

October 2016

The Player

Wembley Downs Tennis Club Inc.

From the President – *Peter Doherty*

WDTC Open for Tennis

The clouds and rain blew away and the sun was sighted on Opening Day. Hopefully the weather keeps on improving for the rest of the year and we start to see all the courts in use.

Janet Paterson had a busy weekend organising the setup for afternoon tea, arranging social sets and then coordinating a wonderful dinner for over seventy people. Thanks Janet. Well done also to all the Social committee and other members who helped make the day a success.

Once again Clr Stephanie Proud attended, representing Stirling Council.

Narelle Finch (and her mother Quen) represented Tennis West President Wayne Firns. Narelle is now on the Board of Tennis West. Narelle and Quen have both joined the Club as social members. Please make them welcome.

Our Groundsman, Rob Firns, has done a great job in getting the grass courts playable with the limited amount of warm weather we have had over the last 4 weeks. The grass courts will improve even more over the next month. Please note the grass court allocations for competition and social play on the white board near the Captain's Room.



Membership

With all the grass courts now available and the weather improving, it's a good time to encourage your family and friends to come and visit the Club for a game or two. We still have social tennis on both Saturday and Sunday afternoon and there are also mid-week options available.

Captain's Room – *Mike Underwood*

We have had a fantastic start to our summer of tennis with a very enjoyable Open Day, Mens Singles Handicap (results later in report and a big thank you to Alan for a well organised events as always) and start of summer league. And all the injuries our social and league players were carrying seemed to have improved dramatically (no doubt with the help of some tablets!). We have provided a calendar of events for this season below so members can note their diaries and plan their travels.

On housekeeping matters we appreciate all member's patience with the rotation of grass courts and we are now getting closer to having all courts in play. On a negative note I am finding some of the new balls we crack open on a Saturday afternoon disappearing over the weekend being replaced with old balls. Can I remind all members that these balls need to be returned to the Captain's room to ensure midweek social players have sufficient quality balls for Wednesday and Thursday play (prefer the balls are put back in the Captain's office and not through the slot in the wall).

Lastly one of the most enjoyable and inspirational aspects of being Club Captain is watching the development of our member's level of tennis. When you see the midweek league ladies getting team coaching each week, or John Hemsley practicing his serve after everyone has gone home (or are at the bar!) or when filling in for the Wednesday night Mens Div 4 doubles team and observing Andrew Blackburn cracking backhands very hard, David Drake ripping forehands down the line and Sean Macfarlane belting down some big serves it certainly makes one aspire to keep working on their game.

Handicap Singles Wrap by Alan McLaughlin

The Men's Singles Handicap Competition was played on Sunday, October 16th with a good turnout. Two groups of eight players made up two round robin events with the group winners playing in the Final.

Group A was won by Mark Corbett winning all six rounds in a remarkable performance considering his only recent return to the game. The Group A runner up was Joel Forsyth, last year's finalist. Group B provided the tightest finish on record. Roland Townend won 5 rounds winning 28 games and losing only 16 games however Neale Bougher matched this winning 5 rounds, 28 games with only 13 games lost.

The final between Neale and Mark was a real thriller with Neale coming back from 2-games down to win on the final point of the game (see photo of the winners below sharing a well earned drink). Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all the other participants for making this a grand day of tennis. Sadly, we failed to get any entries for the Ladies Singles competition.



Calendar of Club Events

NOVEMBER 2016

TBA Midweek Ladies Lunch Out.
 Fri 4 President's Invitation Cocktail Party

DECEMBER 2016

Wed 07 Midweek Ladies League- Christmas Party
 Thu 08 Midweek Ladies Craft Day
 Sat 10 Kids/Adults Christmas Party
 Sun 11 Summer League concluded for 2016
 Thu 15 Midweek Ladies Christmas Lunch
 Mon 26 Boxing Day Social Play

JANUARY 2017

Sat 21 Handicap Doubles Mens & Ladies
 Sun 22 Handicap Mixed
 Thu 26 Australia Day
 Sat 28 Summer League restarts

FEBRUARY 2017

Sat 11 Valentine's Western Night
 TBA President V's Patrons' Day & Social Evening
 TBA Midweek Ladies Event

MARCH 2017

Wed 22 Ladies League Final
 Sat 18 Semis Weekend Open
 Sat 25 Finals Weekend Open
 Wed 29 Ladies League Dinner

APRIL 2017

Sat 01 Club Championships – Open
 Sat 01 Italian Night
 Sun 02 Club Championships - Open Semis & Finals
 Sat 08 Club Championships – Veterans Doubles
 Sun 09 Club Championships – Veterans Mixed
 Thu 13 Midweek Ladies Easter Tournament

MAY 2017

Sun TBA City of Stirling Tournament at Alexander Park TC
 Thu 25 Midweek Ladies Closing Day Lunch
 Sun 21 Inter-Club social play at City Beach
 Sat 27 Annual Dinner & Presentation Night

JULY 2017

Sat 8 Mexican Night

AUGUST 2017

Sun 27 AGM

Members – Mark Sims

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

Junior	Cameron Yurkov, Nathan Lim, Luka Brown, Ethan Richards, Akira Fukumura
Social	Brian Godrich, Quen Finch, Narell Finch
Intermediate	Jackson Simkovic

Social Committee News – Nola Carmignani

Hi all,

Well our first event for the year got off to a colourful flying start, seeing many colours on the court, representing countries of origin.

Thank you to Janet who literally “took the bull by the horns” on this one, and ran with it, along with a selected group of hard working “Socialites” I think I like this name for our Social committee helpers!

Meat and Chicken burgers enjoyed by all were cooked to perfection, along with some great salads! The cheesecake and ice-cream finished the night rather deliciously!

A big thank you.. Janet, David, John P, Tom, Richard, Bruce, Louise, Rosie, Lauren, Melissa (the new Onion Queen ☺) Ann, Sarah, and Judy!

Not to mention Chris and Fiona who added some special drinks served at the bar to reflect our theme! Well done to all. See photos at end of Player!

	Please note the following dates in your dairies.
10 th Dec	Children & Adults Xmas Party
11 th Feb	“Valentine’s Western Night”
1 st April	“An All Italian Night”
27 th May	Annual Dinner & Presentation Night
8 th 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 year of socialising ahead! See you there!

WDTC Melbourne Cup Luncheon – Tuesday 1st November 2016

Come join us on Tuesday 1st November, in your best Melbourne Cup gear, for a spit roast and a free glass of fine bubbles!

Starting gate opens at 11.00am and cost is \$20.00/head!

Please put your name on the list at the Club on the notice board – pay on the day!

All enquiries – John Venn – Ph 0418 925 464



Mid-Week Ladies – Heather Maitre

Recently the midweek ladies celebrated their **Thursday morning tennis Opening Day** with a tournament and shared lunch.

The tennis was lots of fun and also a little more competitive than usual.

We had prizes presented for the three ladies with the highest amount of games won. Well done to everyone for a great event!

There were some fun games during the morning with tennis celebrity heads to test everyone's tennis knowledge. Also a general knowledge quiz for all to see who had been taking note of recent news events.

Thanks for all taking part and in particular for the ladies on roster to organise such a successful event.

Look forward to a fun and enjoyable season of tennis with all.



On the Sick List!

Lis Blackburn is home and we all wish her a speedy recovery!

Marion McGuire is recovering from her knee op – see you up and about soon!

Jan Hibbard and Pam Brand are sporting injuries! Hope to see you back on court soon!

Many Happy Returns!

Happy Birthday to Jan Hibbard, Rae Savage, Jon Bowden, Tom Paterson, Clive Rogers, Bev Doggett, Deidre Coombes, Brenton Bacon, Graham Blackburn, John Venn, Jenny Collett, Malyn Maley, Ken Talbot, Deb Charles, Glenys Watters, Kim Breakwell and Ken Perry!

To all of you and the many others celebrating this month, congratulations and enjoy the coming year. Long may you be around to enjoy playing and or socialising.



Juniors – Bryn Parsons

Last year WDTC set up a Junior Development Fund to provide financial assistance to junior members of Wembley Downs Tennis Club (WDTC).

The aim of the fund is to increase the opportunities for Junior WDTC members to play tennis, improve their tennis skills and build a better club.

1. Funding has been gathered from donations (accepted anytime via WDTC Treasurer) and fund raising events eg. Bunnings Sausage Sizzle.
2. Grants are available for assistance with tennis coaching, tennis travel, tennis team event entry fees and individual tournament entry fee/s.

Grant eligibility: An applicant must be a financial Junior member of WDTC and be able to demonstrate commitment to WDTC.

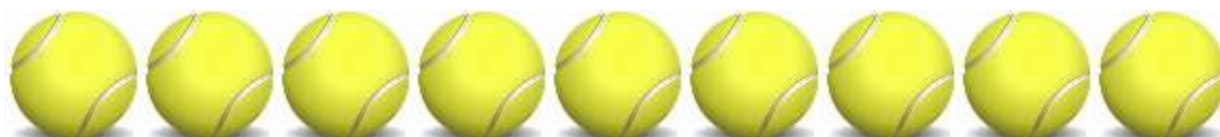
Grant Application

1. A Grant Application form must be completed for each grant request from an eligible applicant.
2. Only one Grant Application can be submitted by an eligible applicant every 12 months

Grant Application process

1. Applications to be submitted by end of September and end March each year
2. WDTC Junior Committee to review applications and determine grants by end of October and end of April
3. Amount to be granted for each application will be at the discretion of the WDTC Junior Committee
4. No more than 50% of the WDTC Junior Development Fund can be allocated to a single application

Please talk to a member of the WDTC Junior Committee if you are interested in making a grant application.



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 or call 0439497032.



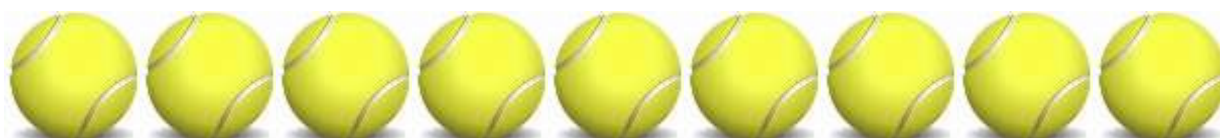
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Upcoming Events – please mark them on your Calendar!

TUESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER – WDTC MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON

SATURDAY 10TH DECEMBER – CHILDREN AND ADULTS CHRISTMAS PARTY

SATURDAY 11TH FEBRUARY - “VALENTINES WESTERN NIGHT”

SATURDAY 1ST APRIL – “AN ALL ITALIAN NIGHT”

SATURDAY 27TH MAY – ANNUAL DINNER AND PRESENTATION NIGHT

SATURDAY 8TH 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.

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

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SIMPLY THE BEST!

W.D.T.C. Annual Golf Classic – Tuesday 11th October 2016

The Winners and Runners Up for 2016!



The Teams!



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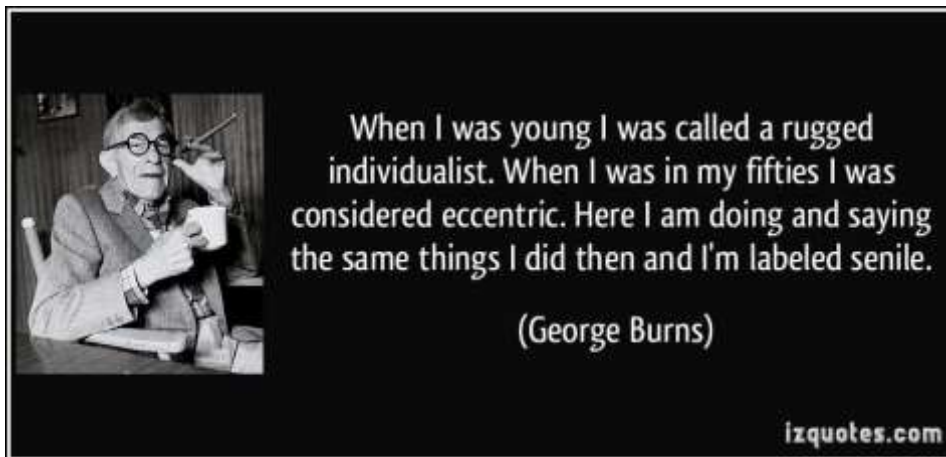
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Quote of the Day!



On the Funny Side !



Members Out and About - Opening Day 2016 – True Colours!





**Live,
Love,
Laugh,
& Tennis.**



**Kshanti & her Artists are pleased to invite you to a preview
of their exhibition on FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2016**

From 7pm – 9pm at Wembley Downs Tennis Club Hall

*The exhibition will be declared open by Mr. John Dingle- Chairman,
Floreatvand District Branch, National Seniors Australia*

Beautiful art work in Oils, Watercolour, Acrylics, Pastels, ink & pencil

Exhibition dates- November - 12 Saturday/13 Sunday from 9 am – 6 pm

Details- 94468555/0406202383 Email; kshantiw@hotmail.com



Members Out and About - A Day at the Farm ... With Dennis Gillespie!



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