

# **AYC Tennis Association**

## ANNUAL REPORT Presented at Annual General Meeting

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2012



### LIFE MEMBERS

Mr Ean Cannell Mr Ray Thompson

Mr Colin Appleton (2011)

Mr Alan Walker (2012) Mr Campbell Palfrey (2012)

#### **OFFICE BEARERS & COMMITTEE**

President Treasurer Julie Fletcher Mike Hodge

#### Match & Tournament Committee

Geoffrey Dunlop
Mary Beven
Di Fincke
Ken Smith
Emily-Jayne Drew
John Fletcher
Helen Courtney-Pratt

St Therese's St Therese's Rosny Kingston Sunshine (resigned) Glenorchy Sorell

### **PARTICIPATING CLUBS**

Geilston Bay Tennis Club De Bomford Lane, Geilston Bay	62435401	Glenorchy Tennis Clu Alcorso Drive, Berriedale	l <b>b</b> 62498213	
Kingston Tennis Club Kingston View Drive, Kingston	62291732	Lindisfarne Tennis Club Park Street, Lindisfarne 62435553		
<b>New Town Tennis Club</b> Sunnyside Road, New Town		Richmond Tennis Club Victoria Street, Richmond		
Rosny Park Tennis Club Bastick Street, Rosny	62445650	Sorell Tennis Club Pelham Street, Sorell	62651856	
<b>St Therese's Tennis Club</b> Amy Street, Moonah	62720950	Sunshine Tennis Club Howrah Road, Howrah	<b>)</b> 62473563	
Domain Tennis Club				

2 Davies Ave, Glebe

## **PREVIOUS OFFICE BEARERS**

Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Tournament Committee
1975/76	E Cannell	R Thompson	J Drake	W Palfrey, D Saye, J Green, E Wolfe
1976/77	E Cannell	R Thompson	J Drake	W Palfrey, K Sims, J Green, E Wolfe
1977/78	E Cannell	R Thompson	J Drake	W Palfrey, K Sims, J Green, E Wolfe
1978/79	E Cannell	R Thompson	J Drake	V Kitchener, W Thomas, J Green, E Wolfe
1979/80	E Cannell	R Thompson	J Drake	W Palfrey, W Palfrey, W Thomas, J Green
1980/81	E Cannell	R Thompson	J Drake	D Lane, W Palfrey, W Thomas, J Green, S Patmore
1981/82	E Cannell	R Thompson	J Drake	D Lane, W Thomas, J Green
1982/83	E Cannell	R Thompson	J Drake	E Peterson, C Parker, W Thomas, J Green, E Hyslop
1983/84	E Cannell	R Thompson	J Drake	E Peterson, W Palfrey, W Thomas, J Green, P Aherne
1984/85	E Cannell	R Thompson	J Drake	C Kelly, W Palfrey, W Thomas, J Green, P Aherne
1985/86	E Cannell	R Thompson	E Peterson	C Kelly, N Hallam, L House, J Green, N Parsons
1986/87	E Cannell	W Palfrey	E Peterson	J Sansom, N Hallam, L House, T Hawes, G Meredith
1987/88	R Cooper	L House	E Peterson	J Sansom, N Hallam, G Clow, P Badger, G Meredith
1988/89	G Clow	S Parkinson	E Peterson	J Sansom, R Cooper, C Hockington, P Badger, M Smith
1989/90	G Clow	V Parkinson	S Parkinson	M Riddell, N Hallam, C Hockington, P Jenkins, G Louden
1990/91	G Clow	N Hallam	S Parkinson	R Gillow, H Adams, R Williams, P Hood, G Louden
1991/92	G Clow	N Hallam	S Parkinson	R Gillow, H Adams, R Williams, P Hood, C Palfrey, D Knight
1992/93	G Clow	N Hallam	S Parkinson	R Gillow, H Adams, R Williams, P Hood, C Palfrey, D Knight
1993/94	G Clow	C Palfrey	S Parkinson	R Gillow, N Hallam, R Williams, P Hood, D Vernon, S Davey
1994/95	G Clow	C Palfrey	S Parkinson	R Gillow, N Hallam, R Williams, A Westell, D Vernon, L Cooper, D Richardson
1995/96	G Clow	C Palfrey	S Parkinson	R Gillow, N Hallam, R Williams, A Westell, J Gunter, V Cook
1996/97	G Clow	C Palfrey	F Leibfreid	R Gillow, S Davie, G Watling, A Westell, J Gunter, V Cook
1997/98	A Walker	C Palfrey	F Leibfreid	R Gillow, S Davie, R Nischler, A Westell, J Gunter, J Weir, G Clow
1998/99	A Walker	C Palfrey	S Davie	R Gillow, R Abell, J Morgan, A Westell, N Shaw, J Weir, T Connell
1999/00	A Walker	S Davie	R Gillow	G Wright, J Morgan, A Westell, P Kinsella, J Weir, E Oakford

Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Tournament Committee
				R Gillow, P Crofts, D Sargent,
2000/01	A Walker	S Davie	A Westell	M Hodge, R Robertson, J Weir,
				E Oakford
				R Gillow, P Crofts, D Sargent,
2001/02	A Walker	S Davie	A Westell	M Hodge, R Robertson, S
				McKenzie, P Rodgers
				R Gillow, P Crofts, G Jackson,
2002/03	A Walker	S Davie	M Hodge	H Rodgers, R Robertson,
				S McKenzie, P Rodgers
				R Gillow, P Crofts, M Stott,
2003/04	A Walker	S Davie	M Hodge	H Rodgers, R Robertson,
				S McKenzie, R Williams
				M Jones, N Martin, M Stott,
2004/05	A Walker	S Davie	M Hodge	H Rodgers, T Small, S McKenzie,
				R Williams
				M Jones, N Martin, M Stott, F
2005/06	A Walker	S Davie	M Hodge	Ibbott, T Small, S McKenzie, R
				Williams
				J Dudgeon, N Martin, F Scanlon,
2006/07	S McKenzie	S Davie	M Hodge	A Porter, T Small, R MacKenzie,
				R Williams
				A Blackwood, N Martin, F Scanlon,
2007/08	S McKenzie	S Davie	M Hodge	A Porter, T Small, C Swan, D
				Brown
				A Blackwood, J Fletcher, R
2008/09	S McKenzie	M Hodge	M Hodge	Williams, T Small, C Swan, D
				Brown, P Kitchener
				T Small, J Fletcher, J McIlwain, D
2009/10	S McKenzie	M Hodge	M Hodge	Brown, P Kitchener, A Gardener,
				K Smith, G Dunlop
				D.Fincke, A.Mullen, J. Fletcher,
2010/11	S McKenzie		R Williams	EJ Drew, H.Courtney-Pratt,
2010/11				T.Reeves, P.Kitchener, G.Dunlop,
				R.Hartog
				D. Fincke, J. Fletcher, G. Dunlop,
2011/12	J. Fletcher		M. Hodge	H. Courtney-Pratt, M. Beven,
				K. Smith

My first year as President has been busy, but rewarding. Without a secretary, I have been fortunate to have had support from a participative committee and a good Treasurer.

The year has flown by and on reflection; the following highlights come to mind:

- A new sponsor being the Old Woolstore. This has provided us with a new and upmarket venue for meetings and functions close to the city. The 60<sup>th</sup> season and end of season dinner was a sell out and we received numerous commendations.
- The roster was reverted back to the previous format of 20 weeks.
- Trialled Division 3 captains entering their own results in TennisScores which relieved the load on Club representatives to enter this data. This proved successful and may be extended to other Divisions in coming rosters.
- A pre-approved finals list was created to make finding replacements for finals easier and much more efficient for all involved.
- Including in the newsletter a section of rules relating to finals as they drew closer and emailing captains during finals about inclement weather rules on a night when rain was forecast and falling.
- Continued with original score sheet to club representatives and saved on postage.
- Again ran with no secretary and shared the load, but continued to use Campbell for assistance with roster books and TennisScores and Geoffrey with statistical information.
- Created and used the website tennis.com.au/ayc to distribute papers for the AGM, Newsletters, rules and grades as well as the pre approved finals list.
- Became affiliated with Tennis Tasmania.
- Running the championships at the beginning of the season proved popular and attracted good numbers. One of these nights didn't make for good tennis but a good time was had by all.
- Organising 60th season celebrations in conjunction with the end of season dinner.
- Feeling privileged to award Life Membership to Alan Walker and Campbell Palfrey at the end of season dinner.
- Recognising Marie Woolley for the Eric Wolfe Award and Paul Kitchener for the John Drake Award.

My thanks go to everyone who suggested or assisted with these initiatives. In addition, I wish to thank Campbell Palfrey and Alan Walker for volunteering to organise the Championships this season; Campbell for his never ending support with TennisScores, rosters and the roster book; Geoffrey Dunlop for the hours he pours into formulas and manipulating Microsoft Excel to do our work for us and for his ability to interpret rules; Mike Hodge, our Treasurer, and organiser who comes along before, during and after events and adds the finishing touches with payments, pennants and prizes;

Ken Smith, for being MC at our end of season dinner, providing some music and banter;

Helen Courtney-Pratt for her writing skills and assistance with organising the end of season dinner; Emily-Jayne Drew for her administrative assistance early on in the pennant and Di Fincke, Mary Beven and John Fletcher for their support with grading nights, the dinner and roles such as Division administrators, along with other committee members. Apart from these efforts, all the committee members represented their respective Clubs and members within their Clubs. I am sure all players/clubs appreciate the time and effort committed to make the pennant successful.

We extend a thank you to everyone for playing in this pennant, for the Sportmanship shown and the competition (especially around finals).

This is also a time to remember our Sponsors, who include the Old Woolstore, Stringlab and Tennis Tasmania.

Before next season we are seeking feedback from players in higher divisions to help us with formats for Divisions 1 and 2 and how we get the most people playing competitive tennis.

We will also start to look at Competition Planner, software available to us from Tennis Australia and although this does not fit our competition as yet, we will keep an eye on it.

Thanks to the 60<sup>th</sup> season dinner, we even managed some publicity in the Mercury this year which was very pleasing.

During next season we will continue to email a link to our website pointing to the latest newsletter. Players are welcome to visit the site regularly to keep up with news, but if you are not a captain and would like to receive notification of the most recent newsletters, please contact <a href="mailto:ayctas@gmail.com">ayctas@gmail.com</a> with your details so we can add you to the mailing list.

#### 60<sup>th</sup> Season Dinner

The end of season dinner was very popular this year and a complete sell out with a number of players and teams missing out. Next season, we hope to be just as popular, but seating will be pre-sold on a first come basis and it is very unlikely to be subsidised so heavily. We hope this doesn't deter too many.

Julie Fletcher President

#### Life Membership

Life Membership was awarded to two recipients this year: Alan Walker and Campbell Palfrey.

#### Alan Walker:

The recipient of this Life Membership started playing AYC tennis in 1968 with a team known as Clarence. After playing for 18 years, other priorities saw him take a break for 8 years before recommencing with another Club. He continues to play and has clocked up another 18 years.

This person is a not only a player, but a supporter, a volunteer and mentor for everything tennis. He is a strategist and known for his keen interest in player statistics, grades and results.

He held the role of President for the AYC Committee for 9 years and currently has this role with his Club, Glenorchy.

This Life Membership is presented to Alan Walker.

#### **Campbell Palfrey**

The recipient of this Life Membership started playing AYC tennis in 1974 and is still playing for his Club, although he has been known to play for other Clubs.

This person is a not only a player, but demonstrates a keen interest in Tennis administration and has been instrumental in new and innovative ideas. This included the introduction of a roster system for court sharing a database to maintain ladders and manage results, both team and individuals the implementation 6 to 7 years ago of tennisscores.

He has served on the AYC committee for 8 years, 6 of these as Secretary.

Not only does this recipient continue to support the AYC committee prior to and during each roster, he also holds roles and is an active member of his current Club, Geilston Bay.

This Life Membership is presented to Campbell Palfrey.

## **SPECIAL AWARDS**

#### John Drake

John Drake was, for approximately 25 years the most prominent and active member of the Association. He held the position of Treasurer for all the period and served prominently on all Committees. He was elected a Life Member in 1973. John managed all the Young Liberals (later Liberals) teams, the name which is the only one to have competed in the A.Y.C competition for every year since its conception. Whenever anyone wanted a game John could always accommodate them in one of his teams. His interest in the Association was remarkable; often he would turn up at matches during the week, contributing for many years to "The Mercury" highlighting individual performance in matches. When John retired from playing he gave his racquet to a needy competitor and was known on many occasions to assist players experiencing personal difficulties. Sadly, John passed away in December 1984, this trophy has been presented annually since then to the person seen to be fulfilling John's ideals.

These teams were organised specifically to compete in this Association and went into recess for the off-season. John had suffered from diabetes from childhood, and night tennis was an activity that best suited this condition, unfortunately failing health later forced him to retire from competition but his enthusiasm for management and involvement remained.

For service to the Association					
84/85	Alan Morris – Elmsleigh	98/99	Roger Gillow – Lindisfarne		
85/86	Ben Buissink- Glenorchy	99/00	Campbell Palfrey – Geilston Bay		
86/87	Wayne Thomas – Sorell	00/01	not awarded		
87/88	Bernice Archer – Nth Suburbs	01/02	not awarded		
88/89	Nees Petersen – Elmsleigh	02/03	not awarded		
89/90	Norma Hallam – Glenorchy	03/04	Mike Hodge – Geilston Bay		
90/91	Martin Van Tienan	04/05	Peter Rodgers – Sunshine		
91/92	Gwen Reynold – Sorell	05/06	Sue McKenzie – Geilston Bay		
92/93	Gwen Meredith – St Therese's	06/07	Alan Walker - Glenorchy		
93/94	John Green – Glenorchy	07/08	Not awarded		
94/95	Geoff Clow – Sorell	08/09	Sue Davie – St Therese's		
95/96	Shirley Parkinson – Sorell	09/10	Campbell Palfrey – Geilston Bay		
96/97	Anne Westell – Glenorchy	10/11	Trevor Small – Rosny		
97/98	Ros Williams – St Therese's	11/12	Paul Kitchener – St. Therese's		

#### John Drake Memorial Award For service to the Association

### **SPECIAL AWARDS**

#### Eric Wolfe

For approximately 20 years Eric Wolfe served as the delegate for the Northern Suburbs Club. This was the period when the A.Y.C Tennis Association consisted almost entirely of private social groups. Many players, who were introduced into the A.Y.C competition by Eric, later became prominent members of suburban clubs, which are now the major competitors in this Association. Their subsequent enthusiasm was, no doubt the result of the example set by Eric.

He served for many years on the Match & Tournament and Social Committees and always offered assistance in the management of the Championships, which included numbers in excess of 250.

Eric was renowned for his sportsmanship and gentlemanly court behaviour, with a game characterised by heavily spun serves and a powerful forehand. In mixed doubles he always served more gently to the ladies.

The 1985/86 season was saddened by Eric's passing. He was much respected and admired.

The Northern Suburbs Club in recognition of Eric's contribution made this award available to the Association.

## Eric Wolfe Service & Sportsmanship Award

Liz Watson – Glenorchy	99/00	Graeme Farrell- Sunshine
Verlie Kitchener – St Therese's	00/01	Daphne Clements –Glenorchy
Ean Cannell – Geilston Bay	01/02	not awarded
Les House – Sorell	02/03	Chris Cohen – Kingston
John Brereton – Elmsleigh	03/04	Malcolm Ross – Geilston Bay
Bryan Newitt – Sorell	04/05	Jude Weir – Kingston
Tony Dalton – St Therese's	05/06	Elizabeth McKay – Glenorchy
Bill Watson – Glenorchy	06/07	Not awarded
Wayne Alomes – Sorell	07/08	Di Horne – St Therese's
Laraine Penwright – Campania	08/09	Not awarded
Pat Hood – Glenorchy	09/10	Ros Williams – St Therese's
Sue Hardwick – Richmond	10/11	Not awarded
Robin Hood – Glenorchy	11/12	Marie Woolley - Kingston
Kerry Christie – St Therese's		
	Verlie Kitchener – St Therese's Ean Cannell – Geilston Bay Les House – Sorell John Brereton – Elmsleigh Bryan Newitt – Sorell Tony Dalton – St Therese's Bill Watson – Glenorchy Wayne Alomes – Sorell Laraine Penwright – Campania Pat Hood – Glenorchy Sue Hardwick – Richmond Robin Hood – Glenorchy	Verlie Kitchener – St Therese's00/01Ean Cannell – Geilston Bay01/02Les House – Sorell02/03John Brereton – Elmsleigh03/04Bryan Newitt – Sorell04/05Tony Dalton – St Therese's05/06Bill Watson – Glenorchy06/07Wayne Alomes – Sorell07/08Laraine Penwright – Campania08/09Pat Hood – Glenorchy09/10Sue Hardwick – Richmond10/11Robin Hood – Glenorchy11/12

#### **AYC Consistency Awards**

	Male	Female
Div 1	Scott Lobdale	Kathryn McLeod
Div 2	Matthew Bowerman	Emily Jane Drew
Div 3	Nathan Thomas	Sam Davis
Div 4	Andrew Porter	Georgie Pridmore
Div 5	Derek Mellor	Ros Williams
Div 6	Craig Green	Gwenyth Blizzard
Div 7	Garry Oswin	Lisa Bowerman
Div 8	Mitchel Free	Michelle Rumley
Div 9	Steve Levis	Mary Lou Clarke

#### **GRAND FINAL MATCHES**

				Sets	Games
Div 1	Domain 1	L	Sunshine K & D Warehouse	3/3	31/33
Div 2	Sunshine Robert Eastern Shore 1	L	Kingston Lord of the Rings	2/4	
Div 3	Geilston Bay Carrots	D	Sorell Shanghai	5/4	
Div 4	Geilston Bay Cucumbers	L	Sunshine Hobart	3.5/5.5	
	-		Financial Planning		
Div 5	Glenorchy Albion	L	Sorell New York	3/5	
Div 6	Sunshine Howrah	D	Kingston Hobbits	5.5/1.5	
	Recreation Centre		-		
Div 7	Glenorchy City	D	Rosny Rough Reds	5/3	
Div 8	Glenorchy Hammers	D	St Therese's Jaguars	5/3	
Div 9	Sunshine Wellington	L	Geilston Bay Chick Peas	2/5	

#### **CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS 2011-12 Season**

Mens Doubles Div 1:	Karl Gregory & Nick Wise
Mens Doubles Div 2:	David Brown & Oscar Brown
Ladies Doubles Div 1:	Lisa Bowerman & Ros Pyrke
Ladies Doubles Div 2:	Rebecca Ristrom & Julie Fletcher
Mixed Doubles Div 1:	Jaryd Cohen & Evelyn van Nimwegen
Mixed Doubles Div 2:	Michael Moon & Lisa Bowerman

## TREASURERS REPORT.

FINANCIALS		2011 / 12		2010 / 11
Balance carried forward	\$	8,213-80cr	\$	6,092-19cr
Pennant Receipts Sponsorship Registrations Presentation dinner receipts Advertising Interest Sub Total	\$\$\$\$\$	0-00 6,240-00 2,565-00 0-00 9-00 17,027-80cr	\$ \$ \$ \$	1,500-00 6,620-00 250-00 8-35 14,470-54cr
Expenses Grading Days / Meeting Room Hire Bank charges Stationery Postage / Advertising Presentations Consistency Awards Presentation dinner expenses Printing Pennants Tennis Scores System Roster / Scorebooks Secretarial Allowance Committee Amenities Championships	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	$\begin{array}{c} 164\text{-}00\\ 0\text{-}00\\ 72\text{-}50\\ 310\text{-}00\\ 450\text{-}00\\ 7,270\text{-}00\\ 418\text{-}00\\ 340\text{-}00\\ 168\text{-}00\\ 0\text{-}00\\ 750\text{-}00\\ 0\text{-}00\\ 513\text{-}86 \end{array}$	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	$\begin{array}{c} 248-00\\ 10-00\\ 121-96\\ 60-40\\ 116-00\\ 1,161-60\\ 1,270-00\\ 327-52\\ 602-00\\ 315-00\\ 0-00\\ 1,000-00\\ 45-80\\ 978-46\end{array}$
Sub Total	\$	10,456-36dr	\$	6,256-74dr
Balance carried forward	\$	6,571-44cr	\$	8,213-80cr

This year we were sponsored by the Old Woolstore Apartments. The sponsorship was in the form of support and product. We held our regular meetings and the annual dinner at the Woolstore. The presentation dinner was combined with our 60th Anniversary celebrations and was attended by 160 people. This included Life members, past and present players and partners. From all feedback the dinner was an outstanding success. As we had built up a healthy surplus the Committee decided to heavily subsidise the dinner as a way of returning some of the surplus to players old and new. We ended the year with over \$8,200 in the bank which will mean we can maintain registrations at the present level. The Tennis Scores web site costs have reduced due to the economies of scale and we believe that it will continue to improve and streamline our procedures.

Mike Hodge Treasurer.