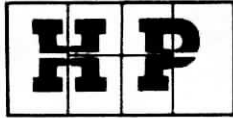


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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings ! It certainly seemed a short winter to me, with the new tennis season already looming large on the calendar. As usual there have been a number of hardy souls who did not pack their rackets away for a break, so they will have the jump on most of us on opening day.

As most of you will be aware the number of courts available has been reduced due to the reconstruction of the northern bay of five courts. The impact of the fewer courts has been lessened thanks to the State Grade teams agreeing to relocate elsewhere for their matches. I would like to ask members to acknowledge this gesture and give moral support to the State Grade at their alternative venues whenever possible.

The Clubhouse is currently undergoing a facelift with the painting of both interior and exterior surfaces, and this should be completed in time for Opening Day.

As in past years the Club Captains will be providing a full and active tennis programme in which we can all share. So dust off your rackets and come down on Opening Day where I will look forward to seeing you and introducing you to the new Committee.

Alec Whyte.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Although there was a satisfactory attendance at our annual meeting, there were still approx 300 members who did not make the effort. The vast majority in attendance were in the 35 and over age group which is disappointing if we are to have a balanced club and not become a division of the Veterans. Let us hope future meetings will see a lot more of our younger members coming along and sharing their viewpoints on how our club should be run. It could be reasonably stated that non-attendance implies approval of the present administration, but a hard working committee deserves more than that and it does not seem a lot to ask all of those not involved to give this small amount of time back to the club. If you are unable to attend on Friday evenings please let President Alec know so that consideration can be given to holding the AGM on a different weeknight.

The new Office Bearers are as follows:

President - Alec Whyte
Vice President - Bill Artingstall
Mens Captain - Kevin Lampard
Mens Vice Captain - Lyndon Morgan-Hobbs
Ladies Captain - Sue Harwood
Ladies Vice Captain - Jan Bogaards
Treasurer - Bob Howman
Auditor - Alan Stewart
Committee - Clem Overheu, Norm Burkett, Frank Thomas, Miriam Morgan-Hobbs & Pam Smith.
Patron - Peter Campbell

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GROUNDS

The grass on the five courts in our northern bay have been removed to a depth of four inches and replaced with fresh soil. The new wintergreen variety of couch grass has been planted and is gradually coming into view. It is being watered three times daily with our automatic reticulation system. The other two grass court bays have been cored and verticut and should hopefully be more serviceable this coming year. President Alec thanks those members who assisted in an informal working bee held recently - there was a general tidy up, together with the removal of the old "grandstand" and some weeding of the courts.

NEW MEMBERS

We extend a warm welcome to the following new members:

Andrew Wood, Brad Rosser, Gaye Porter, Tony Brown, Jamin, Robyn Baumanis, Michelle Culligan, Sue Denton, Kent and Blake Brinklow, Roland and Jutta Kult, John Shea, Kaye Ailakis and Phil Aris.

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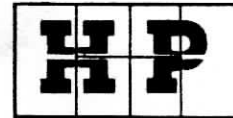
NEWS ITEMS FOR THE HERALD — please hand in any items of interest at the Captain's desk as we have a separate file there for Herald news.

CAPTAIN'S CORNER

With the new season getting under way I would like to welcome Lyndon Morgan-Hobbs as our new vice-captain and express my thanks to Graeme Rundle for his assistance in the various duties over the past 12 months. Sue Harwood and Jan Bogaards will again be their efficient selves as Ladies Captain and vice-captain. Alan Andersson continues as Shield Match Supervisor for which we are grateful and any queries regarding the teams or challenge matches should be directed to Alan or myself.

With the reduction in available courts this year there will be very few if any teams playing at Hensman. Teams will be scheduled for home matches at Wesley and Penrhos Colleges. Any support from members, vocal or otherwise, at these outside venues will I'm sure be greatly appreciated by our Shield Match players.

Special thanks to all those who assisted with set rosters over the winter, your help was much appreciated. We will again be looking for volunteers for the summer season so please contact Sue or myself if you are able to assist.



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CAPTAINS CORNER (Cont)

We would again like to point out that dress standards should be adhered to during both social play and whilst practising. This means no tee shirts, footy shorts, incorrect footwear etc will be permitted. Fluorescent denim shorts can only be worn by players able to hit the ball like Agassi!

Any club members with suggestions for improvements to social play, tournaments, penants or fun days should feel free to contact myself or any of the Captains. Additional input is welcomed and any problems, gripes etc can be discussed or taken to a committee level if required. Good hitting!

Kevin Lampard.

BAR REPORT

Norm Burkett has kindly agreed to continue managing the refreshment side of our Club.

The Bar has been upgraded during the past year and now has a modern glass washer and also an ice-making machine. Not only can you have ice in your drinks, you can also buy bags of ice for home use - the price is very reasonable.

Bar prices have of necessity been increased to reflect the increased cost of drinks to the club - however Norm assures us we continue to be one of the cheapest clubs in the metro area

A handsome new bell has been installed at the Bar! The same rules apply here as elsewhere - anyone who rings the bell without authority.... you guessed it, they buy for the bar.

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SPONSORS

South Perth Cellars, leading liquor outlet in our area, continue as our major sponsor this year. The Aris family acquired the business in July and we wish them well. Les is well known in the area and is a South Perth City Councillor, whilst son Phil has been a member prior to shifting overseas. We are pleased to welcome Phil back as a playing member again and understand there may be more tennis talent in the family.

Bill Artingstall has continued to support us through his Travel Agency and Mondo has again looked after the arrangements for many of our members during the winter break. * Ian Hutchison is kept busy with his Real Estate activities, together with Rotary and a young family. * the Mittons will need more than a Gordonson Cycle to keep up with their family which is due to increase shortly

* Our new Associate Sponsor is Bunnings store located at the rear of the Berwick St & Canning Highway junction and whilst many of our budding handypersons are already regulars at this centre, we hope all our other members will respond to their gesture and support them.

SPONSORS (Continued)

Club Sponsors are in training again, John Turner is expanding his reticulation and plumbing business and in his spare time adding to the new home * Charlie Picchetti is excited about some new Pottery originals in his Victoria Park fine art centre * Susanne Johnston and the Getley Paulsen team are also busy assisting clients to understand the maze of new requirements surrounding Superannuation and other Investment options

* Welcome to new Club sponsors from the Millstream Supa Valu Supermarket - Herb & Lindal Wessels * next time your car runs out of petrol remember to call on Hedley at Ampol - just at the corner of Anstey and Angelo Streets * Bob Hollingsworth operates his Canning Bridge Print business just over Canning Bridge and in addition to printing our Magazine he can attend to all your personal and business printing requirements *

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Randy Raux has a team bigger than Ben Hur to look after our social programme this year, and they are as follows:

Garry Napier, Ken & Vicki Houston, Ken McIntosh, Steve Flanagan, Kevin Harwood, Auriol Heary, Marie Connolly, Jan Hart, Pia Sudlow and Rhoda Hinds. They have already held their first meeting and ask that you keep the following dates free:

Sat 3 Nov - Chicken Dinner. Cost \$9
Thurs 22 Nov - Twilight & BBQ
Friday 14 Dec - Twilight & Fish Dinner
Sun 23 Dec - Xmas Fantasy Function

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Jan Bogaards was born in Kyogle in Northern NSW and spent her early years there on the family dairy farm (complete with clay tennis court). A highlight of Jan's early years was representing the RSL in the Miss Kyogle fundraising quest, and ultimately being crowned the winner. After completing her training as a dental nurse Jan worked for a few years in Sydney and Brisbane before shifting to Townsville where she met Barry who was employed there by John Holland Constructions. They married in 1962 and had a six month honeymoon touring Europe and visiting Barry's relatives in Holland before returning to Australia. They were then transferred to Bunbury which was the first of a series, in fact Jan says they have had 29 different addresses in their 28 year marriage. They have three sons who are also adapting themselves very well on the sporting field. The Bogaards shifted to Perth six years ago and have been members at Hensman ever since - hopefully there will be no more transfers. Jan enjoys her tennis and her vice-captaincy duties.

Lyndon Morgan-Hobbs was born in Cardiff, Wales where his early sporting interests were centred on Rugby and in fact he represented Cardiff in the Under 18s league. He completed his training as a psychiatric nurse and worked in this field in the UK until 1980 when he decided to migrate to Perth. An Aunt & Uncle were living in Perth hence choosing this part of the world - in fact Lyndon has yet to visit any other city in Australia! Lyndon continued his work as a Counsellor/Therapist at Fremantle Hospital and in 1984 met Miriam. It would seem inevitable that he would then take up tennis, which is what he has done with considerable relish and is now one of our most enthusiastic members. Daughter Victoria by Lyndon's first marriage is a member of the Provisional Juniors and is equally keen. Although Lyndon & Miriam have been back to Wales on holidays visiting the family, Lyndon says he is a confirmed Aussie and is delighted to have the opportunity to put something back into Hensman after all the enjoyment he has derived from the club since he joined some five years ago.

COMINGS & GOINGS

The Carrolls are off to NZ shortly, and the Artingstalls have returned from a delightful two weeks spent in the north island * The Campbells went driving and finished up in Darwin, after stopping off in Broome to visit Greg * on a recent visit to Thailand the locals insisted on calling John & Noreen "Mr & Mrs Nice" until the Rundles pointed out the error in their spelling etc * Colin Napier has been to Melbourne to see the grand final of the AFL * Rosemary Byrne, one of our keen members is overseas at present as is Hilary Whitehead *

NEW ARRIVALS

Congratulations to Kerry & Paul Wright on the birth of their son Andrew * also to Sue Diepeveen, a mid week member who recently gave birth to a daughter. * More news is expected during the summer months !

SOCIAL NOTES

* Garry Napier and Steve Wilson are on their Contiki expedition in Europe at the moment. * Rhoda Hinds recently celebrated her 21st birthday with a grand party at the Club * Congratulations to Brad Ker who recently announced his engagement * Hensman were to the fore on the golf course when Joan Field and June Rundle played off in the final of the B Grade club Championships * Life member Eric Treasure is recovering after a spell in hospital with a serious illness * Noel Pearse looks like countering the 30% drop in the wheat price by growing crops with a 30% greater yield this season * Beryl Hobson has now had her 70th birthday and says it's time to say farewell to her many friends at Hensman * Speaking of birthdays Frank Thomas celebrated his big O this month * Congratulations to Andrea Mitchell who is the Tennis West nominee for Sports Administrator of the Year * Dale Stronach is joining the Air Force in Canberra in the new year * The Napier family are booked to spend the Christmas break at Bali - Doug was a member of the winning pennant team in the Darwin competition, whilst Margaret is now working full time.

FROM THE TREASURER

The club commenced this financial year with \$49,004 funds, after another successful financial year in which an operating profit of \$30,402 was earned. Contributing to this excellent result was the profit (before electricity) from the Bar and drinks machine of \$7260, Social Committee \$4036, Sponsorship \$4407 and Interest \$9499. A copy of the annual financial report is available at the clubhouse. The investment with Benwood Finance amounting to \$11,292 is in doubt as this Company is in receivership. The expected dividend should be known in the coming months but provision for the loss of this investment was made in the Accounts. The club has had funds invested with Benwood for several years and it has been listed in our investments in the annual Treasurer's report each year. Last year also saw a large expenditure on capital improvements to the club and these totalled \$46,692. \$26,000 on renovations to the hall, \$6,900 reticulation, \$2,700 Security system, \$2,600 glasswasher, \$2,700 kitchen and bar floor and \$3,400 on furniture were the main items. The club continues in a sound financial position and for this we are indebted to our fine treasurer, **Bob Howman.**

NON PLAYING MEMBERSHIP

In line with other sporting clubs, leave of absence has been discontinued - however members who are unable to play any season for various reasons may apply to be transferred temporarily to the "non playing" category. The cost this year is \$10. These members will continue on the mailing list and will receive copies of the Herald.

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CHANGING YOUR ADDRESS ?

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PROVISIONAL JUNIORS

Colin Napier and Barb Whitely will be keeping up the good work of previous years in over-seeing these up and coming members of our club. Opening day for the PJs is to be Sunday 21st October - 9.30am till 11.30am. Spread the word and let's see a grand roll up to get this group under way for the 1990/91 season. Anyone willing and able to assist should make contact with either Colin or Barbara.



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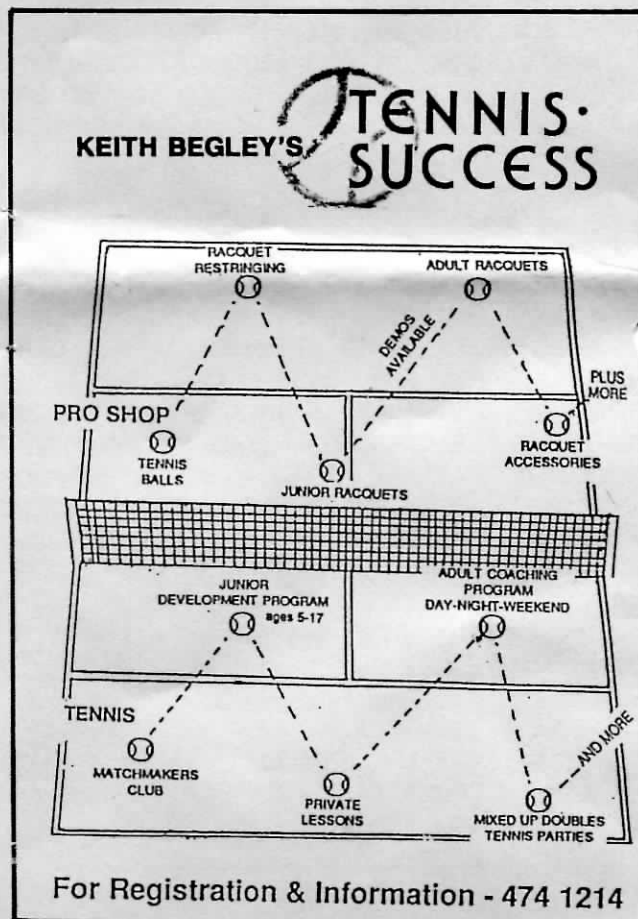
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 Karen Bucens
 Tracey Drake-Brockman (Reserve)

Men Scott Marshall
 Barry Tognolini
 Colin Napier
 Phil Searle
 Steve Fletcher
 Peter Overheu (reserve)
 Shane Orton
 Anthony Hall

We are delighted to welcome Marnie Drake-Brockman back after a spell last year on the sick list, and also to Karen Bucens who returns after a years absence. Of great disappointment to the team and the club is the decision of club coach Keith Begley not to play this season.

The club will be represented by 18 senior and 3 junior teams. The Mens first division Veterans team has been strengthened with the inclusion of tennis professional Ross Gerrans, who comes to us from Floreat. As usual Alan Andersson has done a wonderful job of collating and submitting the various teams and he has been commended by the Tennis West Shield Match Chairman for the excellent presentation of our entry forms. The information that is submitted goes a long way to ensuring that our teams end up in the correct division.

A competition is on now for anyone to submit their idea/s on a suitable logo to be used on clothing used by Club members and on other items such as letterheads, trophies etc. There is no cash prize but you will get wonderful satisfaction out of being the designer of something that will identify Hensman Park to the world in the years to come.



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