



# The Player

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## From the President - Nola Carmignani

Well a little late... but this is the first newsletter for 2013... so Happy New Year to all!

I hope you all had a very good beginning to the year, and that it just gets better as the year progresses.

For those of us who were lucky enough to go to the Aussie Open... wasn't it just fantastic! Some unbelievable tennis for us to see, and our group was really lucky to be in Rod Laver Arena for the match of the tournament Djokovic v Wawrinka. 5 hours of some of the most exciting tennis I have ever seen!

Welcome to new Members

**FULL:** VICTOR NIKOLAENKO, EMMA SCOTT, GARY CATLIN, MARC WORLEY, KIM FLEMING, CAMERON POWELL, STEVEN GOODIER

**INTERMEDIATE:** CAMERON POWELL

**JUNIORS:** SEAN CATLIN, GRACE HENDRY & CHARLOTTE HENDRY ANDREW NIKOLAENKO, RYAN TURNBULL-WARD

**SOCIAL:** GARRY PEACH, DEBBIE KING, CRAIG GOODSON, TEUNS VAN HELSDINGEN

Welcome to WDTA new Major Sponsor - **WRIGHT REAL ESTATE**. Jeff Wright will be joining us to play as soon as he is able!

WDTA Members have been doing the Club proud in various Comps around the place...

Let's start with the efforts of **MATT EBDEN** winning his first Grand Slam Title at the Aussie Open, in the Mixed Doubles partnered by Jarmila Gajdosova. Fantastic effort Matt!!

Congratulations to **BRENTON BACON & MARISA GIANOTTI** who were part of the WA teams "WA Giants" to fly to the Aussie Open to play in the Asia Pacific Tennis League. The WA Giants- Men's came 5th over all in the comp, and in the Women's 4<sup>th</sup> over all. Well done. Congratulations to our member - **CHARLES WILLIAMS** who recently won the WA men's doubles state grass-court tournament with Dean Cochrane. Score 7-6 7-6. He

was also a winner of the mixed doubles with Hannah Appleyard against Cassie McCloskey and **CHRIS WATSON** ( WDTA member) at MLTC. Well done to **Chris** for making it to the finals, and well done to **Charles** for winning two divisions!

Congratulations to the following WDTA Members who were winners at the recent Vets Championships held in January at Robinson Park –

**Men's teams winners:**

60/69 div 1 **GORDON GREGORY**

60/69 div 2 **JON BOWDEN**

**Ladies**

70's team div 1: consisting of **HELEN MUIR, MARG ROBINSON, BOBBIE EDWARDS**, Jenny Teakle, Pam Smith and **KATH EATON**.

**Individual events:**

Winner 80 ladies singles **MARG ROBINSON**

Winner 80 ladies doubles with Peg Hoystead & **MARG ROBINSON**.

Winner 70 singles **HELEN MUIR**

Winner 70 ladies doubles with June Simpson & **HELEN MUIR**

Winners combined 140 age ladies doubles **BOBBIE EDWARDS** with Jenny Teakle (from Northampton).

**FEATURE MEMBER:**

**BROOKE CORBETT** – (WDTA Junior) Hopman Cup and Australian Open ball girl for the second year running! Although a little dwarfed by the much taller ball-boys, Brooke was very much on the ball in many of the matches in the new Perth Arena, including the final. At the closing ceremony she was carrying the Italian Flag. Well done Brooke, we are very proud of you!

Till next time,  
**Nola**



# The Player - WDC "Simply the Best"

## Captain's Report - Rae Savage

### PRESIDENT VERSUS PATRONS' DAY

This event was scheduled for Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February but has been postponed until SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY. Always popular, the afternoon will consist of "competitive" play between the President's team and the Patrons' team, followed by a BBQ. The details are as follows:

**DATE: SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

**TIME: 1.30 ARRIVAL TO CHECK IN (first set to commence at 2pm SHARP)**

**LAST SET: FINISHES AT 4.30**

**PRESENTATIONS: 5 00 p.m.**

**MEAL: 6.30 p.m.**

**MEAL COST: \$5 PER PERSON**

**REGISTER FOR MEAL: On list at club**

*PLEASE ensure that you arrive in time for the first set as this makes it so much easier for the organizers and also makes the competition fairer.*

### HANGOVER TOURNAMENT

Thanks to Alan McLaughlin for organizing this event. There was a reasonably good attendance and players participated in three rounds of "funny" games. The games were self-handicapping with some simple twists like the youngest players swapping sides half way through and no volleying allowed. Overall, it was an enjoyable event

### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

These are scheduled for April 20/21 and 27/28. Entry forms will be on the website in March for the "early birds". The format will be the same as last year – all open events will be held across the first weekend, with semi finals and finals held over the second weekend. By popular demand – there will be Divisions A & B!

## From our Club Coaching Team

Breakthrough Tennis hosted three terrific holiday clinics this January, with nearly 100 kids enjoying their tennis on the Wembley Downs courts during the month!

The term of coaching has started again this month, with our regular group coaching, private coaching and cardio tennis classes all up and running. We have launched a new online court hire system, so be sure to head to our website ([www.breakthroughtennis.com.au](http://www.breakthroughtennis.com.au)) next time you wish to save a court under your name!

The pro shop has restocked many of your favourite strings, and for the busy player we can offer a next-day stringing service.

We at Breakthrough Tennis are all looking forward to the second half summer season, come and see us if you want to take your game to the next level!

Cheers,  
Haydn Burke  
Club Professional Coach



## Midweek - Linda Townsend

It seems a long time ago but mention must be made of our Christmas lunch.

Thanks to Anne Eddy for decorating the tables so beautifully. Thanks also to Jenny and all the helpers and to Wendy for her crackers!

Don't forget to bring \$2 for our Lucky Envelope tournament on 14th February.

See you all on the courts  
Linda

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## Xmas Raffle Winners

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL XMAS RAFFLE WINNERS:  
Janet Paterson – Tony Leahy – Matt Trefry – John Dehring – Lawrence & Jill – Lorraine Sims – Jenny Collette – Meg Simpson – Ron Gepp – Nigel Breeze – Nola Carmignani – Laraine Penberthy – Ron Edwards – Arnie Groothedde – Bob Ptolomy – Marion McGuire – Bruce Robinson – Frank Holmes – Diana Rice – Danny Johns – Norman Bateman

– Deb King – John Pritchard – Lauren Conlon.  
*If you have not received your prize see Nola Carmignani on Saturday afternoon – or phone me on 0403003507*  
A HUGE THANK YOU to all sponsors who donated prizes for the raffle, especially –  
Gill (mid-week) & Vic Giudicatti (Re Store), Danny Johns, Stephanie Proud, & Nathan Sharp (Bada-Bing Café).

## Club Social Activities - Jane Campbell

Get your dancing shoes on the come and enjoy an evening of good food with great live music at our PUB NIGHT on SATURDAY 23rd FEBRUARY.

This was a very successful evening last year and the resident band have agreed to lend their services again at what will be a fun evening.

**"PUB NIGHT"**

**SATURDAY 23RD FEBRUARY**

**6.30PM TILL LATE**

**GOOD FOOD WITH GREAT MUSIC**

Traditional - meat schnitzel, tomato sauce, ham & cheese  
New Italian - tomato sauce, ham, pineapple & cheese  
Greek - tomato sauce, fresh tomatoes, spinach, onion, feta, olives and cheese  
Mexican - tomato sauce, chicken, chili, onion, cheese & jalapeno  
Meat Lovers - sausage, salami, meat balls, BBQ sauce & cheese  
Surf and Feather - tomato sauce, garlic prawns & cheese

SPORTIES HOTEL

There will be a choice of Chicken Parmigiana with New Potatoes and Vegetables or Vegetarian Curry followed by Apple Pie and Ice Cream.

The cost is \$15 per head and tickets can be purchased from Meg Simpson who is down at the Club most Saturdays and Wednesdays.

**Wednesday 20th February is the cut off date for tickets.**

Hope to see you all down at the Club.

Jane

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## WDTA Big Day Out!

Last Sunday (3rd February) a day out was organised for club sponsors, State League players, and members of Management! After some major dramas were resolved (!!!?##\*\*\*) less than 2 hours before we were due to leave, 50 people divided amongst 3 boats headed out to greet the local inhabitants (seals) of Carnac Island. Moored in the Crystal blue lagoon waters of the Island, we all enjoyed swimming from boat to boat, some with glass of champagne in hand (well done Tina) some with ½ carton of Coronas (well done Haydn & John). Some were diving off the top of the Riviera, showing off their high diving skills, some sitting quietly enjoying the views, whilst sipping on their wine. Much fabulous food was consumed, and many a laugh had! All in all a fabulous day to be remembered for a long time to come!

*I would like to extend my sincere thanks to my brother Alf for providing 2 of the boats, and Peter Blackburn for the 3<sup>rd</sup> boat –*

*all expenses donated for the day. Thanks to Blackie who helped me organise the day. To Brett who at the last minute was able to "phone a friend" and save the day by supplying a third skipper, and sponsoring him accordingly. To everyone who helped making the food, and delivering the 11 Eskies or so, to the boats. THANKYOU! **Nola Carmignani***

