



MARCH 2018

The Player

Wembley Downs Tennis Club Inc.

From the President – Peter Doherty

President v Patrons

This year's President versus Patrons teams challenge was held on Sunday 18th March. Our generous patrons, Graham Blackburn and Alan Starke, provided prizes for the tennis competition and put some money on the bar for reduced price drinks. Congratulations to the Patron's team which was successful this year. Some pertinent questions have been asked about the major reversal in form from the President's team after the afternoon tea break. Next year we won't have as many cream cupcakes.

League Competition

Thank you to everyone who played in teams representing WDTC over summer and those who went along to support the teams. Well done if your team was good enough to make the finals and congratulations to those teams that actually won their section. There were several very close results, which prove the saying that every game counts.

Thank you also to our Club Captain and her Tournament team for organising all our senior teams.

Club Championships

The Annual Club Championships are almost here. Entries for the Open events close on the 2nd April and for Over 40 events on the 24th April. Thanks to Mike Underwood for his hard work encouraging members to take part and running each event.

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You can order your 2018/19 Entertainment Books now. Each book (hardcopy or online) costs \$70 with \$14 coming back to the Club. Please think about how many you and your friends would like and contact me or order directly online. There are bonus early bird offers if you purchase by the end of April 2018.

Easter/School Holidays

I hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe Easter and School holidays break. I will be officiating at the Dalkeith Junior Easter tournament.

Participating in the Club Championships would be a great way to burn off any extra hot cross bun or chocolate kilos.

Cheers
Peter

A WEDNESDAY OF SUSPENCE AT WEMBLEY DOWN

At 9:30 the two WDTC Ladies teams were coming to the court like soldiers behind the two fierce Captains. What an army! The Wednesday before there was a wash out for the Semis, they had to get the result today before their final battle.

At 12:00 o'clock Bobbie's team Wed Div2 came out from the court in a happy line. They didn't miss a shot: mission accomplished, they are in the Final.

On the other court for the Louise's team Wed Div1 the scores were field with 3 matches each and something started to happen: the temperature was increasing in a scary progression. IT WAS HOT AND HOTTER AND HOTTER...

I was sitting and watching in the shade with the duty of Supervisor when I turned my face to the Club thermometer ...damn ...close to 36C...close to 37C ... **38C....OMG not another delay .**

White in face and melted like an ice-cream out of the fridge, I had to move the Tennis West lady out of my way revealing the dreaded number that force to announce at the players to stop. The two Captains looked at me with angry eyes and said 'No way on the court there is the breeze'...What can we do?

The Bom (Bureau of Meteorology) application save me, it's on the rules and we can use it: Churchlands area 36C, so yes the show can go on. After few hours the WDTC Div2 team come out completely red in face but victorious. They made into the Final on the 28 of March.

The day was not finished for me, there were two Men's Wed Final that night and I had to watch them.

At 7:30pm they started under the moon...

On the first court Gareth was completely flying from one side to the other, crossing every serve of his partner. It was a difficult job for my eyes to follow him and Edward going so synchronized everywhere.

At one point the tennis ball flew away on the Empire Avenue so Sean the Captain in his tennis-superhero-outfit started a run all around the club to pick-up the far ball. That run could have been broken any records. What a fast runners team!

On the other two courts the Aubrey's team Div2 Won the Final. The shots were so powerful that sounded like bombs. Well done guys you are ready for Div1 next year.

At 10:00 o'clock Sean's team Div3 was still fighting, such close matches, such good tennis. It was 10:30 when they come out and said: 'Susanna we lost by **ONE GAME ONLY ONE GAME**'.

Nooooooooooooo

What a shame they all played so well ...I left them thinking they didn't deserve this...

At 11:30 when the opposition was ready to go home with honour, the true came out and a message appeared on my phone:

'We didn't lose IT'S A DRAW.. EVEN GAMES !

Yesssssssssssss.

Do you want to know who won at the super tiebreak the following Monday and for the ladies Wednesday? Well, read the Summer League Wraps below.

Ciao and Good Easter.

Susanna

Summer League 2017/2018 Weekend Ladies & Wed Doubles Wrap

Three Ladies team make it to the Grand Final :

Saturday over 35 Tennis West Div2 : Captain Rosie Harris, Diana Rice, Rae Yorg, Penny Askin, Bobbie Edwards. After a very good season the team lost against Tennis Senior. What a shame the Final was played on hard court, a surface they don't like too much.

Wednesday Ladies Doubles TWDiv1 Over 45 Grand Final Winners:

Captain Louise Hall, Sandy Clarke, Christine Stanton, Diana Rice, Noriko Thompson – Well done girls!



Wednesday Ladies Doubles TWDiv2 Over 45 Grand Final Winners:

Rae Yorg, Glenys Banfield, Margaret Robinson, Bobbie Edwards (Captain), Rosie Harris, Jane Crisp and Penny Askin (not in photo) – Well done girls!



Summer League 2017 to 2018 Weekend Men & Wed Doubles Wrap

We had 7 Mens teams make it to the Grand Final which I believe must be a club record. See below for outcomes and photos. I watched most of the finals and all matches were played in excellent spirit so well done to all captains and players.

Wednesday Night Mens Doubles Grand Final Winners Tennis West Div 2 (defeated City Beach 6-0)- Pictured from left James Haas (Captain), Piravin Ananda, Aubrey Hingston and Brendon McAlpine (missing from photo reserves Tim Jacques, Aidan Crabb and Julien Terrade).



Wednesday Night Mens Doubles Grand Final Winners Northern Districts Div 2 (defeated Wanneroo in a sudden death SMTB after a draw) -Pictured from left Geoff Sutton, Dave Malesic, Joel Forsyth (Captain), Andrew Reid and Mike Underwood (missing from photo injured squad members Kevin Lynch and Paulo Picart). Grand Final MVP Joel Forsyth collected his prize. The winning team also won a generous prize from the Whitfords Brewing Company which I understand will be consumed very quickly.



Wednesday Night Mens Doubles Tennis West Div 3 (lost in a SMTB played the following Monday against City Beach after a draw) Squad was Sean Macfarlane and Gareth Fricker Co-Captains, Roland Townend, Marc Worley, David Drake, Ed Barden, Jordan Powell, Philip Hingston and reserve Andrew Blackburn.

Saturday Mens Open Grand Final Winners Tennis West Div 7 (defeated Blue Gum 4-2 came down to a SMTB in last doubles to decide the outcome) Squad was (pictured below) Jimmy Campbell, Aubrey Hingston (Captain), James Haas and Harry Burrell, (missing from photo) Jake Thomas, Connor Jenkins and Guy Hall.



Saturday Mens Open Finalist Tennis West Div 11 (lost to a strong Alexander Park team 4-2) Picture to come next Player. Squad was Sean Macfarlane (Co-Captain), Gareth Fricker (Co-Captain), David Drake, Marc Worley, Ed Barden, Jordan Powell, Phil Hingston and Dean Gardiner.

Saturday Mens Open Grand Final Winners Tennis West Div 12 (defeated RKPTC by one game in a tense encounter) Pictured from left Roland Townend, Geoff Sutton, Baden Bowen (Captain), Ken Nosaka, Nicholas Sergeev (missing from photo are squad members Paulo Picart and Serge Sergeev). It looks like Penny photo bombed for this one well done!



Sunday Mens Doubles Over 50 Tennis West Div 3 (lost to OPTC who performed very well on the day) Squad was John Pritchard (Captain), Mark Lawrence Tom Paterson, Ross Symonds, Kevin Lynch, Alan McLaughlin, Suresh Sebastian and Brian Fricker (Rest In Peace).

WDTC Club Championships

Please see entry form to the WDTC Club Championships at the back of this Player. The Championships will be held on the following dates:

- 7 & 8 April – Singles (Mens and Ladies Open), Doubles (Mens, Ladies and Mixed Open);
- 28th April – Vets (age 40+) – Mens and Ladies doubles
- 29th April - Vets (age 40+) – Mixed doubles

Club Champs Sponsors

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Tennis Only are a long-term sponsor of the club and the club champs. They have provided some specials below. I know some members use their Osborne Park store. This will close in April however their Nedlands store will look after us and they are located at 158 Stirling Highway.

Tennis Only Promos:

1. Wembley Downs Member Discount

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Excludes balls, ball machines and RF signed merchandise.

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Offers ending March 31st:

1. Purchase 2 Wilson Pro Over Grip 3 Packs for \$20

2. Adidas sale (starts tomorrow) Buy 3+ adidas shoes and apparel items and get 30% off. Applicable to men's, women's and kids shoes and apparel.

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Club member Nathan prepares a new special menu every week for Friday and Saturday Nights so make sure you have your next tennis dinner, windup or catch-up with friends at Badabing in Woodlands.

www.revivedayspa.com.au

Olivia was a sponsor of our club Champs last year and has continued for 2018. The feedback from our prize winners last year was fantastic so no doubt it will provide an incentive for our ladies to try that bit harder to win again. Located on the corner of Oxford St and Scarborough Beach Road Mt Hawthorn.

Mike Underwood

Social Committee News – Nola Carmignani

***All pics from Social Functions can be seen the WDTC fb page which can be accessed via our website www.wdtk.com.au**

Irish Fling 17th March!

A great night was had by all attendees including a couple of Irish Princesses, Leprechauns, an Irish maiden, an Irish Kilt, and lots of general green attire, and green hair! Some Irish jokes were thrown around, with Fi winning the joke of the night! Lots of good reports received. Plenty of food to go around.

A big thankyou to Chris for the cooking of the lamb !!*** all sorted after a little hiccup!

Thank you to the helpers Marion Richard Judy Mary Sarah David JP.

Thanks Lorraine for some great Irish music, and for taking all the pics on the night.



Coming up next:

19th May – Annual Dinner - MASQUERADE - **WATCH OUT FOR THE POSTER- coming soon!

Book the dates!!

30th June – Wimbledon 2018 – White Night!

28th July 1920's Night

See you all there! Nola ☺

Members – Mark Sims

Welcome to the following new members:

Full:	Kirk Sims
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New memberships have slowed down!!

Please tell your friends, relatives and associates to join WDTC!!

Sharper Tennis – Simon and Angie Harper

Hello from SHARPER TENNIS...



With our junior squads finishing up over the next couple of weeks, our young Hotshots players have been working hard all term and as usual all that hard work cumulates in an end of term Hotshots Challenge! This term will see our young competitors taking to the court on Friday 6th April from 3.45pm. Why not pop down and see how the next generation are performing....

April sees two of our Junior players off to Adelaide where they will be competing in the Grass Court Nationals. We wish Arden De Melo and Kent Yamazaki, the very best of luck. Play sharp lads!

Sharper Tennis will be running our usual Holiday Club (suitable for ages 5 +) over the second week of the school holidays. Running from 23rd-26th April 9-12pm, these sessions will keep them busy and may even offer you the opportunity to put your feet up whilst the kids are having a ball at the club. Come for one day or come for all four.

For more info email Angie at info@sharperennis.com.au

Term 2 coaching starts from Monday 30th April with our ADULT BEGINNER session at 7-8pm. We will also be looking at running a LADIES CARDIO morning on Thursdays next term so if this is of interest to you or someone you know then please do let us know. Junior squads start up from Thursday 3rd May. To book in email Angie at info@sharperennis.com.au or call 0424909083.

“Talk with YOUR racket; play with your HEART”

All the Best,

The Sharper Tennis Team

Juniors – Fiona Brinsden and Linda Paterson

Congratulations to all Junior pennant teams on a great summer season! Special congratulations to all finalists. We had three happy teams celebrating victories on Sunday! Well done to our Mixed Green Ball div 13, Boys 14 div 5 and Boys 18 div 1. Great effort!

Green Ball winners! Michael Woo, Eloise Edman, Sienna Weerakody, Justine Davis (team manager), Chayse Davis and Evie Harper.



Boys 14 & under div 5 - Undefeated all season!! Archie Morrison, Noah Brinsden, Zac Picart and Lincoln Paterson



Boys 18 & under div 1 - Edward Finnie, Aiden Bick, Nick Sergeev, Daniel Westbrook, and Kane Alexander (absent – Josh Alexander)



On Sunday evening following the pennant finals we also held our pennant wind-up which was well attended by over 50 people. Great to see all of our juniors and parents at the club enjoying pizza from Hugo's at City Beach.



If you would like to maintain and improve your tennis skills over the winter think about playing winter pennants. Please let Linda or Fiona know if you are interested at wdtcjuniors@gmail.com



Bar – Chris George

We have phased out a few slow-moving lines and introduced a few new ones. We introduced the Gage Roads beers the brewery is West Australian owned. Their full flavoured Atomic Pale Ale is now our most popular stubbie. Stella Artois is also a new comer to our fridge as is Coopers Pale Ale in a long neck to compete with the much loved (and consumed) VB.

In the red department, Bremerton's Tamblyn comes a distant 2nd to Taylors Estate Shiraz. I hope to get in some Pirramimma Shiraz which is good value.

We are also hoping to trial Fairbrossen Durif which is a Perth Hills product. Ray Jordan's tasting notes describe it thus:

Rich chocolate and black cherry flavours with a spicy liquorice influence. The nose is most appealing with violets and other floral notes overlaying the spicy intensity on the nose.

The Nua Prosecco seems to be popular with the bubbly fans as the old favourite, Zonin is no longer available in the dry style we stocked previously. The Villa Yolanda is also an excellent drop.

Cheers

Chris



Mid-Week Ladies – Heather Maitre

The midweek ladies had their Easter tournament last Thursday 22nd of March.

We had lots of close games and some great tennis was played. Thanks to Lynne for all her organising and to all the ladies for joining in and being good sports.



House and Grounds – Dennis Gillespie

Still say we have the best grass courts in Perth!!!



On the Sick List!

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


Many Happy Returns!

We wish Bobbie Edwards, Dale Phillips 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 2017-18

<p>19th May</p>	 <p>“Masquerade Evening” Saturday 19th May 2018 Wembley Downs Tennis Club Annual Dinner & Presentation Night **More details to follow</p>
<p>30th June</p>	<p>Wimbledon 2018 – White Night!</p>
<p>28th July</p>	<p>1920’s Night</p>



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Have a safe and Happy Easter everyone!

Quote of the Month!



On the Funny Side!

WARNING

ALL Cadbury Eggs have been recalled, please send to my house immediately for proper disposal.



Members Out and About! – Irish Fling!





Members Out and About! – President v Patrons Tournament!

WINNERS ARE GRINNERS! WELL DONE TO THE PATRONS!



WDTC Uniforms

All pennant players are expected to wear the shirts/tops with plain 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).

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Club Champs Entry Form 2018

Open & Vets



Name		CTR Singles	
Email Address Please include as draw will be emailed		CTR Doubles	
Phone Number		DOB (VETS)	

Scheduling Requests:

Please scan and email entry form to michael.underwood@metrecruitment.com.au or keep a copy and put form into the club letterbox. The draw will be emailed to all players and put up on the front window of the club on the Thursday prior to the first day of competition.

Event (Please see Tournament Conditions on Reverse)	Date Of Event	Closing Date	Partners Name (please indicate if partner required).	\$14 Per Event (for doubles \$14 each player)
Singles Ladies Open	7 th & 8 th April	2nd April		\$
Singles Mens Open	7 th & 8 th April	2nd April		\$
Mens Doubles	7 th & 8 th April	2nd April		\$
Ladies Doubles	7 th & 8 th April	2nd April		\$
Mixed Doubles	7 th & 8 th April	2nd April		\$
VETS Mens Doubles (Age 40+)	28 th April	24th April		\$
VETS Ladies Doubles (Age 40+)	28 th April	24th April		\$
VETS Mixed Doubles (Age 40+)	29 th April	24th April		\$
Online Deposit to BSB 306-050 Account 005528258 (Ref Club Champs) (All payments to be made at time of lodging entry form and prior to first day of competition)			Total	\$

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CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP OPEN MENS & LADIES EVENTS - CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. Entry fee must accompany form; entry is available for financial members only. ENTRY FEE: \$14 PER EVENT PER PLAYER.
2. Competitors are responsible to check their playing time.
3. Players will be entered into either the qualification or seeded tournament based on tournament numbers and seeding. The winner/winners of qualification will gain automatic entry into the seeded tournament.
4. The organisers will endeavour to accommodate scheduling requests where possible.
5. All competitors should be available from 9.30 am. To commence play at 10 am on all days of competition.
6. Players 15 minutes late without prior advice after being called for play will be disqualified.
7. Tournament will be conducted under general rules of play as set by Tennis Australia and ITF. Any disputes will be resolved by Tournament Referees – Susanna Monaco and Mike Underwood.
8. Time allowed between matches will be no more than twenty minutes, provided courts are available.
9. A five minute hit-up is allowed before matches commence.
10. Each match to be best of either, 3 Tie Break sets or 2 Tie Break sets with a Super Tie Break decider, unless otherwise advised by the Tournament Committee. Play shall be continuous. The Club reserves the right to change the format subject to entry numbers and any other requirement.
11. In the event of an injury, a once only 10 minute injury time will be allowed before a match is forfeited.
12. Events may have a consolation event for first round losers, depending on numbers. Consolation Play will be: First to 9 games with a Tie Break at 8 games all. Please Note:- a bye in the first round of any event constitutes a win and rules you ineligible to enter the consolation event.
13. The draw will be on the front door of the tennis club on the Thursday evening prior to the first day of play. The draw will be emailed to all players if a valid email address is provided on the application form.
14. All players must be available for all days of the event. The Final of each event must be at the scheduled time.
15. Your entry will be deemed acceptance of the above conditions.
16. Trophies/prizes will be presented at the Annual Dinner.

VETERANS MENS/LADIES AND MIXED DOUBLES - CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. Entry fee must accompany form; entry is available for financial members only. ENTRY FEE: \$14 PER EVENT PER PLAYER.
2. A minimum age limit of 40 will apply for ladies events and 40 for all men's events.
3. All Events will be completed in one day and may be scheduled from approx 9.30 am
4. The club will endeavour to accommodate scheduling requests where possible.
5. All competitors should be available 30 minutes before the scheduled time. Times will be listed on the draw sheet & may vary slightly, according to the number of entries for each event. Competitors are responsible to check their playing times. Players 15 minutes late without prior advice after being called for play will be disqualified.
6. Tournament will be conducted under general rules of play as set by Tennis Australia and ITF. Any disputes will be resolved by Tournament Referee – Susanna Monaco and Mike Underwood.
7. Time allowed between matches will be no more than twenty minutes, provided courts are available.
8. A five minute hit-up is allowed before matches commence.
9. The format of play for the main event will be determined by the number of entries. This will be listed on the draw sheet.
10. All events will have a consolation event for first round losers if numbers are sufficient. Play will be: First to 9 games with a Tie Break at 8 games all. Please Note:- a bye in the first round of any event constitutes a win and rules you ineligible to enter the consolation event.
11. In the event of an injury, a once only 10 minute injury time will be allowed before a match is forfeited.
12. The draw will be on the front door of the tennis club on the Thursday evening prior to the day of play and will be emailed to all players if a valid email address is provided on the application form.
13. All players must be available for the whole day of the event. The Final of each event must be at the scheduled time.
14. Your entry will mean acceptance of the above conditions.
15. Trophies/prizes will be presented at the Annual Dinner.
16. A sausage sizzle will be held at 5 pm on each day of competition.