

Annual Report

2024-2025





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Acknowledgement of Country

Tennis ACT proudly acknowledges the traditional custodians, ACT's Aboriginal communities and their rich culture and pays respect to their Elders past, present and future. We acknowledge Aboriginal people as Australia's first peoples and as the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we work, live and play.

Tennis Australia (TA) is the governing body of tennis in Australia. The Company was established by the Victorian, New South Wales, Queensland, West Australian, South Australian, Tasmanian and the New Zealand Lawn Tennis Associations in 1904 to allow for the staging of the first Australasian Men's Championships in 1905.

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About Us

VISION FOR TENNIS IN THE ACT AND REGION

A preferred view of the future of our game

Tennis will be a prosperous sport and recreational pursuit that delivers an exceptional and accessible active experience to communities throughout the ACT and Region.

OUR VALUES AND COMMITMENT

The way we will operate

Tennis ACT is committed to:

- Creating a strong sense of unity amongst the tennis community in the ACT and Region;
- Working in strategic partnerships with our major stakeholders, including Tennis Australia and the ACT Government;
- Maintaining constructive and progressive relationships with all stakeholders; and
- Conducting the sport and business of tennis with integrity and professionalism

TENNIS ACT MISSION

Our role in achieving the vision of our game

To grow, manage, promote and develop the sport of tennis throughout the ACT and Region by:

- Providing strong leadership and direction that guides the sport towards our vision;
- Advocating the accessibility of tennis as a sport for all people;
- Promoting the health, economic, social and entertainment benefits that tennis delivers;
- Preserving the rich heritage and traditions of tennis;
- Partnering effectively with Tennis Australia, government, corporate partners and our clubs; and
- Taking an active approach to the commercial development of the sport and industry in the region

TENNIS ACT LIMITED

President

Ben Fuller

Directors

Adam Bartlett

Robyn Hendry
(retired December 2024)

Ann Landrigan

Simon Plummer

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Charles Gibbs*

Graham Gordon*

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John Heinemann

Brian Hynes*

Arthur Ide*

Alison Ide OAM*

Clem Maloney*

Colin Mason

Frank Piggin*

Bill Quealy*

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Isobel Watson*

Ken Willis OAM*

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Team Tennis ACT

TENNIS ACT STAFF

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Chief Executive Officer

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Head of Tennis

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Schools & Marketing Campaign
Coordinator

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(started September 2024)
Marketing Coordinator

Laura Blundell
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Business Operations & Inclusion
Lead

TENNIS AUSTRALIA STAFF

Tom George
(started October 2024)
National Development Head
Coach – ACT

Nathan Price
Talent Operations Manager –
ACT

Alison Bai
(finished August 2024)
Women & Girls Lead – ACT

Esther Lynch
(started November 2024)
Women & Girls Lead - ACT

Colin Thompson
Coach Relationship & Education
Manager – ACT

AFFILIATED CLUBS

Ainslie Tennis Club
Barton Tennis Club
Belconnen Tennis Club
Braddon Tennis Club
Bungendore Park Tennis Club
Campbell Tennis Club
Forrest Tennis Club
Googong Tennis Club
Jerrabomberra Tennis Club
Kaleen Tennis Club
Kambah Tennis Club
Kippax Tennis Club
Majura Tennis Club
Manuka Tennis Club
Melba Tennis Club
Murrumbateman Tennis Club

Narrabundah Tennis Club
North Woden Tennis Club
O'Connor Tennis Club
Old Parliament House Gardens
Tennis Club
Queanbeyan Park Tennis Club
Red Hill Tennis Club
Reid Tennis Club
Southlands Mawson Tennis Club
Tennis World – Canberra Tennis
Centre
The Pines Tennis Club
Torrens Tennis Club
Turner Tennis Club
Wesley Uniting Church
Weston Creek Tennis Club
Yarralumla Tennis Club

AFFILIATED SCHOOLS

Australian National University
Canberra Grammar School
Gold Creek School
Radford College

OTHER AFFILIATED BODIES

Tennis Seniors ACT
Diplomatic Australian Tennis
Committee
Pink Tennis

Major Partners

Tennis ACT would like to thank their partners for their dedicated support. Without the support of our partners, we simply could not run tournaments, competitions or events. Many thanks to:



CEO's Report

In 24-25, tennis across the ACT and Region continued to thrive with growth across all aspects of the game, from the grassroots to high performance. Many thanks must be given to the dedicated, connected and collaborative tennis community including: coaches, volunteers, officials, fans, families, partners and staff, all enabling great tennis, social connection, competition and fun for the whole region.

Participation in tennis continues to grow across the ACT and Region. Total participants across the region in 24-25 came to 44,178. Participation at schools increased to 21,704, up 13% year-on-year. We saw a 39% increase in unique players booking courts across the region compared to the same period last year. Total booking revenue increased 6.4% over the financial year. Alongside casual court hire, Cardio tennis also saw a large increase in players, almost doubling year on year, showing strong returns for the national and local investment into the new branding and marketing.

Competitive play continues to be well supported across the ACT and region. The Walking Clinic Canberra Tennis League saw approximately 1400 players and 672 teams participate in Adult and Juniors through 24-25. To further build the pathway from juniors to adult competition, Tennis ACT, in collaboration with local coaches, developed the new *Red Ball Rally powered by Hot Shots* brand, for red ball intra-club match play, and delivered a new Orange Ball League as a part of Junior Canberra Tennis League.

Further innovation came through the launch of online payments for Canberra Tennis League, an initiative devised in collaboration with clubs to reduce volunteer workload and increase ease of entry into Canberra Tennis League. Congratulations to all the teams and players who entered the numerous competitions and tournaments across the year. We look forward to continuing to see fair and fun competitive tennis across the ACT and Region throughout 25-26.

Tennis Infrastructure across the region continued to evolve. Venues invested in preparation for or new LED lighting solutions through 24-25, providing a more sustainable solution for tennis in Canberra. Venues also began to address potential impacts of climate change, with many investing in shade structures on courts, improving the player experience. Major projects such as the new courts in Amaroo and Weston Creek continued to progress towards development stages, and both are expected to break ground through FY26. The Workday Canberra International ATP125 and WTA125, returned in late December and early January. The event continued to provide the launching platform for the summer of tennis and future international stars, with Joao Fonseca using the event as a platform for his breakout year in 2025. Locally, up and coming talents in Emerson Jones and Cruz Hewitt were also on display for the fans to see the future of Australian tennis. Alongside wonderful matches, the Tennis ACT team, with Tennis Australia, continued to elevate the event, bringing live music onsite; Kid's Tennis Day; the launch of

the new Pink Tennis gin *Let's Get Loud(ish)* in collaboration with Underground Spirits; First Nations activities; Women Leaders brunch; and free tennis activities all week for patrons to participate in.

The Tennis ACT team delivered and assisted with the delivery of numerous other community events across the year to showcase the benefits of tennis, our performance pathway, and the inclusive nature of the sport. Some of these events include Community Tennis Day, Canberra Girls Get Active Day, Parliamentary Friends of Tennis, ACT's National Indigenous Tennis Carnival, Women and Girls in Leadership Brunch, Annual Tennis ACT Awards, Bruce Cup, Pizzey Cup, Todd Woodbridge Cup, Super 10s, Coaches Summits and Club Forums.

Led by Tom George and Nathan Price, Performance tennis in the ACT continues to develop. Some outstanding results and highlights were shared by individual juniors and teams from the ACT. In the team's



events, a major highlight was ACT winning the 10/u NSW State Teams Championships - an exceptional result. Individually, Piyushi Bandara was awarded the Alex De Minaur Spirit of Tennis Scholarship. This was a real highlight for Piyushi and recognition for her performance both on and off the court. Congratulations to all the players who have taken part in the performance squads and keep showcasing the 'blue and gold' spirit through 25-26.

Needless to say, these figures, events and projects continue

to highlight the importance of tennis to the community and how it acts as the ideal vehicle for physical health, mental wellbeing and social connectedness. For all ages, levels and abilities, tennis has something to offer, and I would like to thank our incredible tennis community - our clubs, volunteers, coaches, officials, players, parents, teachers, administrators, Government stakeholders, officials and many more for the tireless efforts you have made to build tennis across the ACT and Region, positively impacting the entire community.

Looking towards 25-26, the team, alongside the community, is well placed to continue to grow the game. As we continue to build upon the Tennis ACT Strategy for 24-27, focused on seeing more people play tennis more often, regardless of how, where and what they play, it is an exciting time to be involved in our great game. Once again, from the entire team at Tennis ACT, thank you for your support and we are looking forward to a bright 25-26.

Mark La Brooy
Chief Executive Officer

TENNIS AUSTRALIA CEO'S REPORT

A notable year

It has been another hugely successful year in Australian tennis, one that has seen outstanding results on the global stage, breakthrough performances and more people engaged in our sport than ever before.

GROWING GRASSROOTS TENNIS

Through the Game On strategy, we continue to work alongside our coaches, volunteers, clubs, schools, administrators, officials and players, to ensure more people have the opportunity to play tennis more often.

New look volunteer-delivered Hot Shots Tennis and Cardio Tennis has helped open the programs up to more communities around the country.

More kids continue to be introduced to our sport for the first time through school participation. Both the number of registered partner schools and Sporting Schools requests increasing in the 2023-2024 financial year. The Ash Barty Schools Challenge has encouraged schools to get involved, with Ash set to visit one lucky school later this year.

In October, we celebrated more than one million hours of tennis court bookings around the country in 12 months around the country. Further evidence of the efforts to make it easier to book online.

Competitive Play reached a significant milestone with more than 100,000 players with a rating regularly participating in Leagues and Tournaments. The Alex de Minaur Junior Tour was launched for 12/u and 14/u players in October and

Coloured Ball competitions continue to build momentum following the introduction of Coloured Ball Ratings.

Our Tennis Australia Coach Membership continues to go from strength to strength, sitting at a record 3766 coaches, including more than 1200 women coach members.

The momentum continues for complementary disciplines with an estimated 170,000 participants taking part in the sports at over 250 venues offering padel, pop or pickleball as part of their tennis programming.

The Tennis for Every Body campaign highlighted the accessibility of the sport with the support of the Minister for Every Body, Adam Hills. The first All Abilities Tennis Week to be held later this year will shine a light on the grassroots programs supporting players around the country.

AUSSIES BREAKTHROUGH ON THE INTERNATIONAL STAGE

Alex de Minaur has cemented his place in the world's top 10, joined by Daria Kasatkina on the women's side.

Maya Joint and Kimberly Birrell enjoyed breakthrough seasons, reaching career-highs alongside Talia Gibson, Olivia Gadecki and Emerson Jones. Jones also reached a career-high junior ranking of world No.1 in September 2024.

On the men's side Alexei Popyrin, Jordan Thompson, Adam Walton, Tristan Schoolkate, James McCabe, Li Tu and Omar Jasika achieved career-high singles rankings.

2024 saw our Davis Cup and Billie Jean King Cup teams advance to the finals in their respective competitions. The men's team making it through to the semifinals of the Davis Cup, while our women's team reached the quarterfinals of the Billie Jean King Cup.

In February, Aleksandar Vukic made his Davis Cup debut against Sweden, helping the team claim victory and secure their place for the second round of qualifiers in September. While in April, Maya Joint made her debut in the Billie Jean King Cup team.

Australia will host a Billie Jean King Cup tie in November, playing to earn a spot in the 2026 Qualifiers.

At the IBTA World Championships, our Blind and Low Vision athletes won seven gold, six silver and one bronze medal. While our wheelchair teams took part in the 30th edition of the World Team Cup finishing fourth and sixth in the quad and boys' tournaments.

Hunter Thompson created history, becoming the first Player with an Intellectual Impairment (PWII-3) to win three consecutive singles gold medals at the Virtus World Tennis Championships. Overall, Australia secured an impressive haul of two gold, five silver and two bronze.

While we celebrated a successful year for our Aussies, we sadly farewell two greats of our game, Neale Fraser and Fred Stolle. They will be sorely missed.

A SUMMER TO REMEMBER

The season began with the United Cup in Perth and Sydney. Team Australia began their campaign in Sydney. After an opening round loss to Argentina the team defeated Great Britain, but it wasn't enough to get them through the hotly contested round robin stage.

Brisbane, Adelaide, Hobart and Canberra completed the string of professional events being held around the country over the first two weeks of the global season.

A record-breaking 1,218,831 fans attended Australian Open 2025 with 116,528 attending AO Opening Week. The introduction of the inaugural One Point Slam was a highlight bringing together pro and amateur players on the Grand Slam stage for the first time. Victorian pro Omar Jasika was the eventual winner with the crowd firmly behind the last amateur standing, Paul Fitzgerald.

The tournament attracted a further 1.9 billion global fans and drew 2.3 billion social impressions while generating a record \$565.8 million in economic benefits to the Victorian economy.

Our Australian contingent of 20 were led by Alex de Minaur and included three local seeds for the first time in 43 years. Destanee Aiava and Kimberly Birrell joined them via qualifying to make a total of 22.

De Minaur reached the quarterfinals, while Alja Tomljanovic, Talia Gibson and Aiava were the best performing Aussie women reaching the second round. Emerson Jones reached the singles semifinal and doubles final of the AO Juniors, while Ben Wenzel reached the boys' wheelchair doubles final.

The first all-Australian mixed doubles final at the Australian Open in 58 years saw Olivia Gadecki and John Peers claim the title over Kimberly Birrell and John-Patrick Smith.

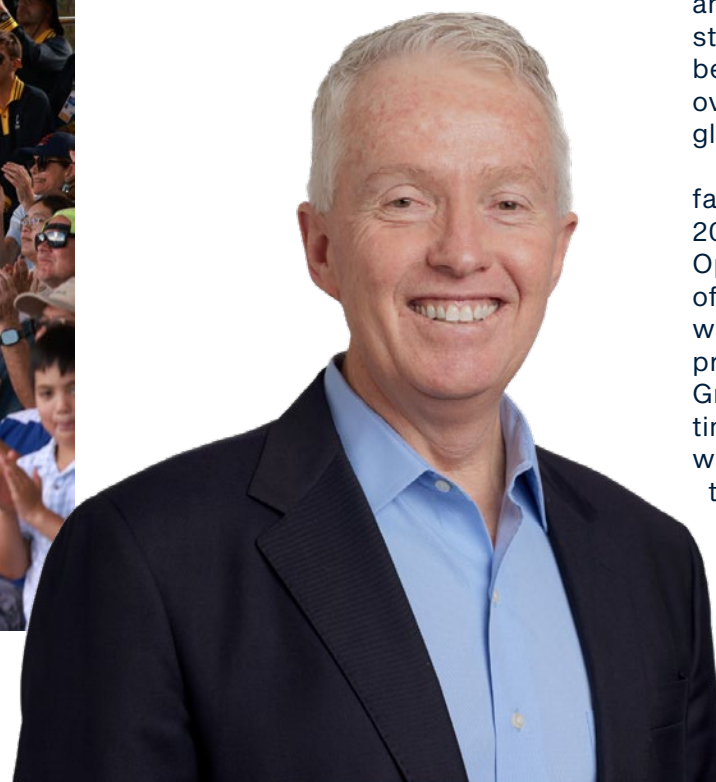
The AO saw us bid farewell to Luke Saville as he retired from the tour following a run to the third round of the men's doubles alongside fellow South Australian Li Tu.

THANK YOU

The future is bright for tennis in Australia, but this simply would not be possible without the unwavering dedication of our coaches, administrators, volunteers, officials and the wider delivery network. Thank you all for your commitment to our sport.



Craig Tiley
Tennis Australia CEO



Tennis ACT 2024-25

Key Figures

PARTICIPATION



44,178

Participants

Growth YOY from FY23-24: 18%

SCHOOLS



15,660

(+9%)

Primary School
Participants



6,044

(+27%)

Secondary School
Participants



21,704

(+13%)

Total
Participants

COMPETITIONS

1,342

The Walking Clinic
Canberra Tennis
League Players

499

Total Adult
Teams

173

Total Junior
Teams

94

Women's League
Participants

FACILITIES



31

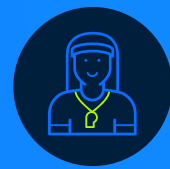
Venues with
LED lighting

COACHES



162

Tennis
Australia-
accredited
Coach
Members



55

Tennis
Australia-
accredited
Women &
Girls Coach
Members

COURT HIRE



33

venues



55,549

Total bookings
Growth YOY from FY23-24: 7%

DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT



6500+

Facebook



4200+

Instagram

74.8K Number of visits to
tennis.com.au/act over the year

PROMOTION



1200
attendees

Community Tennis Day



1100
attendees

Canberra Girls
Get Active Day

PERFORMANCE



1 Player awarded
Alex De Minaur Spirit
of Tennis Scholarship

Piyushi Bandara



2 Players selected
for the Tennis
Australia 14s
Green European
Tour

**Piyushi Bandara &
Tommy Camus**



3 Players selected
for Tennis Australia
National Camps

**Celeste Rubiano, Tommy
Camus & Piyushi Bandara**

1 Player 14/U
Australian
Claycourt
Championships
– Doubles

**Tia
Barrimore**



Inclusion & Diversity

WOMEN & GIRLS

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Learn 2 Lead

Learn 2 Lead is a fabulous leadership program for young women aged 14-18. It aims to build life and leadership skills, whilst also developing confidence to lead change within their local communities. The 10-week program includes face to face and online workshops, providing the opportunity to make meaningful connections with like-minded

people. The 24-25 programs consisted of 10 inspiring and engaged graduates from tennis communities around the ACT. This year's graduation day was held on 15 June providing an opportunity for families to celebrate participant's journeys and hear details of their Action Learning Projects. Post program, Graduates are supported to also take up opportunities such as volunteering during the Summer of Tennis and at other Tennis ACT events or progressing into coaching and/or officiating pathways if this is their interest.

TALENT

#Nolimits Girls Squads

This program provides the opportunity for girls aged 8-10 years to train and develop together in a fun, safe environment. We have seen 48 girls participate in #nolimits squads since the program launched in Term 4, 2023. Four different venues delivered #nolimits squads in 2024, with one venue continuing the squad in Term 1 of 2025.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Women Leaders in Tennis Networking Brunch

ACT's Women Leaders in Tennis networking event was held on Thursday 2 January, during the Workday Canberra International. The event had an amazing turnout of 61 women and girls, representing numerous clubs from the ACT and Region. Guests included Tennis ACT Board and Club Committee members, coaches, and Women Leaders in Tennis and Learn2Lead Program graduates. We were inspired by former pro-cyclist Gracie Elvin, as she spoke about personal growth, leadership and teamwork. This was followed by an insightful panel discussion with two local business leaders, Mel Tuckwood and Jackie Bilston. Guests enjoyed a delicious brunch, networking and the opportunity to stay and watch world-class tennis.

Canberra Girls Get Active Day

Canberra's largest community multi-sport event returned on Sunday 30 March at the Canberra Tennis Centre. Tennis ACT hosted this free event to inspire and empower women and girls to be more active.



Guests had the opportunity to sample over 11 different sports, facilitated by female athletes and representatives from all the major sporting organisations across the ACT. Free Hot Shots Tennis, Cardio Tennis and POP tennis sessions were provided thanks to Tennis World Canberra, and the first

200 kids through the gates received a free tennis racquet. Face painting, stilt walkers, free seated massages from CBR massage and tunes from a local DJ all added to the fun and festivities. We welcomed over 1000 people through the gates in two hours and the feedback was extremely positive.



2024 WHEELCHAIR OPEN

The 2024 Canberra Wheelchair Open was held from the 24-26 September with a mix of strong international and local talent on display. Several events across the different wheelchair divisions were held, including singles and doubles for men, women, quad and juniors. Australia's Anderson Parker defeated Japan's Shogo Takano in the Men's Singles final, whilst Yuma Takamuro from Japan took out the Women's singles round robin draw, only conceding eight games across her four matches. Benjamin Wenzle from Australia won the Quad event and promising talent Jin Woodman won the junior event. Athletes, coaches and staff enjoyed several activities during the week, and it was a great honour for Tennis ACT to host the best international wheelchair players in the world in the nation's capital.

multiple divisions across both the adult and junior competitions. Hayden Ballard found the edge over Hunter Thompson to win the Tier 1 Men's singles final 6-1, 4-6, (10-5) in a closely contested match, whilst Kelly Wren defeated Sacha Clifford 6-0, 6-1 in an impressive display in the final for the Women's event. In the junior singles events, ACT local Daniil Kostenko took out the boy's event and Sasha Clifford won the girls. Well done to all players for displaying fantastic sportsmanship across the event.

RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN – RAP

Through 24-25, Tennis ACT engaged Benny Eggmolesse from Aak-ither Consulting to assist in reviewing the Tennis ACT Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) originally designed in 2022.

The consultative and collaborative process included multiple team workshops to develop the new RAP, including a dedicated Cultural Awareness Training session.

Tennis ACT looks forward to continuing to deliver upon it's RAP and engaging and inspiring the community to be more inclusive and aware

through tennis across the ACT and Region.

PINK TENNIS

Tennis ACT worked closely with local LGBTQIA+ tennis group, Pink Tennis, throughout 24-25. The collaboration has led to growth of the Pink Tennis group across the ACT and region, with new playing opportunities at North Woden Tennis Club, alongside the Turner Tennis Club location that has been providing playing opportunities for over 40 years.

Tennis ACT connected Pink Tennis with local distillery, Underground Spirits, to launch the signature gin for the Workday Canberra International 2025, Let's Get Loud(ish). A portion of the sales of the gin went to support Pink Tennis. The cocktail and bottles were also sold at Pink Tennis' annual Bushdance.

Pink Tennis President, Geoff Dudley, has been instrumental through 24-25 in driving the growth of the brand and participation in tennis, with the group seeing record numbers. Geoff worked with the Gay and Lesbian Tennis Association (GLTA) to bring an international event to the Canberra Tennis Centre for which Geoff was the Tournament Director.

2025 ACT IDA OPEN

The 2025 ACT IDA Open was held at Canberra Tennis Centre from 26-27 April with players from across Australia descending on the Capital to showcase their talent. Several events were held including

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS TENNIS CARNIVAL

On 11 June, Tennis ACT proudly hosted the ACT Indigenous Tennis Carnival, celebrating culture, community, and connection through sport. Delivered in collaboration with Culture on the Move, Traditional Core, and Tennis World Canberra, the event welcomed 38 students for a day of culturally rich and active experiences.

Participants enjoyed boomerang throwing, a racquet painting workshop, traditional games, and tennis coaching, culminating in a fun match play session to showcase their new skills. The carnival created a vibrant atmosphere filled with energy, learning, and joy—highlighting the power of sport to connect young people with culture.

THE LORD'S TAVERNERS ALL-ABILITIES MULTI SPORTS DAY

The All-Abilities Multi Sports Day, proudly supported by The Lord's Taverners ACT, was held at The Dome in Fadden on 9 April 2025. The event brought together over 150 students from multiple schools who had the opportunity to try a variety of sports through fun, inclusive, and engaging sessions. The event fostered an atmosphere of enthusiasm, cooperation, and genuine enjoyment for all involved.

A big thank you to The Lord's Taverners ACT—a dedicated charity committed to giving young and disadvantaged Canberrans the chance to play sport when they might not otherwise have the opportunity. Their continued support helps create meaningful and memorable experiences like this one for all involved.



CLUB

CLUB DEVELOPMENT

In 24-25 the team continues to work with club committees to identify areas of opportunity for each venue to continue to grow the sport. Across the year three club forums were held by Tennis ACT as well as a combined club and coach forum to further build club and coach connections. These forums provide an opportunity for club committee members to be upskilled and educated across numerous topics, while also creating a chance for clubs to network and learn from each other. Topics included, Government Grants, Club Identity and Summer of Tennis Promotion, Child Safety, Club Digital Uplift as well as a ‘Thank You’ event at the Workday Canberra International 2025.

The Tennis ACT Youth Advisory Group was also established in 24-25 with nine local youth members joining

the committee. The Youth Advisory Group will lead the way in defining what youth want and need from tennis and provide important insights and recommendations on current and future tennis initiatives.

Club Identity, digital enhancements and complementary disciplines were key priorities in Club Development over the past 12 months. Tennis ACT supported clubs in creating a brand identity for their venues to drive a sense of belonging and enhance engagement of current and future members. Tennis clubs across the ACT and Region have been working on important upgrades to their websites to ensure the user-friendly platform information is easily accessible, up to date and tailored to the needs of today’s tennis community. The digital enhancements have been put

in place to ensure a seamless online experience that reflects each club’s unique identity and makes it easier for players to connect, join and stay informed.

Clubs across the ACT and Region continue to embrace complimentary disciplines of tennis to provide additional opportunities and increased sustainability for their venue. Three venues successfully piloted a POP Tennis program, as well as five venues offering a range of Pickleball activities. Beach Tennis was also well supported with 34 participating in a flexible Beach Tennis social league.

Melba Tennis Club was proudly named the 2024 Most Outstanding Tennis Club or Venue at the prestigious Newcombe Medal awards. Tennis ACT extends its warmest congratulations to the entire Melba Tennis Club community on this well-deserved recognition.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Nine clubs across the ACT and Region with a club team mascot – Weston Creek Wedgetails, Jerrabomberra Jets, North Woden Spartans, Kippax Platypus, Barton Burly Gryphons, Red Hill Roos, Melba Magpies, Kaleen Kookaburras and Kambah Comets
- 85 unique committee members attendees across Tennis ACT Club Forums
- Melba Tennis Club crowned the Most Outstanding Tennis Venue or Club at the 2024 Newcombe Awards
- Nine venues offering a complimentary discipline including POP, Pickle or Beach Tennis increasing the sustainability of tennis venue
- More than 55,549 bookings were made in 24-25 showing an increase of 7% with the total number of hours played up 1.65% to 77,791. The number of new participants grew by 8.99% to 4,023 bringing the total number of participants to 44,178, an increase of 18% on 23-24.



SCHOOLS

School tennis participation in the ACT increased by 13% in 24-25 compared to the previous year. A key highlight was the successful delivery of the Todd Woodbridge Cup and Wally Masur Cup, with over 230 students involved.

On 18 November 2024, Holy Trinity represented the ACT at the State Finals in Sydney, finishing 2nd overall after a hard-fought final against Kangaroo Valley Public School—an outstanding result from a pool of more than 8,500 student participants. Their success was further recognised with the Newcombe Medal for Most Outstanding School at the 2024 awards.

Throughout the year, Tennis ACT remained actively engaged with schools to ensure coaches, PE teachers, and Sport Coordinators received the support needed to deliver quality tennis programs.

Through 2025, a new Classroom to Club Transition Strategy will be implemented to support long-term player engagement. Winners of Gala Day events will be invited to represent their local club in the Autumn 2026 Orange/Green Ball Canberra Tennis League (CTL).

Tennis ACT further developed the Schools Action Plan with a vision to embed tennis within schools and universities across the ACT and Region. The action plan identifies four key pillars to ensure the sustainability of tennis within the school environment whilst also providing a clear pathway back to local tennis clubs.

The four key pillars include:

- Education** – by continuously advocating for curriculum aligned program delivery and professional learning opportunities.
- Competition** - by expanding competition pathways to provide further opportunity for students.
- Classroom to Club Initiatives** – discovering key incentives for students to engage in their local tennis club.
- Equipment** – supplying schools with equipment to ensure tennis can be embedded in the school environment.

Thanks to a strong partnership between Tennis Australia and Sporting Schools, over 30 ACT schools received grant funding in 2024 to run tennis programs, delivered either by PE teachers or local club coaches.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Participation of students playing tennis in schools increased from 19,137 to 21,704
- Students playing tennis in primary schools increased from 14,390 to 15,660
- Students playing tennis in secondary schools increased from 4,747 to 6,044
- Database of 68 schools offering tennis as part of their PE program during school hours.

Competitive Play

Competitive play continues to be strongly engaged in the ACT and region with plenty of playing opportunities available across tournaments, The Walking Clinic Canberra Tennis League and Women's Tennis League. Tennis ACT continued to work proactively with Tennis Australia to bring events to the region, including the Workday Canberra International, ITF events and the Claycourt Nationals which were all hosted in the Australian Capital Territory.



CANBERRA TENNIS LEAGUE

The Walking Clinic Canberra Tennis League (CTL) continued to be the primary competitive player pathway for players in the ACT and region, with approximately 1400 players taking to the court for a league match within the last 12 months. Junior Canberra Tennis League saw the inclusion of Orange Ball League in the 2025 Autumn season, which provided a clear progression of the colour ball pathway within the ACT and region. The joint seasons of CTL presentations have continued to be successful with many players, family and friends in attendance to celebrate team achievements.

Our adult and junior league partner, The Walking Clinic, continue to be a major supporter of Tennis ACT and we thank Ricky and the team for the important part they play in supporting the local tennis community.

ADULT LEAGUE

Tennis ACT continued to provide a range of competitive playing opportunities for our affiliated members through inter-club competitions. Both singles and doubles across a range of different formats continue to be offered across the Monday/ Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday leagues, ensuring there is a suitable option for all players. In 24-25, The Walking Clinic CTL Adult Leagues saw a total of 499 teams participate in Winter (101), Spring (150), Summer (95) and Autumn (153) competitions.



JUNIOR LEAGUE

The inclusion of Orange Ball League to the junior CTL pathway, alongside Green Ball and Yellow Ball League, saw the completion of a strong colour ball pathway for junior players in the region to continue developing their skills. In 24-25, there were a total of 173 teams competing across the Spring (91) and Autumn (82) seasons. Tennis ACT would like to thank all junior league club coordinators, coaches, colour ball supervisors, team managers and parents for their support and commitment to players and competitions throughout the year.

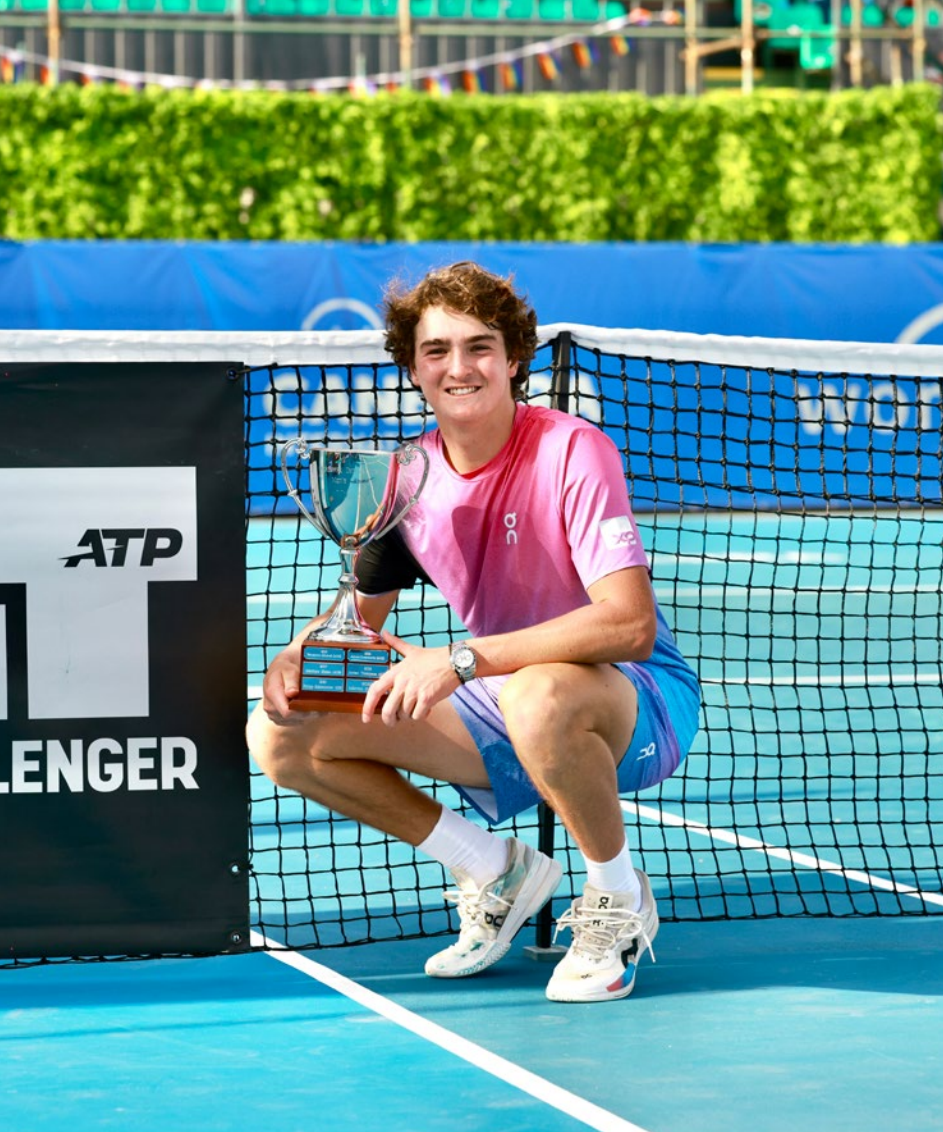
WOMEN'S TENNIS LEAGUE

Tennis ACT continued to provide a platform to welcome women to competitive tennis in an inviting and social setting. Due to continued growth in the

three previous seasons (October 2023, February 2024 and May 2024), Women's Tennis League expanded to two venues, running at both Canberra Tennis Centre and Manuka Tennis Club for the October 2024 season. After further consideration, Tennis ACT conducted a revamp of the format of Women's Tennis League with the inclusion of a 'social stream' and a 'compete stream'. The league continued to run as a 'flex' 8-week season, meaning players did not have to commit for the whole season and could sign up week to week. The social stream offers two short sets of doubles, whilst the format for the compete stream is one set of doubles and one set of singles. This new format ran in February 2025 and May 2025 and saw many new participants taking to the court, with 94 women competing in Women's Tennis League across 24-25.

RED BALL RALLY

Through 24-25 the team worked closely with local coaches to develop an over-arching brand for red ball match play called Red Ball Rally. The aim was to enable broader promotion of red ball match play at local venues while still allowing coaches to deliver the program in a manner that suited their business. By building a stronger base in red ball match play, the desired outcome is to see greater retention of players through Canberra Tennis Junior League. We thank local community club, the Canberra Southern Cross Club, who came on board as a supporting partner, providing funding to help market the program along with dinner vouchers for coaches to provide to the player with the best attitude each week.



EVENTS

WORKDAY CANBERRA INTERNATIONAL

*Post Event Report by
Tournament Director,
Lawrence Robertson*

As the sun sets on another incredible Australian summer of tennis, then we can reflect on another great week of world class tennis in the Nation's Capital.

If I can firstly pass on my own personal thanks to all of the Tennis ACT and Tennis Australia team members, volunteers, ballcrew, officials and our partners who all made the 2025 Workday Canberra International possible. The months and weeks of planning and preparation all contributed to a record-breaking week where we saw new levels of attendance, even greater engagement with the Canberra tennis community and the emergence of one of the game's future greats.

Off the court, our thanks go out to Workday, Events ACT, Capital Hotel Group, Icon Water, Next Gen, Underground Spirits and Marriott Midnight Bar & Hotel for their support of the event, all of which helps make the event possible. Heading into event, we spoke of the strength of the field not only in attracting 11 of the world's Top 100 players but also in playing host to the next generation of talent, from both Australia and across the world. Multiple Junior Grand Slam winners packed strong men's and women's draws with emerging talent such as Emerson Jones, Hayden Jones and Cruz Hewitt leading the charge for Australia's next wave of talent.

On the court, our congratulations go to our Women's singles winner,

Aoi Ito of Japan and our Australian double winning pair of Chloe Hule and Jaimee Fourlis. On the men's side, the doubles title was secured in dramatic fashion by the American pair of Ryan Seggerman and Elliot Spizziri who claimed the title in 3 sets having lost the 1st set 6-1.

The week was dominated by one player, Brazil's Joao Fonseca who came to Australia for the first time on the back of claiming the ATP's Next Gen title in Jeddah in December. His talent was on show throughout the week, failing to drop a set and ultimately claiming the title against the impressive American youngster Ethan Quinn. On the day, Fonseca proved too strong for his opponent winning

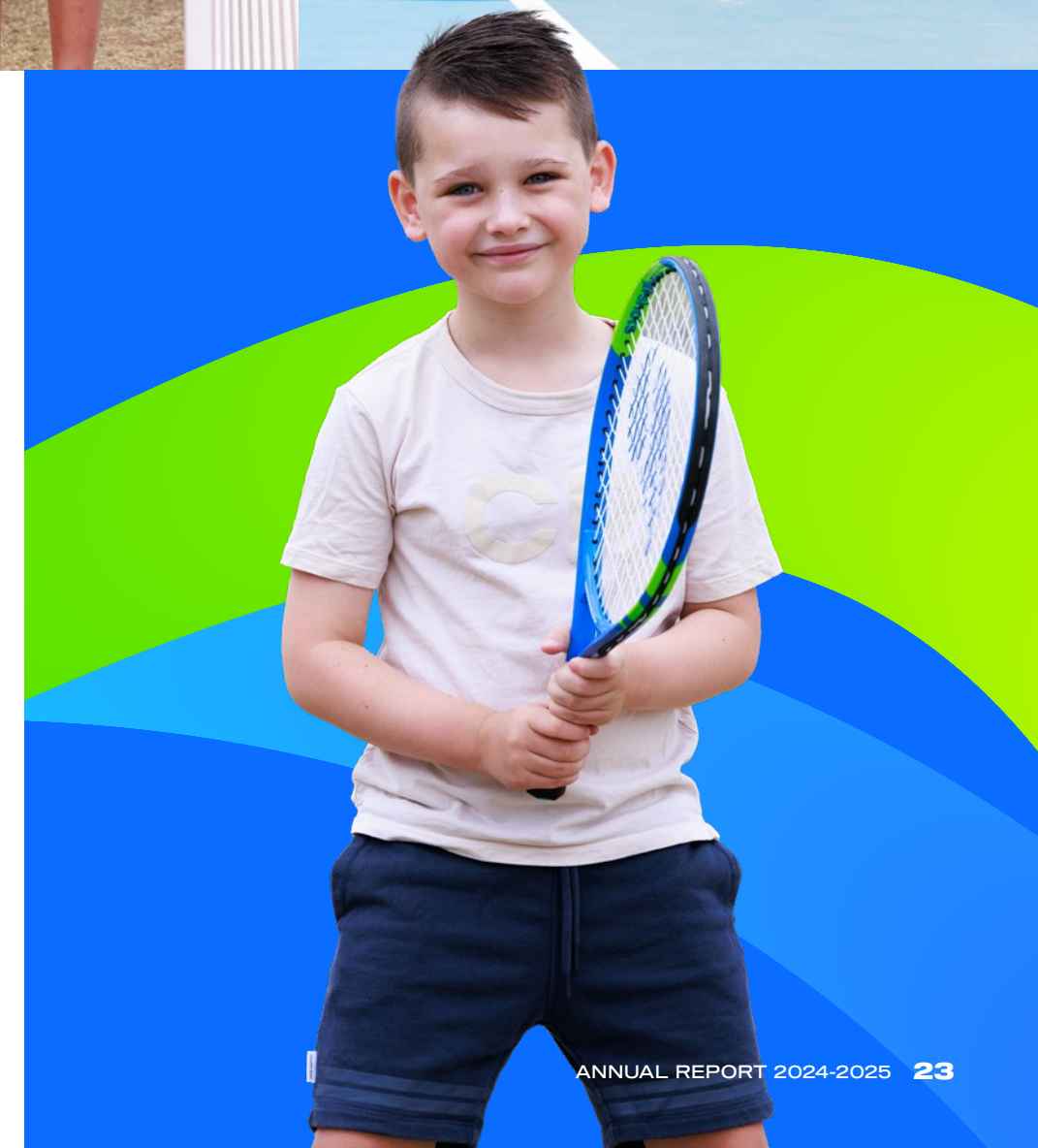
6-4, 6-4. He not only captured the attention of the local South American contingent

but the public at large as they realised they were witnessing the emergence of a future superstar. Since claiming the title in Canberra, Fonseca qualified for the AO without dropping a set and whilst he lost in the second round, he has continued his meteoric climb up the ATP rankings winning his first ATP250 title in Buenos Aires in February and climbing to a career high of 78.

Fonseca's win summarises the very best of the Workday Canberra International, the ability to see the future of tennis up close and personal whilst enjoying the best that the Capital has to offer.

We continue to make great strides towards being Canberra's premier summer sporting event.

Lawrence Robertson
Tournament Director



EVENTS

ACT JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Tennis ACT delivered the Signature 500 ACT Championships from the 7-12 April 2025 in the lead up to the 12/u and 14/u Australian Claycourt National Championships. The tournament is a key pathway providing players the opportunity to compete for junior tour points and key match practice on the clay prior to Claycourt Championships. A total of 272 players competed in the event

12/U & 14/U AUSTRALIAN CLAYCOURT CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Canberra Tennis Centre hosted the 12/u & 14/u Australian Claycourt Championships from the 12th-17th April 2025 with a total of 425 players competing across singles, doubles and mixed doubles for the 12 and 14 age groups.

Singles Champions:

12/u girls Eadie Biggs (QLD)
12/u boys Zayd Joosab (QLD)
14/u girls Eleni Makantasis (VIC)
14/u boys Parth Chitroda (VIC)

Doubles Champions:

12/u girls Iris O'Donnell & Kira Russell (QLD)
12/u boys Jobe Dikkenberg (ACT) & Zayd Joosab (QLD)
14/u girls Musemma Cilek & Qiqi Lei (VIC)
14/u boys Max Edwards (SA) & Jonathan Zhang (VIC)

TENNIS WORLD EVENTS

In 24-25, Tennis World Canberra successfully hosted a number of tournaments, including the 2024 O3K Tennis World Canberra (Indoor) with 87 entries, the 2024 JP250 J125 ACT Rafa Nadal Tour event with 184 entries, the 2024 O3K JP250 J125 Tennis World Canberra with 113 entries, the 2025 O3K J250 J125 Tennis World Canberra #1 with 148 entries, the 2025 O3K J250 J125 Tennis World Canberra #2 with 265 entries and the 2025 JC ACT Rafa Nadal event with 116 entries. We thank the team at Tennis World Canberra for their continued support and commitment to delivering high quality events.

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT SERIES

The Junior Development Series (JDS) continues to provide juniors with key exposure to match play in a tournament setting. In 2024, across the nine events, there was a total of 1110 entries. The 2024 Champion of Champions saw 79 players take to the court after great performances and results at the series throughout the year. Participation continues to be strong across the JDS tournaments in 2025, with 381 entries across the first four events.



MIDWEEK WOMEN'S TENNIS LEAGUE

The 24-25 year has been another successful year for our Concertina Ladder competition.

This format continues to provide players with guaranteed matches each week against players of their own standard. We now have over 50 active players to accommodate in and out of the ladder each week. Belconnen Tennis Club is still the base for our competition, however we are now booking more courts at Melba Tennis Club as our numbers have increased. We host four ladder competitions a year being Winter, Spring, Summer and Autumn. A Presentation lunch is held at the conclusion of each competition with prizes awarded in three main categories. We award winners and participation.

A special tournament fun day was run on Melbourne Cup Day and we held our Christmas



Gala Day in December at the end of our Spring Ladder Competition. The Wimbledon Gala Day held at the end of our Autumn competition in June was a washout.

Alongside myself the committee consists of Michele Grant, Brenda Neal and Julie Howe who assist with administration.

The players are thriving under this ladder format, and we have increased numbers forming teams to play in country tournaments and represent ACT at the Australian Seniors championships.

Betty Smith

President
Midweek Women's League



TENNIS SENIORS ACT

The 24-25 year has been a good year for Tennis Seniors ACT albeit with weather playing havoc with our social groups, wanting to keep active.

Our members once again gave support to other senior divisions by attending several social and ITF interstate tournaments in Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia. Tennis Seniors South Australia hosted the Australian Seniors Team and Individual Championships in January 2025 at the Seniors Head Quarters South Park and other Tennis Clubs around Adelaide.

There were 123 teams that played in Hobart and surrounding suburbs with ACT taking six Ladies teams and five Men's teams to compete in various age groups. TSACT had success in the Ladies 60 Div 1 taking the gold medal. Team members were Helen Holcombe, Ros Balodis, Bev Roberts, Rebecca

Claremont, Leonie Ainsworth and Kaye Nealon from NSW. Men's 60 Div 2 lost a tight battle for the gold metal losing by two games. Team members were Tim Harris, Grant Woodbridge, Jim Donaldson, Gary Thomas, Phillip Smith WA, and Lance Lin NSW. Our other teams played well coming in at various positions in their age groups. Again, we welcomed a few new players who experienced this event for the first time. Interstate players had to be used to help form some of our teams. Next year we travel to the Gold Coast and teams are already gearing up. In the second week when the Individual championships events were played, five TSACT players competed. These players were Ros Balodis, Leonie Ainsworth, Gary Thomas, Terry Walker, and Patrick Moloney. Ros Balodis was the best achiever by winning the Singles, Doubles and Mixed in the Women's 65 age group,

thus showing she is back to her old form. The other success was Pat Moloney who came runner up in the Men's 80 Doubles.

The ACT Seniors Championships (Easter) were held from 18 March to 21 March 2025. The weather was great which really enabled the running of a successful tournament. The clay courts were in top condition and players expressed favourable comments regarding play on good clay courts in good weather conditions. Kal Liiband, groundskeeper at the Canberra Tennis Centre, did a great job maintaining the courts. This year the tournament attracted 105 players which was down from 120 in 2024. However, the tournament included 11 past and present Australian team representatives along with eight overseas representatives and so provided some strong and competitive tennis. Into this mix were 18 ACT players.

Although not all members it was very pleasing to see local participation. Results can be found by looking up our Vetset newsletters on TSACT website.

A big plus again this year was access to Next Gen Café for food and refreshments with 'specials' provided to the players. A 'Meet and Greet' for players was held at Next Gen on the Thursday Night before the tournament. On Saturday Night an informal dinner was held at Jamison Southern Cross Club. Pat Moloney is to be congratulated for administering the tournament with Mark Crawley refereeing and Graham Smith for organising Next Gen arrangements and Hilary Bridgen as Masseur.

It was a very long weekend for the committee.

Nine Sunday Round Robins were played at Melba Tennis Club or Weston Creek Tennis Club. The competitors in the round robins were competing

for the Venezuela Cups, which are presented to the most successful players over the year. The 2024 winner was Tony Ross and the runner-up Tim Newton.

At the Christmas dinner our two major awards were presented. The Frank Thornton award for achieving the most notable tennis success over the past year went to Patrick Moloney and the George Henshilwood Award for administrative work went to John Greenup. The Willis Award is a gold trophy awarded to a Golden Oldie and the winner was Barbara Mapley.

Tennis Seniors Australia's AGM was held in January. Warren Müller was reappointed as TSA's Public Officer. The Presidents and Secretaries of the State and Territory divisions only met once, via Zoom, with the National Executive of Tennis Seniors Australia over this last year. The main discussion items

were TSA funding, social and competitive tennis, the annual carnival, other tournaments, and divisional updates. We celebrated six of our members turning 80 in 2025 at a luncheon held on the 24 August at the Trevino's Restaurant Gold Creek Golf Club where 83 members and guests attended the luncheon.

Our membership to 30 June 2025 totals four life members 165 regular members. Financially TSACT is in a sound position, with money in the bank and no expected large financial outlays. The successful running of Tennis Seniors ACT during 24-25 is attributed to the good work put in by the committee members. I thank them all for their support and contribution.

Graham Smith
President
July 2024

People

COACHES

ACT Coach Development continues to lead nationally in coach survey performance, digital innovation, and regional development. This strong momentum will guide sustained growth and excellence across 2026. 24-25 has strongly aligned with both the Tennis ACT Strategic Plan and the Tennis Australia Coach Development Strategy. Alongside courses, the team also assisted in the digital uplift of coach websites, enhancing and optimising 15 sites, including launching three new coach websites.

COURSES

Coaching and digitalisation efforts experienced strong momentum and increased engagement. Across 13 coaching courses, we received 110 participants—an impressive rise. Courses delivered included: Participation Coaching Courses -

online (23 participants), Women's Participation Coaching (5 participants), Trainee Coaching Courses (26 participants), Level 1 Coaching Course (16 participants), Pickleball and POP Tennis Delivery Coaching Courses (22 participants), Online Cardio Tennis Course (4 participants), Stringing Certification Courses (via Racquet Lab): 6 participants.

WORKSHOPS AND UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP

Our workshop and university engagement initiatives saw remarkable growth, with 345 participants across 18 workshops—a substantial increase. Key highlights include: Coaches Summit Series, specialised coaching workshops including Child Safeguarding, and Business-to-Business (B2B) Workshops.

We have also been collaborating with local universities to deliver two innovative coaching workshops, engaging 46 undergraduate students. These sessions focused on modern teaching methodologies and pathway awareness.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Participation surged with 276 attendees across 13 PD sessions—a significant increase from 169 in 2024. Key sessions included: Virtual Grand Slam Coaches Conference, Australian Open Events, Tennis ACT Coach Forum – Red Ball Rally, ClubSpark for Coaches training.

WOMEN & GIRLS

Through 24-25, Women and Girls coaching initiatives continued to expand, with 168 participants across 8

specialised events, reflecting our commitment to inclusive development and visibility.

INCLUSION & DIVERSITY

Inclusion & Diversity initiatives engaged 32 participants across three dedicated sessions, with a focus on accessibility and inclusive coaching practices. Key activities included: Wheelchair Coaches Workshop, and Blind and Low Vision Coaches Workshop. These sessions reflect our ongoing commitment to creating inclusive environments and expanding coaching capabilities across diverse communities.

COACH MEMBERSHIP, ENGAGEMENT AND SATISFACTION

Coach membership reached a record high with 190 total members, continuing an upward trend from 153 in 2023 and 178 in 2024.

In total, 147 coaches (77%) hold formal qualifications, reflecting strong engagement in professional development and accreditation pathways.

HIGHLIGHTS

Coach Membership

- 129 Trainees members
- 33 Qualified Coach members
- 27 Business Coach members
- 60 Women & Girls coach membership

Coach Qualifications

- 11 High-Performance Coaches
- 1 Master Club Professional
- 24 Club Professional Coaches
- 30 Level 1 Coaches
- 37 Trainee Coaches
- 44 Participation Coaches

OFFICIATING – A YEAR OF GROWTH AND ACHIEVEMENT

Over the past 12 months, officiating in the ACT has seen significant development and success. A number of major events were hosted locally at the Canberra Tennis Centre including the Workday Canberra International, 12/u & 14/u Claycourt Nationals, ITF Juniors 100, and the J500 Signature Series. These tournaments were supported by a strong team of local officials, contributing to their smooth and successful delivery.

In June, four ACT officials travelled to Sydney for line umpire training, where all achieved State Accreditation. This marks a great step forward in building officiating capacity in the region.

On 9–10 August, two ACT officials attended a Referee Workshop in Melbourne, beginning their journey toward becoming accredited referees—an exciting development for the local officiating pathway.

Leadership within the officiating community is also growing. Shannon and Caitlyn are in the Women Leaders in Tennis-Officiating Program with a focus on supporting female officials. They are exploring initiatives such as a mentorship program for new officials and a women's officiating social event to foster connection and support.

Tennis Australia's Competition Assistant role continues to provide a valuable entry point for new officials. Recently, two new trainees—Joshua Janto and Adam Ayad joined the ACT officiating team. Welcome aboard!

Rick Lavers

Officiating Development Coordinator (NSW/ACT)



Places



The Pines Tennis Club – Court Expansion Masterplan – Proposed utilisation of Block 9 Section 567

GUNGAHLIN \ AMAROO TENNIS FACILITY

Several delays have pushed back the commencement of construction of this venue to the second half of 2025. Additional funding had to be sought in the ACT budget as delays had seen an increase in construction costs. The tender evaluation process has now been completed, and the announcement of the successful contractor is imminent. It is expected that construction will commence in the fourth quarter of 2025.

CANBERRA TENNIS CENTRE UPGRADES

Several improvements have been undertaken at the Canberra Tennis Centre on the back of requirements and recommendations from the WTA and ATP. To ensure the ongoing success of the Workday Canberra International, Tennis Australia and Tennis ACT continue to look at ways of uplifting the quality of the facility, and consequently the player and spectator experience. In 24-25 this has included the completion of all concrete pathways as originally envisaged when the facility was redeveloped in 2014. This goes a long way to ensuring that the venue remains viable regardless of weather conditions. Other Investments included the resurfacing of all the outdoor hard courts, and the improvement of the court lighting on courts five, six and seven.

WESTON CREEK EXPANSION

The next project off the rank will be the expansion of the Weston Creek Tennis Club. Off the back of a \$800,000 commitment from the federal government, \$100,000 from the ACT Government and a \$100,000 commitment from the Tennis Australia National Court Rebate Scheme, this project will see the construction of two new hard courts, along with the resurfacing of two synthetic grass courts. Various factors led to the delay in the commencement of this project, most notably extremely restrictive and technical requirements that needed to be met to gain development approval. Specialist advisors have been engaged, the DA has been approved, and the team will proceed to market soon.

THE PINES EXPANSION

Tennis ACT has been working extensively with The Pines Tennis Club in Chisholm to try and secure land adjacent to the club to enable the construction of another four tennis courts, along with additional pickleball / Hot Shots courts. The club submitted an expression of interest to the Territory Planning Authority and has been notified that they will be invited to tender for the portion of land surrounding the current footprint in the coming months. We are currently meeting with the political stakeholders from the Tuggeranong region to get their support and advice on how best to frame the tender bid so that this vital asset can be expanded to meet the tennis needs of the area.

GRANT FUNDING AND SPONSORSHIP

The construction and improvement of community sporting infrastructure remains extremely reliant on funding from several areas. This year we are again grateful for the funding provided by the ACT and Federal governments, the National Court Rebate scheme of Tennis Australia, and a number of sponsors who selflessly helped the clubs.

This last year has seen several clubs in the region take the initiative on providing shaded rest areas for players on court. The extreme daytime temperatures experienced in the summer months is making this more and more important, and we see this becoming the standard across the region. This has been achieved through fundraising, sponsorship, and grant funding, and we congratulate the clubs who are setting the standard in this area.



FENCE UPGRADES

A few tennis clubs in the region are reaching a situation where their fencing is starting to show its age. While in some cases it is possible to do repairs and partial replacement of fencing and fence posts, in others the level of rust has started to pose safety challenges. In the last year three clubs have started to address these issues, with Manuka Tennis Club requiring complete replacement of fencing and fence posts. This was partially funded through a grant from the ACT Government and Minister Yvette Berry officially unveiled the new fencing in April. Other clubs which have opted for partial replacement are Turner Tennis Club and Barton Tennis Club. All of these show a marked improvement in aesthetics and safety.



Promotion



MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

Tennis ACT maintained strong relationships with local media throughout the 24-25 year, securing valuable coverage and visibility for our competitions and events. Key partners included the ACT Government, Region Media, Events Canberra and Mix 106.3.

DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT

By increasing the reach of Tennis ACT's digital presence and enhancing the marketing capabilities of our local clubs and coaches, our digital marketing has continued to grow the profile of tennis in the ACT and region.

Content produced during the Workday Canberra International was a standout, drawing over 15,950 people through the gates and driving record-breaking engagement across our channels. Followers on Tennis ACT's social media platforms continue to grow year-on-year.

By leveraging the momentum from the Summer of Tennis, we have been able to amplify local talent, promote grassroots events, and strengthen connections with the tennis community like never before. We have adopted Dynamics 365 as our mailing platform, which now supports a growing database of over 2,000 subscribers. Through the continued use of Meta's advertising tools,

we successfully delivered nine advertising campaigns and numerous boosted posts throughout the year – further connecting target audiences with local Tennis opportunities.

MAJOR EVENTS AND COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

Major campaigns and events across the 24-25 year included: Workday Canberra International, Summer of Tennis leverage campaign, Community Tennis Day, Canberra Girls Get Active Day, Play Tennis Week and Red Ball Rally. These campaigns helped drive participation, grow visibility, and support tennis at all levels across the ACT and region.

TENNIS ACT AWARDS

Tennis ACT hosted the 2024 Tennis ACT Awards on 31 August 2024 at QT Canberra, with approximately 130 guests in attendance, including club committees, coaches, volunteers, board members and staff.

Four winners went on to represent the ACT at the Newcome Medal, including Melba Tennis Club in the Most Outstanding Tennis Club, Holy Trinity Primary School in the Most Outstanding School, Robert Jamieson - Coaching Excellence - Club and Jillian Mitchell - Volunteer Achievement Award. Both Melba and Holy Trinity were successful in winning their national categories, a proud achievement for our tennis community.

2024 TENNIS ACT AWARD WINNERS

Athlete of the Year: Ashliegh Simes

Coaching Excellence – Club: Robert Jamieson, Canberra School of Tennis

Coaching Excellence – Development: Andrew Bulley, Canberra Tennis Academy

Coaching Excellence – Performance: Monique Adamczak

Coaching Assistant: Jonothan Robson, North Woden Tennis Club

ACT Adult Club Player of the Year: Nathan Franklin, Weston Creek Tennis Club

ACT Junior Club Player of the Year: Alex Bale, Belconnen Tennis Club

Junior Athlete of the Year – Male: Tommy Camus

Junior Athlete of the Year – Female: Aliyah Dwyer

Most Outstanding Athlete with a Disability: Isabel Cairns

Most Outstanding 30+ Tennis Master: Pat Maloney

Excellence in Officiating: Caityln Lewis

Most Outstanding Tennis Club or Venue: Melba Tennis Club

Volunteer Achievement Award: Jillian Mitchell, North Woden Tennis Club

Most Outstanding Inclusion Initiative: Marymead Catholic Care – Neurodiversity Come & Try Day

Most Outstanding School: Holy Trinity Primary School

WALK OF FAME

The 2024 Walk of Fame inductee was Pat Macnicol, honouring an exceptional contribution that has brought recognition and esteem to both Pat and to Tennis in the ACT and region.



Performance

AUSTRALIAN TEAM'S CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS 2025

TEAM ACT

11/u Boys: Tied 7th place
11/u Girls: Tied 5th place
13/u Boys: Tied 5th place
13/u Girls: Tied 5th place
15/u Girls: 8th place
15/u Boys: 7th place

2024 August:
Bruce Cup Team: 6th Place
2025 May:
Pizzey Cup Team: 6th Place

NOTABLE PERFORMANCE POINTS

- **13 National Development Program athletes:** 10 NDP Connect and 3 NDP Support
- **Two players selected for the National Tennis Academy Brisbane:** Elijah Dikkenberg and Oscar Andrews
- **Two players selected for the Tennis Australia 14s Green European Tour:** Tommy Camus and Piyushi Bandara
- **Three players selected for Tennis Australia National Camps:** Celeste Rubiano, Tommy Camus and Piyushi Bandara
- **Two players part of the winning teams at the National Super 10s finals in Melbourne:** Odin Stroud and Celeste Rubiano
- **Eight players part of the winning teams at the 10/U NSW State Teams Championships:** Jaius Dass, Kai Dai, Odin Stroud, Lindsay Grave, Celeste Rubiano, Alicia Yang, Ksenia Arutyunova and Billie Zeng
- **One player awarded Alex De Minaur Spirit of Tennis Scholarship:** Piyushi Bandara
- **Six players with ITF 18/U world rankings:** Oshini Gunaratne, Piyushi Bandara, Zali Ilitch, Jasmeet Goraya, Oscar Andrews and Elijah Dikkenberg
- **One player 14/U Australian Claycourt Championships – Doubles Finalist:** Tia Barrimore
- **One player ITF 18/U J60 Mornington Claycourt Doubles Finalist:** Piyushi Bandara



Annual Financial Report

30 June 2025

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DIRECTORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

The Directors present their report together with the financial report of Tennis ACT Limited ('the Company') for the financial year ended 30 June 2025 and the auditor's report thereon.

1. Directors

The Directors of the Company at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

President		
B Fuller	Lawyer	President since September 2019
Company Secretary		
M La Brooy	Chief Executive Officer	CEO and Company Secretary since July 2023
Directors		
B Fuller	Lawyer	Director since June 2011
R Hendry	General Manager	Retired Dec 2024
S Plummer	General Manager	Director since August 2017
A Bartlett	Lawyer	Director since November 2019
A Landrigan	General Manager (Retired)	Director since November 2019
P Trenbath	Partner Media Agency	Director since November 2020
J Bilston	Partner Consulting Agency	Director since November 2023
W Grant	Public Administrator	Director since November 2023
J Metcalfe	General Manager	Director since March 2025

2. Directors' Meetings

The number of Directors' meetings (including meetings of committees of Directors) and number of meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Company during the financial year are:

Director	Board Meetings		Finance & Audit Committee Meetings		Commercial Committee Meetings	
	A	B	A	B	A	B
M La Brooy	6	6	6	6	6	6
R Hendry	3	3			5	5
B Fuller	6	5			6	5
S Plummer	6	6	6	6		
A Bartlett	6	6				
A Landrigan	6	6	6	5		
P Trenbath	6	6			6	6
J Bilston	6	6	1	1		
J Metcalfe	3	2				
W Grant	6	5				

A –Number of meetings held during the time the Director held office during the year
B – Number of meetings attended

3. Short and long-term objectives and strategies for achieving those objectives

The Company's objectives and strategies are to grow, manage, promote and develop the sport of tennis throughout the ACT and region by:

- providing strong leadership and direction that guides the sport towards our vision;
- advocating the accessibility of tennis as a sport for all people;
- promoting the health, economic, social and entertainment benefits that tennis delivers;
- preserving the rich heritage and traditions of tennis;
- partnering effectively with Tennis Australia, government, corporate partners and our clubs; and
- taking an active approach to the commercial development of the sport and industry in the region

The Company, being an associate member of Tennis Australia Limited, receives grant funding that forms an integral part of the funding required for the Company to achieve its short and long-term objectives.

In the unlikely event that grant funding from Tennis Australia should cease or be reduced, it is the view of the Directors that the Company would still be able to continue meeting its objectives, albeit to a lesser extent.

4. Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Company during the course of the financial year were the promotion and development of the game of tennis in the ACT and region, and to provide recreation, sports and other facilities for members and non-members of the Company. No significant changes in the nature of the Company's activity occurred during the financial year.

5. Performance measures

The Company has an annual review process that ensures key performance indicators (KPIs) are set and assessed to ensure the above objectives and strategies are being achieved to the highest degree possible.

6. Operating and Financial Review

The Company's net result for the year ended 30 June 2025 was a surplus of \$148,195. This compares with a net deficit of \$61,156 for the year ended 30 June 2024.

The Company's net operating result (before depreciation and amortisation) for the year ended 30 June 2025 was a surplus of \$606,587 (2024: \$407,744).

7. Significant Changes in the State of Affairs

In the opinion of the Directors there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Company that occurred during the financial year under review.

8. Events subsequent to reporting date

In the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report there have been no events, items or transactions of material or unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the Directors of the Company, to significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

9. Likely Developments

The Directors do not anticipate any major changes in the basis of operations of the Company and the future results of those operations in subsequent financial years.

10. Members equity

The Company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is an entity limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$1 each towards meeting any obligations of the entity. At 30 June 2025 the number of members was 7,831 (2024: 7,549).

11. Indemnification and insurance of Officers

Indemnification

The Company has agreed to indemnify the Directors of the Company against all liabilities to another person (other than the Company or a related body corporate) that may arise from their position as Directors of the Company, except where the liability arises out of conduct involving a lack of good faith. The agreement stipulates that the Company will meet the full amount of any such liabilities, including costs and expenses.

Insurance Premiums

Tennis Australia, through a national insurance scheme, provides the Company with Directors' and officers' liability, legal expenses and insurance contracts, for current and former Directors and Officers of the Company.

12. Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration

The Lead auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 25 and forms part of the Directors' report for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.

[Signature of B. Fuller]
B. Fuller
President

[Signature of A. Landrigan]
A. Landrigan
Director

Dated at Canberra 15th day of October 2025

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	10	887,009	927,337
Trade receivables and other assets	11	164,439	227,149
Financial Assets	12	1,048,200	1,000,000
Total current assets		2,099,648	2,154,486
Property, plant and equipment	13	6,860,073	6,999,636
Right-of-use assets	14	1,117,207	1,102,547
Total non-current assets		7,977,280	8,102,183
Total assets		10,076,928	10,256,669
Liabilities			
Trade payables and other payables	15	148,954	415,041
Employee benefits	16	106,310	70,443
Income received in advance	17	153,620	129,553
Interest bearing liabilities	18	90,000	152,238
Lease liabilities	19	19,578	16,585
Total current liabilities		518,462	783,860
Employee benefits	16	22,885	23,360
Interest bearing liabilities	18	180,000	270,000
Lease liabilities	19	1,192,156	1,164,220
Total non-current liabilities		1,395,041	1,457,580
Total liabilities		1,913,503	2,241,440
Net assets		8,163,425	8,015,229
Members' equity			
Retained earnings		6,959,290	6,811,095
Reserves	20	1,204,135	1,204,135
Total members' equity		8,163,425	8,015,230

The statement of financial position is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
Revenue	5	348,795	407,368
Total revenues		348,795	407,368
Other income	6	1,896,451	1,324,831
Total other income		1,896,451	1,324,831
Expenses			
Tournaments and competitions expenses		(237,568)	(164,907)
Commercial operations expenses		(931,370)	(454,152)
Participation expenses		(251,817)	(205,024)
Media and communications expenses		(216,555)	(263,962)
Finance and administration expenses		(482,495)	(653,678)
Total expenses		(2,119,805)	(1,741,723)
Finance income		95,708	29,971
Finance costs		(72,954)	(81,603)
Net finance (costs)	8	22,754	(51,632)
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		148,195	(61,156)

The statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Asset Revaluation Reserve \$	Retained Earnings \$	Total Equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2023	1,204,135	6,872,251	8,076,386
Deficit for the year	–	(61,156)	(61,156)
Balance at 30 June 2024	1,204,135	6,811,095	8,015,230
Balance at 1 July 2024	1,204,135	6,811,095	8,015,230
Surplus for the year	–	148,195	148,195
Balance at 30 June 2025	1,204,135	6,959,290	8,163,425

The statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash receipts from customers		2,252,875	2,099,776
Cash receipts from government grants		139,906	132,219
Cash paid to suppliers and employees		(1,952,028)	(1,548,459)
Interest received		95,708	29,971
Net cash from operating activities		536,461	713,507
Cash flows from investing activities			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	13	(283,700)	(9,045)
Receipt from matured term deposit		1,000,000	800,000
Investment in term deposit		(1,048,200)	(1,000,000)
Net cash (used in) investing activities		(331,900)	(209,045)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Interest paid	8	(24,970)	(35,180)
Repayment of borrowings		(152,238)	(169,663)
Lease payments (principal and interest)		(67,681)	(64,682)
Net cash (used in) financing activities		(244,889)	(269,525)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		(40,328)	234,937
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July		927,337	692,400
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	10	887,009	927,337

The statement of cash flows is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

1. Reporting entity

Tennis ACT Limited (the “Company”) is a company domiciled in Australia. The Company is a company limited by guarantee. The address of the Company’s registered office is:

1 Riggall Place
Lyneham, ACT 2602

The Company is a not for profit entity and the principal activities of the Company during the course of the financial year were the promotion and development of the game of tennis in the Australian Capital Territory and region.

2. Basis of preparation

(a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures made by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Corporations Act 2001. Details of the Company’s material accounting policies are included in Note 3. Changes in material accounting policies are described in Note 3(k).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 15th October 2025.

(b) Basis of measurement

The financial report has been prepared on the historical cost basis.

(c) Functional and presentation currency

The financial report is presented in Australian dollars, which is the Company’s functional currency.

(d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

(e) Going concern

As noted in Note 24, the Company is economically dependent upon Tennis Australia and receives grant funding that forms an integral part of the funding required for the Company to achieve its short and long-term objectives.

In the unlikely event that grant funding from Tennis Australia should cease or be reduced, it is the view of the Directors that the Company would still be able to continue meeting its objectives, albeit to a lesser extent.

The Directors have concluded that it is appropriate that these financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, taking regard of the above.

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3. Material accounting policies

(a) Financial instruments

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report are set out below. These have been consistently applied to all periods presented in these financial statements.

(i) Recognition, initial measurement and derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument, and are measured initially at fair value adjusted by transactions costs, except for those carried at fair value through profit or loss, which are measured initially at fair value. Subsequent measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities are described below.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and all substantial risks and rewards are transferred. A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

(ii) Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets

Except for those trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component and are measured at the transaction price, all financial assets are initially measured at fair value adjusted for transaction costs (where applicable).

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets other than those designated and effective as hedging instruments are classified into the following categories upon initial recognition:

- Amortised cost
- Fair value through profit or loss (FVPL)
- Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance costs, finance income or other financial items, except for impairment of trade receivables which is presented within other expenses. Classifications are determined by both:

- The Company's business model for managing the financial asset
- The contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance costs, finance income or other financial items, except for impairment of trade receivables, which is presented within other expenses.

(iii) Subsequent measurement of financial assets

Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets are measured at amortised cost if the assets meet the following conditions (and are not designated as FVPL):

- They are held within a business model whose objective is to hold the financial assets and collect its contractual cash flows
- The contractual terms of the financial assets give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding

After initial recognition, these are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Discounting is omitted where the effect of discounting is immaterial. The Company's cash and cash equivalents, trade and most other receivables fall into this category of financial instrument as well as long-term deposit.

The Company do not hold any financial assets at FVOCI.

3. Material accounting policies (continued)

(a) Financial instruments (continued)

(iv) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits with maturities of six months or less from the acquisition date that are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in their fair value, and are used by the Company in the management of its short term commitments.

(v) Non-derivative financial liabilities

The Company has the following non-derivative financial liabilities: interest bearing liabilities, bank overdrafts and trade and other payables.

Financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value, and, where applicable, adjusted for transaction costs unless the Company designated a financial liability at fair value through profit or loss.

Subsequently, financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method except for derivatives and financial liabilities designated at FVPL, which are carried subsequently at fair value with gains or losses recognised in profit or loss.

All interest-related charges and, if applicable, changes in an instrument's fair value that are reported in profit or loss are included within finance costs or finance income.

(b) Property, plant and equipment

(i) Recognition and measurement

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost or deemed cost less accumulated depreciation (see below) and accumulated impairment losses. The cost of property, plant and equipment at 1 July 2004, the date of transition to AASBs, was determined by reference to its cost at that date.

Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of self-constructed assets includes the cost of materials, direct labour, the initial estimate, where relevant, of the costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located, and an appropriate proportion of production overheads. Purchased software that is integral to the functionality of the related equipment is capitalised as part of that equipment.

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

(ii) Subsequent costs

The cost of replacing part of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the Company and its cost can be measured reliably. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of property, plant and equipment are recognised in the statement of profit or loss as incurred.

(iii) Depreciation

Depreciation is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property, plant and equipment.

The estimated useful lives in the current and comparative periods are as follows:

- Leasehold land and buildings 7 – 40 years
- Plant and equipment 3 – 10 years
- Courts and court equipment 5 – 50 years

The residual value, the useful life and the depreciation method applied to an asset are reassessed at least annually.

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3. Material accounting policies (continued)

(c) Impairment

(i) Financial assets (including receivables)

AASB 9's impairment requirements use forward-looking information to recognise expected credit losses - the 'expected credit losses (ECL) model'. Instruments within the scope of the requirements include loans and other debt-type financial assets measured at amortised cost.

The Company makes use of a simplified approach in accounting for trade and other receivables and records the loss allowance at the amount equal to the expected lifetime credit losses. In using this practical expedient, the Company uses its historical experience, external indicators and forward-looking information to calculate the expected credit losses using a provision matrix.

The Company assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 120 days past due.

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Company is exposed to credit risk.

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are probability-weighted estimates of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all cash shortfalls (ie the difference between the cash flow due to a Company in accordance with the contract and the cash flow that the Company expects to receive).

ECLs are discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial asset.

Presentation of allowance of ECL in statement of financial position

Loss allowance for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the assets.

(ii) Non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Company's non-financial assets, other than inventories, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable asset group that generates cash flows that largely are independent from other assets and groups. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the units and then to reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the unit (group of units) on a pro rata basis.

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell.

Impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

(d) Employee benefits

(i) Long-term employee benefits

The Company's net obligation in respect of long-term service benefits is the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. The

3. Material accounting policies (continued)

(d) Employee benefits (continued)

(i) Long-term employee benefits (continued)

obligation is calculated using expected future increases in wage and salary rates including related on-costs and expected settlement dates, and is discounted using the rates attached to the corporate bonds at the balance sheet date which have maturity dates approximating to the terms of the Company's obligations.

(ii) Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid if the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

(iii) Termination benefits

Termination benefits are expensed at the earlier of when the Company can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits and when the Company recognises costs for a restructuring. If benefits are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months at the end of the reporting, then they are discounted.

(iv) Defined contribution plans

Obligations for contributions to defined contribution plans are expensed as the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in future payments is available.

(e) Revenue and other income

A provision is recognised if, as a result of a past event, the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability.

(i) Revenue recognition policy for revenue from contracts with customers (AASB 15)

AASB 15 requires revenue to be recognised when control of a promised good or service is passed to the customer at an amount which reflects the expected consideration. The customer for these contracts is the fund provider.

Generally, the timing of the payment for sale of goods and rendering of services corresponds closely to the timing of satisfaction of the performance obligations, however where there is a difference, it will result in the recognition of a receivable, contract asset or contract liability.

None of the revenue streams of the Company have any significant financing terms as there is less than 12 months between receipt of funds and satisfaction of performance obligations. Costs are recognised on an accrual basis.

Grant income from Government and Tennis Australia

Grant income arising from an agreement which contains enforceable and sufficiently specific performance obligations is recognised when control of each performance obligation is satisfied. This is generally the case for the monies from the Government and the performance obligations are varied based on the agreement.

Within grant agreements there may be some performance obligations where control transfers at a point in time and others which have continuous transfer of control over the life of the contract.

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3. Material accounting policies (continued)

(e) Revenue and other income (continued)

(i) Revenue recognition policy for revenue from contracts with customers (AASB 15) (continued)

Where control is transferred over time, generally the revenue recognition is based on either cost or time incurred which best reflects the transfer of control.

Affiliation fees

Revenue from affiliation fees is recognised in the profit or loss in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date. The stage of completion is assessed by reference to the period to which membership relates.

(ii) Revenue recognition policy for revenue streams which are either not enforceable or do not have sufficiently specific performance obligations (AASB 1058)

Grant income

Assets arising from grants in the scope of AASB 1058 are recognised at their fair value when the asset is received. These assets are generally cash but may be property which has been donated or sold to the Company at significantly below its fair value.

Once the asset has been recognised, the Company recognises any related liability amounts. Once the assets and liabilities have been recognised then income is recognised for any difference between the recorded asset and liability.

Capital grants

Capital grants received under an enforceable agreement to enable the Company to acquire or construct an item of property, plant and equipment to identified specifications which will be controlled by the Company (once complete) are recognised as revenue as and when the obligation to construct or purchase is completed.

For construction projects, this is generally as the construction progresses in accordance with costs incurred since this is deemed to be the most appropriate measure of the completeness of the construction project as there is no profit margin. For acquisitions of assets, the revenue is recognised when the asset is acquired and controlled by the Company.

Volunteer services

The Company has elected not to record volunteer services in the financial statements. Volunteer services received relate to assistance in the organising and running of tennis events throughout the ACT and region.

(iii) Significant estimate and judgements relating to revenue

For many of the grant agreements received, the determination of whether the contract includes sufficiently specific performance obligations was a significant judgement involving discussions with several parties at the Company, review of the proposal documents prepared during the grant application phase and consideration of the terms and conditions.

Grants received by the Company have been accounted for under both AASB 15 and AASB 1058 depending on the terms and conditions and decisions made.

If this determination was changed then the revenue recognition pattern would be different from that recognised in this financial report.

(f) Leases

At inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A

3. Material accounting policies (continued)

(f) Leases (continued)

contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Company uses the definition of a lease in AASB 16.

(i) As a lessee

Initial recognition and measurement

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Company allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative standalone prices. However, for the leases of property the Company has elected not to separate non-lease components and account for the lease and non-lease components as a single lease component.

The Company recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term, unless the lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset to the Company by the end of the lease term or the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Company will exercise a purchase option. In that case the right-of-use asset will be depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset, which is determined on the same basis as those of property and equipment. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain re-measurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Company's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Company uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

The Company determines its incremental borrowing rate by obtaining interest rates from various external financing sources and makes certain adjustments to reflect the terms of the lease and type of the asset leased.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payment;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date;
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee; and
- the exercise price under a purchase option that the Company is reasonably certain to exercise, lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Company is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Company is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the Company's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, if the Company changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option or if there is a revised in-substance fixed lease payment.

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3. Material accounting policies (continued)

(f) Leases (continued)

(i) As a lessee (continued)

When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero. The Company presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property in property, plant and equipment and lease liabilities in loans and borrowings in the statement of financial position.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Company has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-value assets and short-term leases, including IT equipment. The Company recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

At inception or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Company allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of their relative stand-alone prices.

Leases with significantly below-market terms and conditions

The Company has elected to record leases with significantly below-market terms and conditions ('peppercorn leases') at cost rather than fair value.

The Company has the right to use a part of Block 10 and 12 for \$0.10 per annum. This property is used for operation of Tennis and the lease term ends in 2103. As the lease was deemed below market value the Company has adopted the amendments made to AASB 16 and AASB 1058 which allows for these leases to be recognised at cost rather than market value.

(ii) As a lessor

When the Company acts as a lessor, it determines at lease inception whether each lease is a finance lease or an operating lease.

To classify each lease, the Company makes an overall assessment of whether the lease transfers substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the underlying assets. If this is the case, then the lease is a finance lease; if not, then it is an operating lease. As part of this assessment, the Company considers certain indicators such as whether the lease is for the major part of the economic life of the asset.

If an arrangement contains lease and non-lease components, then the Company applies AASB 15 to allocate the consideration in the contract.

The Company recognises lease payments received under operating leases as income on a straight-line basis over the lease term as part of 'Rental income'.

(g) Finance income and costs

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested. Interest income is recognised as it accrues, in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

Finance costs comprise interest expense on borrowings. All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

3. Material accounting policies (continued)

(h) Income tax

The income of the Company is exempt from income tax, and accordingly, no provision has been made in the accounts for income tax payable.

Withholding tax from other jurisdictions is provided when the liability is due and payable.

(i) Goods and services tax

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

(j) New accounting standard adopted

A number of other new accounting standards are also effective from 1 July 2024 but they do not have a material effect of the Company's financial statements.

(k) New accounting standards and interpretations not yet adopted

There are no standards or amendments that have been issued but not yet effective that are expected to have a significant impact on the Company.

The Company has not adopted, and currently does not anticipate adopting any standards prior to their effective dates.

4. Determination of fair values

A number of the Company's accounting policies and disclosures require the determination of fair value, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities. Fair values have been determined for measurement and/or disclosure purposes based on the following methods.

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly"
- Level 3: unobservable inputs for the asset or liability

Where applicable, further information about the assumptions made in determining fair values is disclosed in the notes specific to that asset or liability.

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5. Revenue

(i) Revenue from contracts with customers – AASB 15

Revenue from Contracts with Customers

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Affiliations and registrations	67,285	63,691
Entry fees	22,056	32,080
Program and event income	116,176	133,200
Sponsorship and advertising	138,061	165,911
Other	5,217	12,486
	348,795	407,368

(ii) Timing of revenue recognition

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Services transferred at a point in time	143,449	177,766
Services transferred over time	205,346	229,602
	348,795	407,368

6. Other income

Revenue recognised under AASB 1058 Income of NFP entities

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Government funding – operating	127,188	6,563
Tennis Australia funding	1,340,913	904,875
	1,468,101	911,438

Revenue recognised under AASB 16 Leases

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Rental income	428,350	413,393

Total other income

	2025 \$	2024 \$
	1,896,451	1,324,831

Government grants

In the 2022/23 financial year the Company received ACT Government grants relating to the Triennial Sport & Recreation Operational Program, the Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme (SLISS) and Canberra International and ACT Clay court International events.

In the 2023/24 financial year the Company received ACT Government grants relating to the Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme (SLISS).

7. Other expenses

The Company has the following key expenses

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
Depreciation expenses:			
Plant and equipment	13	4,829	5,333
Car park and landscaping	13	48,173	56,337
Leasehold land and buildings	13	87,455	88,458
Courts and court equipment	13	281,961	284,962
Right-of-use assets	14	35,974	33,810
		458,392	468,900
Employee benefits		788,141	850,827
Superannuation		84,718	80,894
Insurance expense		8,909	13,243
Impairment loss/(gain) on trade receivables		(5,356)	(12,500)

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8. Net finance income/(costs)

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Interest income on term deposit	95,708	29,971
Total finance income	95,708	29,971
Interest expense on borrowings	(24,970)	35,179
Interest expense on lease liabilities	(47,984)	46,424
Total finance cost	(72,954)	81,603
Net finance costs	22,754	51,632

9. Auditor's remuneration

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Auditor of the Company		
<i>KPMG Australia</i>		
Audit and review of financial reports	25,000	17,370
	25,000	17,370

10. Cash and cash equivalents

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Bank balances	887,009	927,337
Cash and cash equivalents	887,009	927,337

11. Trade and other receivables

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Trade receivables	122,922	207,116
Less allowance for impaired receivables	(5,356)	(12,500)
Prepayments	6,619	3,417
Other receivables	40,254	29,117
	164,439	227,150

12. Financial Assets

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Term deposit	1,048,200	1,000,000
	1,048,200	1,000,000

The term deposit earns 4.11% and is held with ANZ. Maturity is in November 2025.

13. Property, plant and equipment

	Leasehold land and buildings \$	Plant and equipment \$	Courts and court equipment \$	Car park and landscaping \$	Total \$
Cost					
Balance at 1 July 2023	5,035,957	162,770	5,688,796	938,980	11,826,503
Additions	9,045	-	-	-	9,045
Balance at 30 June 2024	5,045,002	162,770	5,688,796	938,980	11,835,548
Balance at 1 July 2024	5,045,002	162,770	5,688,796	938,980	11,835,548
Additions	63,441	-	220,259	-	283,700
Disposals	-	-	(7,232)	-	(7,232)
Balance at 30 June 2025	5,108,443	162,770	5,901,823	938,980	12,112,016
Accumulated depreciation					
Balance at 1 July 2023	(1,399,899)	(151,077)	(2,380,754)	(469,092)	(4,400,822)
Depreciation charge for the year	(88,458)	(5,333)	(284,962)	(56,337)	(435,090)
Reclassifications	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2024	(1,488,357)	(156,410)	(2,665,716)	(525,429)	(4,835,912)
Balance at 1 July 2024	(1,488,357)	(156,410)	(2,665,716)	(525,429)	(4,835,912)
Depreciation charge for the year	(87,455)	(4,829)	(281,961)	(48,173)	(422,418)
	-	-	6,387	-	6,387
Balance at 30 June 2025	(1,575,812)	(161,239)	(2,941,290)	(573,602)	(5,251,943)
Carrying amounts					
Balance at 1 July 2023	3,636,058	11,693	3,308,042	469,888	7,425,681
Balance at 30 June 2024	3,556,645	6,360	3,023,080	413,551	6,999,636
Balance at 1 July 2024	3,556,645	6,360	3,023,080	413,551	6,999,636
Balance at 30 June 2025	3,532,631	1,531	2,960,533	365,378	6,860,073

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14. Right-of-use assets

(i) Amounts recognised in the statement of financial position

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Balance as of 1 July – Property	1,102,055	1,064,053
Additions and reassessments to right-of-use assets	38,829	69,599
Depreciation expense for the year	(32,717)	(31,597)
Balance as of 30 June	1,108,167	1,102,055
Balance as of 1 July – Equipment	492	2,705
Additions and reassessments to right-of-use assets	11,903	-
Loss on Termination	(98)	-
Depreciation expense for the year	(3,257)	(2,213)
Balance as of 30 June	9,040	492
Balance as of 30 June – right-of-use assets	1,117,207	1,102,547

The Company leases two properties and a photocopier. Both property leases are long-term leases, running to at least 2059, inclusive of extension options reasonably certain to be exercised. The photocopier lease was renewed in 2024 and operates until June 2028.

The Property leases contain the following arrangements:

- The Company leases land from the Commonwealth for peppercorn rent;
- The Company subleases the entire Property to Next Generation Clubs Australia Pty Limited, refer to note 21; and
- Next Generation Clubs Australia Pty Limited lease an office facility in the building back to the Company; and
- The Company has granted access to Tennis Australia Limited, under the brand of Tennis World, refer to note 21.

(ii) Future lease payments

The total future lease payments (including those lease payments that are not included in the measurement of the lease liability, e.g. for short-term leases and leases of low-value items) are disclosed for each of the following periods.

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Less than one year	66,631	62,324
One to five years	263,104	247,411
More than five years	1,842,319	1,845,321
	2,172,054	2,155,056

15. Trade and other payables

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Trade payables	4,722	13,985
Other payables	144,232	401,056
	148,954	415,041

16. Employee benefits

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Current		
Provision for long-service leave	16,513	4,503
Provision for annual leave	89,797	65,940
	106,310	70,443
Non-current		
Provision for long-service leave	22,885	23,360
	22,885	23,360

17. Income received in advance

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Grant income	125,000	125,000
Other income	28,620	4,553
	153,620	129,553

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18. Interest bearing liabilities

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Current		
Tennis Australia loan (unsecured)	90,000	62,238
ANZ Commercial loan (secured)	90,000	90,000
		152,238
Non-current		
ANZ Commercial loan (secured)	180,000	270,000
	180,000	270,000

Tennis Australia loan

The Tennis Australia loan was fully repaid in January 2025.

ANZ Commercial loan

Termination date of the ANZ loan is 1 July 2028 and is subject to renegotiation for a further term. Annual principal repayments each May are \$90,000 and the applicable interest rate is Daily BBSY 1 month (3.58% at June 30 2025) plus a margin of 1.42% (2024: 4.4%+1.42%).

Tennis ACT have provided a general security charge to ANZ for the value of the loan.

19. Lease liabilities

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Current		
Property	17,313	16,585
Equipment	2,265	–
	19,578	16,585
Non-current		
Property	1,185,202	1,164,220
Equipment	6,954	–
	1,192,156	1,164,220
Total lease liabilities	1,211,734	1,180,805

20. Capital and reserves

Asset revaluation reserve

The revaluation reserve relates to the revaluations of property, plant and equipment.

As a result of the retirement of the buildings, courts and car park during the 2013-14 year, the asset revaluation reserve was adjusted to ensure it only reflected revaluations on existing assets.

Members equity

The Company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is an entity limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$1 each towards meeting any obligations of the entity. At 30 June 2025 the number of members was 7,831 (2024: 7,549).

21. Operating leases

Leases as lessor

Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are receivable as follows

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Less than one year	255,572	247,407
Between one and five years	1,022,287	1,064,629
More than five years	9,456,152	9,401,475
	10,734,011	10,713,511

During the financial year ended 30 June 2025, \$428,350 was recognised as income in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income in respect of operating leases (2024: \$413,392). Next Generation Clubs Australia Pty Limited subleases Block 10 under an agreement and operates a sporting club. Tennis Australia, under the Tennis World brand, operates a facilities management business at the Canberra Tennis Centre.

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22. Financial instruments

The following table shows the carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities.

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
Financial assets measured at amortised cost			
Cash and cash equivalents	10	887,009	927,337
Other receivables	11	40,254	29,117
Trade Receivables (gross)	11	122,922	207,116
Term Deposit	12	1,048,200	1,000,000
		2,098,385	2,134,453
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost			
Trade payables	15	4,722	13,985
Other payables	15	144,232	401,056
ANZ Commercial loan (secured)	18	270,000	360,000
Tennis Australia loan (unsecured)	18	-	62,238
		418,954	837,279

23. Related party transactions

The Company, being an Associate member of Tennis Australia (TA), receives shared services benefits from TA. These benefits include accounting, human resources, legal and information technology, and integrity and compliance resources. These services were provided for nil consideration. Tennis Australia, under the Tennis World brand, lease area at the Canberra Tennis Centre from the Company, refer to note 21.

The names of each person holding the position of Director/Company Secretary of the Company during the financial year were: B Fuller (President), M La Brooy, R Hendry, S Plummer, A Bartlett, A Landrigan, P Trenbath, J Bilston, W Grant and J Metcalfe

Directors of the Company are acting on an honorary basis and do not receive any director fees.

The key management personnel for Tennis ACT includes the CEO and Senior Management.

Key management personnel compensation

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Short-term employee benefits	458,440	567,251
Post employment benefits	52,986	57,950
Total compensation	511,426	625,201

In addition to salaries paid, key management personnel may receive cash incentive bonuses based on key performance indicators.

24. Economic dependency

The Company, being an associate member of Tennis Australia Limited, receives grant funding from Tennis Australia Limited that forms an integral part of the funding required for the Company to achieve its short and long-term objectives.

In the unlikely event that grant funding from Tennis Australia Limited should cease or be reduced, it is the view of the officers that the Company would still be able to continue meeting its objectives, albeit to a lesser extent.

25. Contingent liabilities

There were no contingent assets or contingent liabilities pertaining to the Company in existence as at 30 June 2025, (2024 resolved).

26. Subsequent events

In the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report there have been no events, items or transactions of material or unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the Directors of the Company, to significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

DECLARATION BY THE DIRECTORS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

- In the opinion of the Directors of Tennis ACT Limited ('the Company'):
- (a) the Company is not publicly accountable;
 - (b) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 41 to 63, are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001,
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosure Requirements and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
 - (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Dated at Canberra 15th Day of August 2025

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors:

[Signature of B. Fuller]
B. Fuller
President

[Signature of A. Landrigan]
A. Landrigan
Director

LEAD AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION



Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration under
Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001

To the Directors of Tennis ACT Limited

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit of Tennis ACT Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2025 there have been:

- i. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

[Signature of KPMG]
KPMG

[Signature of Adrian Nathanielsz]
Adrian Nathanielsz
Partner
Melbourne
15 October 2025

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Independent Auditor’s Report

To the members of Tennis ACT Limited

Opinion

We have audited the **Financial Report** of Tennis ACT Limited (the Company).
In our opinion, the accompanying Financial Report of the Company gives a true and fair view, including of the Company’s financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its financial performance for the year then ended, in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, in compliance with *Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

The **Financial Report** comprises:

- Statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025
- Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, Statement of changes in equity, and Statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- Notes, including material accounting policies
- Directors’ Declaration.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor’s responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the *Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board’s APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the Directors of Tennis ACT Limited, would be in the same terms if given to the Directors as at the time of this Auditor’s Report.

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Other Information

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in Tennis ACT Limited’s annual report which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor’s Report. The Directors are responsible for the Other Information.

Our opinion on the Financial Report does not cover the Other Information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information. In doing so, we consider whether the Other Information is materially inconsistent with the Financial Report, or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor’s Report we have nothing to report.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors are responsible for:

- preparing the Financial Report in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the Company, and in compliance with *Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*
- implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the Company, and that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error
- assessing the Company’s ability to continue as a going concern and whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor’s responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objective is:

- to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- to issue an Auditor’s Report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the Financial Report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT



A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report is located at the *Auditing* and Assurance Standards Board website at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf
This description forms part of our Auditor’s Report.

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Adrian Nathanielsz

Partner

Melbourne

16 October 2025

