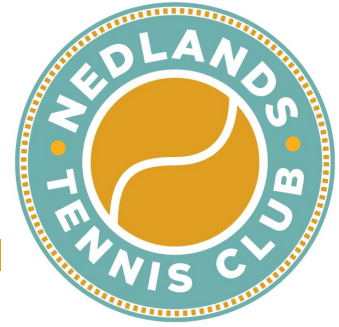


The Network



From the President

Peter French

Winter is with us. As I write the trees are bending over with strong winds that will be most unfortunate for Social tennis this afternoon.

Happenings still abound at the club with social events, strategic developments and the ongoing efforts by the tireless committee and club members to keep the coffers in the black.

Starting with some of the great social events organised by your committee. The Awards night in May was a huge success enjoyed by all in attendance – a solid turnout with more than 70 members. The social committee turned the club house into a large and comfortable outdoor barn with hay bales scattered around for seating, blankets and a large fire pit that was appreciated by all, especially the late night stragglers who huddled around chatting and enjoying some fine reds into the small hours. Dozens of coloured lanterns hung from the undercover area which gave the event a spectacular ambience, thanks to Jane Edwards for lending us her collection. Congratulations to all the award recipients who gave excellent speeches and to those recipients who were unable to attend but entertained us with their proxy speeches.

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Sponsors Quiz Night
25 August

AGM
21 August

Busy Bee
6 October

Open Day
13 October

Ambrose Golf Day
28 October



The wine tasting night in June hosted by Emma, Carolyn, Liz and Yasuko was attended by thirty guests imbibing in a variety of wines. An excellent evening with wines from Frankland and Margaret River accompanied by cheese platters brought by guests. Emma regaled us with detailed tasting notes for each wine as her helpful assistance ensure everyone's glasses were charged. Food pairing notes were also imparted which had many a salivary gland working overtime! Many thanks to the social committee for all their hard work and time in putting on such an enjoyable evening. We are looking forward to the next one.

The Wimbledon Day was another successful social event with a good turn out and a lavish spread of essential Wimbledon fare: champagne; Pimms; scones with jam and cream; strawberries; and delicious sandwich platters, all provided by members. Champagne and scones fuelled play after halftime, improved some players return volleys while others felt the weight of all that bubble and cream in their double faults! We were blessed with a lovely Indian summer's day with no wind providing excellent playing conditions ending with the usual relaxed banter.

All of these events have been wonderfully organised, well attended and added to our finances. Thank you to the organisers and members who have supported these excellent events.

If you have been to the Club in the past week you will have noticed extensive verti-mowing of the lower 15 grass courts. We started early this year to enable an aggressive effort at de-thatching these courts and, hopefully, having them in excellent condition for Open Day, weather permitting. Courts 17, 18, 22 & 23 have been left again for winter play and will be tackled in mid-summer.

Our call for donations to the development fund on the Australian Sports Foundation website has been wonderful. We have raised \$45,000 from our tax savvy contributors over the last year with some very substantial contributions. Notably we have had 48 donations, many donating at least twice. We have over 360 memberships. Many members contribute with time and effort, others with their donations; some do both. When it comes time to make our investments in the court developments a small contribution from all our members will get us over the line.

Not everyone got the email about whites. Rosie!!!



Captains' Report

Mel English and John Detwiler

With Wimbledon just finished it is time to reflect on the past year of social tennis at the club – thanks and appreciation for the hard work the committee has put in and to look forward to the remaining winter calendar events on offer.

Despite a relatively cold and wet start to winter we have managed to continue our social play regardless most weeks, perhaps reflecting the resilience of some of our members! Thanks, as always, to those rostered for afternoon tea and bar duties. We think that having two Club Captains has been successful and has definitely shared the load (although I confess that John has done the lion's share of bin emptying). Any feedback on how you think this has worked out would be most welcome...

The Wimbledon Afternoon Tea was a great initiative – thanks to Janet and her afternoon tea crew (Trish, Anne and Ali). We're not sure if people played better or worse after a glass of bubbly instead of tea, but it was certainly enjoyable. Thanks also to Tricia Herkess who stepped in to run the computer and organizing the sets - with the usual boys both on holiday. The programme is not intuitive and your patience is appreciated for occasional operators. As always any comments regarding set composition or rankings to the club captains please!

As you will have noticed the verti-mowing and winter court works have begun. We will keep four grass courts in use over winter but thanks to our Saturday Pennant teams reaching finals we may have to expect that there may be fewer courts available on Saturdays for social play for a few weeks. Maybe we can even take the opportunity to support our home teams if rostered off!

As a club we pride ourselves on being family friendly and welcoming to visitors. The fact that we offer a babysitting service during Saturday social play is a point of difference compared to other local clubs. Please let any friends or family wishing to have a hit with us on a Saturday know about this option to bring along the kids!

Mel and John



League News

Mel for Helen Morgan

We have six NTC Ladies' teams competing in the Tennis West Winter League competition and one men's Saturday team. Several fixtures have been weather affected if not washed out - possibly justifying the intra club competition option chosen by the Wednesday night men!

Going to press, six of the seven teams are in a semi-final position with only two weeks of open play left. Two teams (Thursday night division 6 and Saturday Ladies) are currently top of their ladder!

A combination of holidays and injuries have left some of the teams looking for 'celebrity guest' players... thanks to those that have filled in at short notice – much appreciated.



Coaches Corner



JUNIOR LEAGUE

This winter season we have seven Junior teams playing for the club. The teams range from boys 16s to green ball mixed competition which has some boys and girls playing competition for the first time. It is really great to see the kids learning about playing a little bit more seriously and learning to self-umpire and take responsibility for interaction with their opponent and the smooth running of the match. We will be starting to take enrolments for the summer season in August/September, please ensure you keep a look out if you are interested in your child playing in the summer.

FRIDAY FUN CLUB

Through the winter terms two and three we run Friday Fun Club as the club's Junior Club is a summer only program. During winter we offer fun games and mini-matches all for \$10 per player, members and non-members. There is a sausage sizzle and the bar is open, however a couple of times each term we will have a Pizza night or similar and parents are welcome to bring their own food. We run each Friday from 4.30 – 5.30pm, come on and join in whenever you are free.

ADULT COACHING

As part of our efforts to increase adult membership to the club we are running intermediate adult coaching at various times during the week. This is the perfect class for players learning the game and looking to move toward social tennis. If you have friends or a partner who is interested in refining their tennis skills and looking to become affiliated with our club, please let us know

We also run all adult coaching at UWA recreate and are looking at opportunities to bring those players to our club, finding a way to create a strong connection with UWA should bode well for a long term growth of players in the ever difficult to find 18 – 30 age bracket.

ADULT SUMMER LEAGUE

One of the successful aspects of Nedlands Tennis Club is its presence in the TennisWest leagues, there are many league options and multiple divisions in these leagues so there really is opportunity for anyone to play. New members are encouraged to apply to play, either as an individual for us to put into a team or if you have a social group of friends looking to take on some friendly competition, we can put a team in for you too.

Wimbledon was quite amazing this year, with almost all the ladies seeded players exiting the event earlier than expected. Roger couldn't back up from last year's performance, we saw an epic 6 hour men's semi final on one side and a fascinating, classic matchup between powerhouse former #1s in Nadal and Djokovic. Congratulations to Kerber and Djokovic for the wins. Grass courts really provide another aspect to the sport, we are blessed to have some quality courts here at Nedlands. Bring on the new grass court season in October! Until then you might notice most courts are down now after the winter vertimow, this allows new fresh grass to grow for the long hot summer, it's a busy time for the groundsman and we thank him for his work.

As always, we are here to support you and your tennis game! If there is something we can help you with, a program you want us to run? Let us know and we will do our best, we are here for you and want the best for NTC members and friends.

HAPPY HITTING

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There will be a **Sponsors Trivia Night on Saturday August 25th 2018**, so don't forget to mark your calendars! It promises to be a fun night. We are just in the early stages of organising it, so watch this space!

In the meantime, for more information on available sponsorship and advertising opportunities at the Club, please contact Linda Blatchford on lblatchford@inquire.com or phone/text 0450-114-112.

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	Duty Captain	Afternoon Tea Duty	Bar/RSA Duty	Event
28-Jul-18	Mel English	Steve Duncan & Steve French	Steve Duncan	
04-Aug-18	John Detwiler	Bridget & Peter Ammon	Bridget Ammon	
11-Aug-18	Mel English	Peter French & Neville Opie	Neil Rider	
18-Aug-18	John Detwiler	Nat Smalberger & Liz Schmitt	Alan Bruce	AGM 21 August
25-Aug-18	Mel English	Steve Kerr & John Nelson	Nigel Bill	QUIZ NIGHT
01-Sep-18	John Detwiler	Helen & Peter Morgan	Helen Morgan	
08-Sep-18	Mel English	Rob & Andrew Storer	Di Bowman	
15-Sep-18	John Detwiler	Marko Kruger & Suresh Sakar	Rosie McCallum	
22-Sep-18	Mel English	Ken Houston & Gordon Royal	Mel English	
29-Sep-18	John Detwiler	Tricia Herkess & Pat Jonklaas	Jill Morgan	
06-Oct-18			Lucia Agnello	BUSY BEE
13-Oct-18		Committee Members	Deb Lord & Mel English	OPEN DAY 2018 - Bring a plate
				*School Holidays
				* Social Events

Nedlands Tennis Club

Ambrose Golf Day

Sunday 28th October

Joondalup Golf Resort

Quarry /Dune 9's
(The original layout)

(Be at the course by 7.30am for briefing and tee off times)
Tee Times - 8.00am to 8.40 am

Costs : \$90 per player (Includes cart).

Lunch will follow at players costs

Payment can be made on the day
but if any player nominates and does not show ,the fee will apply (Joondalup rules)

Event rules to be advised on the day

The Ambrose event is perfect for all levels of golfers.
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