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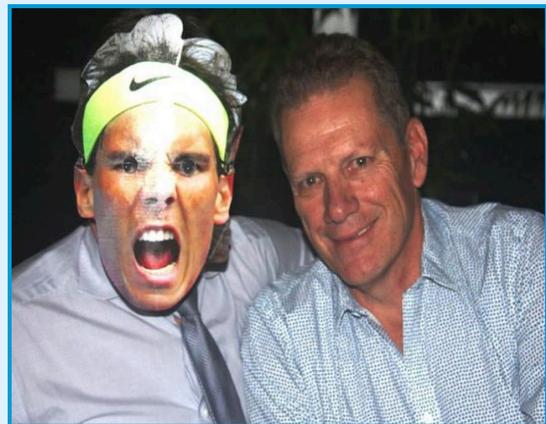
*Annual General Meeting
7 for 7.30pm start*

Saturday 8 August

*Winter Warmer
Bring a meal to share
7pm*

Saturday 10 October

*Dust off the Cobwebs
Annual spring cleaning
day at the club
10am - noon*



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Congratulations to all our Club Championship participants and to all our winners. It was wonderful to see so many people get into the spirit of the championships by either participating or as spectators. It was also great to have a few of our junior players take part and win a couple of events.

Winners and runners up were presented with their prizes at our Annual Dinner on the 16th of May at the Nedlands Golf Club. It was a fabulous night organised by Jill Morgan, Diana Bowman, Mel English, Deb Lord and Nigel Shaw.

Jill and Diana are stepping down from the committee in July and have served the club for 30 and 10 years respectively. These fabulous ladies have worked very hard for NTC and achieved a great deal. They will be sorely missed on the committee. On behalf of the club and all its members I would like to thank Jill and Diana for all they have done.

Your committee is always planning ahead and have exciting social events for you next season in order to celebrate our 90th year. I hope you will join in and enjoy all the activities. Please put Open Day on the 17th of October in your calendar now as you won't want to miss it.

The committee has also been discussing how we can share the workload of the Club Captain position. The Club Captain is an extremely important role, as it looks after our successful Saturday Social Play. It is also a demanding role and we need to support it. The committee have decided to trial having one person as Club Captain who will organize a roster of eight 'Deputy Club Captains'. Instead of one person always having to be at the club on Saturday at 1.30pm we will share the responsibility of setting up and welcoming visitors. Obviously committee members are always at the club on Saturday and can make announcements and help out. I have already put my hand up to be there early on a few Saturdays during the year as I know it won't be difficult and as I will be there anyway it will be easy to help out. We really need at the very least eight volunteers to help trial this programme, which would mean you would need to be there at 1.30pm for only six Saturdays in the year. If you think that this is something you could do for your club then please speak to Nigel.

Finally, as I step down as President I would like to thank all those members who have made my role so enjoyable during the last two years. Foremost I have had the privilege to work with an exceptional committee. Many thanks for the support of Nathalie Smalberger, Nigel Shaw, Tricia Herkess, Mel English, Jill Morgan, Diana Bowman, Peggy Darmago, Deb Lord, Lucia Agnello, Peter French and Mehmet Cakir. I believe we have been successful with the goals we set out to achieve and it is rewarding for me to see the club grow. Special thanks to Lucia who is a wonderful administrator. The club is very lucky to have her work in this role.

I would also like to thank Warren Vickers and Alan Lane who, as our club coaches, have really involved themselves in club life and worked with the committee to make Nedlands Tennis Club a great place. I mustn't forget to thank Shane Watson, as we just wouldn't have the club we have today without him.

Please get involved with club life; it rewards far more than it takes.

Firstly, thanks to all members of Nedlands Tennis Club for your ongoing support to both the club and to my efforts as Captain over the past two years. Yes, two years is up, and it's time to 'hand on the racquet'.

I have enjoyed the role of Club Captain, as it has allowed me to witness more closely the camaraderie and mutual support that exists throughout the club community, both while playing a great game and socializing with great people.

It has allowed me to see firsthand how the junior club has grown, how membership has gradually increased, how Shane Watson works to keep our courts and clubhouse as good as they can be, and how we have supported the coaching team as they consolidate their commitment to the club over the next five years.



I have also been part of a very hard working committee that has enabled some important infrastructure work to be completed over the past months: resurfacing and repairing courts, maintaining the building and surrounds and upgrading the essential power services to the building and the courts. The committee, under our President's most inspiring leadership, has also set in train the possibility of further upgrade works to lighting and court infrastructure over the coming two years. It remains to convince sources of sponsorship and grant funding that these works are worthwhile to the future of the club and to the game.

I would particularly like to thank Jordan Lilburne for his admirable commitment to monitoring our Saturday social play. This kind of ongoing commitment enables us to all 'get on with the game'. Thank you Jordan.

"All things have been tried before..." I know, but the committee is hoping to perhaps promote the Captain's role as being more 'shared'. That is, the Captain (required by our Constitution) would perhaps coordinate a monthly roster for the year to enable different people to be responsible for the tennis duties on Saturdays, thus alleviating the need for one person to do this every week of the year (except when one is on holidays!). Don't get me wrong; I could do it during my term, but not everyone can, and we don't expect it, so the roster - or any workable system - is what we are hoping to (re)initiate, so your suggestions and support would be most welcome.

As a club we have been smart enough to recognize the fact that some (overseas and interstate) people can only play tennis for a part of the year, and we have offered a few 'pro-rata memberships'. It's not something that I would promote as a general rule, but clubs that don't provide such an opportunity are losing members. Recently I caught up with one such member, Tony Saw, in his home county of Dorset. It was nice to think that we know someone who, when they come to Australia over summer, chooses to play tennis at Nedlands Tennis Club.

I'm committed to the club and its future, and I'm even booking some lessons over winter so that I can also remain committed to the game (!), so thank you all again for your support and friendship and I look forward to the next time on the court. May there be many of them for you all.

Hello Neddies members and players. We are well into the ten-week 2015 winter league season with 12 senior teams competing, all praying for clear skies.

Congratulations go to the talented Indu Jacobs, who received a Tennis West most valuable player (MVP) award for her role in leading the Saturday Women's Open Division 5 team to a summer 2014/15 pennant victory. Indu was undefeated all season, so well deserved! Congratulations also to our three junior MVPs in their respective divisions: Sophia Tan, Jack Blatchford and Marcus Anderson.

New Tennis West - Competition Planner System

I attended a Tennis West delegates meeting in which State League, Asia Pacific Tennis League, FAST 4 and the new Competition Planner system were discussed. The upgrade to Competition Planner was very interesting. The new version has been running in parallel with the existing system during the winter season, to test rules and functionality. It will be released for summer 2015/16.

Features of the new system

- A simplified results entry process.
- A new modern graphical interface and upgraded scorecard.
- Introduction of a mobile application for entering results on smart phones and tablets.
- CTRs will be based upon entire results, not just the last 40 matches.
- A move to a national player rating system. All players will be re-rated at the beginning of summer using their entire results.
- There will be two full rating recalculations done twice a year.
- Players will no longer lose 1000 points for 12 months of non-competition.
- No more manual rating adjustments at the beginning of a season.
- New players will have their CTR reviewed after 10 matches to better reflect their standard of play. Their CTR will then be reversed engineered and adjusted.
- If a player wins well above their predicted score 3 times (3 fluke wins), their CTR will be reviewed and adjusted.
- CTR ratings will be reduced from the current 93 levels (1.0 to 10.3) to 10 or 20 levels, but this is still being finalized. I will keep you posted on this one.

So there are some interesting times ahead! Hopefully the transition will go smoothly and there won't be too many surprises. Happy winter tennis!

The Nedlands Social League (NSL) is up and running with the finals being held next Tuesday on the 2nd of June. Every week for the past six weeks, the teams have been battling it out on court. The Black Eyed Sleaze Team (Mandy, Lucia and Leslee) will take on the East Coasters (Clare O, Clare B, Phillipa and reserves Kathy and Julie) for top spot in the finals, while Happy Feet (Maree, Linda and Emma) will take on the Sassy Unicorns (Anne, Sara and Shihoko) for third place. Everyone has had a great time, with much laughter on the courts every Tuesday. How Mandy could play tennis wearing her tiara, and how Leslee was not weighed down with all her pearls, we will never know; but neither accessories slowed them down!

The second round - dubbed the Mini-Round - starts up the following week for a quick 4 week comp taking us up until the end of the school term. If anyone is interested in playing or being a reserve for the NSL, please email Linda Blatchford at lblatchford@inquire.com

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NEW MEMBERS

A very warm welcome to our new members from the NTC Committee! We hope you will enjoy using our excellent court and clubhouse facilities. If you have any enquiries please contact our club administrator Lucia Agnello (mobile: 0417753666/email: nedlandstennis@bigpond.com)

Marian Aylmore	Adult
Vincent Bauch	Adult
Kalagan Driver	Junior
Allegra Foulner	Sub-Junior
Zeno Foulner	Sub-Junior
David Lind	Junior
Annabelle Lovegrove	Junior
Marco Norman	Sub-Junior
David Stulpner	Junior
Peter Stulpner	Junior
Rodney Udall	Adult

DUTY ROSTER

DATE	DUTY CAPTAINS	BAR DUTY	EVENT
13 JUN	Lucia Agnello & Mehmet Cakir	Neville Opie	
20 JUN	Judy & Kon Kozak	Ken Houston	
27 JUN	Fiona Johnson & Steve French	Annie Bull	
4 JUL	Andrew Storer & Rob Storer	Nigel Bill	School Holidays
11 JUL	Marg Flecker & Cecile Leach	Noel Hart	School Holidays
18 JUL	Peter Barratt & Peter French	Julie Lilburne	
25 JUL	Pip Micalizzi & Mandy Thomas	Pip Micalizzi	
1 AUG	Annie Bull & Peggy Darmago	Steve Hollier	
8 AUG	Liz & Peter Schmitt	Peter Schmitt	Winter Warmer
15 AUG	Roger Liu & Klaus Petersen	Bridget Ammon	
22 AUG	Di Bowman & Alison Webster	Di Bowman	
29 AUG	Alan Bruce & John Taylor	Alan Bruce	
5 SEP	Lisa McCallum & Alan Boynton	Lisa McCallum	
12 SEP	Deb Lord & Julian Goldsworthy	Helen Morgan	
19 SEP	Anne & Ian Love	Noel Lacey	
26 SEP	Alison Fear & Janet Ferreira	Lucia Agnello	School Holidays
3 OCT	Bridget & Peter Ammon	Mandy Thomas	School Holidays
10 OCT	Nicki Mitchell & Ollie Berry	Ruhi Lacey	Dust off the Cobwebs
17 OCT	Peggy Darmago & Pip Micalizzi	Jill & Tony Morgan	OFFICIAL OPEN DAY

NOMINATION FORM



Nedlands Tennis Club Inc

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 28 July 2015

7pm Refreshments & Nibbles

Meeting commences at 7.30pm

NTC Club Room

For committee nominations, please complete and return the form below.

NOMINATION FORM FOR ELECTION TO NTC COMMITTEE 2015 - 2016 SEASON

Name: _____

Address: _____

Nominee's signature: _____

Proposer's signature: _____

Please note that the person nominating for election or re-election to the NTC Committee in addition to the Proposer MUST be current financial Members of the Nedlands Tennis Club.

Term two provides us with some amazing weather: the sublime autumn days where the sun is out but temperatures only reach the low twenties; there is no summer gale in either direction to ruin your normally super-reliable ball toss. Intermixed with heavy rainy days where getting out from your blankets, out of your winter jammies and out to a tennis court is the last thing on your mind.

Junior League

We are now four rounds into our winter season and have nine junior teams competing! Technically this is three teams more than we are meant to have as our seven all weather courts can only handle three teams home each week. Luckily Shane has offered to keep the grass courts open for longer and we are using them for our modified ball teams. This is a fantastic sign for our club and as a bonus provides good ammunition for us to take to the council requesting funds for more hard courts.

Super 10s

Tennis Australia runs a national program to develop junior tennis. The Super 10s is for aspiring players aged 10 and under. Sixteen boys and sixteen girls are selected from players invited to try out, and they are divided into four teams of four players and play a mini-season against the other teams. For the past two series Nedlands have had two players selected for Super 10s: Sam English and Charlie Gattorna. We are happy to say they have once again been selected for the latest round and Sam is pushing for the #1 player position in his team. Well done to both players! We are proud of their work ethic and attitudes both on and off the court.

Seeing as Sam and Charlie are both 10 and will turn 11 before the end of the year, we are hoping to put some kids forward to trial for the next series happening later in the year. If your children aged eight to nine are keen on pushing their game further and trialling themselves against Perth's most talented players please let us know and we can see how we can fast-track their progress.

Drills

Just a reminder we are running adult drills and always welcome new players. We have a new female coach who will be taking the drills classes for the remainder of this term and hopefully onwards next term. If you are looking for a fresh perspective and variety, come and have some fun and sharpen your skills and tactics.

Drills are on Mondays 7-8.30pm and Fridays 9-10.30am at \$25 per session.

Tip of the Month

To err is human..... To get upset about it is tennis (and golf). We are not robots, we cannot reproduce any action continuously without variation, so allow yourself to make errors. Some will be close and some will be way out but we cannot achieve perfection on a tennis court. Researchers have done the stats and to dominate a tennis match you only need to win 55% of points played. In fact, in 2013 Roger Federer had a below average year for his standard; in 2014 he won 1% more points and made 6 million dollars more in prizemoney! So your goal need not be to reach perfection but to push yourself better one percent at a time.

HAPPY HITTING1

ANNUAL DINNER SPEECH BY DAVID LETTERMAN aka ALAN LANE

Top 10 Burning Questions Around Nedlands Tennis Club in 2015/16

10. Will anyone confirm that Dave Mofflin and Ian Mumford aren't the same person?
 9. Will the Nedlands parking enforcement ever do a sting operation catching our esteemed sponsor Gordon Davies parking in the only handicap spot at the club before each and every one of his 10 casual sets of tennis each week?
 8. Will anybody in the English family be able to get a single game against Sam in 2015/16?
 7. Who will actually learn how to volley in 2015/16: Indu Jacob or Tina Lind?
 6. Will Craig Herkes' team recover from the absolute drubbing they received in the derby against Mofflin's team on Wednesday?
 5. Will Linda Blatchford ever reconnect with her long lost family Jack and David while she is playing 6 hours of tennis, burning half a million calories and hitting 2000 serves per day?
 4. Two Parts A. Will the Herkes repeat as club champs in the Parent/Child event in 2015/16? B. Will Craig let Lawson hit a few shots?
 3. Will the ladies of Nedlands Tennis Club ever figure out that coordinating outfits and putting out the best post match spread and wine doesn't actually help you up the ladder or get you closer to the shield?
 2. How many years do I have to live in Perth before I get to stop having to endure every parent, child, au pair and grandparent doing a really bad American accent?
- And the number 1 question is -
1. Now that Karen Mason has gone who is going to wear a bikini at the Nedlands Tennis Club Annual Dinner?

NTC GALLERY

28 March
Club Championships Finals Day



29 March
Mark Anderson from our platinum sponsor Anderson Davies Real Estate presenting the Parent/Child shield to winners Craig and Lawson Herkes

3-6 April
Nedlands contingent at the 2015 Bridgetown Easter Tournament



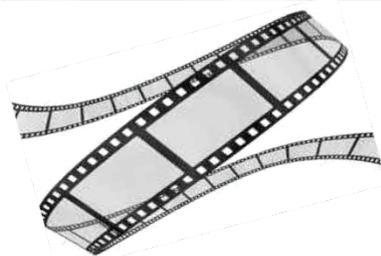
22 April
Courts 15 & 16 being resurfaced by Playmaker Sports



NTC GALLERY



16 May
2015 NTC Annual Dinner
Held at the Nedlands Golf Club



Winners are Grinners!
 Congratulations to Ruhi Lacey on winning the Club Championships Raffle. Ruhi receives a racquet of choice courtesy of our silver sponsor Tennis Only. Deb Lord snared the second prize, a Coach's "Tune Up" Pack kindly donated by Tennis Excellence and Nathalie Smalberger won the third prize of 3 cans of Wilson balls.



2015 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to all winners and runners-up of the 2015 NTC Club Championships!

EVENT	DIVISION	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
Ladies' Open Singles		Judy Kozak	Helen Morgan
Men's Open Singles		Alan Lane	Warren Vickers
Ladies' Open Doubles		Judy Kozak	Jacqui Morgan
		Barb Nowak	Jodie Power
Men's Open Doubles		Kyle Burkholder	Warren Vickers
		Jeremy Taylor	Tim Gattorna
Mixed Open Doubles		Indu Jacob	Nathalie Smalberger
		Warren Vickers	Alan Lane
Ladies' RR Doubles	Pool A	Judy Kozak	Helen Morgan
		Pip Micalizzi	Alison Fear
	Pool B	Marian Aylmore	Annie Bull
		Lisa McCallum	Nicki Mitchell
Men's RR Doubles	Pool A	Kyle Burkholder	Neil Croker
		Kevin Shannon	Ian Mumford
	Pool B	Jonathan Darmago	Steve Duncan
		Seamus Pandit	Peter French
Mixed RR Doubles	The Aces	Judy King	Tricia Herkess
		Warren Vickers	Kevin Shannon
	The Young Ones	Mel English	Diana Bowman
	(or not)	Jim English	Jonathan Darmago
	The Hot Shots	Nicki Mitchell	Leith Malcolm
		Gordon Royle	Azrul Azmi
	Cuddly Couples	Anne Love	Ruhi Lacey
		Ian Love	Noel Lacey
Men's Vet RR Doubles	Pool A	Kyle Burkholder	Craig Herkes
		Kevin Shannon	Jeremy Taylor
	Pool B	Nigel Bill	Noel Hart
		Peter Schmitt	Tony Morgan
Ladies' Vet RR Doubles	Pool A	Lisa McCallum	Pip Micalizzi
		Liz Schmitt	Barb Nowak
	Pool B	Lucia Agnello	Marian Aylmore
		Chris Busher	Leith Malcolm
Mixed Vets RR Doubles	Pool A	Jodie Power	Helen Morgan
		Peter Morgan	Richard Clarke
	Pool B	Barb Nowak	Jenny McGillivray
		Steve Hollier	Alan Bruce
	Pool c	Lucia Agnello	Fiona Johnson
		John Detwiler	Peter French
Plate Events	Ladies' Singles	Ruhi Lacey	
	Men's Singles	Seamus Pandit	