



The Network

October 2019

From the President

Janet Ferreira

Spring is in the air and a brand new season is nearly upon us so dust off your dunlops and come on down! I am not sure about the rest of you but the thought of having virgin grass under foot sends quivers of excitement down my spine.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as your new president. Having witnessed the amazing contributions of many before me I am under no illusions of grandeur and realise that this role isn't one of delegation but rather dedication.

I am thrilled to announce that our 2 new lit hard courts 17 & 18 are now officially open and courts 4, 5 and 9 are fully lit with LED lighting. This brings to an end this phase of our Court Redevelopment Project which has been in the pipeline for the past 3 years. These enhancements to our facilities open up a myriad of opportunities for us as a club in particular, encouraging more casual/non-member players to use our courts thereby increasing revenue from court hire. Tennis Australia is strongly urging clubs to provide tennis opportunities for 'pay as you play' players in order to appeal to a broader demographic. Furthermore over the next couple of months we will be installing the Tennis Australia 'Book a Court' online court booking and payment platform. Greater access to courts with lights will enable us to significantly enhance the balance between league opportunities, coaching programs and casual court usage at peak times.



Sometimes we need to be reminded why we keep playing this game. Aside from it being social, affordable and good for the body and mind is the crucial fact that it is better than an Anger Management course. What better way to relieve stress than by hitting a ball as hard as you can, it feels great and when it goes in it feels even better!

On a more serious note I think that we are all very fortunate to be a part of the NTC family and the amazing comradery that goes with it. To quote the lyrics of the theme song from the old sitcom 'Cheers',

*'Sometimes you want to go
Where everybody knows your name
And they always glad you came
You want to be where everybody knows your name'*



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Dates to Remember

BUSY BEE
Saturday 5 October

OPEN DAY
Saturday 12 October

JUNIOR OPEN DAY
Friday 18 October

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH
Tuesday 5 November

CHRISTMAS PARTY
Saturday 14 December

New Committee 2019/20

President:	Janet Ferreira
Vice President:	Neil Croker
Treasurer:	Dave Mofflin
Secretary:	Anne Love
General Committee:	
	Helen Morgan (League Coordinator)
	Carolyn Choong(Club Captain Liaison)
	Rachel Palmer (Social/Website)
	Suresh Sakar
	Nathalie Smalberger (Sponsorship

FROM THE PRESIDENT Cont....

On Saturday the 5th October it is our annual Busy Bee and I encourage you all to give up some of your time to help spruce up the clubhouse and grounds prior to the opening of our new season, remembering that many hands make light work! This will be followed by our highly anticipated Opening Day which will take place on the 12th October and I look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. Please come bring along a friend, neighbour or family member as this a wonderful opportunity to showcase our beautiful club. We hope it will be a day filled with fun and festivity with a delicious afternoon tea and nibbles to follow with drinks, courtesy of all members. Those of you who were in a winning pennant team don't miss this opportunity to be awarded your coveted 'Blue Towel'!

Our Junior Club Opening Day will be held on the 18 October from 4.30pm and we welcome all our junior members to come down with your friends to enjoy an afternoon of fun and games followed by a free sausage sizzle. Parents the bar will be open so come along for a drink and catch up with friends.

Finally I would like to wish you all a great 2019/20 season whether you are a social or a league player, may you enjoy it and have some measure of success!

Women in Tennis Fashion Parade

The WIT Fashion Parade which was held on the 28 July at Cottesloe Tennis Club was well supported by the NTC ladies. Not only did we have 2 of our gorgeous ladies modelling at the event but a dozen of us went along to enjoy the fashion and food. Sara Tan and Carolyn Choong did us proud on the runway in tennis gear, leisure wear and some exquisite designer items.

Women in Tennis is a unique group of ladies who coordinate fundraising events to assist Tennis West, who conduct a number of programs specific to females, in providing women in Western Australia with the best opportunities. As a club we have always supported this group and will continue to do so. Look out for their next event, Gala Day which is held in October the Wednesday before summer league begins.

Janet Ferreira



SPONSORS

With the start of the new season we have some great sponsors onboard again, with other sponsorship opportunities still up for grabs. The Club works with companies to ensure sponsors achieve their sponsorship goals within their budget. Our base packages range from \$2,000 to \$5,000 for Sponsors and Advertisers can have their business logo promoted through our newsletter and website for \$500.

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Captains' Report

Changes are afoot on Saturday afternoons

With Mel English and John Detwiler retiring at the AGM in August after 2 years of superbly holding down the Club Captains role on Saturday afternoons, we were suddenly left with no one willing to take it on. Gordon Davies boldly volunteered to find a solution and has found 9 willing (coerced?!) volunteers to share the duties. These volunteers are:

John Detwiler
Rob Storer
Penny Oldfield
Noel Lacey
Alan Boynton

Peter French
Gordon Royle
Julie Lilburne
Peter Schmitt



Carolyn Choong
Captains
Representative

As none of the above are on the current committee, Carolyn Choong has agreed to be their representative. Please support Carolyn and all our Club Captains and feel free to approach them with any issues which may arise on Saturday afternoons.

Our Saturday Set Coordinators do a fantastic job, sometimes under a fair amount of pressure. The sets are determined by the computer software, not the person inputting the data. So if your sets have not been as perfect as you may like, please do not approach our young set co-ordinators, who are all fairly new to the position. We have to work with the system we have but if there are any major issues please direct comments to the Club Captain on duty.

One issue that does arise on Saturdays, is the same people being rostered off week after week due to uneven number of players. After Opening Day, we will be trying out a new system where the set coordinators keep a list of those rostered off each week, with the idea of not having the same person rostered off too often. This means if you are registered to play more than 3 sets in an afternoon you may be rostered off but rest assured that for the following 3 weeks you will be able to play all your sets. By increasing the number of players who are available to be rostered off, should mean everyone gets more court time.

NTC relies very heavily on all members to volunteer their time and there is a need to try and spread the load. With this in mind the Committee have decided to change afternoon tea duty to 1 person only but only once a year and the Club Captains and our RSA's, who tend the bar, will be exempt from this. The new roster is in this issue of the Network. If members would like to team up then they are most welcome to arrange this between themselves.

Happy Hitting
From the Club Captains

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League News

Helen Morgan

The 2018/2019 League Season saw three NTC teams win the shield in their respective competitions:

Summer Saturday

Women's Div 2

Juliette Steens

Emily Hannell

Jenny Cooke

Jacqui Morgan (C)

Lucy Jenkins

Indu Jacob

Jodi Power

Summer Saturday

Women's Div 5

Kate Barblett

Bobbie Edwards

Rachel Palmer

Yasuko Nagai

Joan Burfitt

Carolyn Choong ©

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Winter Thursday Night

Women's Div 2

Nathalie Smalberger (C)

Janet Ferreira

Tricia Herkess

Ruhi Lacey

Mel English

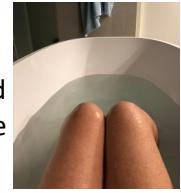
Helen Morgan



Runners Up
Winter Div 3 Team.

Congratulations to Carolyn Choong who received the Most Valuable Player (MVP) award for the Summer Saturday Open Women's Div 5 competition.

The MVP award will be presented to Carolyn on Opening Day along with the shields and the much sought after NTC "blue towel" which will be presented to members of the winning teams.



The very popular and highly competitive men's winter intraclub competition (even whilst overseas I could not escape updates from Michael Nowak regarding the latest results, team selections, and dramas surrounding NTC intra club as if it were the premier Australian sporting competition) resulted in victory for team Richos made up of Jack Richardson, Suresh Sakar, Tim Gattorna, Mark Lawrence, Janes Nicholson, Alan Boynton and Ian Love.



Unwinding
After Losing
Grand Final

The following 16 NTC teams have already been entered in the coming Tennis West Summer League competition:

2 Monday night Men's Singles/Doubles fast 4

5 Wednesday night Men's Open Doubles

2 Wednesday Women's Open Doubles

1 Wednesday Women's Over 45 Grass Court Doubles

3 Thursday night Open Women's Doubles

3 Saturday Open Women's

Team grading will be announced shortly with fixtures to be available prior to the commencement of the season on Saturday 19th October.

Now that we have more courts available in the evenings the majority of men prefer to play on Monday nights rather than on Saturday afternoons. I would like to think it is to enable them to devote Saturday afternoons to home chores and gardening but suspect it is to free up day light hours so they can spend more time on the golf course!

Thanks to the other League Committee members (Carolyn Choong, Mel English, Neil Croker, Suresh Sakar, Dave Mofflin, Janet Ferreira and Warren Vickers) who once again put in considerable time and effort in selecting teams that would provide the best outcome for the most players.



Coaches Corner

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS

We will be hosting our school holiday clinics for both weeks of the holidays for all kids wanting to have a bit of fun and exercise in the mornings 9am til noon. Healthy morning tea is provided as well as plenty of fun and prizes! Enrol for a day or a week at a time. Enrolment is available online on our website and we encourage early enrolment to guarantee your child's place as we can get busy in the warmer months

TERM 4 HOTSHOTS & SQUADS

We are always aiming to provide the highest quality coaching to our clients, as part of our desire to always be growing and developing we are adding new programs to cater for all levels of players. We have a targeted player pathway to make it more clear where your child is at in their development and how they can get where they hope to get to. Be on the look out for some further information via email and on some information flyers around the club.

TEAM TENNIS

We have had great success with our inhouse, modified competition format called Team Tennis. Running after fun club on Fridays players have had the chance to play lots of mini matches to put their skills to the test in a fun format. This is a great entry level competition for players who can serve, rally and score. We have two levels, orange ball for players 8 to 10 and green ball for players aged 9 to 12. The next season will start in Term 4 so get signed up soon!

FRIDAY FUN CLUB

We wrap up Friday fun club this week and we look forward to giving out prizes to our ladder leaders. Congratulations on all players who attended over the two terms, we hope you had a ball and are ready to kick on in summer! Last week we had fish & chips as dinner after tennis and the grassed area provided the perfect picnic spot in what was a beautiful night.

Junior club kicks back into gear in summer and we will as usual have tennis and food for the kids! It's a great way to finish the week, the bar will be open for parents to enjoy a wind down and everyone is welcome both members and non-members.

NEW LIGHTS = MORE COACHING OPTIONS AT NIGHT

Our new hard courts were opened this week as well as the new lights on courts 4 and 5. This will allow us to expand our coaching programs on offer for adults in particular. If there is something you are looking for let us know, if you have a group of friends wanting a shared lesson or cardio session we can accommodate.



Coaches Corner cont...

Coaching Tip of the Month : Purposeful practice

Practice is the answer to so many of our problems! Or is it?

What if you aren't actually practicing the thing that would make the biggest difference in your game. When you are having a hit do you have a plan in mind? A particular stroke or strategy you believe can make an improvement to your match performances. Hitting more balls without a real purpose to what you are trying to do with them is not anywhere near the value of targeted practice.

Coming to social tennis? Why not choose to return serve on the other side than you normally do. Maybe try standing closer on returns of serves, or farther back? What can you learn from these alterations? Do you return down the line often enough? Maybe you need to put that shot into practice when you are playing socially before you consider trying it in a match.

Lastly, why not write it down, what you want and how you are going to make it happen. Having a written reminder in your tennis bag can be a great reinforcement tool



HAPPY HITTING – WARREN

Club Championships

Same great competitions
..... different dates.

Sun 1 December - RR Vet's Mixed

Sun 16 February - RR Open Men's and Ladies

Labour Day Weekend - 3 Rounds Club Champs

4 April - Club Champ Finals

15 March - RR Vet's Men's and Ladies

5 April 2020—RR Open Mixed



Farewell to Liew Buren.
 Hope to see you back in Perth some day.



New lights, new courts, new fences



Duty Roster and Social Calendar

2019/2020

	Duty Captain	Afternoon Tea Duty	Bar/RSA Duty	Event
12-Oct-19	Peter Schmitt	Committee Members	Committee	Opening Day 2020 - Bring a Plate
19-Oct-19	Alan Boynton	Tony Morgan	Tony Morgan	Junior Opening Day Friday 18/10/19
26-Oct-19	John Detwiler	Mike Nowak	Barb Nowak	
02-Nov-19	Peter French	Peter Barrett	Lucia Agnello	Tues 5/11 - Melbourne Cup Lunch
09-Nov-19	Rob Storer	Peter Ammon	Bridget Ammon	
16-Nov-19	Gordon Royle	Suzanne Berry	Di Bowman	Opening New Courts Cocktail Party
23-Nov-19	Penny Oldfield	Jenny McGillivray	Alan Bruce	
30-Nov-19	Julie Lilburne	Joan Burfitt	Annie Bull	Sun 1/12 - RR Vet's Mixed + Pizza
07-Dec-19	Noel Lacey	Richard Clarke	Mandy Thomas	
14-Dec-19	Peter Schmitt	Liz Schmitt	Peter Schmitt	Christmas Party
21-Dec-19	Alan Boynton	Marian Aylmore	Nathalie Smalberger	
28-Dec-19	John Detwiler	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	
04-Jan-20	Peter French	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	
11-Jan-20	Rob Storer	Peggy Darmago	Janet Ferreira	
18-Jan-20	Gordon Royle	Sian Evans	Noel Hart	19 - 22 Jan - Silver AMT and Junior Tournament
25-Jan-20	Penny Oldfield	Frank Woodmore	Anne Love	Australia Day Long Weekend
01-Feb-20	Gordon Royle	Mike Glynn	Ali Webster	
08-Feb-20	Julie Lilburne	Steve French	Jane Edwards	
15-Feb-20	Noel Lacey	Jim English	Mel English	Sun 16/2 - RR Open Men's and Ladies + Summer Cooler
22-Feb-20	Peter Schmitt	Tim Gattorna	Alison Gattorna	
29-Feb-20	Alan Boynton	Lana Grobler & Michelle Smith	Trish Heath	Labour Day Weekend - 3 Rounds Club Champs
07-Mar-20	John Detwiler	Thea Hannell	Ken Houston	
14-Mar-20	Peter French	Karen Jackson	Jenny Jones	15/3 - RR Vet's Men's and Ladies
21-Mar-20	Rob Storer	Annette & Ken Johnson	Judy King	
28-Mar-20	Gordon Royle	Ruhi Lacey	Ruhi Lacey	
04-Apr-20	Penny Oldfield	Steve Kerr	Deb Lord	Club Champ Finals - RR Open Mixed (5/4/20)
11-Apr-20	Julie Lilburne	Tricia Herkess	Rachel Palmer	Easter Weekend
18-Apr-20	Noel Lacey	Pat Jonklaas	Carolyn Choong	
25-Apr-20	Peter Schmitt	Mark Lawrence	Yasuko Nagai	Anzac Day Long Weekend
02-May-20	Alan Boynton	Lisa Boynton	Anne Love	
09-May-20	John Detwiler	Cecile Leach	Rosie McCallum	
16-May-20	Peter French	Seng Lee	No bar	Awards Night
23-May-20	Rob Storer	Kon Kozak	Steve Duncan	
30-May-20	Gordon Royle	Leslee Mourdant	Frank Sweeney	WA Day Long Weekend
06-Jun-20	Penny Oldfield	Doug George	Steve Hollier	
13-Jun-20	Julie Lilburne	Ian Love	Julie Lilburne	
20-Jun-20	Noel Lacey	Neville Opie	Noel Lacey	
27-Jun-20	Peter Schmitt	Leslee Mordaunt	Pip Micalizzi	
04-Jul-20	Alan Boynton	Ying & Thibaut Mortier	Helen Morgan	
11-Jul-20	John Detwiler	Monika Peterson	Mandy Thomas	
18-Jul-20	Peter French	Lyn Power	Ali Webster	

Duty Roster and Social Calendar cont..

25-Jul-20	Rob Storer	Jack Richardson	Barb Nowak	Winter Warmer/Dinner off the Green
01-Aug-20	Gordon Royle	Suresh Sakar	Annie Bull	
08-Aug-20	Penny Oldfield	Nigel Shaw	Di Bowman	AGM Tuesday 11th August
15-Aug-20	Julie Lilburne	John Taylor	Noel Hart	
22-Aug-20	Noel Lacey	Flick York	Noel Lacey	
29-Aug-20	Peter Schmitt	Neil Croker	Peter Schmitt	
05-Sep-20	Alan Boynton	Ross McCallum	Rosie McCallum	
12-Sep-20	John Detwiler	Julian Goldsworthy	Deb Lord	
19-Sep-20	Peter French	Dave Mofflin	Jenny Jones	
26-Sep-20	Rob Storer	Peter Morgan	Trish Heath	Queen's Birthday Long Weekend
03-Oct-20	Gordon Royle	Tom Walsh	Alan Bruce	Busy Bee (to be confirmed)
10-Oct-20	Penny Oldfield	Committee Members	Committee	Open Day (to be confirmed)
<i>Any problems, please swap with another member and advise Carolyn Choong on 0412 818 845 or email carolyn_choong@me.com</i>				
				*School Holidays
				* Social Events



A warm welcome to all our new members. We hope you have an enjoyable year of tennis and look forward to seeing you on the courts.

Direshni Bennett	Adult	Lisa McCusker	Adult
William Cairns	Junior	Albin Brink	Junior
Luke Megsom	Junior	James Vaughan	Junior
Ruby Lester	Junior	Gary Chan	Junior
Alan Wang	Junior	Mahidhar Mohan	Sub Junior
Darcy Lester	Sub Junior	Harrison Tyllich	Sub Junior
Angus Cocks	Sub Junior	Jack Feltham	Sub Junior
Oscar Schmiede	Sub Junior	Evan Chong	Sub Junior
Hugo Moullin	Sub Junior	James Cheah	Sub Junior
Simon, Alex, Matthew Robinson, Michelle Smith		Family	
Anita, Aart, Philine, TK, Julika van Kranenburg		Family	



MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS



\$220/yr

11-18 years (as at date of application). Each additional child \$175



\$140/yr

Under 11 years (as at date of application), playing modified tennis only



\$570/yr

Adult 30 years and over only



\$1000/yr

Couple



\$220/yr

19-26 years, full time student (copy of student card required)



\$1070/yr

2 Adults and fully dependent children up to 26 years living at home



\$50/yr

Adult 30 years and over



\$200/yr

For parents of Sub/Junior members to play on courts with their children



\$255/yr

19-30 years and not a full time student