TSSA webpages with a focus on encouraging participation, outlining opportunities & options for Social Play, Weekly Competitions (range of levels) and various tournaments	Frank SPIEL - TSSA website/webpages established with support from TA Tennis Systems Support personnel and continuing to develop. Encountered and reported system error (Club Spark) in loading photos onto News Webpages (Dec. 2019) that was finally resolved in April 2020. TSSA website, TSSA Facebook page, and TSSA Facebook Group pages used to communicate info re managing COVID-19 since 15/3/2020.

Life Membership Profiles on TSSA Website	Rob CRAWFORD & Max FORAN (first 4 City Life Members) liaised/liaising with Frank SPIEL to coordinate documentation of CITY TSSA Life Members' profiles and Frank SPIEL liaised with TSSA Country Region personnel & Max FORAN to coordinate documentation of COUNTRY TSSA Life Members' profiles. Frank SPIEL undertook/undertaking final editing and loading onto TSSA website. Kathy preparing to take on a larger role in this work.
Profiles on TSSA Website	Frank prepared and loaded a profile for Kevin LONERGAN on TSSA website
Develop and establish a vibrant social media profile using Facebook	Frank (& Donna FREMAN) joint Administrators of public TSSA Group Facebook site Frank established and manages TSSA Facebook page
Publish <mark>SA-VET Bulletins</mark> x4 per year	Due to COVID-19 interrupted year will only get 3 Bulletins out. Transition phase with Max and Kathy taking on lead role in publishing the bulletins from Brian ARNOLD. Max – will forward biography questionnaire to committee members for completion by 22 Nov. 2020 who have agreed to participate for inclusion in Dec SA-VET Bulletin
Preparations for 50 th Year celebrations - 2022	3

TSSA Membership, Facilities & Risk Management Subcommittee REPORT TO TSSA COMMITTEE as of 17 November, 2020

Convenor/s: Tony MURPHY/Ken O'DEA

Tennis Australia (TA)

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KEY Strategies/Tasks TSSA Membership, Facilities & Risk Management Subcommittee is responsible to implement:	REPORTING Progress / Outcomes:
Develop a MOU between TSSA and AHC re a Use Arrangements for Centre's Courts & Facilities	Roger SANDERSON - Consortium Report – last meeting held in Oct 2020 and draft prepared in consultation with TSSA reps and now forwarded to AHC for input
	Tony to lead process in preparing paper outlining TSSA's position in seeking urgent development of a MOU - Agreement between TSSA and Adelaide Hockey Club regarding governance and management of shared facilities and will place on next scheduled Adelaide Hockey Club/TSSA meeting
Identify and implement improved <i>on-line TSSA</i> Membership processes and procedures.	Roger SANDERSON, Ernest STEVENSON & Frank SPIEL in consultation with Erin HAINES & Adrian DEZIN from Tennis SA moving membership management processes to Club Spark. Encountered some issues in tracking who makes payments. Subsequently we are using a hybrid process that involves using MYOB and Club Spark.
	Ernest is undertaking intense interrogation of the system and feeding into Tennis SA (Erin & Adrian) for consultation with TA and managers of Club Spark.
	New members are covered by TSSA's Club Spark.

KEY Strategies/Tasks TSSA Membership, Facilities & Risk Management Subcommittee is responsible to implement:	REPÓRTING Progress / Outcomes:
Ensure TSSA Liquor Licence is current and that TSSA guidelines and practices comply with the Liquor Licensing Act 1997, that includes: • a TSSA Licensee Risk Assessment and Management Plan • developing TSSA guidelines for consumption of alcohol at the Centre • appointment and training of 'Responsible Person/s to serve alcohol'	Tony MURPHY - BYO and Liquor Licence - Email forwarded to all members 5/2/20 advising that BYO drinking is essentially prohibited at the Park 20 clubrooms and grounds – need to include updated guidelines for Competition Coordinators. Tony MURPHY - no legal requirement to display "No BYO" - received advice prudent to do so. Temporary signs are now displayed. Tony MURPHY – continuing to identify personnel who require to undertake RSA Training Roger SANDERSON reimbursing those undertaking RSA Training Committee members are committed to undertaking RSA and Tony/Ken to identify gaps in provision in consultation with Frank & Michael Tony MURPHY – updated TSSA Risk Assessment and Management Plan approved by TSSA Committee 26/2/2020. Tony/Ken & Roger in their role and responsibilities as members of TSSA Facilities & Risk Management Subcommittee in consultation with TSSA Chairperson Michael and TSSA Secretary Frank to develop a position regarding TSSA's preferred option re shared 6-month vs 12-month liquor licence
Improve TSSA facilities	Tony MURPY - Dec. 2019 – Reported that ACC has installed water fountain opposite court 1 Max FORAN - organised re-sanding of court 7 on 24 February to trial whether it improves playability. May need a new machine to rake fortnightly. Scott NOTTLE to be approached to advise if he can assist. Require decision as to where we should use sand purchased and currently on-site. Roger SANDERSON - Dividing curtain replacement. Checking with Quins Pt Adelaide. Roger SANDERSON - suitable temperature and WBGT reading instrument to be installed on a shaded external wall of the clubrooms Roger to approach Adelaide Hockey Club seeking for them to pay half the cost of automating the Clubroom's NE double doors
Establishing lighting and playing surface standards required to host national & international events and documenting our current standards in these. Then explore grant opportunities and make submissions.	

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KEY Strategies/Tasks TSSA Membership, Facilities & Risk Management Subcommittee is responsible to implement:	REPORTING Progress / Outcomes:
Strategy contained in TSSA Strategic Plan 2019-22: Appoint a tennis coach for TSSA members of all abilities. The coach could also perform a general manager role. Explore attracting and appointing a TSSA Tennis Coach (Marcus WAGSTAFF)	Roger SANDERSON – draft proposed <u>Coaching Agreement</u> with Marcus WAGSTAFF has been prepared. Leonie MILLARD, John SCHLUTER, Roger SANDERSON and Tony MURPHY were to finalise the agreement details and forward to rest of the Committee for approval.
Strategy contained in TSSA Strategic Plan 2019-22; Work with Tennis SA designated metro & club support staff (Erin HAINES & Adrian DEZIN) to fully realise/utilise the club management system - 'Club Spark' for TSSA	Roger – advised members that Tennis SA informed him that automatic invoicing via Club Spark our web-based management platform is not scheduled to be introduced for two years and hence we will need to continue with hybrid system using MYOB & Club Spark.
Explore the provision of a hit-up wall	- N
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COURT HIRE FEES for SOUTH PARK TENNIS CENTRE

for 2020-21 TSSA Tennis Year (1st October 2020 to 30th September 2021)

ONE OFF USAGE per court

DAYTIME **-\$35 -45/Court/one-off session** (3 -5 HOURS DURATION with start & finish times to be negotiated/determined)

This charge has been calculated based upon:

- i) a court accommodates 4 players,
- ii) TSSA Member/Player is required to pay \$55 for maintenance and that equates to approximately \$3/player/session for a season
- iii) TSSA Member/Player is required to pay \$5/player/each session

NIGHT-TIME **-\$55 -65/Court/one-off session** (3 -5 HOURS DURATION with start & finish times to be negotiated/determined)

This charge has been calculated based upon:

- i) a court accommodates 4 players,
- ii) TSSA Member/Player is required to pay \$55 for maintenance and that equates to approximately \$3/player/session for a season
- iii) TSSA Member/Player is required to pay \$10/player/each session

Hirers will be charged a one-off fee for the period of time and numbers of courts that have been approved to be booked.

This fee would normally be expected to be paid upfront with the hirer standing the loss for any matches cancelled (e.g.due to inclement weather and forfeits)during the period for which the courts were hired.

Payable to: Seniors Tennis SA Inc BSB:105 113 A/C:410647640

(Surname followed by BOOKING to be included in the payment descriptor to assist in processing hiring)

ALL ENQUIRIES: Consortium Facilities Manager & TSSA Treasurer Roger SANDERSON Mob: 0400 773 621

Email: Roger330@outlook.com
TSSA Secretary Frank SPIEL Mob: 0419 855 182
Email: fspiel181254@gmail.com

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for tennis clubs and/or groups
hiring courts at SOUTH PARK TENNIS CENTRE
for 2020-21 TSSA Tennis Year (1stOctober 2020 to 30thSeptember 2021)

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2021 ITF World Team and Individual Championships



The ITF Seniors Committee has advised the following dates and venues have been confirmed for 2021:

Year	Age Groups	Event	Location	Dates
	Young Seniors	World Team	Umag, Croatia	Sun 12 Sept – Fri 17
	(35-40-45)	Championships		Sept 2021
	Young Seniors	World Individual	Umag, Croatia	Sat 18 Sept – Sat 25
	(30-35-40-45)	Championships		Sept 2021
	Seniors	World Team	Boca Raton,	Sun 25 April – Fri
	(50-55-60)*	Championships	USA	30 April 2021
2021	Seniors	World Individual	Palm Beach	Sat 1 May – Sat 8
	(50-55-60)*	Championships	Gardens, USA	May 2021
	Super Seniors	World Team	Mallorca, Spain	Sun 10 – Fri 15
	(65-70-75-80-85)	Championships		October 2021
	Super Seniors	World Individual	Mallorca, Spain	Sat 16 – Sat 23
	(65-70-75-80-85-	Championships		October 2021
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*The ITF office remain in close contact with the host organiser and USTA for the ITF Seniors (50-55-60) World Championships. Further updates, including the Fact Sheet, will be issued on or before 30 November 2020

TSA Executive

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

HELP!

In order to ensure we have digital records of every SA Vet magazine, we ask members who may have any of the following editions or know of their whereabouts to please contact Kathy Parker (0428 839091 or kathypswan@gmail.com)

Year	Month	Volume
1986	December	<mark>1</mark>
1987	March	2
	<mark>June</mark>	3
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	December	<mark>5</mark>
1988	March	<mark>6</mark>
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1991	<mark>June</mark>	<mark>19</mark>
1993	March	<mark>26</mark>

Is it time for a change???

SAVET was chosen as an appropriate name for the bulletin of the Veterans Tennis Association of South Australia when it was first published in 1986 and that name has continued ever since, even though the word "veteran" was removed from our title in 2006, when we became the Tennis Seniors Association of South Australia.

What does the title "SAVET" conjure up? Do you think of tennis players 35 years and older or do war veterans come to mind? Is there a title which would be more appropriate as we plan celebrating our 50th anniversary? With Janet Wang and I retiring as the editors, it seems a good time to raise the question. (*Brian Arnold*)

Max Foran and Kathy Parker would like to hear your thoughts.

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Murray Bridge & District Seniors

Tennis Association

Invite you to join them on December 13th at 4pm

Murray Bridge Lawn Courts, Sturt Reserve

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In "perfect for tennis" weather on Sunday 8th November, fifteen local members of Murray Bridge and District Seniors Tennis Association hosted twenty four visitors at the lawn courts for the annual tennis match exchange. Visitors came from Port Elliot, South East Seniors and Riverland Seniors Clubs.

The morning was spent playing men's and ladies doubles and, from the chatter and laughter which came from the courts, it was evident that these matches were being enjoyed. After a delicious lunch supplied by local members, the afternoon was taken up with mixed doubles matches by those who were still standing!

During afternoon tea, Murray Bridge Club's vice president Gerry Korzeba had his 80th birthday recognised and all enjoyed a piece of birthday cake.

At the end of the day, President Lorraine Vickers thanked everyone for their attendance and announced the winners who were presented with an embroidered hand towel as a memento.

For the visitors, Kirt Kube of Pt Elliot won the men's event and May Liu of Pt Elliot won the women's. Local winners were Rosemary Daish and Theo Weinmann.

Trish Douglas, President of South East Seniors, thanked Murray Bridge for the invitation and commented on the great day it had been. This view was also supported by speakers from Riverland and Port Elliot. The fun-filled drawing of the raffle prizes wound up the day as the visitors began their journeys home.

Winning Grinners! May Liu and Kirt Kube of Port Elliot, Theo Weinmann and Rosemary Daish of Murray Bridge



South East Seniors News

On Sunday 8th November, nine South East Senior Tennis players travelled to Murray Bridge to participate in a Tennis Challenge with Riverland, Pt Elliot and Murray Bridge on lawn courts at Sturt Reserve in warm conditions. A great day was had by thirty nine players.





Back: Left, Bill Chapman, Peter Evans, Allan Schultz, Front: Irene Hamm, Marlene Bull, Necia Evans, Bernie Paltridge, Lorraine Gilgour, Trish Douglas

Ten South East Senior Tennis players travelled to Naracoorte and played in very warm conditions. Winning lady: Trish Douglas, runner-up Necia Evans

Winning man: Steve Biggins, runner- up Sergio Cesaro

Next event will be a Christmas theme held at Wattle Range on December 13th at 10am



Steve Biggins, Trish Douglas, Necia Evans, Sergio Cesaro



Peter Evans, John Ralson, Bill Chapman, Steve Biggins, Trish Douglas, Nancy Martin, Necia Evans, Peter Evans, Lorraine Gilgour, Sergio Cesaro

New Members

First name and surname? Jamie Armfield

Age? 50

Occupation? IT Consultant

Any leisure/community activities other than tennis?

Hiking

How did you get started in tennis?

Played in high school.

At what age and for which team did you play your first competitive match?

Post high school, my first competitive match was age 26 for O'Halloran Hill Tennis Club

For which clubs have you played?

O'Halloran Hill, Blackwood, Reade Park Lawn Tennis Clubs

Which competitions do you play at Tennis Seniors?

Summer Thursday night doubles B grade,

Winter Wednesday night doubles B grade

Do you play in other competitions and for other clubs?

Saturday Morning Men's Lawn Tennis Association Division 4 for Reade Park Lawn Tennis Club

Can you tell us of any tennis achievements/awards/memories?

2019/20 SMMLTA Div 4 Premiership and Player of Division for Reade Park Tennis Club

2018/19 SDTA Div 3 Premiership for Blackwood Tennis Club

2015 Masters Games bronze medal (at Tennis Seniors SA)

20+ previous years of highs and lows and great friendships and rivalries through summer and winter comps.

How long will you continue to play tennis and why?

As long as I can.

Can you tell us your most admired current or past tennis player(s)?

Federer, Agassi are my top two, but I admire anyone who is keen enough to pick up a racquet.

What/who influenced you to become a member of Tennis Seniors SA?

Luke O'Dea invited me to fill in one week in 2019 and I've kept on playing most weeks since then.



First name and surname? Tim Donnelly

Age? 53

Occupation? Tennis Coach

Any leisure/community activities other than tennis?

I like to play golf, mountain bike, and ski when possible. I

have a young son so I like to watch him play sports.

How did you get started in tennis?

I started playing at school with some group coaching then went on to play for St Ignatius College on the Drive team. I started late, 14 years of age, in terms of tennis these days. Played cricket exclusively till then.

At what age and for which team did you play your first competitive match? I remember playing for Burnside at 14, got crushed and stayed at the club to watch Lleyton Hewitt play.

For which clubs have you played?

I've really had brief stints playing at Burnside and Memorial Drive, work and studies became a priority for me after school. I've been living in the US for the past twenty five years and it was there that I began to play more regularly and in competition.

Which competitions do you play at Tennis Seniors?

Wednesday night doubles competition.

Can you tell us of any tennis achievements/awards/memories?

Playing men's national Indoor tournaments was a great experience - some amazing players. I'm most proud of coaching both girls and boys high school teams for years.

Are other family members involved in tennis?

My son plays periodically as does my wife just for fun and exercise.

How long will you continue to play tennis and why?

As long as possible. A healthy mind is a healthy body.

Can you tell us your most admired current or past tennis player(s)?

I admire the older generation of Aussie greats Rosewall, Laver, etc. - there was little money in it for them. Steffi Graff was pretty amazing. Any player that has the mental side of the game in check gets my nod. Most currently as a coach it's hard not to love Rafa and Roger. They are amazing ambassadors of not just tennis but sportsmanship.

What/who influenced you to become a member of Tennis Seniors SA?

It began with "Des" O'Connor who initially got me out to play. Adrian Johnson and David Hill have taken me onto their team, the Punters.



First name and surname Chris Teel

Do you have a nickname? Christo **Age?** 72

Occupation? Retired

If retired, what was your main trade/profession/line of work while gainfully employed?

Air Traffic Controller

Any leisure/community activities other than tennis?

Walking, gardening

How did you get started in tennis?

School tennis

At what age and for which team did you play your first competitive match?

I was 13 and played for Brighton High

For which clubs have you played?

Filled in a couple of times many years ago at Flagstaff Hill

Which competitions do you play at Tennis Seniors?

None

Do you play in other competitions and for other clubs?

No

How long will you continue to play tennis and why?

Unsure at this stage

Can you tell us your most admired current or past tennis player(s)?

Lleyton Hewitt

What/who influenced you to become a member of Tennis Seniors SA?

I moved close to the club. The previous person I played with years back no longer plays

Australian websites:

SA play.tennis.com.au/TennisSeniorsSA
Vic www.tennisseniorsvictoria.com.au
Qld www.tennisseniors.org.au/qld
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