



August 2014

# The Player

Wembley Downs Tennis Club Inc.

## From the President

Dear all

As this is my last report in The Player as President, I would like to express my thanks to all of you in the club who have supported me during the past 5 years. Your encouragement, advice and willingness to help has been invaluable, especially to the Management Committee. You all have my Annual Report by now, in which everything is explained in greater detail. It has been a pleasure to have served you all and I now look forward to a little spare time!

On behalf of all members, I would like to congratulate Joe McCarthy one of our Global Tennis coaches, and his lovely wife Anna, on the arrival of another son and little brother to Jackson - Max McCarthy. Well done and we hope you are both doing well!

The AGM info has been posted and a motion emailed to all members. Please be familiar with it by the AGM on 31 August. There is still no nomination for the position of Secretary, so please think about putting up your hand! Contact [nolacarmignani@bigpond.com](mailto:nolacarmignani@bigpond.com) or call me on [0403 003507](tel:0403003507)

We have had some perfect days for tennis and it seems this will be continuing. Unfortunately we may have a shortage of courts for a month or so, as both banks of grass courts have been vertimowed. Although this may cause some temporary inconvenience, I really think it was the best thing to do, due to the condition of the bottom courts. With a little luck they will be all ready to go by opening day! Fingers crossed.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS are on sale through the club. If you don't yet have yours, just drop me a line by email or phone on the contact details above, as I have some books on hand.

See you at the club soon,

Cheers  
Nola

## AO SERIES PRE-SALE

CLOSES 22 AUGUST

It's that time of the year again... the much anticipated pre-sales period for Tennis West Members for the 2015 tournaments:

Australian Open  
Hopman Cup  
Brisbane International  
Apia International Sydney  
Hobart International  
WTC (World Tennis Challenge)

All Tennis West club members will be required to **enter or quote their membership number (My Tennis ID)** or similar at the time of purchase to be eligible for the pre-sales.

To ensure current club members can easily access pre-sales for the 2015 tournaments, members who may be interested should contact Tennis West reception to ensure they have a **current My Tennis ID**. Tennis West members have until close of business **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2014** to ensure they have a current My Tennis ID. TW will not be able to issue additional membership numbers after close of business **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2014**. Members without a My Tennis ID will be required to purchase tickets through the general public sale from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014.

Any queries should be directed to Tennis West reception on 6462 8300.

## Defibrillator



Please remember to check out the following link, which gives a short, 3-step demonstration on how to use the club's defibrillator. There will be an official "unveiling" of the defibrillator at the club at tea time on Saturday 23 August, when Vince Panajia will visit the club to meet members.

<http://www.healthcare.philips.com/main/products/resuscitation/products/onsite/demo.wpd>

## Captain's Room

### Social Play

Although all grass courts are closed, social play is still organised on Saturdays and Sundays. Play ran smoothly last week, with play across the afternoon. Afternoon tea is available informally - grab a cup when you can during your sit-out. This way, more play can be scheduled. Thank you all for your cooperation to date. I am sure we will all benefit when the courts reopen in October.

### League Competition

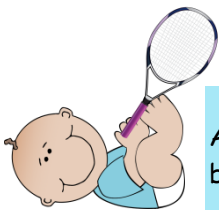
Most of the planning has occurred and teams are almost ready to be sent to Tennis West. At this stage there will be five Saturday, two Sunday and five midweek teams. As in previous seasons, four grass courts will be allocated to League on Saturdays. We welcome the inclusion of a strong Men's Division 1 team this season.

### Tournament Committee

I wish to thank my hardworking committee members for their support this year and in fact, over the past five years, as most have been on board for this length of time. Thank you also to the day captains who support the committee by participating in the roster. Your help is very much appreciated and I can say, without hesitation, my job was made much easier knowing I could rely on your support. – *Rae Savage*

## Members

It is with great fondness that we remember **Barry Bryant**, a life member and a wonderful member and contributor to the club, who recently passed away. Our sincere condolences to his family from all at WDTC.



A BIG welcome to **Max McCarthy**, second-born son of Joe and Anna! Congratulations to you both from all at WDTC. A new addition to the coaching staff perhaps?

'Like' Wembley Downs Tennis Club and you'll see all the latest notifications, offers, photos and news! Your participation will encourage others and give our club exposure to possible new members. Thanks to those who have already checked in!



## Global Tennis



Joe is currently MIA on parental leave, however in his absence we offer instead some insight into Roger Federer, who turned his match success stats around by realising that in order to become a champion, he had to first begin to **think like a champion** and this made all the difference to his career. This is in fact the opposite of how most players think, i.e. that once they start winning matches, the belief will then come which will help them win more matches. Federer discovered that the reverse is true, that you have to **first create the belief** before you will begin winning matches. From that point on, he hasn't looked back and his mental tenacity and strength has become legendary. – *Ed*

➔ Applications are now open for Junior pennants.

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