



# The Player

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## From the President - Nola Carmignani

Here we again just around the corner from Xmas! The decorations are selling (did they actually take them down from last year?) We are going to have lots happening at the club with several social functions being organised, to look forward to.

Thank you to the good attendance at the AGM this year, although more than ½ of exiting or incoming Management was actually away somewhere on holidays having a great time!

Thank you to all outgoing committee, and congratulations to all the incoming team.

Vice President	Zander Platts
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Juniors	Louise Hall
House & Grounds	Mark Sims
Publicity	Deborah Simmonds
Social	Helen Donovan

The core planting on the bottom courts, was successful, although we won't see results for some time! Well done again to Gary Penberthy, John Gillett, and to all of you who contributed to the day.

Opening day "In the Pink" was a good effort, not only to welcome in the new tennis year, but to raise some funds for the Breast Cancer Foundation. Well done to Helen, David, and all the Social Committee. A great day as usual, good fun, great food, and supported by solid numbers.

The WDTC annual "Golf Day" was on last week, Jon Bowden organised the event beautifully.

Maximum numbers played, the weather was kind to us on the day, and by the way, yours truly was part of the winning team! This was of course due to the skilful playing abilities of James Taylor, Jon Bowden, Peter Downey, and moi! (not to mention... lots of luck on the day). Well done to all helpers!

Congratulations to Joe McCarthy who is now a Tennis Australia

learning facilitator. There are only 3 in WA and it is their job to teach all the new coaches coming through. The learning facilitators run the Tennis Australia coaching courses. In the next week or so Joe will also be WA's only Master Club Professional coach having satisfied all the criteria.

Congratulations to Marnie Taylor who at the AGM was awarded Life Membership in thanks to her 31 years of devotion to WDTC. A great effort Marnie – well deserved

Congratulations to Rosie Harris who received the MVP award, in her division. Well done Rosie.

Welcome to **WDTC** the following new members:

**Full:** Tim Powell, Sean MacFarlane, Kate Naude, Natalie Dell, Nicole Short, Brenton Walkemeyer, Christopher George

**Mid-week:** Jane Foy, Brett Male and Tony Cull

**Pennant:** Marek Pawelek, Arthur Ferreira, Noriko Thompson

**Juniors:** Louis Boudailliez, Augustin Boudailliez & Jeanne Boudailliez, Archie Morrison, Hayley Carter, Alfredo Huamani, James Lawson, Cooper Thomas, Matthew McMahon

**Social:** Hong Rogers, Maxwell Purdy, Harry Banfield

**We have some of the state's best tennis coming up at WDTC - the first match of our girls ATL (this is higher than State League) on Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm, and the Men's Final for the ATL on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> of November on the front grass court at 2pm.**

*This is a free event and we would like to invite all members and general public to witness the top players in the state battling against each other for a chance to play at the Australian Open!*

Hope to see you all there.

Until next time...

See you on the court!!.. or in the bar!!

Cheers Nola



Above - Nola with new WDTC Vice President, Zander Platts.

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## Social - Helen Donovan

Thank you to all of you who came and made the Open Day such a wonderful success. We were so lucky with the weather and, even with the event being changed to a Sunday, we had a great number of people attending both the afternoon tea and the dinner. It was amazing for me to arrive at the club and see a sea of pink – which was all of you supporting our theme in support of breast cancer research. Our guest speakers were also very supportive of this cause.

We were able to donate \$430.00 through your donations and raffle proceeds. Thank you to Kate Simpson and everyone who donated all the raffle prizes.

Special thanks to David Rice who took charge of the Open Day dinner, and my wonderful committee who worked all day to make it the success it was.

This photo shows just some of the people who were behind the scenes and worked to make it a wonderful day for all.

This season's Social Committee is made up of the follow-

ing members: David Simpson, Hong Rogers, Sarah Davis, Laraine and Gary Penberthy, Di and David Rice, Judy Ellice, Mary Gribbon, Ron Gepp, Anne and Bruce McKenzie, Laurel Cross, Jan Hibbard, Janet Paterson and Wendy Greenway, all of whom have been very supportive both of me and each other.

Open day was a great way to kick off the season and I promise you all, there is more to come!



## House and Grounds - Mark Sims

The Busy Bee was again a big success due to a good turnout of enthusiastic volunteers and the Club looked very tidy for the Opening Day the following Sunday.

Thankyou to all who helped on the day and a very big thanks to Marnie and the ladies who put on a sumptuous

morning tea. It was especially nice to see some new faces helping, in addition to the faithful who are always there (where would the Club be without them).

## Asian Tennis League

The ATL is a unique, fast-paced and innovative league played across Australia. The league comprises five Australian conferences – South Australia, Western Australia, Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland – each offering both a men's and women's league.

**Wembley Downs Tennis Club** has been given the privilege of hosting the **Men's Final** on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> of November on the front grass court at **2pm**. The women's have their home game on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup>** of November at **6pm**. This is a free event and we would like to invite all members and general public to witness the top players in the state battling against each other for a chance to play at the Australian Open!

**The play-offs** - The winning team from each conference is offered the opportunity to compete at the ATL Play-offs. The ATL Play-offs will be held on Monday 20 and Tuesday 21 January on the outside courts at the Australian Open.

For further information, please contact Joe McCarthy on 0439 497 032 or Brenton Bacon on 0403 133 689.





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## Opening Day 2013 - "In the Pink"



## Super Seniors World Championships 2013



Bobbie Edwards recently attended the Super Senior World Championships

Clockwise from left:

\* Opening Ceremony at Villach Courts

\* Mindy Mead (father life and inaugural member of WDTC - now deceased). Mindy won many tournaments as both a junior and senior at WDTC. Worked as a coach for Marg & Bruce Robinson. Now lives permanently in Germany and works as an interpreter.

\* Main clay courts at Poertshach.

\* Marg Robinson after losing the 80 singles 10 - 8 in the third set.



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### CLUB T-SHIRTS

Due to the fact that we have many club t-shirts in stock, WDTA will not be changing the uniform for at least 12 months. Uniforms will be reviewed after that time. They are available for purchase at \$40 each from the pro shop.

Remember: **ALL PENNANT PLAYERS ARE TO WEAR CLUB UNIFORM T-SHIRT WHILST REPRESENTING THE TENNIS CLUB.** Call Joe McCarthy on 0439 497 032 or Brenton Bacon on 0403 133 689 for further information.