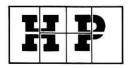
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to all new and old members for the 1986/87 season. It is great to see everyone out of hibernation after such a miserable winter.

A lot has taken place during the winter break — improvements to the clubhouse ceiling, new fences erected and of course the artificial grass courts installed. A number of holdups have prevented the courts being available for the opening of the season, however I think the extra facilities created for members by the new courts are well worth the inconvenience we have suffered.

Our new coach **Keith Begley** has some very innovative coaching programmes for both adult and junior members as well as his racquet sales and stringing service. He will operate from the room previously used for afternoon teas, and has entered into an agreement with the club to operate the artificial courts for hire during the non-club periods and evenings.

The aim of Hensman to provide year-round, seven-day-a-week tennis facilities has almost reached fruition — all we need now is member participation to make everything go. With best wishes to all members for an energetic 1986 season.

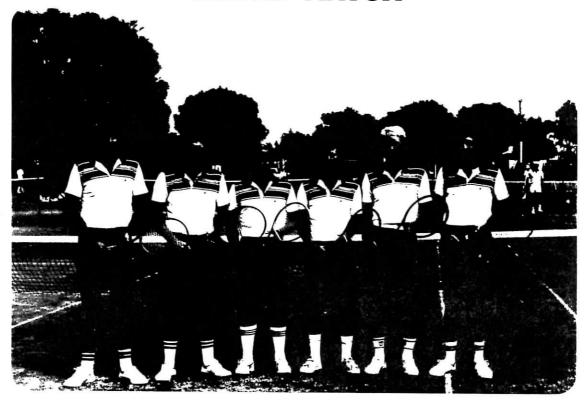
Clem Overheu - President

OFFICIAL OPENING OF OUR FIVE ARTIFICIAL GRASS COURTS

The Official Opening will take place at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday, 22nd November. Members of South Perth Council and other Distinguished Guests will be present.

Ladies are asked to bring a plate. We hope you will be present to share in this achievement in the life of our club. It is the beginning of a new era and we are confident more tennis will be played on our courts now than ever before ... and isn't this what a tennis club is about. The club has raised over \$21,000 in members' debentures and Treasurer Bob Howman is confident that the cash flow of the club will remain in credit for the season — however club functions need to be supported to ensure the four-year repayment programme is maintained. The final cost quotation for the project was \$130,152 of which our club is responsible for one third (\$43,350). We have had an encouraging number of new members this year and we invite all members to introduce their tennis playing friends to us so that we can reach our goal of 340 members by the end of this season.

SHIELD MATCH



Members of last seasons victorious State Grade team From left: John Turner, Barry Tognolini, Rob Murton Colin Napier, Peter Overheu and Phil Searle



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Welcome to Rob Murton who is home for a few weeks prior to returning to Germany.

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COMING EVENTS

TWILIGHT TENNIS

Wednesday, 19th November

Followed by Chicken Smorgasbord at 7 p.m. Cost \$5.50 adults \$4 juniors

SATURDAY 14th DECEMBER

Stay for our Barbecue after Tennis

Wednesday 24th December

TWILIGHT TENNIS 5 - 7 p.m.

Followed by Father Christmas at 7.15 p.m.

Chicken Dinner at 7.30 p.m.
The evening winds up with
Carol Singing and a Beauty
Parade

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TENNIS TIP

HAPPY FEET ARE MOVING FEET

The importance of developing proper footwork in tennis cannot be over-emphasised. Sound footwork results in consistent and controlled strokes. Whenever you move onto a court your feet should come alive. Happy feet are moving feet)!

Good happy feet footwork enables you to adjust to change of pace, crazy spins, drop shots, deep hard balls and, above all, to different surfaces. If your feet worked with your eyes, you would be able to make adjustments until you actually hit the ball.

You should move to a wide ball by first taking big strides and as you get closer to the ball you should shorten your stride as to fine tune your approach to the oncoming ball. This can help you keep good balance when making contact with the ball as you have positioned your feet a shoulder width apart. Skipping is a good exercise for footwork as well as your conditioning. The only time your heels should hit the ground is when you are walking to pick up the ball your opponent hit out!

By KEITH BEGLEY

LATE SNIPPETS

Congratulations to Paul Wright and Kerry Murton who are getting married on 20th December.

Virginia Saunders has recently announced her engagement and plans to marry in January.

Congratulations to Debbie Hall on her recent engagement.

ACOUSTICS

You may have noticed that it is easier to hear yourself speak in our clubrooms these days and a glance at the ceiling will tell you why. The committee have responded well to this need and it will be greatly appreciated by members in the years to come during club functions and of course the happy hour. Alec Whyte carried out some research on obtaining the best value for an acoustic ceiling and the \$2500 spent is considerably less than other options — and we think more effective than many of the other more expensive types.

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CAPTAIN'S CORNER

The co-operation and forbearance of members during these opening weeks without our full seventeen courts is greatly appreciated by those organizing the sets.

Dress rules were introduced by our club (and I think every other major club in the metro area) to set a desirable minimum standard which could be clearly understood and followed by members. It is not meant to make life difficult, however without some sort of standard we would degenerate into the Bali tee-shirts, thongs, bathers, etc. Recognized tennis apparel is to be worn at all times (mid-week as well as club days) and sandshoes are the only footwear permitted. The public will be hiring the five synthetic courts and it is important that our members adhere to the dress requirements of the club so that Keith Begley can introduce suitable dress standards from our hirers. Shoe tags are provided for all financial members and these are to be worn — it prevents embarrassment all round for you and committee members who have the task of policing the use of our courts.

Balls that go over the northern fence at the club must be recovered by the players concerned - there have been some balls unaccounted for in these first few weeks and in view of the cost, members are asked to recover any balls that go astray.

Garry Napier — Captain.

OFFICE BEARERS FOR 1986/87

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Refer to Keith's ad for phone numbers to ring if you wish to make a night booking.

VALE ELAINE SKIPWORTH

Members were saddened to learn of the sudden passing of Elaine in June of this year. She was a top umpire with the W.A. Umpires Association (umpiring many memorable matches on centre court at Kings Park, including Martina Navratilova) and was a tireless worker for our club in earlier years. Elaine looked after the drinks and afternoon teas at the club for many years and was always actively working at any tournaments held at the club — we pay tribute to her very considerable contribution to our club.

PERSONAL PARS

John Miller and Robert Tuffin sojourned to Asia during the winter — details are sketchy but we understand Malcolm Fraser got off lightly compared to what these two were subjected to! Nice to see Peter Mannolini back at the club again after his stint in London. Congratulations to Helen Royce on her recent engagement * Garry Napier spent a relaxing time in New Zealand prior to taking up his Captain's duties - Brad Ker went along too just to brief Garry on what is in store. * Noreen and John Ince enjoyed their visit to the Northern Territory although Noreen couldn't be enticed to go paddling with all those crocodiles around! * Keith Begley managed to get a week's coaching in at Singapore before our season got under way. Ceili Bremner and Grant Mitton get married on 15th November — best wishes from your fellow members. Grant is just coming back to earth after being a member of that memorable Australian hockey team that has just won the World Championships - congratulations Grant. * Hensman were well represented at Wimbledon this year when Rob Murton, Phil Searle, Andrea Hickey and the Rundles gathered to watch W.A. star Liz Smylie in action. * New arrivals in the off season were Aidan Ryan, Troy Willis, Courtney Bruce, Adam Stewart, Bradley McLean and Andrew **Hutchison** — congratulations to all the proud parents.



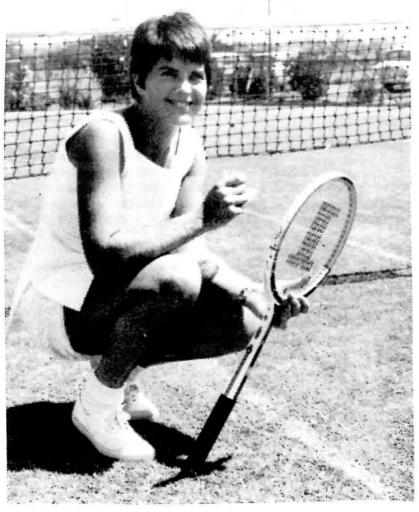


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There are many more nominations on the board at the moment and we look forward to introducing further members to the club in the next issue of the Herald.

JUNIOR CAMP

This was held at Aquinas again this year and proved to be most enjoyable and beneficial to all those taking part. New club coach **Keith Begley** and his assistant **Tino** were in charge.

Activities in addition to the three hours of intensive tennis coaching included cricket, windsurfing, squash, basketball and softball. This camp was instituted some years ago and is made possible by the support of our sponsors. **Dot Hickey** and **June Rundle** provided the lunches for our junior members during this three-day camp.



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MISS TENNIS

We are pleased to announce that Jan Truscot will represent our club in this year's Malaysian Airlines Miss Tennis Quest. The prize is a trip to Penang and Jan carries our best wishes. A Devonshire afternoon tea recently raised the sum of \$91 and Jan has arranged six tables for the forthcoming quiz night at the Booragoon Hotel on Tuesday 25th November. Get your party of six organized and contact Jan now so that you don't miss out on a great night. The funds raised go to development of junior tennis in this state.

REVERSE DRESS DAY

Nothing queer about Joan Ince in that dress down at the club on our annual fancy dress day. Bruce Fielding said at least his lips didn't suffer sunburn after an afternoon covered with lipstick. Even baby Adam Stewart got into the act with a nice girl's pink outfit! Among some of the colourful gals on display were Pauline Whitely, Tammy Reynolds, Michelle McLean and Clementine Overheu. Howard Robinson, Joe and Sue Cunningham are new members who took no time to get into the swing of things at the club and appeared very appropriately dressed. Alan Andersson, Graham Walker, Sue Fielding, Judy and Alan Stewart and Graeme Rundle drew glances from those within the club (and probably those without) no doubt we can expect headlines in the Gazette again!

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Think big and your deeds will grow.
Think small and you'll fall behind
Think that you can and you will.
It's all in the state of mind.

If you think you're outclassed you are;
You've got to think high to rise:
You've got to be sure of yourself before
You can ever win a prize.
Life's battles don't always go
To the stronger or fastest man;
But soon — or late — the man who wins
Is the fellow who — thinks he can.

Author unknown

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HONOUR BOARDS

You may have noticed our new boards in the clubrooms — one for office bearers and the other for club champions. We are grateful to **Clem Overheu** and the **Napier family** for donating these to the club.

SPONSORSHIP

The new sponsorship board has been erected and names of existing sponsors will be installed shortly. We have a very attractive sponsorship package to offer companies willing to be associated with arguably one of W.A.'s most progressive and successful tennis clubs — the cost is \$200 and further details are available from members of the sponsorship committee — Doug Napier, Ian Hutchison, Dene Rundle, Clem Overheu.

Kempe Hutchison are the major sponsors of our club for this season and Leisure Holdings are Level Two Sponsors — we urge members to continue their support of our sponsors as it is only through this support that we will warrant their help in future years.

HIRE OF SYNTHETIC COURTS

The courts will be available for hire each evening of the week until 10.00 p.m. and to 10.30 p.m. on the weekends. Hire charge is \$8.00 per hour per court or \$20 for the three-hour evening session. A party of say eight people would have to contribute \$2.50 each for an evening's tennis, which is considerably cheaper than other entertainments on offer. The day-time rate of hire is \$4.00 per hour. Members pay for the night-time use of the courts and lights, and may use the synthetic courts without cost during the day-time if they are not hired to the public. Under the arrangement with our coach Keith Begley he will supervise all hiring of the courts and pays the club a set lease figure each quarter plus the electricity for the lights. Each afternoon during the week the five courts will be available exclusively for the use of members for three hours, and those wishing to use them outside this period will need to check first with Keith as to availability. In this initial period between now and 30th June next year there will no doubt be small matters to be ironed out for the mutual benefit of the coach and the members and we appreciate your understanding of this situation.



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