HENSMAN NEWS - MAY 1982

Another hectic tennis season has now been completed and we at Hensman Park can look back on a number of achievements during the year which included:-

Conduct of the National Panasonic 16 year old Feed-In event.

2. Hosting of Country Week

3. Winning a record 6 Pennant Shields during the season

4. Increased entries in Club tournaments

- Excellent attendance for social tennis including a most noticeab le increase on Sundays
- 6. Organisation of Sub-Junior club tennis on Sunday mornings.

All club members who have helped, organised and participated in these events are thanked for their support particularly the Captains and Vice Captains, who have done an excellent job of organising the tennis during the season.

Courts will continue to be open for play during the winter or until top-dressed but we would ask members to obey the "No Play" signs as unfortunately wet weather can mean closing the courts to avoid damaging them for next season.

The Club Dinner was an excellent night and well attended last year and I would urge you to give the same event similar patronage on June 11th.

Doug Napier, President

SUMMER SHIELDS Further to our last newsletter we are pleased to report the capture of the final three shields that were being played off, bringing our tally to six for the year. Any historian know a year when we won more than six - or is this a new milestone in the Club's history!

Latest winning teams were:

Ladies A Reserve Div. 2 - Kelly Bevan, Jan Truscott, Jenny Davies,
Anne Saunders, Lori Bevan

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Mens Veterans Div. 3 - Paul Whitely, Ken Pitcher, Arthur Riley,

Bert Veile, Keith Haley

Boys 18 & Under Div.1 - Colin Napier, Greg Campbell, Graeme Rundle Brad Ker.

MIDWEEK PENNANTS These were again enjoyed by those representing the Club and final positions were as follows:-

Division A2 Finished 4th
" A4 " 3rd

Division A6 Finished 8th C1 " 5th

MIDWEEK SOCIAL TENNIS This is continuing at 10 a.m. each Wednesday and while this ideal tennis weather lasts we look forward to seeing a big crowd each week.

INFANTICIPATING Debbie Cousins, Rebecca Howman and Jenny nee Whitely are making preparations for the 1996 Under 14 pennant team! Meanwhile back at Sulman Avenue Paul and Barbara Whitely are busy with knitting needles in preparation for their first grandchild.

<u>CLUB PHOTOS</u> You will be pleased to know that colour photos of the six winning pennant teams will shortly be shown in the entrance hall, replacing photos of some rather outdated international champions of the past.

<u>CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS & HANDICAPS</u> These events were played concurrently this year and were very well supported by Club members. Conducting this tournament is not easy and our Captains did well to get it through in the 4 weekends. Winners of the various events were as follows:-

Mens Singles: B. Tognolini Mens Doubles: B. Tognolini & D. Napier Ladies Singles: K. Chute Ladies Doubles: G. Mitchell & A. Mitchell

Mixed Doubles: D. Napier & K. Chute

Boys 18 Singles:G. Campbell Boys 18 Doubles: G. Campbell & C. Napier Girls 18 Singles:J. Truscott Girls 18 Doubles: D. Campbell & L. Gardiner

Boys 16 Singles: C. Napier Girls 16 Singles F. Byatt

Mens Veterans: D. Napier & D. Pears

Ladies Singles: Barbara Whitely
Mens Doubles: C. Napier & P. Walker
Ladies Doubles: R. Wood & A. Hickey
Mixed Doubles" D. Buckland & R. Wood

<u>WINTER CLUB TENNIS</u> Numbers have been increasing over recent years and the committee have arranged for sets to be organized by the Captains during the winter Saturdays 2-5 p.m. and Sundays 2.30-4.30 p.m. Provisional juniors will be in recess until the new season. Members wishing to have private sets can arrange these outside of the organised times listed above.

MARRIED Congratulations to Stuart Diggins on his recent marriage to Lannah and to Dale Mitter who is now Mrs. Alan Riley.

NON MEMBERS USING COURTS There have been a number of people using our courts without accompanying a member or paying the required visitors fee and to counter this we have placed locks on three gates and erected a sign setting out the position for anyone wishing to use the courts.

FAREWELL Bert and Nora Veile have been transferred from Perth and we reluctantly say farewell to two people who gained many friends in their short stay at the Club.

WINTER HIBERNATION A well earned rest coming up shortly for two of our hardest working tennis families at Hensman - Bob and Margaret Howman and Frank and Gwynne Thomas. Europe and U.K. are on their itineraries and we wish them a very enjoyable break. Debbie Hall and Warren Haley are touring Europe - but not together! The Inces and Fields are spending some time in Penang. Rod Skipworth has set up house in Como, nice and close to the Club.

 $\overline{\text{SITUATIONS VACANT}}$ Treasurer Keith Richards is doing a mighty job again looking after our finances (turnover this year is approx. \$40,000), but is unable to carry on next season. We have many capable people in the Club who can assist here and any volunteers should see President Doug or Keith.

PRESENTATION DINNER

This is coming up on Friday June 11th and promises to be a really great evening. Club tournament trophies will be presented on this night as also will the Pennant Player of the Year awards. A special welcome is made to the sixty new members who have joined the club this year - we hope you are all able to attend as this will give you a chance to get to know your fellow members better and in a relaxed social atmosphere. Contact Margaret Howman on 330.4135 if there is anything at all about the Dinner that you wish to know.

We all know our Captains are in a no-win situation when they take on their job and they need the wisdom of Solomon to sort out the various problems that occur during the course of a season - but what should they do when a member advises that they are not prepared to play with anyone below their standard! We guess everyone would like to play all their sets with better players and if anyone can tell the Captains how it can be done in a club with 250 members of varying standard please do so. e.g. what would our club champions do for tennis under this Hensman Park has been in existence for 57 years and membership has never been higher than it is at the moment. The policy of the Club has been to achieve a sensible balance between social play and competitive play over the years social tennis is conducted on an organised basis for seven hours approx each week and members are free to organise their own tennis outside of these times. We trust this is satisfactory and can only suggest to those members who are not prepared to play in the sets organised by the Captains that they try their luck in a club, where the system they want is in operation.

EASTER RESULTS - Barry Tognolini had a notable win over Rob Casey in Kalgoorlie in the semis but lost in the final to Ron Williams. Colin and Doug Napier scored handsomely at Geraldton as did Glenis Mitchell in the Ladies Singles and at Narrogin Phil Searle notched another notable singles title (beating Mark Connelly in the final). Meanwhile at Corrigin our hardworking Captain Clem Overheu partnered by Dick Ker huffed and puffed their way to an exciting win in the Veterans Doubles. The ease of their win is reflected in the scores - 6.7, 7.6, 7.5.

 $\overline{\text{GROUNDS}}$ Chris Mannolini is settling in well to his new responsibilites and the courts are looking excellent for this time of the year. Chris is attending a seminar at the University on Turf Management on the 14th May.