

August 2014

Dear Club Member

The next main event on our calendar is the Annual General Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 24 September 2014. At the AGM we will be electing office bearers to the new committee. I urge you to consider nominating for a position on the committee.

This edition of OTN includes reports from our winter pennant teams. The winter competition was supposed to finish last week but wet weather has to date prevented one of our teams from completing their final.

Opening Day for next season is set down for Saturday 25 October but this date is subject to change as it depends on how our courts respond to the spring growing season.

I expect this is my final OTN as President of the Club. I would like to thank members for the support and encouragement I have received over the past two years.

Barry Nazer President

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TENNIS & SOCIAL CALENDAR

Forthcoming events to diarise are:

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1	Annual General Meeting	Wednesday 24 September	6.00pm Refreshments will be available at the conclusion of the meeting.
2	Opening Day	Saturday 25 October	Date subject to change. Evening function details to be advised.
3	President's Cocktail Party	Friday 12 December	6.00pm

AWARD FOR MICHAEL WILLOUGHBY

We are pleased to advise that one of our long serving members Michael Willoughby was named in the Queen's Birthday honours list.

"MEMBER (AM) IN THE GENERAL DIVISION

Dr Michael Nesbit WILLOUGHBY Wembley Downs, WA. For significant service to medicine in the field of paediatric haematology and oncology".

Our congratulations go to Michael for this recognition of his significant service.

NEW PENNANT COORDINATORS

Following our positions vacant advertisement in June two of our members stepped forward to take on the roles of pennant coordinator and deputy pennant coordinator. Thank you most sincerely to Jeremy Borino and Dave Chenik for taking on these important roles. A reminder to all prospective pennant team captains that entries must be provided to Jeremy and Dave by Monday 1 September at the latest.

AGM WEDNESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 24 September 2014 at 6pm in the Members' Pavilion. A preliminary notice of meeting together with the Annual Report will be sent to all members on Friday 29 August. We encourage all members to attend the AGM. A quorum for the AGM, as determined by the Club's constitution, is 35 members. Refreshments will be provided at the end of the AGM.

WET COURTS

A meeting was held in late June involving the ground curator, NG duty managers and our Club Captain and Vice-Captain to discuss the issue of who should determine whether and when the grass courts were playable due to wet conditions. It was unanimously agreed at the meeting that the ground curator would email the NG reception every morning by 8.30am with clear instructions on the condition of the courts and what time the courts would be playable.

The reception team would then inform any members who had a booking that day of the playing status of the courts.

We ask that Club members respect the ground curator's decision in the interests of maintaining the highest possible standard of grass courts throughout the year.

CLUB SHIRTS

The Committee has agreed to purchase 60 men's shirts incorporating the club's logo and to make these shirts available to members at a cost of \$35.00. The sizes offered will be medium, large and extra-large. The shirts will be available for purchase in September/October prior to the official opening of the season and prior to the opening of the pennant season.

It is hoped that most, if not all, of our male pennant players will be interested in purchasing a shirt for the coming summer season. Committee member Ant Eisentrager has come up with a very attractive design which we believe will appeal to most of our male tennis players.

Further information on the availability of the shirts will be advised to members in September by email.

WINTER PENNANTS UPDATE

TEAM REPORTS

Saturday Mens Open - Div 8

Captain - Carl Somers

We won our opening round AWAY in convincing fashion and our final round at HOME in convincing fashion......this start and finish were the highlights of the season. The rest of the winter comp we battled wet and rainy conditions, which led to more byes and draws and cancellations than weeks played. Our regular team members DAVID GRAHAM, CAMPBELL LINDSAY and JARRAD OAKLEY all continued to improve their form and we look forward to the upcoming summer pennants season as a stronger, cohesive tennis team.

Saturday Mens Open - Div 10

Captain - Bruno Camarri

We finished third, won the semi-final (4 zip) against Mt Lawley and played in the final against Higgins where we lost 5/1 to a younger team.

It has been a good season with some impressive win/loss singles matches by Tatsuya Kawahara (at No.4) 5/0, Chris Oldfield (at No.1) 4/1, Robert Clarke (No.2) 5/3 and Ivan Zuvela (No. 3) 3/3. Chris Taggart won the cameo with 1/0.

Wednesday Midweek Open Women Div 1

Captain - Tracey Hondros

We had a good year finishing 4th on the ladder. We played the top team, Sorrento, in the semi-final and despite some members suffering from a virus, finished up 6 sets all, with Sorrento winning by 2 games. We were up against much stiffer opposition this year, so it was a good result.

Thursday Women Night Div 2

Captain - Pam McMahon

We have had a good year, despite being depleted by overseas trips and injuries. We won the semi-final in a rain-interrupted match against Nedlands by 2 games and are still competing in an unfinished final against Bayswater. We are currently 2 sets all and will finish the final on Thursday night this week, weather permitting. It seems to be fine most of the week except for Thursday nights.

Hotshots Div 1 7-10 years orange ball.

Captain (non-playing!) - Ryan Maxfield

We finished bottom of the table in division 1. The team showed great courage throughout the campaign. We were in too high a division, we should have been in Division 2 or 3 so we were facing a tough challenge from the word go.

Full credit to the kids for turning out each week considering we were losing most weeks. It was slightly demoralising for them but they stuck in there.

Hopefully we will be in a more suitable division come summer pennants and we will have more of a winning chance.

SIGNAGE ON KINGS PARK ROAD

RKPTC and Next Generation Kings Park (NGKP) recently approached the Botanical Gardens and Parks Authority (BGPA) regarding the possibility of having an entrance sign erected on Kings Park Road to assist visitors to find their way to RKPTC and NGKP facilities. We were advised that an entrance sign on Kings Park Road is not possible for various reasons. We subsequently were advised that a new name (Jorang Way) has been agreed for the access road that leads from

Kings Park Road to Jorang Carpark and that the street signs are currently being made.

A street name should assist visitors and taxicabs to better orient themselves when seeking to locate the entrance to the RKPTC and NGKP premises. Over time the new street name will appear in all official street maps issued by Landgate.

TENNIS VISITORS PASSES

A reminder that special tennis club visitor passes are available to members of RKPTC.

The guidelines are as follows:

- Each entry pass will cost \$15 (the normal visitors fee is \$30)
- Each member will be limited to buying a maximum of 10 passes per annum (the club will monitor this restriction)
- Each individual visitor will be limited to 4 visits per annum, even if being introduced by different members
- You must pay for your tennis visitor passes on Trybooking at http://www.trybooking.com/60483
- Marika, our office administrator, will then complete the passes and leave them at NG reception for collection
- Marika also will forward to you NG's "guest disclaimer" forms. These forms will need to be completed by each visitor.
- The tennis visitor pass will provide full access to all club facilities.

RKPTC OFFICE

If you have changed your street address, email or telephone number in the past few months please let Marika know as soon as possible. An up to date mailing list ensures that you will receive all Club communications to keep you fully informed of Club activities.

Marika is present at the office each Tuesday and Thursday between 2.00 pm - 5.00pm.

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