



# The Player

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## From the President - Nola Carmignani

It seems a very long time since putting pen to paper, our Player producer Debbie has just returned from a 6 week holiday in Europe, had an absolute ball, and is now ready to get this issue out by this week!

It's Christmas time again, and seems the decorations are out in force this year. I'd rather take time out to reflect on the past year, and be thankful that all has gone well, including our health, and hope next year will be just as good if not better!

Opening day this year, themed "Olympics" was a bit of a hoot, with several members dressed as Olympians. A good afternoon of tennis and later festivities were enjoyed by all. Thanks to the social committee for putting this together.

All our League teams are well into the season, and doing well. Good luck for the second half of the season!

The courts are hitting well, and the bottom bank of courts will be verti-mowed at some point month, ready for the new year.

Thank you to Stu Campbell for organising a stall to promote the club at the Luita St. Stu and his helpers, Elli Campbell and Elliot Buzza, did a great job, on a day which was too hot for words.

Our best get well wishes to Members - Stuart Knott, and well done to Bruce McKenzie who has bounced back in an incredible way since he too became a member of the Replacement Parts Club!

As most of you would already know, our Vice President Tony has relocated to Ravensthorpe, so we are at present looking to fill that position. The Vice President's role includes being liaison for State League.

We really need someone to volunteer for the VP position now, so they can familiarise themselves with the role and understand how Management works. If you have been thinking about joining Management, now is the time! WDTC needs you to put your hand up.

If you are able to help, please contact me asap on 0403 003 507 or at [nolacarmignani@bigpond.com](mailto:nolacarmignani@bigpond.com)

**Welcome to WDTC the following 35 new members.**

**FULL:** PAULINE KENDALL, AILSA MCGREGOR , DAVID COSGROVE

**MIDWEEK:** GERALDINE WATSON, SANDRA KING, SIAN BURGESS

**LEAGUE:** JAYNE FOY

**INTERMEDIATES:** STEPH WATSON, MADDI WATSON

**JUNIOR:** KIERRAN COCKBURN, LACHLAN PHILIPS , BLAISE FARRUGIA, COOPER PRINCE, FLYNN MCPHERSON, MAX MUSSARED, PAUL GROSSHAMMER, KANE, JOSH & SHANAE ALEXANDER, OLIVER & HARRISON KING, BLAISE FARRUGIA , VICTORIA VANN, CHRISTOPHER VANN, FRASER HOUSE, OLIVER KING, FLYNN MCPHERSON, LILY & ISABELLA HARDY ,LUCY SKELDON, JACK HARDY, EVELYN COLLIER, BRANDON POCARO, JOEL WILLOUGHBY

**SOCIAL:** CRAIG HARDY

A very merry, and safe Christmas to all members, and hope to see you at the club, with racquet in hand.

Cheers, and God bless! Nola



# The Player - WDTA "Simply the Best"

## Captain's Report - Rae Savage

### HANDICAP TOURNAMENTS

Alan McLaughlin does a fantastic job running these events and I am most appreciative of his help. This year Alan was also very generous in sponsoring the events - thank you Alan.

The results are as follows:

Event	Winners	Runners Up
Mixed Event	Anne McKenzie & Richard Maguire	Jan Hibbard & David Drake
Ladies Doubles	Rae Savage & Louise Hall	Taryn Sullivan & Wendy Dominy
Mens Doubles	Alan McLaughlin & Peter Adorno	David Drake & Alan Doggett

Interest has waned this year and Tournament Committee

## Juniors - Tyson Buzza

Early in October Stu Campbell vacated his position as Junior Chairperson and I would like to say on behalf of all the juniors and parents thank you for all your efforts in this role.

The Season opener on Friday October 19<sup>th</sup> went off with a bang! More than 50 juniors turned out for a pre-season launch, catching up with old and meeting new teammates. Haydn, John and Craig organized some great tennis games and fired up the new ball machine. This was followed by the classic WDTA sausage sizzle and a can of soft drink, which hit the spot nicely. Thank you to Fraser's dad Richard for a job well done on the BBQ with the tongs!

I must mention to you that we have also formed a Junior Sub Committee to help out with the organization of the juniors. These people are Janet Paterson Will's mum,

is considering a different type of event for next year. Any feedback is welcome.

### SOCIAL PLAY

Where is everyone? Numbers have been down for the past few weeks on both Saturday and Sunday. Seems the Christmas season has started early! The down-side to low numbers is that the Day Captain has a hard job offering variety of sets, and of course if there is a large imbalance in ladies and men, it is often difficult to offer a balance between mixed and same gender sets. We ask for your understanding in these situations. Day Captains always appreciate a thank -you at the end of the day!

### HANGOVER TOURNAMENT

The next main event is the Hangover Tournament on New Year's Day. Again, Alan McLaughlin has put up his hand to run this. Thanks Alan.

Jodi Mills Hayley's mum and Louise Hall Guy's mum. Thank you in advance Ladies for helping out. To all parents of juniors, if you have any suggestions or ideas concerning our Junior members please do not hesitate to make them known.

The first half of the summer pennants season has raced through at a blistering pace. We do have a few very well placed teams sitting at the top of their divisions and other teams are also very well placed on their respective ladders. Congratulations to all players. For some, school holidays are just around the corner. Christmas is well and truly in the minds of us all so I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

(TYSON BUZZA 0417 944084)

## Social - Jane Campbell

Well the festive season is upon us and this year our Christmas celebrations are being held on Saturday 15th December.

The Childrens party starts around 4.15pm with face painting, a visit from Father Christmas at 4.45pm, followed by a healthy home made rissole in a bun with healthy fillings, fruit juice, ice cream and a lolly bag. All for the price of \$5. Mums and Dads, Grandmas and Grandads don't forget to bring a present for your child/grandchild to place under the christmas tree clearly labelled for Father Christmas to distribute for the price of \$10 or under.

The adults party will kick off around 6.30pm - 7pm with a full hot Christmas Dinner including Roast Turkey and Roast Potatoes with veggies, followed by Christmas Pudding, Brandy Custard and Ice cream. The price is \$25 pp.

Please sign up on the noticeboard for both events to assist with numbers for catering and remit monies to Meg Simpson before the 15th December.

Look forward to seeing you all on the 15th for a good fun evening.

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## Midweek - Linda Townsend

We had a mixed bag of weather during the month of November.

Most ladies decided that it was too wild to play on the 29th when the craft day was held. However many ventured down to the club to buy lots of Christmas goodies from June and Norma.

A number of Wednesday and Thursday social ladies visited Midland tennis Club earlier in the month at their invitation.

We have our *Christmas lunch on December 13th*,

please bring a plate of food and wear something festive.

Happy Christmas, Linda



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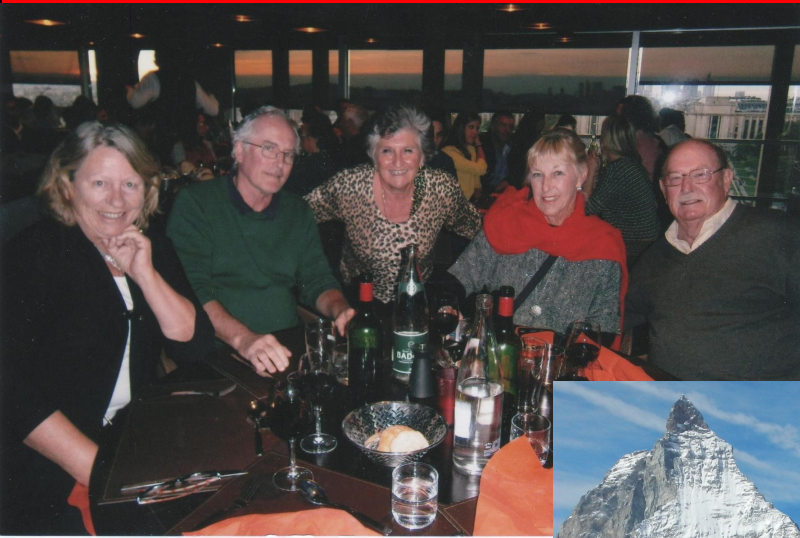
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FOUND: 2 rings found in the Men's Toilets. Please contact Nola Carmignani on 0403 003 507 if you left your rings on the basin.



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## WDTA Jetsetters!



Left: Kathryn & Brian O'Connor, Wendy Greenway, and Bobby & Ron Edwards

Enjoying a drink at the "Lido" in Paris whilst holidaying together in Europe!

Right - Debbie Simmonds (Editor) enjoying some 'après ski' in Zermatt Switzerland with the Matterhorn as a backdrop.



# Merry Christmas!

