



Information Sheet

“Having celebrated our 30th Anniversary, in December 2015”

Kangaroo Tennis (KT) is a men’s social group based on 4, best of 8 games sets of competitive, yet convivial doubles tennis each Tuesday evening.

“Going strong now for 33 years” !

Location

Ryde Tennis Centre (Rear of Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre, Victoria Road, Ryde).
Bounded by Karen Moras Drive, Potts & Weaver Streets, Ryde.

Time of Play

KT courts open from 7:00pm with competition NOW commencing earlier at 7:00pm (but not later than 7.30pm) and finishing at 10:30; to participate in the competition arrival is required **no later than 7:50pm**

MOST IMPORTANTLY Permanent & on-going Casual members need to advise the Hon. Club Captain or another Working Committee member of their non-attendance by or before NOW 6.00pm on the night, preferably by text or by writing in the tennis diary, the previous week of attendance .

*** IF IN DOUBT ABOUT THE PLAYABILITY OF THE COURTS DUE TO RAIN**

Please contact a member of the Working Committee - *see page 2 - either Rod, or Alvin !*

KT Rules, Numbers, Promotion & Relegation

KT applies the Short Deuce Rule, i.e. once 40:40 is reached, the next point won, wins the game.

KT presently runs 4 courts with 8 players per court maximum, involving approximately 32 **Permanent Members** & a select number of **Casual Members**. Courts are ranked with the better tennis players on Court # 1 and the more philosophical on Court # 4. A monthly (except for January) promotion and relegation system allows a transition of players, with (based on the best 3 weekly game scores) the top position on each of the lower 3 courts being promoted and the lower scorer on the top 3 courts being relegated at the end of each month. Should a player miss all or part of the month, promotion or relegation shall be at the discretion of the club captain.

Fees & Payment Thereof

KT Permanents pay \$50 per month in advance & Non-playing Social members pay \$15 per month. Permanents are required; to advise due to any sickness, or being away for an extended time seeking a reduction in fees to \$25.00 per month, via Marc Gibson .

KT Casuals during competition months pay \$20 per week on the evening.

For January, all players pay \$10 per night.

Members are encouraged to direct credit to a/c 043 275 004 / BSB 112879

The minimum information required, is your Surname and the month you are paying for.

Protocols & Courtesies

KT is run on a voluntary and co-operative basis. Its success over more than a quarter of a century attests to the ability of a group of blokes getting all that needs to be done, done in a timely fashion with a minimum of administration work.

This is due in no small measure to the efforts of the Working Committee, which is presently:

Rod King (Hon. Club Captain)	0401 134 859	rodking702@gmail.com
Alvin Maple	0407 278 836	nwsta@bigpond.net.au
John Diamond	0417 274 401	johnandsandradiamond@hotmail.com
Marc Gibson (Hon. Treasurer)	0417 681 287	marc@shoemovers.com.au
Ron Hardaker	0414 231 587	Hardaker@ozemail.com.au

For 11 months KT pays in arrears for the hire of the 4 courts (as well as for balls, refreshments & BBQ). Fees are therefore required to be paid in advance (Permanents & Social) or on the night (Casuals) to the Hon. Treasurer or in his absence to one of the other Working Committee members.

To assist with the aforementioned administration :

- * Permanent & Social members should be no longer than 1 month behind in fees;
- * As Permanent members pay regardless of whether or not they play, such members with an absence in prospect (for business or personal reasons) need to advise the Hon. Club Captain so that an arrangement to hold their Permanent status can be worked out (up to 3 weeks absence - \$20, more than 3 weeks as agreed);
- * To cancel Permanent membership (& seek any pro rata refund) please advise the Hon. Club Captain or another Working Committee member;
- * Refreshments, BBQ & other KT administration don't just happen by themselves so suggestions for any improvement/s should be directed to the Working Committee, prefaced by the offer of volunteering;
- * Requests to Hon. Club Captain for attendance of a new Casual member is required a week prior to attendance;

January

This is a month of optional attendance, being simply social tennis with a mixture of all courts, pay as you play (\$10 per person per night) and the ability to invite friends, colleagues, family etc.

Amenities, Partners

New tennis balls are provided every 2 weeks; supper including tea, coffee, biscuits and a variety of fruits is provided weekly and a BBQ is held on the last Tuesday of each month, coinciding with the promotion/relegation outcomes. At least once a year a social event is organised for members and their partners, usually on a Saturday evening in November.

The members and casual players come from a wide range of professional and work backgrounds and makes for interesting discussion when off the courts, awaiting the next set.
