



December 2016

# The Player

Wembley Downs Tennis Club Inc.

## From the President – *Peter Doherty*

### ***Christmas Wishes***

December is always a great month of the year for me, with my birthday, wedding anniversary and Christmas all being celebrated.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.

### ***Christmas Celebrations***

Congratulations to David Simpson, Ann & Bruce McKenzie, Matt & Melissa Trefry, Fi Cargill and everyone else who helped with the children's Christmas party. Santa was certainly jolly and keen to make sure all the good girls and boys received their present.

Well done to Laraine Penberthy and her team on their efforts setting up the decorations in the Lounge and delivering a wonderful Christmas Dinner to the "adults".

### ***Christmas/New Year Raffle***

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets in our Christmas/New Year raffle. The raffle will be drawn on 26<sup>th</sup> December 2016. Thanks also to Global Tennis, Tom & Janet Paterson, Stephanie Proud, Hugo's Pizza City Beach and Entertainment Books for donating the raffle prizes.

### ***Wednesday Social Tennis***

Thanks to Mike Underwood for his efforts to increase attendance at Wednesday afternoon social tennis during December. Mike organised for invitations to be dropped in over 200 letterboxes in the area inviting people to come and play. Mike also gave up his afternoons to organise the sets. Well done Mike!

### ***New Year's Resolution***

I hope to see lots of people playing on the courts over the holidays showing off their new racquets, shirts, skirts or socks. The grass courts are looking good and playing very well at the moment. (Thanks Rob Firms.)

Cheers,

Peter

## Captain's Room – Mike Underwood

As the days countdown to Xmas and the end of 2016 I reflect on what has been an challenging and enjoyable year of tennis at WDTC. And of course a very big thank you to all members of our Tournament and League committee and our wonderful Day Captains/League Captains as the club could not function without your commitment and drive.

Just a reminder below on social play and recruitment initiatives. My Xmas wish for 2017 is to have all club members introduce one new member. I am sure there is one prospect in every club member's circle it just takes a bit of work to get them involved.

### **Social Play**

For the month of December we would like to trial some initiatives for social play with a focus on social player recruitment leading up to the 1<sup>st</sup> Jan when our prorata membership ticks over for the second half of the season.

- **Organised social sets every Wednesday from 3.30 pm to 6 pm during December commencing on the 30<sup>th</sup> November.** Team and singles practice will need to change to Tuesdays and Thursdays. Food will be provided from 5.30 pm and we would like to see members stay back for a drink. Can all members bring a friend, colleague, family member or previous club member (pay a visitor's fee of \$15 first visit free). We see this social session as a fantastic way of bringing new people to the club and can I remind all members to play their part in mentoring new players and making them feel welcome. We also welcome any of our junior league players to join in the fun prior to or after your coaching. It will certainly sharpen up your doubles play.
- If any member is keen to get a family member back into tennis consider a xmas gift of a half year membership from the 1<sup>st</sup> Jan. Can't think of a better gift for fitness, fun and social activities.

### **League Wrap**

Our league teams have now finished for 2016 and will resume in late January. Fantastic season so far and all league teams are performing well and always playing in the right spirit. The cooperation between midweek and weekend teams has been absolutely outstanding (best I have seen) and it certainly has made league supervision much easier for Susanna and myself.

Up to date division ladders for senior teams are provided below.

#### Midweek League

Ladies Div 1 Open (Team Louise)	1st	(dominating with new squad & captain)
Ladies Div 1 +45 (Team Martina)	3rd	(very strong division)
Ladies Div 2 +45 (Team Bobbie)	1st	(a bunch of youngsters who only just made the age)
Ladies Div 2 +45 (Team Sandie)	7th	(only one win out of 4 <sup>th</sup> )
Ladies Div 3 +45 (Team Janet)	1st	(the big movers in 2016)
Mens Night Fast 4 Div 3 (Team Nathan)	1st	(continuing their winter form)
Mixed Night Div 3 (Team Joel)	3rd	(well placed for a run in finals)
Mens Night Doubles Div 2 (Team Gareth)	5th	(picking up their pace)
Mens Night Doubles Div 4 (Team Sean)	3rd	(very consistent & highly motivated)

#### Weekend League

Mixed North Districts (Team Serene)	7th	(new comp and great format)
Div 2 Open Men (Team Lachie)	8th	(very tough division fantastic exp)
Div 3 Open Ladies (Team Kate)	2nd	(very good effort considering injuries)
Div 8 Open Men (Team Ken)	5th	(shooting up the table)
Div 9 Open Men (Team Joseph)	6th	(one win outside 4 <sup>th</sup> position & well placed)
Div 13 Open Men (Team Baden)	1st	(dominating comp)
Vets over 35 Div 3 Men (Team Sean)	2nd	(well placed with a big squad)
Vets over 35 Div 2 Ladies (Team Bobbie)	4th	(grass court specialists)
Vets over 50 Div 2 Men (Team Neale)	1st	(undefeated)

Finally I would like to wish all members and their families a safe and happy festive season (and plenty of tennis!).

## Members – Mark Sims

A big, warm, welcome to the following new members –

Junior	Chayse Davis, Guy Taylor
Full	Francisco Leyes

## Social Committee News – Nola Carmignani



Hi all,

Like every function a great deal of work goes into the planning and execution. The 10<sup>th</sup> was no different. I was not able to attend either the Children's' nor the Adult's Christmas Party, and believe I missed a fantastic afternoon and evening.

JP and David S took charge of the kids' party and thanks to the parents who brought along 21 children it was a great afternoon of merriment, craft, a few tears, eating and drinking. We received NO complaints from any of our children. Matt Trefry was Father Christmas and what a wonderful job he did ably assisted by Fiona Cargill as his helper. You both looked fantastic. We hope you can all make it again next year Thanks Matt and Fi. The adults took over in the evening and 57 members sat down to a wonderful three course meal ably organised and prepared by Laraine and her team.

A BIG thank you, to you, Laraine, with a special mention to Anne, Bruce, Tina, Sarah, Mary, and your army of helpers. The feedback was all of 100% positive so thank you to EVERYONE involved.

The last function of the year will be an informal one for those who are at loose end on New Year's Eve. Please put your names on the sheet in the Club and bring a plate to share. A number of us will be playing tennis in the afternoon so we may "stay and party" otherwise everyone else is welcome from 6.00pm - 7.00pm.

**As there is no Player in January, now is the time to note the *FIRST SOCIAL FUNCTION OF 2017* is on 11<sup>th</sup> February – being "Valentines Western Night"- this will prove to be lots of fun so be sure to reserve the date in your calendars!! More info to come!**

See you there.

Nola C and Team Social

1 <sup>st</sup> April	"An All Italian Night"
27 <sup>th</sup> May	Annual Dinner & Presentation Night
8 <sup>th</sup> July	"Mexican Night"
WDTC Bsb: 306 050 Acc: 5528258	** To reduce cash handled at functions Tickets to all social functions can be paid on line Ref: initials of the function & your name. i.e. OD Carmignani (Opening Day) Carmignani

Cheers to a great 2017 of socialising ahead!  
Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year to all! God Bless.

## Mid-Week Ladies – Heather Maitre

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all the Mid-Week Ladies and their families!



### ***On the Sick List!***

Lis Blackburn and Ron Edwards are doing it tough! Speedy recovery to you both!

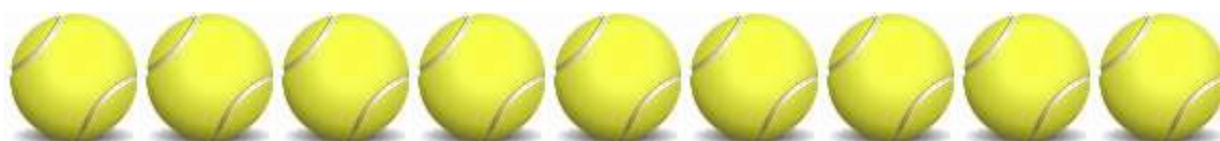
### ***Many Happy Returns!***

To Martina Van Rensburg, Fiona Brinsden and the many others celebrating these next couple of months - congratulations and enjoy the coming year. Long may you be around to enjoy playing and or socialising.



## Juniors – Bryn Parsons

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our Juniors and their families!



## **Global Tennis Adult Training**

### 2016/2017 season

- Team training morning - Tuesdays 900 am -1030 am - \$20.00 per player
- Team training evening- Tuesdays 630 pm-800 pm- \$25.00 per player
- Private team training- On request
- Private lessons- Specials for league players on request
- Sparring/Drilling sessions- \$50.00 per session.
- Restrunging services ready for summer - \$30-\$45 depending on your string.

**Please email Joe to book in!**

[joe@globaltennis.com.au](mailto:joe@globaltennis.com.au) or call 0439497032.



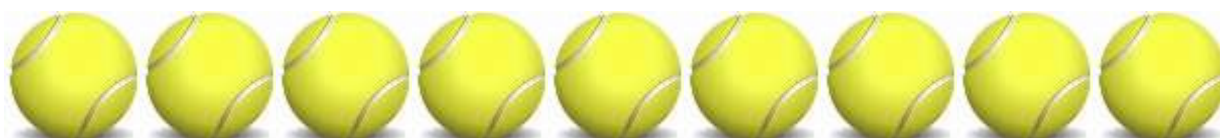
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## Upcoming Events – please mark them on your Calendar!

**SATURDAY 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER – “NEW YEARS EVE” (see notice board)**

**SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY - “VALENTINES WESTERN NIGHT”**

**SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL – “AN ALL ITALIAN NIGHT”**

**SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY – ANNUAL DINNER AND PRESENTATION NIGHT**

**SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JULY – “MEXICAN NIGHT”**

## WDTC Uniforms

All pennant players are expected to wear the shirts/tops with plain navy blue or white shorts/skirts or skorts.

# SIMPLY THE BEST!

## Defibrillator



Please remember to check out the following link, which gives a short, 3-step demonstration on how to use the club's defibrillator (press Ctrl + click to follow link).

[http://www.healthcare.philips.com/pwc\\_hc/main/shared/Assets/multimedia/flash/resuscitation/AED/HS1\\_onsite\\_demo/index.wpd](http://www.healthcare.philips.com/pwc_hc/main/shared/Assets/multimedia/flash/resuscitation/AED/HS1_onsite_demo/index.wpd)

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Getting into the Christmas Spirit!



On the Funny Side!



# Members Out and About – Christmas Party 2016!

Little kids .....





Big kids .....







**Next edition of the Player – February 2017!**

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone! Ed**



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