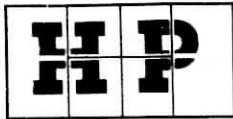


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## GREETINGS TO ALL MEMBERS IN 1989

We said farewell to the Bicentenary Year with a fun day on December 24 when many people entered into the spirit by dressing in green and gold or something more imaginative!! On this day we also had our annual visit by Father Christmas. The Social Committee did a great job with the raffle and savouries and thanks to them for all their work.

1989 got off to a good start with a group of 18 players from WICKEPIN visiting the club on January 8. We started with an early lunch followed by tennis, afternoon tea, more tennis and then socialised until their bus eventually left about 7 p.m. A good day was had by all and an invitation was extended to the club to visit Wickepin next year. On the same day we had visitors from Kojonup and Northampton.

I do hope Bunbury survived the 'invasion' by tennis players from Hensman over the January long weekend, I somehow feel that tennis was secondary to the social activities but I'm sure there'll be a few stories to tell and maybe even some nominations for the club socialiser award.

The pennant result board is showing mixed fortunes for most of the teams. To all players who will be participating in the finals — good luck. I hope those who didn't qualify for the finals enjoyed their tennis and better luck next year.

There are lots of activities planned for the next few months so mark the dates in your diary and be part of the fun.

On Saturday, February 11 after the tennis there is going to be a 'Back to 50s and 60s night'. (That should suit some of the mature members). A couple of weeks later the President's team versus the Captain's team match will be played on Saturday, February 25. This means that as people arrive for social tennis they are placed on either the President's team or the Captain's team and scores are recorded during the afternoon. Whichever team has the most games wins.

The following day is the 'Canvas Fine Art Mixed Doubles Classic'. Details elsewhere in the Herald. Come along and be a part of this fun competition day.

The Club Championship and Handicap Tournament will commence the second weekend in February so look for the entry forms soon and make up your doubles pairings. Handicaps give everyone a chance so don't be afraid to have a go.

The Ian Hutchison Real Estate Round Robin Day will be held on Sunday, April 16, so think about making up a team. You may invite players from other clubs or from country areas.

This should keep everyone busy on the tennis and social scene.

**Margaret Napier**



## CAPTAIN'S CORNER

With the pennant season very close to finals time, it is good to see that most teams have an excellent chance of competing in the finals and good prospects of a shield from a number of teams. This is despite a string of injuries and player problems experienced by numerous teams, however all the reserves called upon have more than adequately plugged the gaps.

Early in the season six teams on Saturday and four on Sunday were nominated to play at Trinity College as the home venue, however due to the lower than expected attendances for social play all Sunday teams and one Saturday team (on a rotation basis) have been recalled to play their home games on our synthetic grass courts.

### Tennis Balls

Unfortunately with all the good things happening there are a few disappointing aspects that have to be addressed. TENNIS BALLS are disappearing at an alarming rate, and to date this season some 8 dozen have been lost. The committee is left with no option but to introduce a few measures to reduce these losses which include the following:—

- pennant team captains will be required to sign for their ball allocation, and a duty captain will sign for the return of same.
- during club play hours only club balls shall be used on the courts, and this shall be limited to two balls per court. (Sorry there will no longer be balls handed out to children.)
- any player who hits a ball over the fence shall endeavour to retrieve it at the end of the set. A replacement ball will be issued from the captain's room in the interim. (Always check if anyone is home before entering their yard.)

We reluctantly introduce these measures, however the unacceptably high losses of tennis balls must be stopped.

### Balls for Sale

Used balls are for sale from the captain's room at \$2.50 per can of four (4). New balls are available from Keith Begley's Pro Shop.

### Captain's v. President's

This annual event for the Fitzgerald Cup will be conducted on SATURDAY 25th FEBRUARY. We would appreciate you making a SPECIAL EFFORT to get to tennis EARLY on this day, so play can get under way by 1.30 p.m. No entry fee but a good afternoon's tennis is assured.

### Club Championship and Handicaps

These tournaments will be conducted over four weekends this year commencing on 11th March. As usual there will be NO social tennis on either the Saturday or Sunday of this first weekend (depending on entries). Entry forms will be out in the next few weeks, so get your ENTRY in EARLY (complete with entry fee money).

### Bumping Board and Challenge Matches

All players are reminded that in order to progress up the rankings you have to play challenge matches. Rankings may also be altered at the discretion of the selection committee, subject to club championship results.

The rules governing challenges on the bumping board appear on the notice board in the Captain's room.

In part they read:—

"Any current players at the Club may not challenge at the start of the season. Challenges may be played from the 1st December until the closing date of the Club" (usually mid-June).

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Chairman of the Sponsorship Committee **Clem Overheu** is delighted to announce the renewal of the major sponsorship of our club by **McHenry Dunstan and Hurley**. The business changed hands prior to Christmas and the new owners have renewed to 30 June 1989 — we hope members will continue to give them the support they deserve in the opening months of their involvement with the business. Also renewing as Associate sponsors are **Ian Hutchison Real Estate** and **Mondo Travel**, together with **Fred's Food Affair**. On the Club Sponsorship level we are delighted to welcome **Getley Paulsen** and their representative **Susanne Johnson** as new sponsors — **Alan Stewart** is part of the group and they appear to be a bunch of good sports. Included in the line-up are **Bob Paulsen, Les Fong, Stuart Hillier, Karl Langdon** and **Tom Moody**.

**Keith Begley** has joined as a Club sponsor and we welcome the continued support of **John Turner's Plumbing and Reticulation** business, **Charlie Pichetti** of **Canvass Fine Art, Melville Motors, David Armstrong** from **Bridge Settlements** and **F.P. Woodmores**.

Two of our teams are being sponsored this year — **John Holland Constructions** are again backing the most over-trained team in the competition, namely **Barry Bogaards, Frank Thomas, Ross Totterdell** and **John Carroll**.

Contrary to what you read in the last issue, **John Lindquist** of the **East Vic Park Pharmacy** is sponsoring the team of **Randy Raux, Kevin Lampard, David Artingstall** and **Fred Donner** — and what's more they are on a bonus if they win the sheild!



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## KNOW YOUR MEMBER

**Carlo Silvio Pichetti** was born in Trieste, Italy "some years ago" and spent the early years of his life in Rome where his Uncle and Auntie raised him. His parents had died when he was aged two and his father's brother immediately took Charles, as we now know him, under his wing. Educated at a very traditional Jesuit College in the heart of Rome, Charles remembers well being taught the etiquette of "duelling" and also of eating oranges with a knife and fork!

Charles was driving his Vespa around Rome in 1950 when he met up with an attractive young lady from Queensland, Australia. They became good friends and after she returned down under Charles had a hankering to visit this far away country! A couple of years passed and eventually his Auntie gave him a return air ticket to Australia and three hundred pounds (a lot of money at that time). The return ticket has never been used. His first business venture was a crocodile hunting expedition in the Northern Territory which got rid of most of his capital but not many crocodiles!

Charles headed to Queensland for the cane cutting season and then down south to Melbourne where he worked in the GMH research and testing division. In 1955 he came to Perth for the first time and actually studied at UWA for 2 years — English, Italian and Psychology. He married in 1959 and is the proud father of **Danny, Michelle** and **Christopher**.

He joined the Pyrox Company in Perth and became branch manager. In 1969 he was promoted to the position of Managing Director for Australia and was then based in Melbourne for the next 7 years. He lived near the Kooyong Tennis Club and had some interesting experiences as a Provisional Member of the ultra exclusive Australia Club in Melbourne. In 1980 Charles and his children returned to live in Perth, and shortly after he acquired his business known as "Canvass Fine Art" operating in Victoria Park.

Somewhere along the line Charles changed his name from the Italian delicacy sounding name to Pickett, and then last year his family gave him back his original and sentimental 'Pichetti' as a Christmas gift.

Hensman first became introduced to Charles in the early 1980s and it would be fair to say the Club hasn't been the same since! He has joined in the on court and off court activities with great enthusiasm. In appreciation of all Hensman has done for him, Charles is sponsoring the "Canvass Fine Art Mixed Classic" at the Club on Sunday afternoon, 26 February. Charles' only wish is that it be a FUN day.

Many of our members are grateful to Charles for his delightful outlook on life and his ability to create an atmosphere of fun and frivolity at the club — there will be no better way to show your appreciation to Charles and to share in a specially funny day than to take part in his Mixed Classic.



*Charles Pichetti contemplating his big day on Sunday February 26th.*

## VISITING

Great to see **Rob** and **Bettina Murton** and baby son **Christopher** during their stay in January.

**Geoff Campbell**, our country member from Sydney was playing a bit in the weeks leading up to Christmas.

Christmas card from **Tracey Thompson** with address and invitation to members to visit her when in the States.

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### Future Tennis Timetable

February 11/12	Pennant Semi-finals
February 18/19	Pennant Finals
Sat. Feb. 25th	Captain's v. President's Day
Sun. Feb. 26th	Canvass Fine Art Mixed Doubles Classic
March 11/12	Club Championships
March 18/19	Club Championships
March 24/27	Easter Weekend
April 1/2	Club Championships
April 8/9	Club Championships
April 16	Ian Hutchison Real Estate Round Robin Day

Keep your eyes open for the various entry forms and get in early.

## MATCHED

**Geoff Ince** is to marry in February, 33 years to the day after **John** and **Noreen** walked down the aisle. **Mark Cheverall** has recently announced his engagement. **Jan Nalder** has recently married and although she now lives in Dumbleyung, will continue as a country member of the club. Our very best wishes to you all.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

What an event this turned out to be! Father Christmas was at his philanthropic best as he showered gifts on young and old alike. There was an excellent hamper that had been raffled and **Carlene** from the Concorde Nursing home was the lucky winner. Rather fittingly **Randy Raux** and **Kevin Harwood** won consolation prizes. Then there were those people who got into the Christmas spirit with some delightful creations — prizes were allocated as follows:

Most Christmassy	<b>Andrea Mitchell</b>
Most original	<b>Sascha Keene</b> (in fact, the original)
Most sparkle	<b>June Rundle</b>

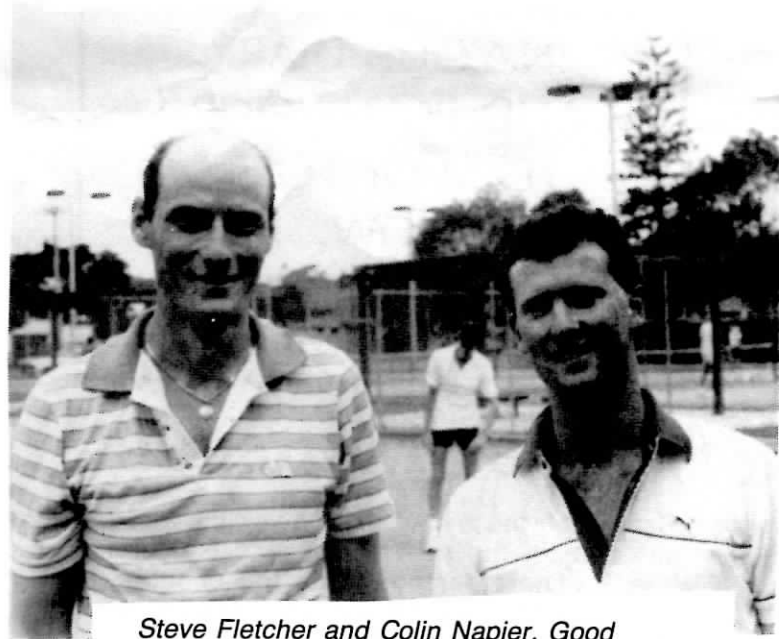
The **Inces** combined to show how easy it is to keep Australia beautiful and **Cec Gardiner** really had a ball — he took off the prize for the "most indecent" in his usual unassuming way. Thanks again to our hardworking Social Committee for another excellent get-together.



## TOURNAMENTS

Congratulations to **Wade Mardon**, **Nathan Dalton** and **Mark Williams**, all of whom won events at the recent Coca Cola tournament at East Fremantle.

The City of Perth/State Open titles were played at Leederville this year and our members did us proud — special congratulations to new member **Darren Patten** who is the new State Open Men's Champion, and who systematically wore down his various opponents to take out this coveted title — he was aided by fellow State Grade team-mates **Colin Napier** who defeated **Keith Begley** and then **Steve Fletcher** who knocked out the highly fancied **Roger Grant** and **Brad Hamburg**.



*Steve Fletcher and Colin Napier. Good performances in City of Perth event.*

### Shoe Tags

It is evident that many players are not wearing their shoetags. The purpose of this shoe tag is to identify you as a financial member of our Club.

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## DRESS STANDARDS

Regrettably these have fallen below the required standard in the past few weeks, so for the benefit of new members and some of our regulars ... Recognised tennis apparel must be worn at all times when playing on the courts.

IN — the dress shorts and shirts and dresses and skirts worn by 98%.

OUT — singlets, thongs, bather type shorts, footy shorts, etc.

Please attend to this if you are one of the offenders as it is not a task relished by the committee to bring this to your attention.

## NEW ARRIVALS

Joel Mitton (Ceili and Grant)  
Glen Willis (Lyn and Earl)  
Timothy Bruce (Angela and Alan)

Congratulations to the proud parents. Incidentally unless my eyes deceive me there will be more to report in the next and the forthcoming issues, so stay tuned!

## SICK AND INJURED

Glenys Barber had a mishap with her little finger and then State Grade team-mate **Kerryl Chute** had a nasty fall, breaking her wrist in the process — we hope both are back in action before the finals and also before our Club Championships.

## TRAVELLING

**Mary and Brian Butler** have recently returned from a holiday in New Zealand — what you might call the advance party on next years "veterans invasion" when it looks as though half our over-45s will be in Wellington for the Australasian Carnival.

The **Kers** and **Morcambes** are in Brisbane for this year's Vets carnival, along with **Gwyn Thomas**.

**Kathy Cook** visited Perth from her Goldfields resort during the school holidays.

**Craig Pearce** is a member of the Leeming High School Golf team that has won a trip to the Australian championships in Adelaide in March — if the team win this one, then it's off to St. Andrews for Craig to taking part in the World Schoolboys Championships.

**Bill and Margaret Artingstall** whizzed off to Broome for a break at the new Resort.

**Debbie and Geoff Thomas** are in the Eastern States managing the 12s State Junior Teams — **Kerryl Chute** is in Adelaide looking after the 14s.

**Mike and Anna McLean** booked into the Club Capricorn for a well earned rest, away from everything and everyone, only to receive a visit from the **Hutchisons!**

The annual Batchelors and Spinsters Ball was again held at Pingelly and noticed amongst the 7,500 dancers on the glittering dance floor were **Blake Mardon, Colin Napier, Julie Bell, Steve Ker, Ian Rundle and Dale Stronach**.

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## SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Great to see the excellent attendances continuing for our social functions — the Social Committee appreciate your support, it really does make your efforts worthwhile.

Please keep the following dates free:—

### February 11th — Saturday

Back to the 50s and 60s night. Get your dancing shoes on and let's jive, twist and creep or (whatever) to the jukebox. Hamburgers and icecream supper around 9.30-10 p.m. \$10 for the night; proceeds to help **Brenda Elliott**, our entrant in the Miss Tennis Quest. Late bar licence.

### February 26th — Sunday

Canvass Fine Art Mixed Classic day (Charlie's day).

### March 21st — Tuesday

Quiz night. Get your thinking caps on and join in the fun.

### April 9th — Sunday

Champagne and Chicken Brunch 11.30 a.m. Come along and enjoy the Club finals and some social tennis.

### May 5th — Friday

Annual Dinner and Presentation of Trophies.



Randy Raux, Social Committee Chairman.

## TWILIGHT TENNIS

Another highly successful evening was held on 19th January with over 120 taking part in the tennis and then a barbecue. The heat was on, but this placed no damper whatever on the evening and as usual the social committee had everything running like a well oiled machine. **Brenda Elliott** conducted a raffle to raise funds for the Miss Tennis Quest, with the prize being a gold coin kindly donated by GoldCorp. The lucky winner was our country member, Steve Wilson. We urge new members to join in our next twilight evening, they really are an excellent means of getting to know your fellow members.

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On the local scene there is an excellent opportunity to see our Kimberley region during their Green Season (up to 31st March 89) at \$346 p/p on a twin share basis which includes return bus travel plus 5 nights hotel accommodation at the Broome Roebuck Bay Resort, or at \$556 p/p twin share with return air fares and continental breakfast for 7 nights at the refurbished Continental Hotel, both excellent value.

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# ACHIEVEMENTS AND TRANSFERS

**Steve Ker** has received a promotion and a transfer to Bunbury in his insurance work.

**Cliff Webster** and **Matt Harmer** have both performed very well during their final year as students at Como High School.

**Sascha Keen** and **Anthony Hall** have completed their T.E.E. and **Anthony** has now commenced his plumbing apprenticeship.

**Phil Searle** has been transferred from Bunbury to Thornlie High School — the hallowed ground of fellow State Grade player Barry Tognolini.

**Paul Wright** has gone into a nuts and bolts manufacturing business.

**Darryl Schroeter** and **Don Patterson** have taken over **John Coppin** liquor store in Cottesloe area.

**Julie Bell** represented the State in the 18s Hockey national event during the year.

**Andrea Mitchel** has been appointed to the State Executive of the W.A. Lawn Tennis Association and has the fundraising portfolio. She is delighted with the support that the club is once again giving to the Miss Tennis Quest and to **Brenda Elliott** as our club's representative.

**Margaret Napier** was an umpire at the recent Hopman Cup matches. **Susie Boyes** has recently taken part in the National Christian Youth Convention, and was involved in the organisation of this event.



*Brenda Elliott, Hensman's entrant in the Miss Tennis Quest.*



*Andrea Mitchell, newly appointed to WALTA Executive.*

## MIXED CLASSIC by Charles

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## DARREN PATTEN

Twelve months ago many of our members made a mental note of the talent shown by **Darren** in his quest for the City of Perth and W.A. Open Men's singles title, being staged at Hensman at the time. Two years ago Darren planned to shift to the city from his Geraldton home and board with his grandmother in Victoria Park, with Hensman in his sights as his tennis club. However he decided to become a boarder at Christchurch and for convenience joined the nearby Dalkeith Club at that time. With his schooling completed he joined Hensman at the beginning of this year and has already represented us in the State Grade with distinction.

Darren's recent success in winning the W.A. Men's Open Singles title is the culmination of a demanding preparation, which began ten weeks before Christmas when he played in the first of a series of eight Satellite tournaments in the Eastern States, starting at Cairns and finishing in Hobart. The tournaments have a 32 draw, however to get into the cut Darren had to play qualifying matches with 128 players vying for eight spots — he was successful in getting through these qualifying events and the experience gained in the main tournaments were obviously invaluable in his quest for the W.A. title which he won at Leederville so convincingly during the Christmas-New Year break. In February Darren will return to the Eastern States to compete in further satellite tournaments and then in April he is off to Europe for five months to gain further experience. We wish Darren the very best in his tennis career and in his time with our Club.



Darren Patten, W.A. Open Men's Singles Champion.

### Visitors

The Committee is concerned that some members are not recognising **THEIR RESPONSIBILITY** to pay fees (\$5 senior, \$2 junior) when they invite a visitor to the Club.

A visitor may only play at the Club **THREE** times in any one season. Visitors fees apply to club time on synthetic courts Monday to Friday and to grass courts, Wednesday, Thursday and weekends. Fees can be paid to Keith Begley's office when attended or fill in an envelope supplied in the box near the kitchen servery, and place it in the ball chute in the Captain's room.

Club members are allowed to play without charge on the synthetic courts during court hire times (provided they are not booked to other hirers) but must pay the appropriate to Keith Begley's office for visitors.

If you are unsure about club time and hire time on the synthetic courts, please refer to the sign on the fence adjacent to the courts which clearly shows the club hours.

Your fellow members rely on your honesty and integrity to ensure the privileges of **YOUR** club are not abused.

There will be a **CRACKDOWN ON VISITORS FEES**. All committee members will be on the lookout for non-paying visitors. The Pro Shop attendants will be cracking down also, and remember they can only identify you by your shoe tag. **WILL YOU BE EMBARRASSED BY NOT WEARING YOUR SHOE TAG?**

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## PROVISIONAL JUNIORS

Paul and Barbara Whitely were pleased to welcome back the PJ members after the holiday break and delighted also to report an influx of new members. S.O.S. — we urgently require more junior girls and Barbara would appreciate senior members co-operating and passing on the word to any young girls you may know of in the vicinity of Hensman. Congratulations to the following recent winners of the Player of the Week award — **Heath Francis, James Williams, David Cahif, Catherine White and Oliver Sustek**. A number of PJs played in the Melville tournament and among those who performed with distinction were **Luke Dorsogna, Gus Puggleise, Chris La Frenz, Mark and James Williams**.

## NEW MEMBERS

A big welcome is extended to the following new members

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## COACHING CLASSES

**Keith Begley** advises his junior coaching classes commence on Saturday February 4 and run through until April 15. The ten week course is available to children aged from 6-17, and the student/instructor ratio is 8-10/1 and cost for this course is \$50. Adult coaching is in full swing now — both day and evenings. Phone 474 1214 for a discussion on how Keith and his friendly team can help you gain more enjoyment from the game as well as increase your playing skills. Tennis racquets are available from Keith's pro shop at the Club, with special prices available to club members.

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