

July 2014



The Player

Wembley Downs Tennis Club Inc.

From the President

Dear all

The usually dull winter month of July was full of life last Saturday night when the Social Committee put on yet another successful function, the "Curry and Karaoke" night. It was very funny as many of us put our talents (or lack of) to the microphone. The song of the night decided by our judges, the Blackburns, was *Mamma Mia* was performed by **Kay Wood** and **Helen Donovan**. I still think Janet and I did a fabulous job with *I'm So Excited...* not to mention Lorraine and I singing *Build Me up Buttercup*. Anyway the judge's decision was final...but how about the one with me and Jeff Wright....oh never mind! Clearly not good enough!

Well done to **David** for cooking a mountain of curry and **Rice!** And to all the Social Committee members who helped! Another cracking night!

The AGM information will be available soon, so be sure to note the date in your diaries, to remind you all to attend. A little light reading for you all.

Although many staying on, there are still a couple of positions vacant on Management. PLEASE consider the job descriptions of the positions vacant and consider putting up your hand or speak to the current holder of that position who can let you know more about the position, or contact nolacarmignani@bigpond.com

Aren't we lucky to occasionally have some glorious days for tennis in the middle of winter. There have been a few of these lately, and all sporting those little white legs, get out in the ultra violet rays to absorb our dose of Vitamin D.

Congratulations to our Junior members: **Olivia Rimmer** for making the final of the Rod Laver event in Queensland, flying the WA flag; and **Chloe Williams** who won the 10 and Under event at Sorrento! And to all our young ones who participated - well done!

There are still some ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS on sale through the club. If you don't yet have yours, just drop me a line, email me or call me on 0403 003 507 as I have some on hand.

See you at the Club soon,

Cheers
Nola

NOTICE OF AGM

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of members of Wembley Downs Tennis Club Inc. will be held in the club hall on **Sunday 31 August 2014 at 3.00pm**

Positions up for nomination are:

President	Secretary
Vice-President	Registrar
Club Captain	Treasurer
Social	Promotions
Juniors	Bar
House/Grounds	3 Trustees

Nominations should be submitted in writing to the Secretary; nomination forms are available from the Captain's room. A copy of the form appears in this newsletter or is available in the holder beside the Management noticeboard.

Members wishing to bring forward specific business at the AGM shall submit a Notice of Motion in writing to the Secretary at least 20 days prior to the meeting.

Members entitled to vote at a general meeting of the Club are **Full Playing, Intermediate, Midweek, Country and Life** members. Social, Junior and League members may attend and speak but not vote at the meeting.

Kay Wood
Secretary

Club Security!

Members will have received an email concerning club security. The keypad on the gate near the coaches' room has now been repaired and members are asked to ensure the gate is kept closed at all times. The keypad code has been advised to members. We have had repeated instances of people wandering into the club and using the courts without paying.

Would everyone please make sure that this gate is closed at all times day or night.



Additionally, the premises and clubrooms are sometimes left unlocked.

If you are leaving the club and you are the last person to leave, you are responsible for making sure that the clubrooms and all gates are locked.

Defibrillator



WDTA has been fortunate to have acquired funding for a defibrillator for the Club through the generous sponsorship of **Vince Panajia**, whose details are shown below and on the Club's noticeboard. **All members need to become acquainted with this lifesaving piece of equipment by watching the short online training link below.** Because it is a simple 3-step unit, it is able to be operated by anyone, with instructions given verbally and visually on the unit itself. The defibrillator will be housed in a safe on the wall in the bar area. The safe code will be advised to members by separate email. In the meantime, please ensure you look at the 3-step video on the unit's operation.

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

Captain's Room

Hope you are all getting a hit in between the bad weather. Rae is having a well-earned break overseas this month. Our Winter League teams are doing well and we have not had many matches not completed due to bad weather and only using two courts per team. Well done to all our league players, particularly those playing for the club or seniors for the first time. Ladder positions as at the mid-season break are:

Ladies' Div 1	4 th
Ladies' Midweek Div 4	6 th
Men's Div 1	4 th
Men's Div 3	2 nd
Men's Div 12	1 st

The Tournament Committee is starting to plan for Summer League, so for all those who are keen, please submit your application as soon as possible. It would be fantastic if we could field a Men's Vets over 35 team (doubles only) for Sunday so for anyone interested, please contact me. - *Mike Underwood*

Bar

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank the voluntary members of the Bar Committee for their personal time contribution by way of helping each week to service the requirements of our bar. Would you believe this subcommittee gives a combined 800/900 hours per year of their time, with additional administration service of some 400/500 hours per annum. Through the efforts of the Bar Committee we have been able to make a regular contribution to our club's income to enable us to better service the many financial demands of running a tennis club.

We also want to thank those club members who come down to the club for a social drink and participate in and support our local club community and club life - a healthy community indeed. Over the years we have continued to listen and provide a service that goes a long way to helping build and maintain an active WDTA social club community.

Should you feel you would like to contribute to the club by way of helping on the bar committee, please let us know. Thank you for your support. - *John Venn*

Members

Welcome to Melissa Ryan, who has joined WDTA as a social member

AGM NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE HOLDERS

Nomination forms for members wishing to nominate for a position on Management Committee appear in this newsletter or in the rack near the Management noticeboard. All positions are open for nomination, particularly for Secretary and Registrar. If you would like to find out more about a position and what is involved, please talk to a Committee member.

It was good to hear that **Russ Barnett** is still doing well and he certainly has a very positive outlook. His latest cheery bulletin is posted on the noticeboard.



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Social

CURRY-OKAY night!

Oh What a Night! Mamma Mia! WDTC celebrated the final social get-together of the 2013/2014 season with another amazing event, the curry and karaoke night. The evening began with a feast of three delicious curries, beautiful rice and condiments, including homemade chutney and raita, which were a delight to the senses. The feast was produced by **David Rice** and created from scratch (not an empty jar of Pataks in sight). David was, once again, aided by members of the social committee and helpers, who swept into the kitchen and took up positions at already prepared workstations. With a lot to prepare and many mouths to feed it was "chop chop" and I never want to see another brown onion as long as I live.

After dinner the entertainment began and, despite a karaoke machine that seemed to have a mind of its own, we managed to bang out quite a few outstanding renditions of favourite songs, under the watchful eye of **Terry Tinsley** and **Peter Young**, and supervised (yes it was required) by MC **Gary Penberthy**. There were many stand-out performances, a lot of sing-alongs and much dancing!

On behalf of the Social Committee, I would like to thank everyone who attended. We all know that what makes an outstanding night at a club function is the constant support and enthusiasm each member brings to the celebrations, and the fact that at WDTC, we know how to party!
- Helen Donovan



Such prodigious talent made it difficult for the judges to choose among the nominees:

Winning XX Factor duo: Helen Donovan & Kay Wood (*Mamma Mia!*)

Seriously Bad Wigs But Winsome: Sonny & Cher (aka John & Rita)

Master Chef & Kitchen Team Award: David Rice & The Spice Girls

Best Director & Sous Chef Onion Chopper's Award: Helen Donovan (*Don't cry for me*)

Best MC & Technical Production: Gary Penberthy, Terry Tinsley, Peter Young

Bar hosts with the most: John & Pam Venn

Best Support Crew: The Social Committee and all those who attended



Global Tennis



JOE'S COACHING TIP

What's the better mistake – hitting into the net or long?

Irrespective of which shot we're discussing, I always maintain that hitting the ball in the net is the worst kind of error in tennis.

I recommend you insure against a netted serve even before you start your action. You can do this by making it the focus of your pre-serve visualisation. Put the emphasis on the flight of the ball over the net during this visualisation and you should find it easier to come up with the mechanics required to achieve it. So take up your position behind the baseline, check your opponent is ready and - STOP! Take a good look at the net and get a clear awareness of how far away it is and how high it is. Then visualise clearing it with your serve.

It can be difficult to know where to start if you're trying to remedy an erratic serve. At least if you're consistently clearing the net, you've made things much simpler - you've halved the symptoms! And it's a relatively straightforward adjustment to correct a serve that's flying long - just keep a relaxed wrist and use more of a brushing action to impart some spin.

Club Sponsors



Sponsors play an important part in our Club's ongoing success, contributing in so many different ways: sponsoring juniors, trophies and tournaments, furniture, signs, repairs, defibrillator, as well as monetary donations to assist in other areas. In turn, members please consider these businesses and support them wherever possible. If you would like to become a sponsor, please contact a member of Management Committee. When utilising a service from our many sponsors, please mention you are a WDTc member when doing so. The following letter was received just recently from a member:

I would like to sincerely thank Club Member/Sponsor, Frank Perry of Axis Travel, for his assistance in getting my husband and I home from Lombok in early June. Following a volcanic ash incident our flight was cancelled; no information was available and the airline was not answering calls. In desperation, I called Frank and he spent two hours on a Sunday to help us. Thanks to Frank's experience, knowledge and professionalism, we were put on the next day's available flight (which was one day earlier than most). Wembley Downs is lucky; in addition to its numerous volunteers, the Club is also sponsored by businesses who wish to be given the opportunity to provide a service to its playing members. So take note of the list below and please support them! – Taryn Sullivan

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Election of Office Holders - Nomination Form

Completed nomination forms are to be returned to the Secretary in person or via the Club mailbox by Saturday 16 August

I wish to nominate for the position of
 at Wembley Downs Tennis Club for the 2014/2015 tennis year.

	Please print name	Signature
Nominee
Proposer
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Nominees must be a member of the Club.
 Nominees must give consent in writing if not present at the Annual General Meeting.
 Office holders are not eligible for election as Trustees.
 Only Full playing, Intermediate, Midweek, Country and Life members may vote at an Annual General Meeting.

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