



NOVEMBER 2018

The Player

Wembley Downs Tennis Club Inc.

From the President – Peter Doherty

Melbourne Cup Luncheon

Well done to Chris George and all his helpers on a very successful Melbourne Cup luncheon event. It was great seeing everyone enjoying themselves especially the mid-week ladies.

Community Open Day

Thanks to David Rice and everyone else who helped (Social and House & Ground) make the Community Open Day held on Sunday 11th November, a success. We had about 80 people take advantage of opportunity to play tennis, use the bouncy castle, have their face painted and enjoy afternoon tea and a free hotdog.

It was great to see the mix of age groups on the courts and the coaches putting them through drills and games. Membership application forms were handed out to a couple of the visitors.

Sponsorship and prizes for the day were donated by Bankwest, Wright Real Estate, Terry White Chemmart-Wembley Downs, Sharper Tennis, City of Stirling and Tennis West.

Busy December

The Club's children's and Adults Christmas celebrations are to be held on the 1st December. The Junior Club Championships are being held on Sunday 2nd December and the following weekend WDTC will be hosting a Junior Development Series Tournament on the 8th and 9th December. The JDS is being run by Sharper Tennis.

The Pennant Ladies (19th Dec) and Midweek Social Ladies (13th Dec) are having their Christmas celebrations.

On Saturday 15th December we have an adults mixed handicap tournament. Let Alan McLaughlin or Susanna Monaco know if you are interested in participating.

Hall of Fame inductee - Margaret Robinson

On behalf of all members I'd like to extend my congratulations to Margaret Robinson on being one of the inaugural inductees into the Australian Tennis Seniors Hall of Fame. Margaret was the only inductee from Western Australia. Well done Margaret!!

Cheers,

Peter

COMMUNITY OPEN DAY



Captain's Room – Susanna Monaco

Tennis in November has one particular characteristic, the WIND ...we know Perth is famous all around the world (best site for the kite surfers) for this strong one but every start of the new season we nearly forget ...sun in the eyes and wind against are a real nightmare. Please let's check and tighten the caps because I notice a lot were flying away during matches (not my new Monaco's ones, great presents from Alan and Nola).

End of last week I had the occasion to play Social and I'd like to give my consideration.

We have many and strong League teams this year but social players are still always the core of our club and we want to see them happy and numerous. There are weekends when social players enjoy very good matches and some not at all. Mostly depends from the number and not from the possible combination the Day Captains can do. However, we'd like to improve where is possible. We strongly recommend to all just to advise the Day Captain when u don't feel 100% or u are temporary injured or perhaps super strong.

There is the suspect that the ladies are to be sacrificed because not many or usually busy bee with the family, or not so good but when a good combination in mixed team is done, I saw great and enjoyable matches. Yes, I will recommend Leagues player on bye to join more often for a good training.

Not, it's not possible all the time have a good match, to be patient it's part of the social play, but it's a pleasure when the busy Day Captain receive a good feedback and not only complaints. The new update of the social rating will help a bit.

Now it's time to say thank you to all of them because they always do their best.

If anyone has a good idea for having more players on Sunday, please send me suggestions at captain@wdtc.com.au.

Social players ...life is better when you are in love ...with **TENNIS**.

Women's Doubles Handicap Competition – Friday 30th November, 2018 – Alan McLaughlin

It was evidently a wise decision to transfer the competition to a Friday afternoon as the participation rate was significantly higher than that normally achieved on a Saturday or Sunday.

This resulted in 2 divisions, one dedicated to the pennants players and the other for social club players.

Despite very cool and windy conditions both groups enjoyed some good tennis.

Meg Simpson came through with flying colours winning all her matches in the Social members division with Setsuko McGrath the Runner-up.

Group A winners in the Pennants division, Susanna Monaco & Serene Staunton, played against Group B winners, Lorraine Sims and Sandy Clarke, in a cliff-hanger of a final with Susanna and Serene just edging through in the last game.

Thanks are due to Bobbie Edwards and Susanna Monaco for organising this enjoyable and successful event.

Social Committee News – Nola Carmignani

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

With Christmas fast approaching, plans are in order for our annual Xmas Parties, on the 1st December! A delicious menu is shaping up, so don't miss out!

SAT 9 th Feb	1920's night
SAT 16 th Mar	Ides of March
SAT 25 th May	Annual Dinner
SAT 29 th June	Marriage of Food & Wine

Have a safe Christmas season.

Nola 😊

Social Chairperson

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Juniors – Fiona Brinsden and Linda Paterson

LEAGUE

All junior teams have settled into the season and are enjoying their tennis. It is great to see all the Hotshots players wearing their new, sponsored shirts and the older juniors wearing the new club shirt. Our junior teams look incredible when out there on the courts in their new shirts and hats!

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The annual sausage sizzle junior fundraiser was held on 10 November at Bunnings Innaloo. It was a very busy day with well over 800 sausages and buns sold. Thank you to any members who came down to support us.

We would like to thank our amazing volunteers and especially Debbie Charles who organised everything leading up to the big day. Thank you to:

Debbie Charles, Alan and Katie Morrison
Ken and Noah Brinsden
Michael and Lincoln Paterson
Stacey and David Jones
Darryl Yeo
Jo Quinn and Graham Nutt
Paulo and Cecile Picart

Janet Paterson
Peter Doherty
Bryn Parsons
Rachel Clegg
Stephanie Reidborough



Some of our Hotshots players enjoying a well-deserved morning tea whilst looking fantastic in their new shirts and hats!



Rushabh – ready to receive.



Ezra setting up for an ace!



Thumbs up from Archie.

Sharper Tennis – Simon and Angie Harper

January Holiday Club

This January we will be running a WEEK LONG camp - All the fun of previous holiday camps with an extra day!

9am-12pm

Monday 21st January- Friday 25th January

\$40 per day or \$180 for all FIVE days.

Book in here>>>> <https://sharperennis.com.au/junior-expressions-of-interest-form/>

Coach Simon Says.....

First of all I'd like to thank everyone for a sensational year!

We have had some excellent results this year including players from our programme being selected for the prestigious Bruce Cup as well as individual National Championships. Good luck to all five of our players who will be playing at Melbourne Park in the final National December Showdown. You've already made us proud!

We've very much enjoyed linking into the local community via our schools' partnerships with Wembley Downs and Holy Spirit Primary Schools and we look forward to supporting them further next year.

We are also very excited for the rest of the summer series and hope you enjoy your Summer of Tennis at WDTC and via the upcoming Hopman Cup and Australian Open.

Don't forget to check out all the Junior Tournaments over the holidays too. Lots for everyone and every ability!

We have numerous plans and a few more innovative new ideas up our sleeves that we hope will bring players of all ages and sizes together in 2019 as well as grow our fantastic club within our community.

So have yourselves a Merry Little Xmas and we look forward to a humungous NEW YEAR with you all!

<https://mailchi.mp/08d8c8081bca/sharper-news-from-the-pointy-end-of-the-year>

See all our news on the link above!

“ABILITY is what you're capable of doing. MOTIVATION determines what you do. ATTITUDE determines how well you do it.”

All the Best,

The Sharper Tennis Team

Mid-Week Ladies – *Donna Lynch*

The midweek ladies have been out and about during November. An impressive table of twelve made a big splash at the Melbourne Cup Lunch and thoroughly enjoyed the day. This was followed up by lunch out at the Floreat Kiosk with several past players also attending. Thanks to Wendy for organising this event.



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 WDTC Hall Hire Manager is John Venn (phone: 0418 925 464 or email: 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, Geoff Westbrook and Bob Ptolomy in your thoughts and prayers as they are doing it tough!

If you know any Club members having a rough time 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

Many Happy Returns!

We wish Meg Simpson, Tina Lord, Laraine Penberthy, Nola Carmignani, Sandie Bateman and any other members having birthdays all the very best for the coming year!



Upcoming Events – please mark them on your Calendar!

WDTC - SOCIAL COMMITTEE 2018/2019

Sat 9 th Feb	1920's Night
Sat 16 th Mar	"Beware the Ides of March"
Sat 25 th May	Annual Dinner
Sat 29 th June	Marriage of Food & Wine – Match Made in Heaven
Sun 25 th Aug	WDTC AGM 2018/2019

Quote of the Month!



On the Funny Side!

The phone my granddaughter has - she's six!



The phone I had when I was six



AMM

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.

‘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

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

'We now have a child's pad for our defibrillator unit (as a guideline this pad is inserted for children under 8 or under 25 kg). So if anyone needs to do this they will find the pad in a box behind the defib unit. All you need to do is rip the strip off the plastic bag, remove the adult pad from the defib unit and insert the child's pad. Then follow the instructions on the unit. There are instructions on the plastic bag on where to attach the two cords for children. The adult and child's pads will need to be replaced once used. Some key points to remember:

- The unit will analyse the person's situation and will not request a shock unless it is necessary so you can't hurt someone by connecting the unit to the person.
- Always make sure someone else calls the ambulance immediately and stays on the phone whilst you are attending to the person.
- St Johns always reinforce the fact that any level of CPR is better than no CPR so if in doubt give it a go.
- The first 10 mins are critical and you can almost guarantee an ambulance will not arrive in this time so act fast!

If would be fantastic if we could get a few more members to do the free St John's course so if interested please let me know.

Regards

Mike Underwood

Mens League Supervisor



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Members Out and About- Melbourne Cup 2018











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