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MAZDA CITY TO SPONSOR HENSMAN

WA's largest Mazda dealer, Mazda City are to sponsor Hensman's State League teams for the coming season and this was announced at the recent State League dinner.

Over 120 attended the hastily convened dinner to host some of WA's top sporting personalities, who had agreed to sit on a panel and answer questions from those present. It was an outstanding evening and will be long remembered by those present.

David Hatt chaired the panel, comprising Sue Malaxos (of Empire State Building fame), Paul McNamee, Wally Foreman of the WA Institute of Sport and Dean Williams who has dominated the WA squash scene for many years now.

Funds raised amounted to \$1,400 and these go to the funding of the State League team this year. Photos appear elsewhere in the Herald.

COMING EVENTS

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| Sat. 2 Nov. | Chicken Dinner |
| Tues 5 Nov. | Melb Cup Sweep |
| Thurs 21 Nov | Twilight Tennis followed by Fish & Chips |
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The stormy conditions in September are now behind us and we look forward to some pleasant spring weather as we get under way for the coming 1991/92 tennis season. Time to dust off your racquet and try on your new tennis shoes !

Over the winter months there have been a number of significant changes to the club facilities and mode of operations.

Firstly the rebuilding of courts 6 to 8 is proceeding well and weather permitting should be in action sooner than we achieved with the Courts in the 13 - 17 bay.

Another major change has been the adoption of the new Constitution and subsequent to that the appointment of the newly structured Board of Management to run the clubs affairs. We have held our first meeting and are currently reviewing the capital improvements to the clubs facilities during this year. Accurate prices are being obtained for replacing the Groundsman's Shed, the construction of a Bumper Board off one wall of the new shed and a general tidying up and improvement of that eye-sore section of the club.

The Club has purchased it's own computer for Club Membership records, Administration and Financial Control as well as to assist in organising social sets on the weekends. Naturally there will be a period of experimentation and a few hiccups as we learn to operate the programme efficiently. The computer has been introduced as a means of providing better set management

and more enjoyable tennis for all members. Ken Houston and his team will be working hard along with the other members of the Board to see that this does occur. Let the duty captains know of any problems so we can discuss and if necessary modify the system.

Congratulations to Colin Napier, Marnie Drake-Brockman, Kerryl Chute and Dene Rundle on organising the well attended and enjoyable State League Dinner. Best wishes for an enjoyable season.

Alec Whyte



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NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members to our ranks and hope your stay with us is long and enjoyable.

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NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

Membership Chairman Bill Artingstall advises that vacancies exist for new members and he and his sub-committee look forward to welcoming suitable tennis players into the club. Each year members situations change and there is the customary number who have moved away from the area or have left for different other reasons, hence the vacancies.

Bill has produced an "introductory leaflet" which answers most of the questions raised by prospective new members and you are encouraged to obtain one and pass onto any of your friends that are contemplating joining the Club.

We are particularly looking to boost our numbers of juniors and we ask all members to encourage them in their play and generally make them feel welcome and an integral part of our club.



Club Play Director Ken Houston was at the dinner along with new captains Lynnette Gardiner and Lyndon Morgan - Hobbs

CLUB SHIRTS & TRACK SUIT TOPS FOR SALE

Attractive tennis shirts and track suit tops emblazoned with the Club's new Hensman logo can be purchased through the Sponsorship & Promotions committee. Final costs are not yet known but are expected to be \$25 and \$50 respectively. We hope all pennant teams will get behind the idea and promote the club, through the wearing of these clothes.

CLUB LOGO APPROVED

We hope our newly chosen club logo will not be as controversial as that of the Commonwealth Bank, certainly it was not as expensive as theirs. That is thanks to the artistic work of our member cum graphic artist, Ken Smith, who has put in many hours putting together the different versions, the final one chosen being that originally submitted by Ken.

The idea is now being investigated of using the logo on other items of clothing (sox & tennis hat) and possibly some giftware .

STATE LEAGUE - NEW DEVELOPMENTS

Tennis West have had a series of proposals approved by the affiliated Clubs, aimed at upgrading the top team competition in this state.

Arising from this there has been greatly increased activity by several clubs who have made cash offers luring players to join their team. We have lost our number one man and lady to other clubs as a result. The previous committee considered carefully the implications involved and decided that club funds could not be used to make cash payments to our players, however if the State League team were able to raise sponsorship then such funds could be used for this purpose.

As a result a special State League Sponsorship sub-committee has been formed comprising Colin Napier, Kerryl Chute and Marnie Drake-Brockman under the chairmanship of Dene Rundle. Mazda City have agreed to become Hensman's State League Sponsor and the recent dinner conducted by the State League teams has helped to raise funds in order that we can nominate teams again this year.

Many of the members of our State League teams have been loyal to Hensman for many years and the prospect of them having to leave the club to gain competition at their level is one of the reasons so many supported the recent fund-raising dinner.

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THIS AND THAT

The Overheu's and Campbell's have both spent enjoyable winters touring the Northern Territory, meeting up with Lois Ker, Barb Whitely and Pam Gardiner on their travels * Ken Smith is back from a trip to the UK & USA * Noel & Helen Pearse have taken in Cairns & Port Douglas * Glynis & Mark Barber are enjoying their stay in Vancouver, however Glynis is playing some tennis and will be welcomed back into our State League team on her return in January * Peter Howman went to the AFL Grand Final * Doug & Margaret Napier are in town for a property inspection * Kevin Fitzgerald had to undertake surgery on a recent holiday to Queensland, but great to see him fit & well again * John Miller has celebrated his 70th birthday * Congratulations to Kevin Lampard & Sharon Gordon on their recent marriage * Also to Jane Marshall and Graeme Rundle who are to marry in December * Terry Edmondson is the new marketing manager for the WACA * Congratulations to Andrea Mitchell on her election as Vice President of Tennis West

FINANCES

Funds on hand at 30 September were \$45,358. Although many subscriptions have been paid we ask those with outstanding to quickly finalise these with any one of our three financial "receivers" - namely Geoff Groves, Graeme Rundle or Bob Howman. Capital works planned for this year include the new Gardeners shed \$30,000 and the re-turfing of the remaining bay (\$20,000) should be able to be financed under our cash flow projections for the year.

GROUNDS REPORT:

The newly grassed bay is making good progress and is further advanced than the 13-17 courts were at this time last year. Fertilizing, extra watering and a light top dressing will be undertaken as necessary to bring them into play at the earliest opportunity.

Supergrasse of Sydney will send a representative to inspect our courts on his next visit to Perth in December to discuss our difficulties with the excess sand. Discussions are also taking place with a second distributor of these courts in WA, where hopefully we will obtain better service than we have from Sportsland. Fortnightly sweeping of the courts is being arranged and rest assured much effort is being made to correct the problem.

Tenders have been received for the building of a new groundsman's shed and attached bumping board area, and this should proceed shortly.

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Inaugural Club Administrator Jan Hart describes herself as a White Gum Valley girl, born and bred. Her schooling was shared between White Gum Valley Primary and John Curtin High after which Jan joined the National Australia Bank and is currently Manager Marketing Services at the Perth head office. Some of the more enjoyable highlights of her working career include a 12 months posting at Kojonup - an area which has strong associations with Hensman - and a three month period at Kununurra and Wyndham installing accounting systems at the Bank's branch offices. Jan joined Hensman four years ago and since then she has not only displayed a more than useful ability on the court but a ready willingness to participate in all club activities including being an enthusiastic and tireless worker with the social committee. Her other sporting interests have included hockey and women's cricket and at present she is keenly involved with aerobics and pennant squash. Just to round off an already active lifestyle she is now studying interior design.



Thanks to the City of South Perth who have smartened up the front of the Club with neat paving of the footpaths.

KNOW YOUR LADIES CAPTAIN

Newly elected Ladies Captain Lynnette Gardiner was born in the W.A. wheatbelt town of Bruce Rock however most of her schooling took place in Perth apart from one year in Kalgoorlie and another in the U.S. (while Cec completed a Masters degree at the University of Wisconsin).

Her early sporting interests were divided between netball and tennis starting with coaching lessons from old Hensman stalwart Don Harris. Lynnette joined the club in 1978 and played in several under 16 and under 18 pennant teams. In 1982 she won the Most Improved Junior trophy.

After completing secondary schooling at Rossmoyne High, Lynnette embarked upon a five year Architectural degree course at U.W.A. The demands of study followed by two and half year period in London brought about a six year break from the club.

On returning to Perth in 1989 Lynnette established herself with a firm of architects in West Perth, settled into a home in Subiaco and renewed her interest in tennis. In fact she has been most enthusiastic and active in club affairs since rejoining even to the point of featuring in a winning team in the recent winter pennant series.

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STATE LEAGUE DINNER



Steve Malaxos enjoying the evening along with Mazda City Director Ben Fellows and partner Phyllis Lenton



Paul McNamee answers a question during the panel



President Alec enjoying his meal under the watchful eye of Paul McNamee and Pam Williams



Bar staff for the evening comprised Ian Rundle, Jamie Chute and Alister Boyes

CONSTITUTION

A well attended general meeting was held on 30 July to debate the proposed revised Club Constitution. A sub-committee comprising Alec Whyte, Kathy Cook & Dene Rundle prepared several drafts and these were considered and amended in places by the outgoing committee. The new Constitution was prepared basically for three reasons:

- (1) to make it member friendly in terms of sequence and wording
- (2) to bring our Constitution into line with the legal requirements of the Liquor Licensing Division and the Associations Incorporation Act (1987)
- (3) to introduce a different management structure for the Club in which each division of the Club was represented on the Board

The motion was introduced by Dene Rundle who outlined the nature of the changes. A series of questions followed after which the motion was put and agreed to by those present.



Paul McNamee with Hensman's Kerryl Chute and Colin Napier

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Eighty five people attended this years AGM, possibly a record for the club. The Monday evening may have been more suitable than the Friday time-slot previously used, and there was also the newly constituted Board of Management to be elected. Whatever the reason it was great to see such a large cross section showing an interest in the affairs of the club. The meeting initially heard an impressive series of reports on the year just ended from Secretary Auriol Heary, Treasurer Bob Howman and President Alec Whyte.

The key feature of the year was the re-turfing of eight of the twelve grass courts with the new wintergreen variety, five of which were planted in July of last year and have been in use since February of this year. Courts 6 to 8 were planted in May and appear to have established their root systems in readiness for the spring warmth and growing season.

It was a healthy sign for the club when a number of ballots were required to determine various positions, and the final composition of the inaugural Board of Management is as follows:

President:	Alec Whyte
Mens Captain	Lyndon Morgan-Hobbs
Ladies Captain	Lynette Gardiner
Club Play	Ken Houston
Club Administrator	Jan Hart

Finance	Graeme Rundle
Junior Tennis	Colin Napier
Membership	Bill Artingstall
Sponsorship	Dene Rundle
Social	Norm Burkett
Grounds & Hall	Garry Napier

BOB HOWMAN HONOURED

The new Constitution made provision for the granting of honorary membership to members who have given meritorious service to the club and it was only fitting that those present at the AGM unanimously endorsed the granting of this honour to retiring Treasurer Bob Howman. Bob has been an extremely conscientious and efficient Treasurer for many years and has maintained this role in spite of health difficulties which would have deterred many a lesser person.

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In that year much change came to Mazda. GWA was bought out by Mazda Australia, who confined themselves to the State Distributorship role and offered the Mazda City business to the market. That option was taken up by the current owners - Intergrated Management Consultants Pty Ltd.

The Dealership now run two sites, employ 40 staff, hold half a million dollars worth of spare parts stock and offer 110 cars for sale. Not surprisingly they are currently Mazda's largest dealer in W.A.

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Wally Foreman chats with Les Aris of South Perth Cellars

SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE

We are grateful to our many sponsors who have renewed their support of our club for the coming season.

South Perth Cellars continue as one of our major sponsors, Bill Artingstall of Mondo Travel is continuing on his merry way organising many trips for our members and Ian Hutchison in his enlarged real estate premises has also completed extensions at home for an enlarging family.

The revitalised Bunnings group continue to provide everything the handyman needs at their South Perth store under the expert management of Greg Dawes. Charles Picchetti of Canvass Fine Art in Victoria Park has a delightful display of paintings & pottery to answer every gift requirement, and to celebrate he's asked to lift his sponsorship to the Associate category.

President Alec who has won a number of architectural awards over the years joins us as an Associate sponsor also this year. Our restaurant sponsor is the new and exciting Surf Club Fish Cafe at Port Beach North Fremantle. So all of you who have had withdrawal symptoms since Fred left Fremantle can again head that way and sample some of Warren Mead's great food at his new spot overlooking the water at Port Beach.

Keith & Maureen Greenwell are the new owners of the Ampol service station at the bottom of the street & we welcome them as sponsors, along with Greg McBride the electrician who played in our last Round Robin event. Kevin Harwood and the people at Baker Air-conditioning and Refrigeration have looked after the fridges at the Club for some time now and we hope those in need of a cooler house this summer will check them out. Keith Begley has an exciting summer of tennis lined up and a range of tennis racquets capable of lifting your game.

John Turner has the reticulation system to release you from your gardening worries and enable you to concentrate on your tennis this year. Ian Mende at A-Z Signs has many new ideas suitable for getting the message across. Bob Hollingsworth at Canning Bridge Print is looking forward to meeting you and David Armstrong at Bridge Settlements is there when you enter into a real estate transaction





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HENSMAN'S HISTORY

We are now in our 67th year and much has happened at our Club during that time. We now seek volunteers to commence gathering information and commencing official Archives for the Club.

We ask all members who may have photos, paper clippings and other data from years gone by to gather them together. If it was felt worthwhile these could be incorporated into a book.

We have a rich history with many members who have contributed much to the sport of tennis in WA, Australia and internationally. The current president of Tennis West, Alan Hicks is a former member as is Brian Tobin, President of International Tennis Federation. Clive Wilderspin is WA's only representative in a Davis Cup team,

Hensman once had two teams in the State Grade competition and they played off for the final! There are a host of anecdotes and interesting facts that make up the Hensman tradition and wouldn't it be great to have these collated and preserved for posterity? Those willing to help should contact Dene Rundle at the Club or phone 364.4297.

WINTER SHIELDS FOR HENSMAN

Another four shields have been won during the winter and congratulations go to the following members of the winning teams::

Mens AM Div 3: Colin Sharp, Graeme Rundle, Jeremy Muir, Tim Jones, Darren Halifax, Shane Starling & David Artingstall

Boys 18 & Under: Peter Franklyn, Wade Mardon, Rohan Edmondson, Grant Muir and James Williams

Mens PM Div 3: Gary Napier, Greg Cranwell, Noel Ryan, Kevin Lampard, Craig Ellis, Alec Whyte & Lyndon Morgan-Hobbs

Ladies PM Div 5: Leanne Smith, Julie Strack, Dianne Bailey, Jannette McGann, Lyn Stoltze, Lynnette Gardiner and Melody Browne

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Afternoon Tea: Pam Smith, Ethel Priestley or Norm Burkett
Bar: Ian Rundle, Alister Boyes or Norm Burkett

- Oct 19: AT- P Smith, E Priestley, N Burkett
B - A Boyes, I Rundle, N Burkett
- Oct 20: AT - E Priestley, J White
B - C Napier, L Gardiner
- Oct 26: AT - S & K Harwood
B - K & A Harwood
- Oct 26: AT - P Smith, J White
B - G Napier, R Hinds
- Nov 2: AT - S & K Lampard
B - S & K Lampard
- Nov 3: AT - N Burkett, J White
B - K & V Houston
- Nov 9: AT - R Raux, A Heary
B - R Raux, A Heary
- Nov 10: AT - E Priestley, J White
B - S Siddons, K Smith
- Nov 16: AT - B & J Bogaards
B - B & J Bogaards
- Nov 17: AT - P Smith, J White
B - M Snelling, Leanne Smith
- Nov 23: AT - P Duncan, M Bennett-Bremner
B - J Williams, N Burkett
- Nov 24: AT - N Burkett, J White
B - C Picchetti, Sue Taylor
- Nov 30: AT - M Morcombe, N Ince
B - A Morcombe, J Ince
- Dec 1: AT - E Priestley, J White
B - C Kennedy, I Zuvela
- Dec 7: AT - L & R Ker
B - R & S Ker
- Dec 8: AT - P Smith, J White
B - J & K Spicer
- Dec 14: AT & B - D & C Bailey
- Dec 15: AT - N Burkett, J White
B - M Culligan, K McIntosh

CLUB PLAY CHAIRMAN'S JOTTINGS

Hi folks ! Well we've started off this year with a bang and the season is just getting under way. Already I've come to appreciate Kevin Lampard more than ever as I have slowly taken over only a small part of his role. How he did it all beats me. For those of you who have been a little slow on catching up, Kevin has semi-retired and hopes with the able bodied help of Mrs Lampard to begin laying the foundation of our Year 2010 State League team. We wish them both well.

We've had two minor competitions so far, the first of which was a "Dollar Daze". Jenny Holm and Norm Burkett were the winners. The second event was our inaugural "Bone of Contention" day - ladies v gents, self handicapping. The men won narrowly however several protests are being considered, including one against bar manager Norm for improper use of his position and Michelle Culligan for speaking in Gaelic during the game ! We have more novelty days lined up for you so watch the board for announcements.

We will appreciate your forbearance during the coming weeks whilst we get ourselves into a routine for operating the organised sets program on our computer. It is of course essential that you write your name on the list when you arrive, when you want a rest and when you want to leave before the last set. There is a learning curve involved and feedback is essential if we are to get the optimum results.

Remember that the software program lists out a suggested makeup of the next round and the duty captain after reviewing this, has the ability to make adjustments and over-ride the original sets - in other words the final printout that goes on the window has been assessed and amended by the duty captains in the same manner as under the manual system.

Best wishes folks for a great season and I hope you're enjoying your sets.

Ken Houston

HENSMAN'S PROMISING JUNIORS

At the Masters Choc 1991 State Schoolchildrens's tournament held at Manning Tennis Club in the second week of October our Mark Williams won the Boys 12 & Under Singles and then combined with new member Paul St.Quentin to win the doubles. They beat J Crabb and another of Hensman's bright prospects Luca D'Orsogna 6-3, 7-5 in the final.

Slobhan Drake-Brockman also figured prominently. Although eligible to play in the 13s events, she was runner up in both the 18s and the 16s, losing hard fought matches to Angle Marik and Adriana Szymonik respectively.

We look forward to watching their progress in the coming season.

TENNIS COACHING TIP -

by Club Coach - Keith Begley

MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT POWER !

Many people come to me for lessons and want *more power..* In fact they really mean they want to *hit hard and keep the ball in the court.* Power in tennis can never be divorced from the other Ball Control Objectives of *Height, Direction, Distance and Spin.*

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5. *Speed of the oncoming ball*
6. *Racquet and Court Material*

Since consistency is the most important factor in strategy, power should be used when you are well set up and in good position. Remember the faster your racquet is travelling the harder it is to adjust and time all the proper racquet paths and angles needed for control. Only when there is an opportunity to attack or force should power be used to put away the point or give the opponent a challenge to their timing. Don't fall into the trap of equating hitting hard with winning. One can hit very hard and just be an impressive loser. Make sure you are aware of the line between stroking hard while **in control** and hitting hard and **losing control**. It varies for every individual and changes as you get better. **STROKE WITHIN YOUR LIMITS.**

For further information on this Tip please refer to Keith or to the Club Notice Board where Keith's complete article is placed.

CLUB BUYS IT'S OWN COMPUTER

The Club has had it's computerised records on the Rundle computer for the past eight years. The Rundle's have this year sold their ancient computer and as the membership software program was not IBM compatible, the Club decided to acquire it's own computer and the various software programs written in modern day IBM compatible language.

The Tennis Magic program that we have acquired offers many administrative and financial functions, such as the ability to print a variety of personalised letters to members; the ability to analyse members attendances and to print invoices with subscriptions and other transactions together with the ability to organise social sets.

CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Once again the summer tennis season approaches and we look forward to a new era of Club administration and social play. Joining us on our sub-committee will be Rhoda Hinds, Alister Boyes and Joan Campbell.

The Club has recently installed a computer which will handle many aspects of club administration including organisation of sets - understandably there may be initial teething problems with this system - any constructive comments will be welcome so please address them to us, as prompt reply and clarification will avoid any confusion.

Pennants will once again figure largely in our season. The season commences on the weekend of 16/17th November. Pennant supervisors this season will be Lyndon and Lynnette for the weekend and Joan Campbell for the mid week ladies.

We look forward to our traditional social tournaments, hopefully a visit from the Wickiepin Tennis Club and the introduction of a day for our new State League sponsor, Mazda City.

We continue our support of the Tennis West recommendations that only approved tennis apparel be worn whilst playing at the Club, (this includes practice, as well as social or pennant play).

We wish you all an enjoyable season and look forward to catching up with you in the coming weeks.

Lyndon Morgan-Hobbs and Lynnette Gardiner

JUNIOR PROGRAM

Colin Napier is Chairman of the Junior Tennis portfolio and has appointed a sub-committee comprising Alister Boyes, Craig Ellis, Ian Rundle & Barbara Whitely.

The Provisional Juniors get underway on Sunday 27th October and a 1,000 leaflet drop has been organised to spread the message to juniors in the district.. Please assist Colin & his group by encouraging juniors in the 8 to 17 age group to come along to Sunday morning organised play. There are fun activities planned also, and juniors will enjoy themselves at the same time as making a lot of new friends. Alan D'Orsogna is the manager of the Boys 14s pennant team.

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