

Minutes of the Weston Creek Tennis Club

June Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 16th June 2020

7:30pm, Club

1. Present

Stewart Back, Graeme Rossiter, Geoff Kotz, Brian Chauncy, Clair Dupont, Dan Green, Mark Walton, Johnny Swientek, Lorraine Ovington, Maggie King and Tony Laudenbach.

2. Apologies

Nil

3. Acceptance of Previous April Minutes 2020

3.1 The WCTC April Minutes 2020 were accepted.

4. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

4.1 Refer to [Action List](#) as of 3 May 2020.

4.2 **Action Item 04/02/2020-6.1:** Lorraine advised that the Club is in credit to the amount of \$594.05 which expires in 12 months i.e June 2021. Rebel does not currently stock or supply tennis nets or bagging products. Lorraine requested an extra 30 Rebel cards to be handed out to new members etc...However Brian later advised he has a stock of them if required. As the Club is not using the club's balls at present, Lorraine bought 10 packets of grips for racquets @9.99 each = \$99.90. These plus Rebel cards were given to Graeme to hand out to new members as a little incentive to join. More balls were also bought. Ball preference was discussed with some members preferring Slazenger balls and others preferring Wilson balls. Amendment: Geoff installed a secure box in the clubhouse storeroom to store the social tennis balls on 29 June 2020.

4.3 **Action Item 04/02/2020-7.2 Tennis Seniors Australia Carnival Closed:** Graeme has been in contact with Chris' Bakery who would be happy to provide food and drinks. Raiders Club would also be able to provide cheap meals at its premises. Neither were interested in sponsoring the event. Graeme advised that the Tennis Seniors Australia Carnival planned to be held in Canberra in January 2021 is unlikely to go ahead due to COVID-19 and sponsorship reasons. Further correspondence would be coming shortly. Action item has been updated and closed as received an email from Warren Mullers on 20 June 2020 advising that the event had been cancelled due to COVID-19 and lack of sponsorship. Refer to email [HERE](#).

- 4.4 **Action Item 10/08/2018 Fencing Closed:** The funding the Club received from the Volunteer Grant will be used to add wood panelling to the bottom of the fencing. This will mean that fencing does need a full replacement or new fencing. Holes will also be put into the pipe and held by wire. Paint will also make the wire more aesthetically pleasing. More information in the [Project Report](#).

5. Correspondence

- 5.1 Refer to [Correspondence](#).
- 5.2 The [ACT Government's 2020-21 Sport and Recreation Grants Program](#) is now open and applications close on the 10 July 2020. Geoff will investigate the ACT Government's 2020-21 Sport and Recreation Grants Program and let the Executive Committee know if the Club should apply, noting that if the grants are successful they require the Club to also provide 50% of funding for the project. The Club is short on funds at the moment due to considerable infrastructure improvements (lights and courts). **ACTION: Investigate and apply for ACT Government's 2020-21 Sport and Recreation Grants Program if warranted.**
- 5.3 **Tennis Ball Tube Enquiry:** The Club received an email on 11 June 2020 from Jack Livingstone who is an honours student at the University of Canberra researching methods for rehabilitating contaminated land. He has requested if the Club could provide him with any empty tennis 4 ball tubes for his research. The tubes are apparently the perfect size for a preliminary glasshouse experiment he is currently undertaking that requires observations of root performance of plants grown in contaminated soils. The Executive Committee was able to provide the WCTC Secretary with around 20 tubes to give to the researcher for his research. **ACTION: Clair to give the 20 tennis ball tubes to the UC honours student who is researching methods for rehabilitating contaminated land.**
- 5.4 **Photos:** Graeme thought it would be a good idea to get some more professional photographs of the Club for the website, social media and brochures. Executive Committee agreement. **ACTION: Graeme and Clair to organise photos for the Club.**

6. Reports

President

- 6.1 Refer to [President Report](#).
- 6.2 There was a brief discussion regarding ClubSpark and the Book A Court system. There are still issues with the system that needs to be improved.

6.3 **Robbery:** Tim Harris will need to buy replacement tools / or cost the tools in order for the Club to apply for this insurance. The police have been notified with video footage provided and the case reference number is 6542305. Graeme has been in contact with a Constable Fuller. The police were supposed to send forensics to the club but they have not done so yet and it has rained since the robbery. **ACTION: Graeme to follow up with Tim Harris regarding insurance claims for tools that were stolen at the Club.**

6.4 **Southern Cross Club:** Stewart reapplied for the Community Rewards Program with the South Cross Club. WCTC needs to reapply for this rewards program every year to participate and earns around \$2000 for the Club each year. WCTC members will need to nominate the WCTC to the Southern Cross Club and they will link the members account. The Southern Cross Club will then calculate the equivalent of 7.5% of a WCTC members spend on food and beverages at the Woden, Tuggeranong, Jamison and Yacht Club, and provide another source of income for the tennis club. **ACTION: Stewart to send Southern Cross Club correspondence to Clair and Clair to promote to membership.**

Treasurer

6.5 Refer to [Treasurer Report](#) & [Project Report](#).

6.6 The Club will need to make yearly repayments of around \$18,000 per year (paid monthly) on the ANZ loan the Club took out for the court resurfacing. While the Club is only required to make monthly repayments, the **Executive committee approved** the Treasurer's request to make a yearly repayment from the membership fees.

6.7 ACTION: Geoff to investigate offset account for ANZ loan.

6.8 ACTION: Geoff to transfer remaining \$45 in Commonwealth account and close.

Membership

6.9 Refer to [Membership Report](#).

6.10 There were roughly 304 members as of 13 June 2020.

6.11 There are some discrepancies between the number of memberships and the number of members. There was one duplicate in the adult membership package. There is one other discrepancy but reason for this is unknown. WCTC Membership Secretary is still investigating.

Coaching

- 6.12 Refer to [Coaching Report](#).
- 6.13 WCTC Head Coach Mark Walton is hopeful the next term (spring) will return back to normal with tournaments resuming. The coaching wasn't as badly impacted as first thought. There are currently around 200 students. The junior tournament will be held in August 2020 and the September competition at WCTC should go ahead in September.
- 6.14 A mother who does lessons with the Canberra School of Tennis wanted to do a birthday party for her daughter at the Club on the 20 June 2020. The party members would follow COVID-19 restrictions in line with the ACT government regulations. The Executive Committee allowed the family to use the Club free of charge as they purchased a family membership at \$290 with the joining fee waived as the family is doing lessons.
- 6.15 Mark Walton reminded the Executive Committee that he would greatly appreciate a reference letter for the Gold Creek High School tender process. **ACTION: Stewart and Graeme to write a coaching reference letter for the Gold Creek High School tender process for Mark Walton.**

Canberra Tennis League

- 6.16 Refer to [Canberra Tennis League Report](#).
- 6.17 Please note the Pennant Competition is now referred to as the Canberra Tennis League.
- 6.18 Weston Creek has 10 teams submitted for the Winter season. This includes 5 teams on Monday/Tuesday night, 3 on Thursday night and 2 on Saturday. Balls will be provided by Tennis ACT instead of the Club's providing them.

7. General / Other

- 7.1 **AGM:** The Executive discussed the date for the next meeting / AGM, noting that the ACT Government had granted an extension of 6 months if required. The Executive agreed to hold the next Committee meeting followed by the AGM on Wednesday 19 August 2020 from 7:30pm at the Club. **ACTION: Executive and Committee to advise WCTC Secretary Clair Dupont if they will be renominating or not for the Executive Committee for 2020-21 at the WCTC 2020 AGM.**

8. Next Meeting

8.1 The next meeting will be held on 19 August 2020 from 7:30pm at the Club. This will be the WCTC August Committee meeting followed by the AGM.

9. Meeting Close

9.1 The meeting closed at 9:30pm.

Prepared by WCTC Secretary, Clair Dupont

Action List as of 30 June 2020

Reference #	Item	Actioned By	Comments	Progress
16/06/2020-5.2	Investigate and apply for ACT Government's 2020-21 Sport and Recreation Grants Program if warranted.	Geoff		In Progress
16/06/2020-5.3	Clair to give the 20 tennis ball tubes to the UC honours student who is researching methods for rehabilitating contaminated land.	Clair	20/6: UC Researcher picked up the ball tubes/tins on 20 June 2020	Closed
16/06/2020-5.4	Graeme and Clair to organise photos for the Club.	Graeme / Clair		In Progress
16/06/2020-6.3	Graeme to follow up with Tim Harris regarding insurance claims for tools that were stolen at the Club.	Graeme		In Progress
16/06/2020-6.4	Stewart to send Southern Cross Club correspondence to Clair and Clair to promote to membership.	Stewart / Clair	30/6: Stewart provided application to Clair on 27 June 2020	In Progress
16/06/2020-6.7	Geoff to investigate offset account for ANZ loan.	Geoff		In Progress
16/06/2020-6.8	Geoff to transfer remaining \$45 in Commonwealth account and close.	Geoff		In Progress

16/06/2020-6.15	Stewart and Graeme to write a coaching reference letter for the Gold Creek High School tender process for Mark Walton.	Stewart / Graeme		In Progress
16/06/2020-7.1	Executive and Committee to advise WCTC Secretary Clair Dupont if they will be renominating or not for the Executive Committee for 2020-21 at the WCTC 2020 AGM.	All	28/06: WCTC President Stewart Back has indicated he will not be renominating for the Executive/Committee Majority of Executive/Committee have indicated they intend to renominate. A few still to indicate.	In Progress
21/04/2020-6.13.2	Mark and Graeme to get the membership flyer/brochure updated with assistance from Stewart and Geoff.	Mark / Graeme	16/6: The new flyer / brochure should be ready to go by the end of winter / early spring as content has been finalised. Mark is using the old ones first.	In Progress
08/10/2020-8.2	Brian to investigate chemistry treatment for blackberries as alternative to poisoning or cutting back.	Brian	16/6: Brian found a good spray at bunnings. Will spray the blackberries in Spring. 4/2: Graeme bobcat quote	In Progress

2018	Executive/Graeme to set up coaching brainstorming session. Junior > Adults	Graeme	4/2: Grame and Mark have had initial discussions. Grame has put together a draft for Mark's review.	In Progress
06/02/2018-	Constitution	Hugh & Graeme	7/8: Hugh Bush and Graeme Rossiter will review the Constitution and recommend any changes if needed.	In Progress
21/04/2020-6.9	Geoff to follow up COVID-19 rent waiver with ACT Government.	Geoff	16/6: Geoff advised he had paid the bills in advance. Since he hasn't received a bill for 2 months, he is making the assumption that bills have been waived.	Closed
04/02/2020-6.1	Committee to investigate alternative items the club can purchase with the Rebel credit like nets and straps.	Lorraine	<p>16/6: Updated in June Minutes 2020.</p> <p>21/4: Lorraine advised the Executive the Club had \$786.89 in credit. Lorraine to investigate what else Rebel Sport could provide the Club and if the credit has an expiry date. More info in April Minutes 2020.</p>	Closed

04/02/2020-7.2	Graeme to investigate (1) possible catering options for the 2021 Australian Seniors Teams and Individual Championships including Chris's Bakery and the Raiders Club, (2) what maintenance needs to be undertaken and (3) and what businesses would be interested in promoting the event.	Graeme	16/6: Refer to point 4.3 in the WCTC June Committee Minutes 2020 for more information. Cancelled due to COVID-19 and lack of sponsorship. 21/4: Assuming going ahead in January 2021.	Closed
04/12/2018-6.4	Clair and Lorraine to develop a WCTC Survey.	Clair & Lorraine		Remove
10/09/2018-	Graeme will further investigate fencing costs and the clubs needs after the outcome of the grants have been announced.	Graeme	16/6: More information in WCTC June Committee Minutes 2020. Volunteer Grant will pay for the fencing to be fixed.	Closed
08/04/2018-	Mark Walton to provide a more detailed Business Plan to the Executive.	Mark	7/8: Mark to provide a more detailed business plan (community proposal) to the Club at the October committee meeting. 9/4: Rob has bought a 10% share in Marks business.	Closed

Correspondence

1. Courts 5 -8 were unplayable on Sunday morning 14 June 2020 after the rain on Saturday night.
2. Working with Vulnerable People (WWVP) registrations held by workers expiring on, or after, 16 March 2020 will be automatically extended for a period of up to six months after the cessation of the declared health emergency. More information [HERE](#).
3. The Oceania Nepali Sports Meet has been postponed to December. The original booking for April 2020 was cancelled. Courts will be rebooked once event has been confirmed closer to date and dates / times have been provided.
4. All ACT Clubs will now be moved to ClubSpark to manage their memberships, website and events.
5. Please note that when a user uses Book A Court through ClubSpark with a guest, the guest will no longer need to use the guest pin. Please note the system may still be providing a guest pin, but that it will not work.
6. The Club is looking at getting some semi-professional photos taken of the Club. Club Secretary has suggested [David Lee](#) who charges \$50 per hour. It may also be worthwhile to see if any members have experience and would be interested in taking photos of the Club. Executive Committee to discuss.
7. The Executive Committee may want to submit an application for the [ACT Community Gardens Grant](#). Applications close on 29 June 2020. Graeme, Tim and Geoff to investigate.

Clair Dupont
WCTC Secretary

President's Report

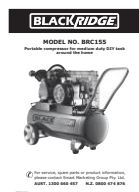
Stolen Property

Two people broke into the Club and stole Tim Harris's compressor that Graeme had been using to paint the fences and gates. They cut the wire next to the north side of the Clubhouse, broke the padlock and got into the Club shed to steal the compressor. We have some CCTV footage of them which has been given to the police. Geoff has made temporary repairs to the fence. Graeme will follow up with the police. They have been seen lurking around the Club/Dillon Close in a red Holden and a white Toyota ute. If anyone has seen them please contact Graeme.

Geoff and Stewart had a look at the locks and have (1) replaced the lock lost from the Club shed; (2) installed a lock on the gate that is angled between court 8 and 9, and (3) installed a lock on the gate on the northern side of court 2. With the exception of the 2 single gates on the western side and the main single gate, all 7 gates plus the Club shed now have a lock that uses the same key; this key is on restricted distribution. Mark, Joe, Geoff, Graeme, Tim and Stewart have a copy. The two single gates on the western fence are still openable, but Geoff and Stewart are the only 2 known holders of the key that opens these. The Club is looking at assisting Tim with a replacement compressor. Insurance will be investigated.

The following items were stolen:

- 1 Air Hose Dark Blue PVC 13mm x 15m replacement value \$69
- 1 Blackridge MODEL NO. BRC155 Portable compressor replacement value \$479
- 1 HVLP Spray Gun 1.4mm Nozzle Size 1000cc Pot Capacity replacement value \$86.99



Stewart Back
WCTC President

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Treasurer Report

Income/Expense Comparison by Category - YTD			
Category description	1/04/2019- 3/6/2019	1/04/2020 - 3/6/2020	Amount Difference
INCOME			
Court Hire - Casual	576.00	196.00	-380.00
- Coaching	1,600.00	700.00	-900.00
- External	115.00	480.00	365.00
- Social	480.00	0.00	-480.00
- Court usage fees - BookaCourt	1,610.00	734.13	-875.87
TOTAL Court usage fees	4,381.00	2,110.13	-2,270.87
Insurance Claim	0.00	0.00	0.00
Membership - Joining Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00
- Subscriptions	11,000.00	9,910.50	-1,089.50
- Subscriptions - Stripe	11,989.20	15,588.13	3,598.93
TOTAL Membership	22,989.20	25,498.63	2,509.43
Pennant player fees	2,430.00	-700.00	-3,130.00
Sponsorship	547.66	0.00	-547.66
Sundry income			
TOTAL INCOME	30,347.86	26,908.76	-3,439.10
EXPENSES			
Administrative expenses			
Loan Application (paid From ANZ account)	0.00	600.00	600.00
- Key cutting	48.00	0.00	-48.00
- Printing, Postage	10.15	0.00	-10.15
TOTAL Administrative expenses	58.15	600.00	541.85
Asset purchases CBA account	0.00	77,494.67	77,494.67
Asset purchases ANZ account	0.00	77,494.67	77,494.67
Grounds Maintenance - Ad-hoc	149.44	1,190.48	1,041.04
- Scheduled	495.00	0.00	-495.00
TOTAL Grounds Maintenance	644.44	1190.48	546.04
Clubhouse cleaning & maint	623.70	0.00	-623.70
Consumables - Cleaning materials			
- Club house			
- Tennis balls			
External Court Hire			
Govt. Charges - Land rent			
- Rates			
- Miscellaneous fees			
Insurance			
Pennant team fees			
Sundry expenses			
Utilities - Electricity	1,076.89	348.67	-728.22
- Waste removal	207.90	115.50	-92.40
- Water & sewerage	512.48	493.60	-18.88
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,123.56	157,737.59	154,614.03
Expenses CBA account		79,642.92	76,519.36
Expenses ANZ account		78,094.67	
		157,737.59	
OVERALL TOTAL	27,224.30	-130,828.83	

Financial Report as at 3 June 2020

CBA Cheque Book	Opening Balance 1/4/2020			77,100.86
	Income	26,908.76		
	Expenses	79,642.92		
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				24,366.70
	Deduct Transfers to ANZ account	-74,072.62		
CBA Online Saver	Add Transfer to Cheque Account	87,981.49		
	Closing Balance as at 3 June 2020			<hr/>
				38,275.57
CBA Term Deposit	Opening Balance 1/4/2020			44.60
	Interest	0.00		
	Deduct Transfers to Term Dep.	0.00		
	Deduct Transfers to Cheque Acc.	0.00		
	Add Transfers from Cheque Acc	0.00		
	Closing Balance as at 3 June 2020			<hr/>
CBA Term Deposit				44.60
	Opening Balance 1/4/2020			87,842.06
	Interest	139.43		
ANZ Bank Account	Deduct Transfers to Cheque Acc.	-87,981.49		
	Closing Balance as at 3 June 2020			<hr/>
ANZ Bank Account				0.00
	Opening Balance 14/5/2020	0.00	0.00	70,000.00
	Deduct Application Expense	-600.00		
	Deduct Asset Prurchases	-77,494.67		
	Add Transfer from CBA Cheque Acc	74,072.62		
	Closing Balance as at 3 June 2020			<hr/>
ANZ Bank Account				65,977.95

The \$64,072.62 payment for court lights remains pending because we have not seen the results of the intensity level tests carried out some time ago. *See - Projects Report*

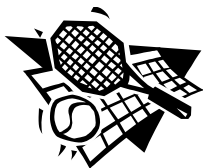
Courts 5 - 8 have been resurfaced for a total of \$167,106.87 *See - Projects Report*

The Term Deposit account has been closed. These funds, together with the \$70,000 loan from the ANZ bank has been used to pay for the court resurfacing project.

Our application for the "Volunteers" Govt. Grant of \$2,100 was successful, the funds should be with us on 22nd June. *See - Projects Report*

Our application for the for \$12,000 to supply and install 30 solar panels through "Community Energy Efficiency and Solar Grant " is still being assessed.

Project Report



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Projects Report

Court Lighting

ACTEW was given until the end of May to produce the lighting report. On 15th May I contacted Ian Butler of PHASE4 Electrical and data who was kind enough to meet me on site where he took several light readings across the complex. These showed that, with a single court lit, the light levels were below specification, but with all courts lit, as they would be during competition, the levels were satisfactory.

An ACTEW representative met me on site on 25th May to re-measure the lights (they had lost the previous set of readings). I rang ACTEW on 11th June to be told “they would get back to me”.

Court Resurfacing

The court resurfacing was completed in not the most favourable weather conditions with there being several ripples remaining in the finished carpet surface. \$6,000 + has ben held back from the final payment to be paid in September when the contractor will come back to ensure we are satisfied with the final product.

Court Fencing

The funds from the “Volunteers Grant” are to be used on :

“First aid and Safety” - meaning materials to control the base of the chain wire fence.
and

“Outdoor furniture and equipment” - meaning paint and painting equipment used on the chain wire fencing.

Graeme has done a fantastic job in painting the fence poles. We may need to organise work parties to do the work involved with the base of the fencing.

Club house Roof

For discussion – the roof needs either a waterproof coating of some description or replacement. If we are successful in our “Solar Panel” Grant we will have to quickly debate the roof situation. Budget-wise there may also be difficulties.

Lorraine’s Locker

W.I.P.

Membership Report

Name	Type	Expiry	Sold	Members	Revenue
2019 Carnivale Adult	Adult	31/03/2020	4	4	\$0.00
2019 Carnivale Family	Family	31/03/2020	2	0	\$0.00
2019 Carnivale Special	Adult	31/03/2020	2	2	\$0.00
2019/2020 Life Membership (non playing)	Adult	31/03/2020	4	0	\$0.00
2019/2020 Life Membership (playing)	Adult	31/03/2020	7	0	\$0.00
2019/2020 New Adult membership	Adult	31/03/2020	17	0	\$0.00
2019/2020 New Family Membership	Adult	31/03/2020	0	0	\$0.00
2019/2020 New Junior Membership	Adult	31/03/2020	5	0	\$0.00
2019/2020 New Special (Pensioner) Membership	Adult	31/03/2020	1	0	\$0.00
2019/2020 New Student Membership	Adult	31/03/2020	2	0	\$0.00
2019/2020 Renewing Adult Membership	Adult	31/03/2020	117	0	\$0.00
2019/2020 Renewing Family Membership	Adult	31/03/2020	42	0	\$0.00
2019/2020 Renewing Junior Membership	Adult	31/03/2020	8	0	\$0.00
2019/2020 Renewing Special Membership	Adult	31/03/2020	48	0	\$125.00
2019/2020 Renewing Student Membership	Adult	31/03/2020	5	0	\$0.00
2020-21 Family Membership	Family	31/03/2021	18	50	\$3,770.00
2020-21 Junior Membership	Junior	31/03/2021	19	19	\$880.00

2020-21 Life Membership (Non-Playing)	Other	31/03/2021	4	4	\$0.00
2020-21 Life Membership (Playing)	Other	31/03/2021	7	7	\$0.00
2020-21 Pensioner Membership	Veteran	31/03/2021	55	54	\$6,312.50
2020-21 Student Membership	Student	31/03/2021	8	8	\$1,092.50
2020/21 Adult Membership	Adult	31/03/2021	156	156	\$21,310.00

Coaching Report

Weston Creek Tennis Club Junior/Coach Report

Date : 5th June 2020

Well not a lot to really report about other than to say it's great to be back coaching again after the COVID pandemic. (Even though it's still not over). We missed 5 weeks of tennis in total & then with the great help of Graeme Rossiter, we were able to re commence 1 to 1 coaching in the middle to late of April. We are now currently back now doing group tennis coaching 5 days a week Tues to Sat. We started back on the 26th May & will cease the term lessons around the 3rd July. With the easing of restrictions we hope to now be able to do holiday camps in July & we hope to start term 3 pretty much as normal, with the start of comps as well for the kids still with the strict hygiene protocols required.

The outlook is a lot more rosy than what was suggested late March & early April & although the business is only operating currently at 50%, I do hope by the time Spring, say Sept or Oct, comes around we will be to back normal, whatever that maybe.

I would like to give a couple of special mentions/thank you. Firstly Graeme Rossiter for his great efforts in getting the club functioning again as a facility, in April. It was a huge effort & something I am sure the whole club appreciates enormously, I know I do. Speaking of efforts also Graeme & Tim's tireless efforts getting the fences & grounds looking fantastic. I even saw Geoffrey, spreading some sand, so great work. Finally I would like to thank Geoff & the committee for the easing of the court hire in April, it was much appreciated at a time when we were unsure so thank you & am happy to return to normality with court hire payments now that we have started group lessons.

One final thing I was hoping to get the club to write up a type of reference for CSOT at Weston, for the clubs views on how we run our programs & try to integrate them within the club & the community. If this is a problem please let us know.

Other than that it is business as usual now as we try to get back to daily lives,

Mark Walton
WCTC Club Coach

Canberra Tennis League Report

Canberra Tennis League

Adult Leagues – Winter 2020

After a frustrating start to the year it's great to see the Adult Canberra Tennis League about to get underway. League dates are at the end of this report.

Weston Creek has 10 teams submitted for the Winter season. This includes 5 teams on Monday/Tuesday night, 3 on Thursday night and 2 on Saturday.

Following online entry of teams, grading is soon to be completed. There is also a new version of match centre designed to enhance all players' online experience. The old version will still be operational during the transition.

Under the new league tennis balls will be supplied by TennisACT. Team captains are responsible for upfront payment of fees and coordinating the team throughout the season.

Additional Considerations for Players (noting this may vary across clubs and change throughout the season)

- Club houses remain closed.
- There is limited or no access to bathroom facilities, depending on the venue.
- There is no supper after the Thursday night competition for this season.

The Walking Clinic Saturday League

7 Week season including finals

Dates: [Saturday 4 July – Saturday 15 August](#)

The Walking Clinic Monday & Tuesday Night League

9 Week season including finals

Dates: [Monday 29 June – Tuesday 25 August](#)

The Walking Clinic Thursday Night League

9 Week season including finals

Dates: [Thursday 2 July – Thursday 27 August](#)

Dan Green

WCTC Canberra Tennis League Captain

Cancellation of January 2021 Tennis Carnival

Dear Tennis Seniors ACT members

I regret to inform you that after very careful consideration the Tennis Seniors ACT committee has decided that the Tennis Seniors Australia Carnival we were going to host in Canberra in January 2021 cannot go ahead.

The reasons behind this are

- Uncertainty whether a second wave of COVID-19 will arrive, which would result in cancellations (and financial losses) both for the events in Canberra and airfares and accommodation of competitors from other states.
- Uncertainty what the requirements will be in January for social distancing, and hence the viability of the opening ceremony, presentation dinner and team dinners.
- Necessity for time slots for cleaning in between matches would mean that four matches per day could not be fitted in.
- Pressure on toilets and showers at all venues with social distancing and cleaning requirements.
- Expense of employing cleaners at all venues on all days and providing sanitizers at all gates for all venues.
- Extra volunteers that would be needed to monitor sanitizing stations, ensure that cleaning is being performed, and monitoring that social distancing is being maintained.
- The inability to attract any substantial sponsors; with COVID-19 sponsorship has virtually dried up. Consequently our current budget shows a substantial loss with the usual team entry fee and social event charges, even before extra cleaning expenses are factored in.

We are hopeful that the 2022 carnival will go ahead, however no decision has been made on a venue. Canberra may host a carnival in the near future, with 2022, 2023 and 2024 all being possibilities depending on the ability and interest of other states to be the hosts.

Kind regards

Warren Muller
(Secretary, TSACT)

20 June 2020