



**AUGUST SEPTEMBER 2018**

# **The Player**

**Wembley Downs Tennis Club Inc.**

## **From the President – *Peter Doherty***

### ***AGM 2018***

Thank you to everyone who attended the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of WDTC and for electing me to be your President again.

Following is your Management Committee for 2018/19:

President – Peter Doherty

Vice President – David Rice

Secretary – Marion McGuire

Treasurer - Janet Paterson

Captain – Susanna Monaco

Registrar – Tom Paterson

Bar – Chris George

Juniors - Fiona Brinsden/Linda Paterson

House & Grounds – Dennis Gillespie

Publicity – ???

Social – Nola Carmignani

I'd like to thank Mark and Lorraine Sims for their work on the Management Committee as Registrar and Publicity Officer respectively. Lorraine has agreed to provide training to whoever takes on the position of Publicity Officer.

If anyone is interested in taking on the position of Publicity Officer please let me know.

Thank you to the Social Committee and the other members who provided sandwiches cakes and nibbles to go with drinks after the meeting.

## **LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARDED TO JOHN PRITCHARD**

Congratulations to John Pritchard who was awarded Life Membership at the meeting. John has been a member for over 29 years, served as President for 7 years and been a member of most committees during his time at the Club.



Welcome to all the new members who have joined the Club so far this year.

I thought all members would appreciate the following article on Tennis Etiquette. Enjoy your tennis and make sure others enjoy theirs.

Cheers,

Peter

### **Tennis Etiquette** (from Tennis Australia website)

Of all sports, tennis is famous for its etiquette. While sticking to a bunch of rules about how to behave on a tennis court might sound stuffy and old-fashioned, tennis etiquette actually makes the sport more enjoyable.

Good tennis etiquette won't give you a bigger serve or a more accurate backhand but it will make you more fun to share a court with.

### **Decisions, decisions ...**

To decide who will serve first, toss a coin or spin a racquet. The person who wins the toss may choose to serve, receive, pick which end of the court they would like or even make their opponent choose.

### **Warm-up like a pro**

Keep your pre-match warm-up brief – the pros stick to five minutes, and so should you.

### **Serve the right way**

Before you serve, make sure your opponent is ready to receive. While the rules say you should take no more than 20 seconds between points, you don't want to win a point by serving at your opponent's back.

### **No return necessary**

If your opponent serves a first-serve fault, don't hit a return back unless the call was so close that you had no option but to hit the ball.

### **Walk with care**

Don't walk behind another court during a point, across someone else's court while they're in the middle of a game or interrupt a point on another court to retrieve a ball.

### **Be careful of karma**

Make line calls clearly and promptly and give your opponent the benefit of the doubt if you're unsure. Tennis karma is a powerful force and no one wants to give an opponent short shrift only to find themselves deep into a third-set tiebreak with the tennis gods frowning down on them!

### **In or out?**

While it's rude to question your opponent's line calls, if you really think you are being diddled ask once, firmly: "are you sure?" then move on.

### **Scoring made easy**

If you are serving, call the score out loudly and clearly. It will help to minimise disagreements.

### **Got two?**

Make sure the server always has two balls at their end of the court. When you are feeding balls up the court, hit or roll them gently within reach of the server, don't delay play by spraying them around.

### **A time and a place**

Be respectful of your opponent. While it's fine to celebrate your successes it's not polite to pump your fists, hiss "yes" or high-five spectators when your opponent makes an error.

### **Do the right thing**

Apologise if you win a lucky point or if you accidentally hit your opponent with a ball.

### **Focus on your match**

Keep your attention on the court – don't chat to spectators, interrupt a game to answer your mobile phone, file your nails at the change of ends or do anything else that might distract your opponent or delay play.

## Leave the tantrums to the kids

Don't have a tantrum if things aren't going your way. Marat Safin, who once said: "You can destroy one racquet. You can destroy a chair. But you can't destroy a racquet and a chair in the same match. Otherwise this is the tennis of a sick person," clearly attended the wrong tennis finishing school.

## Congratulations

Shake hands firmly and congratulate your opponent at the end of the match. Nobody wants to grasp a limp, clammy dead fish in celebration of a big victory.

## Captain's Room – *Susanna Monaco*

Ciao a tutti, your Italian Captain is back.

July and August were two months of full holiday in Italy for me so I missed the bad weather, all the winter finals and the AGM while I was having sunshine, long walks in the mountains and swim in the sea. I had a fantastic time and I experimented the new fashion on the Roman beaches: the beach tennis and the paddle tennis. I loved them.

Back to my duty, I'd like to remind all about the new September Thursday Social night. I think it's such a good idea try to put our club alive during the September evenings, when not too much it's happening before the new summer season. Mike invited all the court hirers to try to play social matches and I had very grateful responses from them.

It will start on the 13th September, from 7:00pm to 9:00pm and we will see how it will go. Email to [captain@wdtc.com](mailto:captain@wdtc.com) to confirm your attendance by Wednesday.

The 5\$ for members and the 10\$ for non members is only for covering the cost of the lights and it doesn't seem to be a problem. I hope to fill up all the 4 courts and see if these new players would like to become night-regulars or new members.

Let's switch off the Tv and let's go on the tennis courts...small beer or a glass of wine will be available for 5\$ under the cover area at the end (but the bar will be closed).

I'd like to finish with a photo of the beautiful Italian Dolomite with this motto:  
There ain't no mountains high enough.



## Social Committee News – Nola Carmignani

**\*All pics from Social Functions can be seen the WDTC fb page**

Well what a year we have had on the Social scene!

From the Mad Hatters Opening Day, The Xmas Parties, Pirates Ahoy Night! The Irish Night, Our Masquerade Annual Dinner, and finally The Wimbledon Whites! An ENORMOUS effort by the whole committee and added extras.

A super effort and a handsome little profit at the end!

Thanks to **David S**, chief money collector and registrar of Social events!

**Meg S.** A pleasure to have in the kitchen.

**Anne & Bruce.** The first to arrive to help and last to leave. Always there the next morning tiding-up the leftovers!

**Judy E.** Tries to do as much as possible, in-between the hordes of grandkids!

**Sarah D.** Out of action for a while this year. Hope we see you back on board beaming with good health very soon! ☺

**John P.** Full of sound advice and will do anything you ask.

**Laraine & Gary.** Laraine Invaluable team member. Will organise, oversee and run anything! Gary loves to chop onions with his goggles and is getting quite good at decorating!

**Mary G.** An all-rounder, efficient and very capable.

**Jan H.** Like Mary an all-rounder, very capable.

**Tina L.** (When Home) is a real bonus to the team, efficient and very capable.

**Marion & Richard.** Marion along with the others brings the laughter along and makes prepping food fun. She too along with Richard are great workers, and invaluable to the team.

To all the extras- Janet Paterson, Susanna Monaco, Lauren Conlon, David & Di Rice, Lu Nelthorp, your ideas and your help is also invaluable.

Brett, thank you for your Social posters for a good part of the year!

To all other members who will help in the kitchen at the end of functions, when we are all exhausted...Thank you!! If I have forgotten someone – I thank you too!!

I look forward to the coming year and hope you will all continue to support the club!

See you all there! Nola ☺  
Nola – Social Chairperson  
Mob: 0403 003 507

Hi Members,

Please note the following dates in your diary and try to keep dates available to come to the club and have some fun!

Hope to see you all there!

Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Club Opening Day – “Under the Sea”
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Presidents Cocktail Party
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**WDTC**  
**Opening Day**  
**Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Oct**  
**“Under the Sea”**

Menu: Seafood, salad & crusty bread!

**Afternoon Tea @ 3pm**  
**Please bring a plate to share!**

**Dinner: 6.30pm**  
**Adults \$25**  
**Kids \$10**

Pay Online:  
Bsb: 306 050 Acc: 5528258  
Ref: OD (your name)  
Enquiries: Nola 0403 003 507

**Juniors – Fiona Brinsden and Linda Paterson**



**Sharper Tennis – Simon and Angie Harper**

Hello from SHARPER TENNIS....

A poster for Sharper Tennis Holiday Camp. At the top, the text "SHARPER TENNIS" is written in a stylized, outlined font. To the right is a circular logo with a red star on a green background. Below the text is a group photo of children and adults on a tennis court, some holding trophies. The text "HOLIDAY CAMP" is written in large, bold, outlined letters. Below that, the location "WEMBLEY DOWNS TENNIS CLUB, EDNAH STREET, WEMBLEY DOWNS 6019" is listed. The contact information "ENQUIRIES: 0424 090 083" is provided. The dates "DATES: Monday 1st October- Thursday 4th October 2018" and time "9AM-12PM" are also included. A section titled "Healthy Morning Tea Included" lists the price "\$40 per day or \$140 for all four days" and includes a list of activities: "Red Ball", "Orange + Green Ball", "Yellow Ball", and "Team Competitions, Match Play, Tournaments and Fun Coaching Drills". At the bottom, it says "To Book In Please Email: Angie@sharperennis.com.au". There is a small logo for "ANZ &amp; HOT SHOTS" in the bottom left corner.

**“Hard work beats talent when talent doesn’t work hard”**

All the Best,

The Sharper Tennis Team

**Rising Star – Yelena Kelleher – Watch out for her!**



**Mid-Week Ladies – Heather Maitre**



**House and Grounds – Dennis Gillespie**

Best grass courts in Perth!!!





## Hall Hire – John Venn

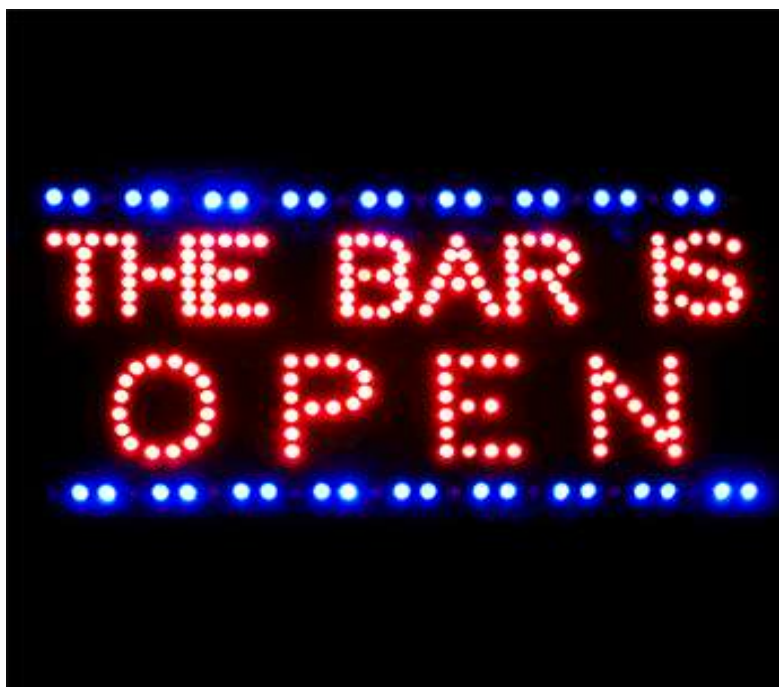
The Wembley Downs Tennis Club hall is available for members to hire for their private function. Hire of the Hall also includes use of the lounge area. Please Note: that exclusive use of the lounge/bar area may not be possible, particularly on a Wednesday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday night.

The WDTTC Hall Hire Manager is John Venn (phone: 0418 925 464 or email: [jfvennco@bigpond.com](mailto:jfvennco@bigpond.com)). John is able to provide details of hall availability and the conditions of hire.

Please contact the Hall Hire Manager to discuss your hire requirements in detail for your private function.



## Bar – Chris George



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

Keep Gary Atkinson in your thoughts and prayers as he is having a hard time – thinking of you Gary.

If you know any Club members having a rough time at the moment and want to send a get well wish through the Player please give me a call or send me an email! Lorraine Sims – 92850331 or [simsml@bigpond.net.au](mailto:simsml@bigpond.net.au)

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

We wish Fi Cargill, Janet Paterson, Gai Breakwell, Glenyse Banfield, Pam Venn, Susanna Monaco, Moi and any other members having birthdays all the very best for the coming year!

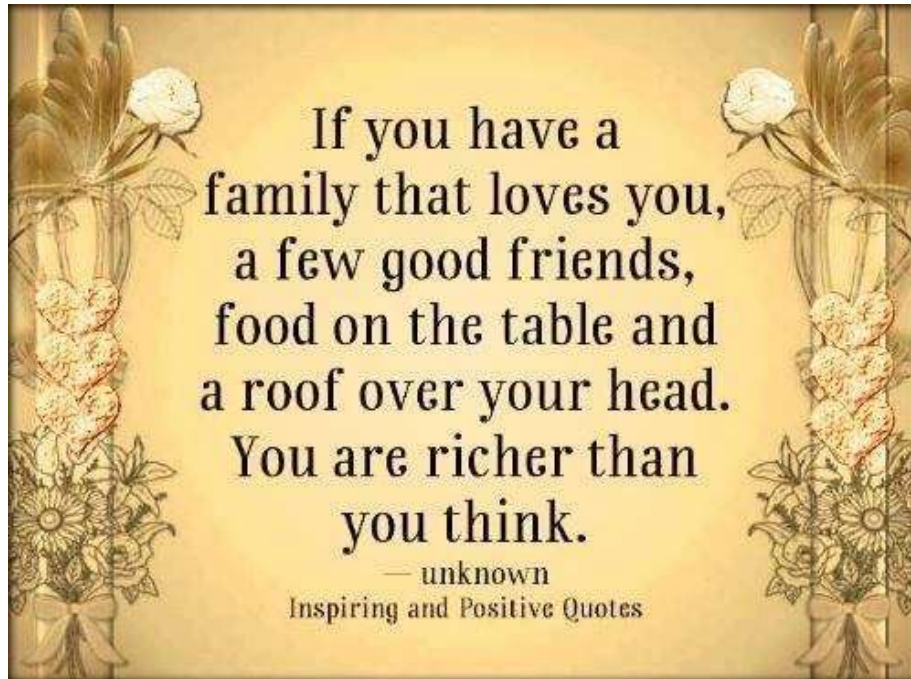


## **Upcoming Events – please mark them on your Calendar!**

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## Quote of the Month!



## On the Funny Side! For all the golfers at the Club!



## WDTC Uniforms

### New Club League Shirts

The Management Committee advocates the wearing of a uniform, primarily a shirt with the Club logo, when representing the club in league and other competitions. This makes it easy to distinguish WDTC players from visiting players.

In 2016, a new shirt was introduced; the “Beastwear” shirt was worn mainly by the men, a few women and junior league players. Mid-week pennant ladies deemed the “Beastwear” shirts unsuitable and continued to wear the white shirts with the teal blue collar.

Issues with delays when ordering the “Beastwear” shirts, the mid-week pennant ladies requirements not being met and the original white shirts requiring 50 to be ordered at a time, has led to the need to look at purchasing a new shirt design and supplier.

After some research a new shirt has been sourced and approved by Management (pictured below an example of the ladies’ shirt). The shirt is 100% polyester sports interlock with grid mesh underarm panels for breathability and an excellent SPF rating. We have sample sizes for people to try on in ladies and men’s styles.

It is felt that this shirt will blend in with the existing men’s/juniors shirt with a view to eventually having all league players wearing the new shirt. White shorts/skirts compliment the shirt beautifully and are always available to purchase whereas the “seasonal” coloured skirts are not always obtainable.

It is intended that an order be put in in early September in plenty of time for the new season. With this order, the shirts will cost \$36 each. Subsequent orders can be placed with a minimum of 4 at a time and will cost \$39 per shirt.

Should you wish to try on and order a shirt, please contact;

Louise Hall (ladies)                    0416 202 922

Janet Paterson (ladies)            0402 347 334

Mike Underwood (mens)            0422 922 467

Management understands that there will be three Club shirts in use; we ask that pennant players move to the new shirt once their current Club shirt wears out.

Non-pennant playing members are also most welcome to purchase a Club shirt, just contact one of the people mentioned above.

## 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).

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**‘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!**

Check Out Facebook via our Website [www.wdtk.com.au](http://www.wdtk.com.au)

**Members Out and About!**



Happy Birthday Glenyse and Pam!



Congratulations on your beautiful granddaughters, Angie!!

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## “Footy Colours Day”

National Fundraising month to raise funds for kids with Cancer. Every Friday in September. Funds raised help young kids to continue their learning education, while receiving treatment for cancer. A very worthy cause indeed.

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Angus: **0437712039** or **0402751283**



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**\$150 for 10 classes valid for 3 months**

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