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Dear Fellow Tennis Players,

This tennis season seems to have come and gone so quickly. It seems no time since the Opening Day and here we are well into April - pennant matches and club championships completed and many players moving into winter sports.

The changes in the road system and parking and the reticulation put in by the South Perth City Council, in exchange for the use of the club's water to reticulate Council verges, has improved the front of the club house. In an effort to keep the lawn looking nice, the 10 parking spaces in front of the clubhouse are only to be used on weekends when parking is at a premium. During the week there is ample parking available in Anstey Street and I hope members will respond to this request and there will not be a need for us to rope this area off. Parking in either driveway at any time is NOT ACCEPTABLE.

How great it was to see so many of our younger players, particularly the provisional junior members, participating in the club tournament. The number of matches played during Saturday and Sunday afternoons may have affected the number of courts available for social play, but I feel sure would have helped give the children a broader understanding of club play and what full membership of the club is all about. To be fair though, we did play several matches on Sunday mornings which did restrict the number of courts available for the provisional juniors. Barb and Paul Whitely, Cec Gardiner, Rod Skipworth and others who have encouraged and supported the P.J.'s should be most encouraged with the enthusiasm and competitiveness of the young ones.

There are exciting improvements on the drawing board —

- Plans have been drawn up and quotes are being obtained to replace the original cupboards and shelving in the kitchen and renew the floor covering. This is in line with current Health regulations and will make the kitchen a much improved working area. A dishwasher is being included at the request of our hard-working Social Committee.
 The Sponsorship Committee have looked at
- The Sponsorship Committee have looked at the installation of court reticulation as their project for the year. Quotes for materials have been obtained and possibly the reticulation

will be installed by Club members under the direction of our knowledgable and hardworking plumber, JOHN TURNER.

- Quotes have also been obtained to paint the Clubhouse. If anyone has looked upwards recently it would be obvious that this is a job that must be attended to.
- The groundsmen are planning to plough up the area at the northern end of courts 13 to 17 and along the Coode Street fence line to level off these areas and produce better lawn growth.

As you will see from this, there are several costly projects being planned which will further enhance the excellent facilities we have at Hensman.

It is with a great deal of sadness that I will not be able to complete my second year as President of Hensman. Doug has accepted a transfer to Darwin for 3 years with his employment and we will be moving north some time in June.

I believe Hensman Park is the greatest. Our facilities are first class but that's not what makes a good club. A club is PEOPLE — PEOPLE who are prepared to give of their time and talents to do the work to keep things going — people who ENJOY playing tennis and support their Committee — people who enjoy getting together for a drink after tennis and for other social activities — people who share child minding so that parents can continue to enjoy their tennis. I could co on and on. I know I leave Hensman in good hands and I'm sure the club will continue to be a strength in all facets of the tennis scene.

Doug and I will really miss the tennis and all our friends at Hensman and we can assure you that whenever we visit Perth we will be along for a game.

I have considered it a privilege to have been President of Hensman and I wish the Club every success next season.

Sincerely

Margaret Napier

P.S. If you find yourself in Darwin, we'd be happy to see you.

MISS TENNIS

Congratulations to Brenda Elliott the 1989 Miss Tennis of W.A. This coveted title was awarded to Brenda during the State Closed Tennis Championships and she becomes the fourth successful member from Hensman to win. Previously Andrea Hickey, Glynis Barber (Mitchell), Ceili Mitton (Bremner) and now Brenda. Following the presentation Brenda returned to the Club where a large crowd were present for the Mixed Classic event, and they toasted her success with great gusto. Well done Brenda!



THIS AND THAT

Debbie Tassicker (nee Hall) is working in the brand new R&I Tower building — underneath the Irises. * Cameron Alexander went on a surfing safari over Easter. Sascha Keene, Blake Mardon, David Artingstall, Robyn Hickey and Karen Rundle had a taste of farm life during the Easter break, in between competing in the Kojonup tournament. * Jamie Mairata (grandson of Jim) has commenced his Bachelor of Business course at Curtin. * Auriol Heary has been finding things a bit squeezy at Ardross this term. * Colin Napier on the other hand has plenty of room after the middle of June this year and we understand is open to all offers. * Peter Campbell is standing for Mayor of South Perth and we wish him well in the coming elections. * Rod Skipworth is driving a Ford XC Cobra, which he has nurtured into it's present very shiny state.

ACCOUNTANT'S DAY

The Institute of Chartered Accountants again hired our courts for their annual tennis day. With so many Accountants in our membership, it was not surprising to see the likes of Tony Connolly, Joe Cunningham, Chris Meredith and Ian Rundle among the competitors. The winning team were from Coopers & Lybrand, headed by Colin Napier and Graeme Rundle. The prize for winning is the honour of organizing next years event.

INDISPOSED

The above is a totally inadequate description of Phil Searle's incapacity some weeks back — judging by his good form on the tennis court he has made a partial recovery at least. * Paul Whitely has come through his heart surgery with no ill effects and is now ahead of schedule in his recovery program — incidentally he was the first patient in the new wing at Royal Perth Hospital. * Zara Hall is still having difficulty with her knee, and may have to be content with bowls as her sport — we hope not as Zara has been a key member of our midweek pennant teams for some years. * Sharon Gordon has had a variety of knee and joint problems, almost qualifying her to be a member of the mens veteran brigade.

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WIND UP DINNER FOR 1988/89 SEASON

This popular function is coming up on Friday evening, 5th May and will be held in the clubhouse. Our Social Committee under the careful guidance of chairman Randy Raux are planning a super show to wind up yet another very successful season for the club. Numbers are strictly limited so don't delay when the tickets come out as it is definitely a first come first served basis. Prices for the sit down dinner are \$24 for adults and \$19 for Under 19s. Trophies for the winners of all the events at the Club championship and handicap tournaments will be presented during the evening. Another of the highlights will again be the Miss Tennis Balls quest and we understand there is another fine array preening themselves in preparation for this night of nights. How thoughtful of the reigning championess Cecile Gardinia to offer free lessons in deportment, skin care, charisma and all the many things that made her the popular choice of last years corruptible mob of judges.

FAREWELL TO THE NAPIERS

Life members Doug and Margaret will shortly be moving to Darwin where Doug has been appointed State Manager of an Insurance Company — the unthinkable is about to happen - Hensman without the Napiers, it couldn't be. There will still be some red Napier locks but they won't belong to Margaret. Members have been pleased to learn of the interesting and exciting challenge for Doug during the next three years, but at the same time they realise the gap that will be left when President Margaret and past President Doug head north in the second week of June. Their contribution to Hensman has been fully expounded eighteen months ago when they were both made life members of the club - suffice to say they have both been actively involved in the Club for well over 30 years, and there has hardly been any task they haven't between them carried out in that time. In granting leave, it is done on the strict understanding that they return revitalised in three years time ready and willing to handle another thrity years at the club! The best wishes for a happy and rewarding three years in Australia's fastest growing city, go to you both from all the members.



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Members wishing to play winter pennants should contact Garry Napier on 367 3817.

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MILESTONES

Congratulations to Lee Skipworth who is the new president of the Mitsubishi Van Club incidentally he has been very busy working on his Valiant Charger and is now finishing it off with a coat of Sebring red paint. * Greg Campbell has recently announced his engagement. * Chelsea Mardon was a member of the State Under 19 Netball Team. * Shirley Davies received a merit award from the W.A. Sports Federation at it's recent annual meeting. * Roy Field has retired after a lifetime working with the Mines Dept. * Well done to Rodney Skipworth who has coached yet another junior team to a premiership - good to see the members of his previous winning team (Brendan Cocks, Jamie Maitland, Russell Bomford and Wade Mardon) all settling into membership of the club.

INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM (gossip)

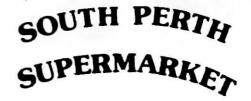
Things seemed to get a bit out of hand when Kevin Harwood invited a group of friends to travel on his boat down to the Boardwalk restaurant for brunch one peaceful Sunday morning - Mari Connolly's pants were seen hanging from the mast within five minutes of leaving dock and a bit later we understand Gordon Pears and Tony Connolly were seen jumping off Blackwall Reach. * Talking of the Harwoods we gather Sue interrupted Kevin. John Carroll and Randy Raux while they were contemplating some very serious purchases on a recent visit to the Northbridge shopping precinct, spoil sport that she is. * The driver of UZX303 has obviously been having a dreadful run with his car in recent times, however the good news is that the RAC operate a 24 hour service to help out in such emergencies.

TRANSFERS

Graham McEwen has been transferred to Pt Hedland for two years. * Doug Napier is off to Darwin for a three year assignment, culminating in his retirement in mid 1992. * Robert Herzer has moved North in his employment. *** We look forward to your return to the Club in due course.

THE WALKERS(formerly of Hensman)
Many members will remember popular couple
Patrick and Sue Walker who left Hensman
when Pat took on the post of Shire Clerk at
Wickepin. He has made steady progress in local
Government administration and is now Town
Clerk in Narrogin. Pat and Sue have continued
their interest in tennis at Narrogin and both were
successful in their respective Club Championship
singles events. Not all the Walkers' time is spent
at tennis however — they have four lovely
children who are a credit to them.

Another of Hensman's erstwhile members is Louise Walker (nee Hackett) who married Pat's brother John. After her marriage Louise (somewhat reluctantly) joined the Leederville club, where John is a member. She was a member of Leederville's team which beat our ladies in the Saturday afternoon Division 4 final, and recently teamed up with sister in law Sue to win a round robin event at Narrogin.



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IAN HUTCHISON ROUND ROBIN

At the time of going to press it appears certain this will again be a sellout event. The amazing thing has been the enthusiasm of social players from other clubs, who have come back year after year. The usual excellent prizes are on offer and some good tennis should be enjoyed throughout the day. Marlene Morcombe is our catering manageress for the day, husband Alan is in charge of the match box and Jan Bogaards has purchased the trophies. Ian is appreciative of the continued support for his Round Robin event and looks forward to seeing you all on the 16th of April.

ANYONE FOR BRIDGE?

There are a number of budding bridge exponents amongst our members and several have expressed interest in holding bridge evenings at the club, possibly on a monthly basis. This is a really excellent and challenging card game, and Dick Pears who is one of the leading state bridge players would like to hear from anyone interested. This includes any who would be interested to learn the game, as Dick and his team of neophytes are more than willing to offer advice and tuition on the strategies etc. involved in the game. See Dick now — he's usually hanging around the Coke machine!



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CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Kerryl Chute and Barry Tognolini in taking out the coveted singles championships at the Club. Kerryl had to come back from service breaks in both sets before finally defeating Glynis Barber 7,6 7,6. Barry Tognolini's return to Hensman this year has seen him contribute much to our improved position in the State Grade, and his form in the final against a plucky Scott Marshall was almost faultless. Scores were 6,2 6,2, however Scott can take great heart from making it to the final this year, something which should enhance his position in the State Grade team for next year.

OTHER RESULTS - Championship

Ladies Doubles: G. Barber/ E. Andersson d. J.Smith/M. Morgan-Hobbs 6/4 6/1

Men's Doubles: B.Tognolini/C. Napier d. P. Searle/D.Napier

Mixed Doubles: C.Napier/G. Barber d. S. Fletcher/ E. Andersson 6/2 6/3

Men's O/40 Doubles: A. Stewart/ B. Daniel d. D. Napier/D. Pears 6/1 5/7 6/2

Boys 18/U Singles: A. Hall d. P. Franklyn 6/1 6/2

Boys 15/U Singles: W. Mardon d. C. Pearce 6/2 6/3

Boys 12/U Singles: H. Jacobs d. M. Dalby w/o

Boys 12/U Doubles: L. & L. D'Orsogna d. M. Williams & A. McArthur 6/3 7/5

Girls 15/U Singles J. Clarke d.
 J. Deligeorges 6/1 6/3

Handicap

Men's Singles (14A): A. Jones d. T. Jones 6/4 6/4

Men's Singles (14B): C. Ellis d. N. Ryan 6/3 6/5

Men's Doubles: I. Rundle/A.
Boys d. R. Skipworth/N.
Dalton 6/2 6/3

Mixed Doubles (18A): L. & M. Morgan-Hobbs d. T. & M. Connolly 6/5 6/5

Mixed O/40 Doubles: C. Gardiner/G. Thomas d. C.Overher/J. Rundle 6/2 6/3

KNOW YOUR MEMBER

It seems logical that Bill Artingstall is involved in the tourist industry as one way and another he has been involved with airlines and tourists and travellers since leaving school. Our popular club member and Associate sponsor was actually born in Ceylon — his father was a tea taster, employed by Inglis, the large English Company. At the age of two the family were transferred to Sydney, and it was here that Bill gained his education. On leaving school he joined Qantas on a maintenance engineering apprenticeship. By way of a change he worked as a flight steward for three years between 1962 and 1965, and then graduated to become a flight engineer for seven years. It was during his teen years that Bill became keen on tennis and this had nothing to do with the fact that another girl called Margaret was also an avid tennis player! Margaret's parents had a court in their back yard in Sydney and well ... you know the rest. In 1964 they married, and both are keen tennis players as is son David.

In 1972 Bill accepted a position in Singapore as an instructor to the local staff of Singapore Airlines, and then in 1979 he returned to Colombo as part of the management team formed to set up the airline named "Airlanka". This was a challenging assignment but fraught with many difficulties and eventually Bill and his family returned to Sydney, after a short but very delightful stopover in Perth. The cost of living in Sydney was prohibitive and it was not long before the Artingstalls settled in Perth. By April 1983, the family had joined Hensman Park and they have been regular contributors to club activities ever since.

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HENSMAN

Congratulations to the two winning teams who have won shields from this years weekend competition. The lades division six team consisting of Miriam Morgan-Hobbs, Andrea Hickey, Kathy Beeson and Annette Livesey, had an enthralling encounter with Claremont, eventually winning by one only game. Much champagne flowed and by the following weekend the nerves were back to normal!

The Boys 14 and under team of Tim Hammond, Nathan Dalton, Heinie Jacobs, Simon Sustek and Jeff Bates went through the season undefeated and had a comfortable 10-2 win in the final against Glen Forrest. Rod Skipworth was the coach of the team and he was delighted with the improvement shown by all boys throughout the season, and by their team spirit. Pat Dalton of football fame, was the conscientious manager of the team, and in fact all parents gave their support and watched the boys play their matches throughout the season. Tim didn't lose a single for the year and Nathan didn't lose a set all year - well done boys. Congratulations all round to those connected with this team from your fellow members at Hensman.

OTHER SHIELD RESULTS

Our mens State Grade finished on top at the end of the qualifying rounds, and had an impressive win over Dalkeith in the semifinals. In the final at Kings Park, the home club were in devastating form eventually winning 6 rubbers to three. Our Ladies state grade finished fourth, which is an excellent result considering the injuries and absences experienced by team members throughout the season. Other results were as follows:

SATURDAY COMPETITION

Ladies	Div 4	4th
Mens	Div 2	3rd
	Div 4	2nd
	Div 6	2nd
	Div 8	5th

SUNDAY C	OMPETI	TION
Boys 18s	Div4	3rd
Girls 18s	Div 2	6th
Mens	Div 2	2nd
	Div 5	3rd
	Div 8	3rd
	Div 11	2nd
Mens Vets	Div 1	5th
	Div 2	
	Div 6	
Ladies Vets	Div 4	6th
	Div 2	3rd



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HOPE TO SEE YOU OFTEN.



TOURNAMENTS

YORK

Glenvs Barber won the Ladies singles and doubles events. Husband Mark was runner up in the mixed handicap doubles.

BUNBURY

Colin Napier lost the final of the Mens championship singles. Randy Raux and Kevin Lampard won the Mens handicap doubles. Peter Overheu and Maree Casey lost the mixed doubles final. Jenny Smith and Diane Thompson won the Ladies championship doubles.

NORTHAM

Miriam Morgan-Hobbs was successful in the Ladies handicap singles and joined with brother Lynton to beat Geoff and Debbie Thomas in the mixed championship doubles final.

KOJONUP

Pam and Cec Gardiner won the plate for the over 80s mixed — a first up for Pam, she can now look forward to her 90s with confidence! Dick Ker and Cec Gardiner were runners up in the over 80s mens doubles event. Annette Livesy won the Ladies doubles plate.

KATANNING

The Andersons, Wrights, Turners and Mittons joined Peter Rundle and Andrea Hickey for an impromptu tennis tournament at the farm over the easter weekend.

TRAVELLING

Phil Hevron and Steve Fletcher are off to Dahn, near Frankfurt in West Germany for some winter pennant tennis. * Ann and Mike Hall had a delightful break at the Golden Sands in Penang. Let's hope they enjoyed the sleep-ins, as they might be the last for a while. * Grant Mitton has been selected in the W.A. Hockey Team and he and Ceili and Joel are off to Adelaide for the National Championships. * Joan Campbell is dashing off to Sydney to help Jenny settle into her new surroundings. Graeme and Ian Rundle leave at the end of May for a two month tour of U.S.A. and Europe. * Ian Hutchison and family enjoyed a break at the Club Med in Bali recently. * Roy and Joan Field attended their son Mark's wedding in Adelaide recently. * Marlene Pritchard is at present visiting her family in South Africa. * Tim Reynolds is off to the U.K. for the winter months.

NEW MEMBERS

A big welcome is extended to the following new members

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CHARLIE'S DAY

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There were too many winners to list, however the Morgan-Hobbs were delighted with the additions to their art gallery, Joanne Turner, Dennis Ford, Ethel Priestley and Joan Field all looked delighted with their prizes, Frank Thomas gave the judges a stern look when he missed out on the footfaulting award and Dot Hickey and Caroline Reynolds were both prominent in their respective categories. It was a delightful afternoons tennis which concluded with a merry presentation handled to perfection by President Margaret and our host Charles Picchetti. Finally Fred treated everyone to one of his renown food affairs.

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