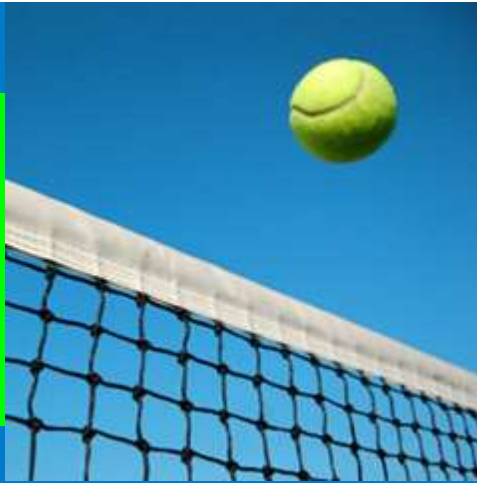


**FEBRUARY 2019**



# The Player

**Wembley Downs Tennis Club Inc.**

## From the President – *Peter Doherty*

### **Why are we a Club and not just a facility for hire?**

Currently our Club is run by its members on a voluntary basis. This enables us to provide excellent tennis facilities, playing opportunities and social events, while maintaining our fees at a reasonable level.

Thank you to all those members who contribute to the Club as a member of a Committee. Many of our members volunteer on more than one Committee.

We have the following Committees to support the activities of the Club:

- Finance (Janet Paterson)
- Social (Nola Carmignani)
- Bar (Chris George)
- Tournament (Susanna Monaco)
- Juniors (Fiona Brinsden/Linda Paterson)
- House & Grounds (Dennis Gillespie)
- Midweek Ladies (Ann McKenzie/Donna Lynch)
- Management (Peter Doherty)

I have shown the name of each Committee Chair above, please talk to any of these people if you are available/interested in contributing more to the Club.

If you have been at the Club for more than a couple of years don't be surprised if one of the Chair's approaches you to join their Committee.

Many hands make light work.

### **Courts Resurfacing status**

We are currently waiting to see if our application for Federal Grant funding to resurface the grass and hard courts has been successful in the second round of offerings. We missed out in the first round.

Management is aware of the deteriorating state of the hard courts and will be looking at alternative funding arrangements to improve them as soon as we know about the Federal grant.

### **New LED Lights**

Management has decided to install new LED Lights on the hard courts in April 2019. This decision was made due to the high cost of replacing existing bulbs and the expected 300% increase in our ongoing electricity charges from the City of Stirling.

### **Ocean Gardens City Beach**

We are pleased to announce that Ocean Gardens has signed on as a sponsor of the club. Ocean Gardens is a premium retirement village nestled upon 6.5 beautiful hectares in City Beach, offering stunning residences and first-class facilities within a private coastal setting. Visit [oceangardens.com.au](http://oceangardens.com.au) for more information.

### **Captain's Room – Susanna Monaco**

It's time to have an update. Only 4 more rounds to go for our 20 League teams before the semi and final at the end of March.

Do you know how many teams are in the first 4 positions in the ladder?

Men: 1 team in second position, 3 teams in third, 1 in fourth.

Ladies: 2 teams in first position, 3 teams in second, 1 team in third.

Mixed :1 team in first position.

Good luck to all.

### **Club Championship 2019**

Whatever this summer league will finish, all of you have the occasion to win the Club Championship 2019.

Start choosing your partner or start thinking a new Single tactic ...

That will happen in the first two weekends of April: 6/7 and 13/14.

It will be good to see also social players participate at this event, so have a think about this, it's open to every Club member.

A copy of the form will be available in the Captain Room.

Susanna Monaco



**SIMPLY THE BEST!**

# Vale Robert (Bob) William Ptolomey

05.02.1941 – 15.01.2019

Sadly, Bob Ptolomey passed away 15 January 2019.

Bob joined WDTC in 1971 as a playing member and continued for many years making him a regular at the Club on Saturdays unless his beloved Eagles were playing!

His commitment to the Club saw him serve as -

- President 1993 – 1995
- Men's Captain 1995 – 1999

In 1998 for his contribution to the Club he was made a Life Member.

Bob was a surveyor all his life and was a devoted family man to his wife Anne, four children and nine grandchildren.

He was known to play a game or two of football as a ruckman with West Perth in his younger days! His love of the game saw him an ardent supporter of the Eagles!

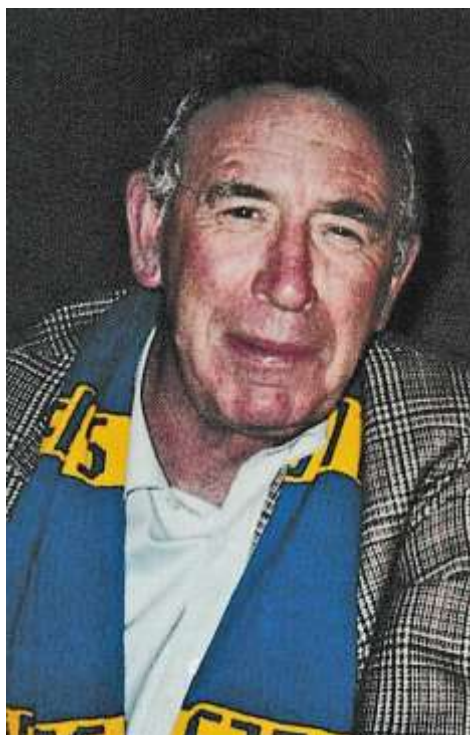
Bob was also a regular member of the Tuesday afternoon golfer's cohort where he set the standard for the drive distance off the 1<sup>st</sup> tee! Bob was regularly an integral part of the winning group!

I always enjoyed playing as Bob's doubles partner, he called me his "little rover". We had many great wins together.

On behalf of the tennis club I extend our sincere condolences to his wife, Anne and the whole Ptolomey family

Rest In Peace Bob

Peter Doherty - President



## Social Committee News – Nola Carmignani



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

Our 1920 Night on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb was very well received. Thank you to Laraine who took the reins on the night, as I scurried off at 3pm to attend a party where our favorite chef Manu was the guest of honor! I would like yet again to thank all the Social Committee and the extras who helped at the 1920's night. Absolutely fantastic job! The girls with their headbands and boas, the boys with their bowler hats, caps, and bow ties. Such style! (See pics) The menu was based on a very 1920's style, including stuffed celery sticks, devilled eggs, and let's not forget the Waldorf Salad!

**Coming up is "Ides of March" on 16<sup>th</sup> March.** I'm sure most will come in their best togas! This too should be a very interesting and fun night!! (see flyer) **\*\*PLEASE BOOK IN EARLY**

Be sure to book in the dates below, so you don't miss out!

FRI 12 <sup>th</sup> April	"Summer Season Wind-up"
SAT 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Annual Dinner
SAT 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Marriage of Food & Wine

See you all at the next function!

Nola ☺

Social Chairperson

Mob: 0403 003 507

# **NEW** @ WDTC!

## **“FARE PLAY”**

- \*Low cost delicious meals after play Saturday
- \*Different meals served for each event
- \*Open to all WDTC members, families and friends
- \*Bookings essential for catering purposes  
0403 003 507 (Nola) or enter on Notice Board list at club
- \*Please advise of any dietary requirements beforehand

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2019 – food @ 7pm  
Crumbed Cutlets (Chicken & Veal) served with  
Smashed Potatoes, Ratatouille, salad and crusty  
bread.

Adults \$15 Children \$10 (under 12)

### “Fare Play” Dates 2019

Sat 30<sup>th</sup> March  
Sat 27<sup>th</sup> April  
Sat 11<sup>th</sup> May  
Sat 15<sup>th</sup> June  
Sat 13<sup>th</sup> July  
Sat 10<sup>th</sup> August  
Sat 24<sup>th</sup> August

### Mid-Week Ladies – Donna Lynch

Valentines Day was recently enjoyed with a lovely game of tennis played by the lovely ladies of mid-week tennis.

This was followed by a lovely morning tea. Many laughs as always.



## Sharper Tennis – Simon and Angie Harper



## Juniors – Fiona Brinsden and Linda Paterson

The final leg of summer pennants is underway with most of our teams in finals contention. Good luck to everyone.

Friday evenings at the club have become a fun family time with lots of families staying on to enjoy the atmosphere. The bar is open from 4pm and there is food available to purchase from about 5pm. Come on down and join the fun. On the Bounce is from 6-7 and for everyone of all abilities to enjoy a hit.

**ON THE BOUNCE**

**SHARPER TENNIS**

**AGES 10+**

**FRIDAY'S 6-7PM**  
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**WDTC**  
Bar open 4-7pm  
This week a selection of sausages with onions, cheese and coleslaw for sale 5.45-7pm **\$4**

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## 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: [jfvennc@bigpond.com](mailto:jfvennc@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.





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

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](mailto:simsml@bigpond.net.au)

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

We wish Margaret Robinson, Alan Hill, Frank Holmes (A Big One! – you definitely don't look your age Frank!!)) and any other members having birthdays all the very best for the coming year!



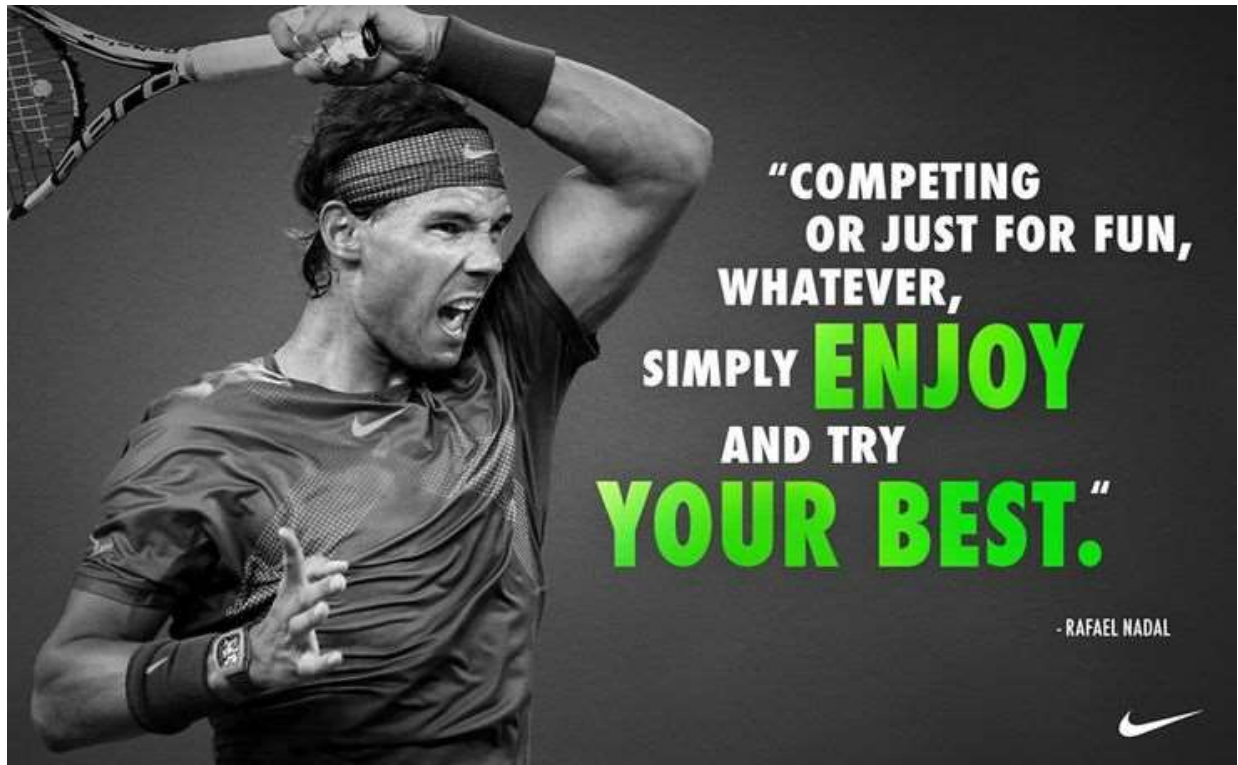
### **Upcoming Events – please mark them on your Calendar!**

#### ***WDTC - SOCIAL COMMITTEE 2018/2019***

Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> April	“Summer Season Wind Up”
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Annual Dinner
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Marriage of Food & Wine – Match Made in Heaven
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Aug	WDTC AGM 2018/2019



Quote of the Month!



On the Funny Side!



Yep! Up Ship Creek really does exist!!!

## WDTC Uniforms

### **WDTC Club Shirts**

A minimum order of 4 is required. Once we have 4 or more, an order will be placed – the shirts will then be available within two weeks of order.

Cost of the shirt is \$40 - as we are no longer placing bulk orders, we do not receive a discount.

If you would like a club shirt, please contact Janet Paterson on 0402 347 334 or [wdtctreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:wdtctreasurer@gmail.com).



## 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)

'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

Mobile 0422 922 467 Email [michael.underwood@metrecruitment.com.au](mailto:michael.underwood@metrecruitment.com.au)

## Members Out and About-

Happy Birthday Alan!

On Saturday January 12<sup>th</sup> we coaxed our oldest Club member, Alan Hill, out from behind the afternoon tea counter (his usual haunt on Saturdays) to wish him a happy 88<sup>th</sup> birthday. Not only is Alan our oldest Club member, he is also a Life Member and along with Jess and Garnet Willmott, he is a Foundation Member of our wonderful Wembley Downs Tennis Club. Congratulations Alan and thanks for your ongoing support!



Our favourite Social Director, Nola Carmignani, went missing in action but was spotted out and about giving Manu tips on how to cook Italian!!!



Members Out and About- 1920's Night



## Members Out and About- Margaret Robinson

**Congratulations to our wonderful Margaret Robinson from all at Wembley Downs Tennis Club!!!**

**Filming has begun with the legend that is Margaret Robinson - winner of 8 x Seniors World Singles championships, 11 x Australian Seniors Singles titles and 3 x ITF Championships!**

**Stay tuned for the video and to learn more about this incredible woman!**





“The Three Amigos” – Frank Holmes, Mike Collett and Alan Starke!

Frank Holmes celebrated his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday at Wembley Downs Tennis Club this February!  
Congratulations Frank! Looking great! Tennis is obviously the answer!



‘Like’ Wembley Downs Tennis Club and Facebook Page 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!

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