



Annual Report

Tennis NT

FY 2022-2023



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Overview

Heritage

Tennis NT was established in 1980 under the incorporated name of the Northern Territory Tennis Council.

The organisation changed its incorporated identity in 2005 to Tennis NT Incorporated and now trades simply as Tennis NT.

Its establishment was the shared vision of the founding President, Mr Max Horton OAM and a small group of interested tennis players.

Their vision foresaw the need for a 'parent body' to assume the role of governance along with the benefits of establishing relationships with the Northern Territory Government and Tennis Australia (TA).

The Environment

The Northern Territory has a strong tennis history underpinned by the hard work and dedication of many individuals. Testament to this heritage is the NT Open which began in 1920, making it one of the Territory's oldest annual sporting events, which quickly gained national recognition.

Most competitive and social tennis in the Territory revolves around the network of clubs and centres across the NT, and the relatively new state-of-the-art Darwin International Tennis Centre (DITC). In addition, the Top End has multiple public access courts which are predominantly owned by Local Government and schools. While these courts lack lighting or booking systems they are generally well maintained and well spread across residential areas, with relatively high usage.

Our Vision

- A sport for life, for all!
- Thriving Tennis Communities
- A safe, healthy and collaborative environment

Our Role

To engage, empower and inspire the NT tennis community to help grow the sport

Our Values

Respect, Humility, Ethics, Inclusivity, Teamwork, Excellence

Where Tennis NT fits in

Tennis NT is the peak body of tennis in the Northern Territory. Our role is to grow the number of people playing tennis more often, in a safe and welcoming environment.

Its role is to coordinate, manage and promote the sport of tennis in the NT and in so doing, support and service its affiliated clubs and centres.

Our national peak body is Tennis Australia (TA) which provides substantial funding, resources and other forms of support. However, Tennis NT is a separately incorporated organisation that reports to its own, local, Northern Territory Board.

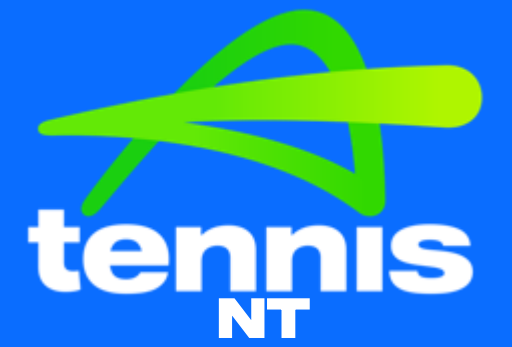
The NT Government also provides substantial funding and is a key partner.

Tennis NT is located at the Darwin International Tennis Centre (DITC) at the Marrara Sports Complex.

It has affiliates across the Territory including in Alice Springs, Katherine, Nhulunbuy, Palmerston and Darwin.



Strategic Plan 2022 - 24



In early 2022, Tennis NT adopted a new strategic plan, following consultation with a wide range of stakeholders



Participation

Grow the number of people playing tennis more often, in a safe and welcoming environment.

Focus areas include Schools; Recreational Tennis; Inclusion and Diversity; and Child Protection.



Pathways

Build a performance pathway to develop the best talent able to compete at territory, national and international level.

Focus areas include Junior Competition; Player Development; Competitive Framework.



People

Support those who drive the development of tennis - coaches, volunteers, and officials.

Focus areas include Coaches; Officials; Volunteers.



Venues

Assist our clubs and communities to develop and operate sustainable tennis facilities.

Focus areas include Tennis Centres & Infrastructure; Digital Enablement.



Indigenous Participation

Lead both in the territory and nationally in the development of Indigenous participation in tennis.

Focus areas include Participation; Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP); and Recognition.



Promoting the brand

Promote our sport, expanding our audience.

Focus areas include Marketing and Digital Tools.



Organisation

To ensure that Tennis NT is focused, effective and accountable, that our governance and financial management are best practice, and that it is true to its values.

Focus areas include Governance, Sustainability & Staff; Member and Local Partner Engagement; Data & Analysis,

President's Report

It is an honour to serve the NT tennis community as President of Tennis NT

It has been a year of significant change for tennis in the NT. Whilst the year had many challenges, it also came with highlights and positive outcomes.

The Territory's interest in tennis is strong and has grown across FY22-23. We can see this from our data which shows larger NT audiences to all consumer-facing websites. The play.tennis.com.au website grew by 15%; Hot Shots Tennis website by 57%; and Cardio Tennis website by 86%. This demonstrates a healthy interest in tennis and national programs across the NT.

Additionally, we can see that clubs who use ClubSpark for court hire had a 12% increase in court hire bookings this financial year compared to the year prior.

Tennis in Schools also had a great year with a 12% increase in participants. The majority of that growth came from secondary schools.

We must capitalise on this interest by making it easy to get people playing at clubs. Three areas of focus to enable that are; to simplify how tennis is presented online; provide better support to clubs and centres and crucially, to grow the number of coaches delivering tennis at clubs and centres.

A key component of FY22-23 was staging a "relatively normal" year of tournaments and events, without the threat of covid-related disruptions. However, there were still challenges with scheduling and resourcing. A number of events moved on the calendar, and there were positive and negative variances in entry levels on an event-by-event basis. Overall, event entries grew by 39% in FY22-23.

We are committed to improvements in planning and communication of the overall competitive play calendar – and have been proactive in working with our stakeholders to do this for FY23-24.

From a talent perspective we worked closely with coaches within our NDS and Zone Squad programs. Participants were given the opportunity to learn from a range of industry professionals, and continued their focus on themes of professionalism, intensity, and culture.

Our NT teams went to the Gold Coast to compete in the 2023 National Teams

Championships in June; we thank our Top-End-based coaches, Alex Capill and Ben McLachlan for their support and commitment to manage these teams alongside Jessica Polack and Emily Ooms-Webb from Tennis NT.

I am pleased to report that, as you will see in the financial section of this Annual Report, Tennis NT has remained in a sound financial position. FY22-23 delivered a small operating surplus (before depreciation).

Following the departure of CEO Tom George back to his hometown of Canberra in February, we were lucky to have Simon Lavers take on the Acting CEO role for the second time before departing Tennis NT in April. Many thanks to Jessica Polack who stepped up as Acting CEO from April to June. We thank Jess for her stewardship of the team, her energy, and her assistance onboarding the incoming CEO, Tania Tandora, who started in June 2023. You have a bright future, Jess!

New CEO Tania Tandora certainly hit the ground running and has made a big impact in a short period of time. Welcome Tania, you are making a difference.

Tennis NT staff have weathered considerable change and answered the call to step in on areas above and beyond to fill resource gaps through the year.

We have farewelled much-loved Board members and staff-members and welcomed new people into the team through FY22-23. Benjamin Cunningham our Tennis Development Officer started in July 2022, and Sam Giess became our Tournaments, Competitions and Operations Manager in February 2023.

Jessica Polack, Emily Ooms-Webb, Ben Cunningham, Jason Wang and Sam Giess of the Tennis NT team. Your resilience cannot be overstated. Thank you for your commitment, leadership and team-work in the face of considerable pressure.

I would like to express my gratitude to the tennis community across the NT. Tennis relies on the passion of clubs, coaches, officials, teachers, players, volunteers and staff at all levels. The game asks a lot of you and cannot survive without you. Thank you. Let us grow these relationships and achieve our shared goals of growing tennis in the NT and seeing clubs thrive.



PRESIDENT
STEVE ROSSINGH

CEO
TANIA TANDORA



I would also like to recognise my fellow Board members. As the incoming Board members will find, governance of an organisation like Tennis NT is not easy, comes with many challenges and involves a lot of time and effort. Thank you. In particular, I would like to thank Vice President Alicia Boyle, who leaves the Board after reaching the end of her maximum tenure. Alicia has been a wonderful servant of the game for a long time and we will miss her greatly.

Lastly, I appreciate our major supporters Tennis Australia and the NT government. Their continued support and commitment to tennis in the NT enables us to plan a wonderful future.

Steve Rossingh

Tennis NT President

From the CEO of Tennis Australia

Game on for growing Australian Tennis together



As we look back on another successful year in Australian tennis, growth and teamwork are defining themes. The Tennis Australia values of imagination, collaboration, humility and excellence were fundamental as we celebrated new milestones in participation, with more than 1.5 million Australians engaged in the sport. It was collaboration, however, that was arguably most pivotal as we embarked on a major strategy to ensure our tennis community could build on those gains.

From coaches to volunteers, clubs to schools, administrators to officials and of course, all levels of players, every possible area of tennis was represented as we created the 'Game On' strategy. It carries a clear and simple objective to get more people playing tennis more often – regardless of how, where or what form of the game they play. In careful consultation with our tennis community, three key pillars are part of that plan.

Firstly, we aim to get more kids to start playing tennis. This sees us proactively targeting schools, supporting and developing more engaging coaches, and making it easy for parents to get their kids into the game.

Keeping kids and teens in tennis is also a focus with plans for a nationally branded social and team-based way to play, as well as the expansion of existing competitions.

Getting adults back into tennis is the third pillar, helped by the creation of compelling promotions for how, where and with who to play tennis. The rollout of complementary and easier-to-play formats – such as Padel, Pop and Pickelball – are strategically included as part of that promotional plan.

The overall good health of the sport in this nation provides an encouraging foundation for success. The latest Ausplay data shows a turnaround in the number of children playing the sport, which is up six per cent year-on-year. We've also managed to grow our total participation (1%).

When comparing our overall growth this year to last, it is important to remember that we grew more than 32 per cent since 2019 (pre-COVID) while most other sports lost participants during this period. On this basis, we are comparable in our growth.

As we welcomed the world's best players for the summer of

tennis, leveraging events to provide fans with memorable experiences further boosted participation goals.

While the United Cup, an innovative teams event, was staged for the first time in Sydney, Perth and Brisbane, the Adelaide International and Hobart International also helped patrons forge a stronger and more accessible connection to the sport.

And as the Australian Open returned to pre-pandemic operations, a memorable 111th edition generated both a new passion to experience tennis and funds that are invested into the development of our grassroots game.

Other milestones highlight our objective to make tennis a sport that's welcoming to all. Within our Women and Girls strategy, the goal to increase the representation of women coaches was happily achieved.

The 883 women coaches that are now delivering tennis at clubs, community centres and schools across Australia represent a 10 per cent increase, reaching our Australian Sports Commission target. Of course, we still want to do more.

Fostering engagement in other areas of the community is also key. The National Indigenous Tennis Carnival returned to Darwin in August 2022, allowing aspiring First Nations players with the first step in the potential journey to emulate heroes such as Ash Barty and Evonne Goolagong Cawley.

It brought together a record 230 participants from every Australian state and territory, providing the opportunity for general participation, national competition (in both 14/u and 18/u categories) as well as cultural activities off the court.

None of these achievements would be possible, of course, without painstakingly maintained venues and facilities, or the many valuable contributors to our sport.

We especially thank the 25,000 dedicated volunteers who facilitate the delivery of tennis at every level across the nation. There's a parallel appreciation for the coaches who are fostering connections to tennis, as well as the network of officials who are critical to the delivery of our sport.

Those combined efforts also ensure that competitive play opportunities continue to expand. With an awareness that

great competition not only breeds great competitors but also

great tennis communities, there have been numerous highs in club competitions, leagues, team tournaments and professional tour events throughout the past year.

Meanwhile, we can also celebrate the many Australian role models making career-best gains on the global tours. As numerous pro players set new ranking highs in both singles and doubles, Australian tennis proudly shone in team events as well.

John Peers and Storm Hunter notably combined to triumph in the US Open 2022 mixed doubles competition. Alongside Ajla Tomljanovic, Ellen Perez, Priscilla Hon and much-loved veteran Sam Stosur, Hunter also starred as Australia progressed to the Billie Jean King Cup Final, finishing runner-up to Switzerland.

Led by Australian No.1 Alex de Minaur, the Australian Davis Cup team contested a 48th final in the world team competition. Thanasi Kokkinakis, Max Purcell and Matt Ebden also featured in the team's inspired campaign, which was second only to Canada.

Another exciting breakthrough followed in Melbourne, when popular Australians Rinky Hijikata and Jason Kubler claimed the Australian Open men's doubles title. It marked a maiden major title for the local wildcards, who teamed-up at their home Grand Slam for the first time.

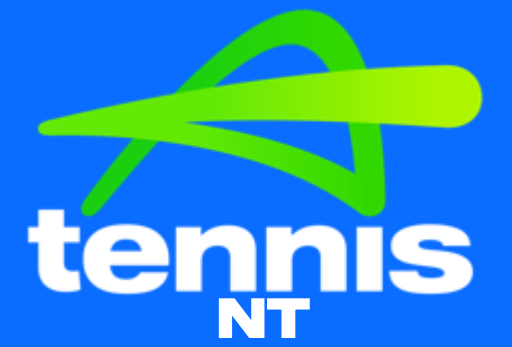
From grassroots to professional level, we can look back on a remarkable and transformative year in Australian tennis. There's both much to celebrate and a huge passion to grow our sport even further through more participants, greater engagement and a generally thriving tennis community.

Most exciting perhaps, is that it has been a true team effort. Thanks to all of you who make our future bright.

Craig Tiley

Tennis Australia CEO

About Us



Tennis NT Board

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Ms Alicia Boyle (from November 2022)

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Mr Anthony Hill (until August 2022)

Tennis NT Team

Chief Executive Officer

Mr Tom George (until February 2023)

Mr Simon Lavers (Acting CEO from February 2023 until April 2023)

Ms Jessica Polack (Acting CEO from April 2023 until June 2023)

Ms Tania Tandora (from June 2023)

Head of Tennis

Mr Simon Lavers (until April 2023)

Talent Operations Manager

Ms Jessica Polack

Tournaments, Competitions & Operations Manager

Ms Erin Bormann (until November 2022)

Mr Sam Giess (from February 2023)

Competitions & Talent Coordinator

Ms Emily Ooms-Webb

Tennis Development Officer

Mr Benjamin Cunningham

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Ms Beth Caird (until December 2022)

Indigenous Program Lead

Mr Anzac Leidig (until April 2023)

Venue Manager – Darwin International Tennis Centre

Mr Evan Sanna

Programs Manager – Darwin International Tennis Centre

Mr Jason Wang

Tennis NT Affiliate Members

Alice Springs Tennis Association

Gardens Tennis Club

Gove Peninsula Tennis Club

Katherine Tennis Club

Tennis Palmerston (until August 2023)

Palmerston Tennis Club Incorporated Association
(from September 2023)

Top End Multi Sports

Highlights



12%

increase in
Schools
participation



**Website
traffic**

increased across
NT



**National
Indigenous
Tennis Carnival
returned as a
national event**



38%

increase in
event entries



**Pro Tours
and ITF's
return to NT**



**6 Players
representing NT
during Super 10s
National Camp in
Melbourne**



Participation Report

Schools and Tennis

Towards the end of the financial year, all schools that were registered as a partner school with Tennis NT/Tennis Australia were asked to complete the yearly School Participation Survey. This provided a summary of participant numbers, experiences, and satisfaction.

The reporting shows a year-on-year comparison for participants involved in school programs from both primary and secondary levels, as well as response rates.

NT saw a 12% participation increase in comparison to the previous reporting period, the majority of growth came from Secondary schools.

NT's growth bucked the national trend that showed a slight decrease in schools' participation.

Note that this data is based on completed survey numbers – it is vital for schools to participate in the survey to enable better data and outcomes for tennis.

In NT, the survey response-rate lifted from 68% in FY21-22 to 88% in FY22-23, well above the National response-rate which was 76%.

Schools Participation - Overall	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	% change
ACT	17,431	18,117	+1%
NSW	67,491	79,223	+17%
NT	5,104	5,709	+12%
QLD	91,159	90,045	-1%
SA	44,122	43,815	-1%
TAS	25,021	27,344	+9%
VIC	220,283	184,919	-16%
WA	60,908	58,574	-4%
TOTAL	537,925	531,519	-4%

Teacher Professional Development

Tennis NT held several professional development opportunities for teachers to learn how to confidently deliver tennis as a sport for life within their school/s. The overarching theme – you do not need to be a tennis expert to deliver tennis in schools!

2023 Professional Development opportunities:

- Alice Springs - Tuesday 2nd of May 2023
- Katherine - Thursday 11th of May 2023
- Darwin/Palmerston - Wednesday 24th May 2023

There was also a teacher PD held within the Darwin region last year in August 2022. These days provided an opportunity for teachers across regions to network and share their ideas about tennis in schools.



Interschool Sports

The schools within the Big Rivers Region came together in the first four weeks of Term Two, 2023 to get involved in fun interschool sports activities focused on tennis. Tennis NT was pleased to join in the final week of activities. A fantastic initiative by the schools within the region. Tennis NT would like to personally thank Rodney Gregg from Casuarina Street Primary School for facilitating the days, as well as Katherine Tennis Club for hosting over seven schools and an average of fifty participants each week.



Gala Days

Tennis NT partnered with the Department of School Sport Education NT and several of our clubs to coordinate three Tennis Gala days. Each of these days were focused on participation, enjoyment, and physical activity through tennis.

Gardens Tennis (Darwin Region), Tennis Palmerston (Top End Region) and Alice Springs Tennis Association (Central Region) each hosted a gala day. The gala days were a fantastic opportunity for participants across our regions to learn the basics of tennis in a fun and relaxed environment.

We thank School Sport NT and our clubs for helping facilitate these participation opportunities.

The gala days were held in each region and club on the following dates:

- Alice Springs Tennis Association / Central Region – May 2023 - > 70 participants across four schools.
- Tennis Palmerston / Top End Region – May 2023 - > 50 participants across four schools
- Gardens Tennis / Darwin Region – June 2023 - > 50 participants across four schools. There was also another tennis gala day held last year in September 2022 with >100 participants and 8 schools involved.



Ballkids Program Launch

In late June 2023, Tennis NT held an information session for a proposed NT ballkids program. It was great to see kids interested in learning about what it takes to be a successful ballkid. There is also an opportunity to go to the Australian for one hard-working, purpose driven participant. Watch this space.

Digital



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We are happy to report that all 7 clubs and centres have websites; 5 of those 7 clubs and centres support online transactions for relevant products at their club and 4 of those 7 clubs and centres make court hire purchase available to the public via their website on a casual basis.

For Clubs and centres who use ClubSpark, there are monthly training and Q&A sessions available via the Tennis Australia team, and additionally there is access to self-serve training on the [system support site](#). The ClubSpark system has also had development since its launch, with a focus on improvements for coaches' use of the platform. Tennis NT will revisit this with coach operators in the coming year.

Holistically, Tennis Australia is working on a digital transformation roadmap. A key feature of this is integrated identity management. While Tennis NT is reliant on Tennis Australia for the overall Tech/IT roadmap delivery, the Tennis NT community have supported change by ensuring that all competitive players create a "Competitive Player Profile" (a Tennis ID + UTR account). This has improved data quality and will aid with future improvements to systems. The NT has a 93% uptake of Competitive Player Profile, and nationally have been the most effective with driving change.



Customer Satisfaction Survey

(Potentiate Report)

Tennis Australia regularly commissions a customer satisfaction survey that goes to club, coach and council stakeholders nationally. From June 2022 to June 2023, NT fell from having the highest satisfaction rate nationally (8.4) to the lowest (6.7). A factor in this decline is the quality of the data collection, as the survey in June 2022 had 11 respondents, but only 7 respondents in June 2023. Additionally, it is clear that many being surveyed are not stakeholders, which has skewed results.

Notwithstanding, our intent is to take the spirit of the feedback and deliver positive change with regard to improved communication; understanding of the affiliation value proposition; marketing support; consistency of service. We also will be working closely with Tennis Australia to bridge the gap in coach development.

Women & Girls



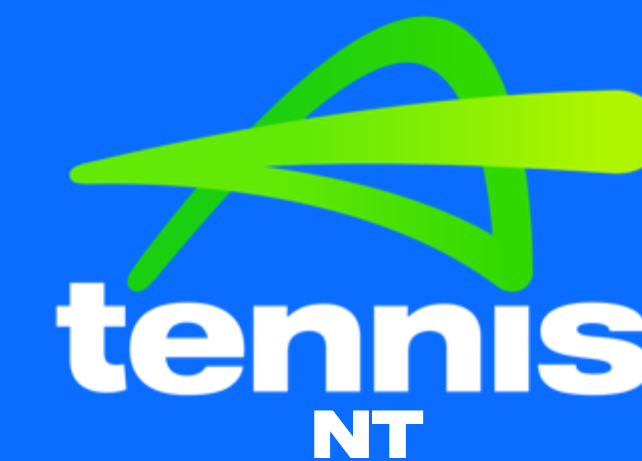
Women Leaders in Tennis 2022

The Women Leaders in Tennis participants graduated in November 2022, with each woman leader presenting their Action Learning Project as part of the second and final face-to-face day. The presentations covered a range of topics, selecting an interest area that was important to them or within their local community / club.

The program focused on building leadership knowledge, skills, and confidence, whilst also growing a network of like-minded women. Facilitated by Jahna Sedar from IPS Management Consultations and with Andrea Buckeridge from Tennis Australia overseeing the program nationally, it was a positive initiative for the environment with great collaboration amongst the group. The aim is to run a second program in 2024, to continue to grow the network of women in tennis in the Northern Territory.

Gove Trip #NoLimits

In May 2022, Tennis NT travelled to Nhulunbuy to visit the Gove Peninsula Tennis Club and experience on court sessions with Head Coach, Nicky Mayer, as well providing Coach Development. Nicky has been running the #NoLimits Girls' Squads as part of a national initiative to retain girls in tennis. Tennis NT co-delivered the Friday afternoon #nolimits' Girls' Squad with Nicky, offering insight into focus areas for further development. The girls were thriving in the environment and their confidence had soared since the beginning of the program. During the visit, Tennis NT delivered a Foundation Coaching Course, as well as being involved in the delivery of orange and green ball lessons, to provide information as to the level of the players comparatively with others across the Northern Territory.



COMPETITIVE PLAY & EVENTS





Territory Junior League

	Term 2 2022 (season 2)	Term 1 2023 (season 1)
# of teams	16	18
Total players	110	79

Term 2, 2022 had more players who were not playing consistently each week, i.e., the number of fill-in players boosted the overall numbers.

Club Super Challenge

12-13 November 2023

The Club Super Challenge between Darwin & Palmerston based clubs had 100 entries (2 more than the previous year).

Winner: Top End Multi Sports

Hot Shots Circuit

The launch of the Hot Shots Circuit in April 2023, provided an opportunity to Green Ball players to compete towards gaining a spot in the 'Bolt to Brisbane' in QLD.

Green Ball events were attached to every local tournament, with 25 local players competing for points, which accumulated towards an overall ladder.

The top 4 players in the ladder qualified for the 'Bolt to Brisbane' event in QLD.

2022 National Indigenous Tennis Carnival

The National Indigenous Tennis Carnival returned as a national event in August 2022. Over 150 young Indigenous Australians travelled to Darwin to participate in a celebration of culture through tennis.

Participants travelled from across the NT, from communities such as Arlparra, Canteen Creek, Lajamanu, Jabiru, Tiwi, and Alice Springs and from across Australia, with all other states and territories being represented.

The 2022 NITC provided participants with an opportunity to develop their skills, with ball kid sessions delivered by Tennis Australia staff. The top performers were invited to the 2023 Australian Open as ball kids. NT player *Dylan Archer* from Palmerston was selected and attended as the sole NT representative.

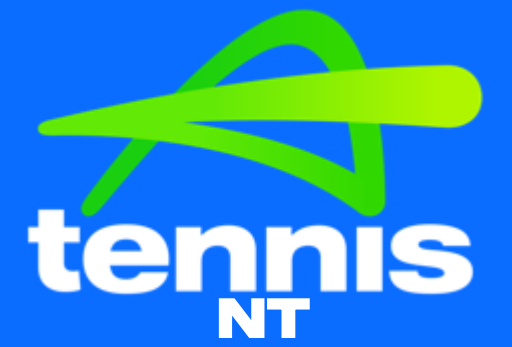
The 2022 NITC also saw Deadly Awards being awarded to two young Indigenous Territorians. The winners from the Tiwi Islands and Canteen Creek were invited to travel to Melbourne and participate in *First Nations Day* at the 2023 Australian Open.

Following on from the success of the NITC, in 2023 all states and territories around Australia will be delivering lead-in events in their own environments which will further grow the profile of First Nations tennis and form an important part of the pathway for players earning selection to attend the National Indigenous Tennis Carnival in Darwin.





Tournaments



ITF WORLD TENNIS TOUR - AUSTRALIAN PRO TOUR. SEPTEMBER 2022

The Australian Pro Tour returned to Darwin in 2022 with back-to-back \$25,000 Men's and \$25,000 Women's events being held at the Darwin International Tennis Centre in September 2022.

The events brought over 100 players, coaches, supporters, and officials to Darwin and provided a great opportunity to showcase professional tennis to the Darwin public.

ITF WORLD TENNIS TOUR JUNIORS. JUNE 2023

The Darwin Junior International and NT Junior Internationals saw a decrease of 25 and 19 players respectively, however a greater proportion of players competing in 2023 were traveling compared to 2022.

Note regarding the upcoming FY2023-2024 calendar, the 2024 Darwin Open has been moved to occur prior to the 2024 ITF Junior events to provide players with an additional high tier competitive opportunity in the same swing of events.

AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR SERIES, PROGRESS SERIES & SENIORS NRT – events across FY22-23

The Australian Junior series and Australian Progress series arose from feedback obtained throughout 2022

following the National Competitive Play Review. These series combine ratings-based play with a year-long opportunity to qualify for National Masters events, which are played during December in Melbourne.

Australian Junior series and Progress series events held from the beginning of 2023 generally saw increased participation in comparison to their 2022 counterparts.

The Katherine Open had the highest participation of all events held throughout FY22-23 with 104 total participants across all events.

The NT Open followed the 2023 ITF Junior events and saw several players stay on to participate. The Darwin Open would follow later in 2023 as a lead into the Darwin and NT Internationals.

Thank you to all the players, officials and tournament staff who helped to make the 2022 – 2023 period a success.

Note regarding the upcoming FY2023-2024 calendar : the NT Open and Darwin Open will switch places in the calendar for 2024, placing the move prestigious 97th edition of the NT Open leading into the Darwin and NT Internationals.

Overall, FY22-23 saw an additional 313 entries compared to FY21-22, which was largely due to the additional events delivered compared to the previous 12-month period.

Officials Development

In December 2022 NT official and Katherine Tennis Club President, Greg Dickson, held an officiating information and Q&A session at the Darwin International Tennis Centre. Interested participants were invited to begin their officiating journey as court monitors in 2023.

In April 2023, six NT locals completed their training as Court Monitors and then received practical on-court experience with NT referee's Jenny Roe and Leanne Usher. The same six new officials then completed a line umpire training session with NT Chair Umpires Greg Dixon and Tarun Soni.

These new officials continued their development in May and June 2023 when they officiated practice matches between players in town for the 2023 ITF World Tennis Tour Junior events. The officials would continue their development in 2023 at several other local events, with the goal of working at the 2023 ITF World Tennis Tour (Pro Tour) events in September 2023.

Tennis NT would like to thank officials Greg Dickson, Leanne Usher and Jenny Roe for their hard work throughout the year both on and off court, but especially for the support and mentorship that they have provided these new officials.

Congratulations and well done to Siwa Boonmanee, Fiona Walker, Clare Black, Mario Stefanelli and Simon Swenson who all began their Officiating journey.



Talent & Pathways



Pathways NDS & Zone Squads



NDS and Zone Squads & updates

NDS and Zone Squads continued to be structured around themes of professionalism, intensity, and culture. Players set new goals each Term, in collaboration with their private coach. These goals were set in line with player reporting areas: technical, tactical, physical, and psychological.

In Term 3, 2023, Alistair Murphy (Senior Physical Performance Coach, National Tennis Academy, Brisbane) visited Darwin to run NDS players through a range of physical testing.

Each player received an individual strength and conditioning program to complete in their own time. NDS players combined with the Zone Squad players for a sports psychology session with Liz Grylls; the session was centred around handling pressure and enjoying competition.

The Zone Squad experienced a second psychology session on-court, with Liz being present to take players through routines during point play.

Multiple camps were held in conjunction with local Pro Tour and ITF events, to provide an opportunity for players to be immersed in the atmosphere of elite tennis.

During the Pro Tour events in 2022, Zone Squad and NDS players came together for an on-court training session, an agility session with Ash Barty's previous S&C coach, Matthew Hayes, and a college information session with Michael Shepherd, a prior local junior tennis player. Zone Squad players were invited to watch the NDS players competing in the 2022 ITFs, completing analysis worksheets to direct their attention to specific aspects of the game.



NT players playing in big events



12/U and 14/U Hardcourt Championships, Adelaide, 2022

Amber Sharp, Lincoln Pratt, Rafael Fulmanski, Christina Prete, Nelini Abeywickrama

Results (singles):

14/U Boys	Rafael Fulmanski	10th
14/U Boys	Lincoln Pratt	46th
14/U Girls	Amber Sharp	31st
12/U Girls	Christina Prete	16th
12/U Girls	Nelini Abeywickrama	44th



12/U and 14/U Grass court Championships, Victoria, 2023

Rafael Fulmanski finished runners up in the 14/U Singles and 14/U Doubles. A fantastic end to an exciting year of solid training and strong results; very well deserved.

December Showdown (Invitational) 2022

Rafael Fulmanski qualified for the 14/U Boys event in the December Showdown, held at Melbourne Park. Unfortunately, Rafael was forced to withdraw from the event due to injury, after bravely competing for the first few days and notching a win in his first round robin singles match.



Darwin Pro Tours 2022

Three local players - Amber Sharp, Eva Harris, and Taj Cannard - competed across the two Pro Tour Events held in Darwin: Darwin International #1 and Darwin International #2. Eva Harris made it through to the second round of the main draw in the Darwin International #2.

Darwin Junior ITFs 2023

NT was represented by 8 junior players in the Junior ITFs across qualifying and main draw events in Darwin earlier in the year. Amber Sharp, Ava Willoughby, Eva Harris, Taj Cannard, Lincoln Pratt, Dusty Cannard, Jericho Prete and Christina Prete competed in the two events, with Eva Harris qualifying for the main draw singles in the first ITF.

Bruce Cup

Due to School Sport NT policy in relation to COVID-19, NT was unable to send a team to the Bruce Cup, 2022.

National Teams Championships – Gold Coast June 2023

The Northern Territory was represented by four teams in the 2023 National Teams Championships in June on the Gold Coast, and joined with Tasmania in the 15s Girls to provide opportunities for further representation across Tasmania and the NT.

Team	Manager	Result
11s Girls	Benjamin McLachlan	Placed 8th / 10 teams
11s Boys	Alex Capill	Placed 9th / 10 teams
13s Girls	Jessica Polack	Placed 8th / 10 teams
13s Boys	Emily Webb	Placed 10th / 10 teams

The competition was at a very high level and NT is aiming to move into the middle bracket play-offs within the next couple of years. The event provided excellent experience as to the current level nationally, and players came back with goals and individual reports from their respective team manager, relating to areas of focus for the following six months.

Rafa Nadal Tour Australian Masters 2023 (Invitational Event)



Results:	Player	Result
14/U Boys	Rafael Fulmanski	Runner Up
14/U Boys	Lincoln Pratt	12th
14/U Girls	Amber Sharp	10th
12/U Boys	Dusty Cannard	13th
12/U Girls	Christina Prete	11th
12/U Girls	Nelini Abeywickrama	13th



Super 10's

Super 10s (local event and National Camp)

Local seasons

Twenty-eight players attended Darwin International Tennis Centre for the **Season Two, 2022** Super 10s trial day, for an afternoon of on-court training and competition. From here, 16 players were selected (9 boys & 7 girls) and placed into four teams to compete across the following two weekends, with a focus on footwork and intensity, sportsmanship and giving 100%.

Season One, 2023 Super 10s trial day welcomed 23 players for the trial day, with the four teams being comprised of 13 boys and 3 girls. Thank you to all coaches who managed teams across the seasons; it wouldn't be possible without your support and it's great for the players to have the opportunity to seek advice on court in a team environment.

National Super 10s Camp 2023

The Northern Territory had 6 players representing the Territory in Melbourne during the Super 10s National Camp, with 64 players in attendance from around Australia. This is a great opportunity for players to be immersed in the world of professional tennis, being inspired by their surroundings and being able to set new heights following competition against strong teams from interstate.

Caitlyn, Taylor, Layla, Hunter, Sam, and Alex went to Melbourne for the experience, competing in teams with players from different states and territories. They were lucky enough to have the opportunity to watch Australian Open matches on Rod Laver arena courtside and meet professional tennis players. Taylor and Alex even got to do a coin toss on Rod Laver arena!



Coach Development



Coach Development

Coach development continued to run informally in the local environment, between the Talent Operations Manager and local coaches. Regular phone calls, meetings and club visits occurred, with coach development sessions delivered on requested topics. Player reports were provided to coaches for players in NDS, Zone Squad and Super 10s, identifying opportunities technically, tactically, physically, and emotionally. The Talent Operations Manager has been actively involved in squads at multiple local Clubs to proactively collaborate with local coaches. Providing opportunities to travel as a coach / manager also enabled local coaches to ‘know the level’ interstate. During the ITF’s, a coach development psychology session was delivered by Liz Grylls and Nicole Kriz.

Coaching Courses

Five local participants graduated from their Junior Development Coaching Course in Darwin, under the guidance of Tennis Australia facilitator Sam Bradshaw. This is exciting for the local coaching environment, broadening the network of coaches and establishing a coaching pathway. The aim is to deliver multiple Community Coaching Courses across the Northern Territory in the next 12 months and to also provide another Junior Development Course opportunity locally.

Total coaches

	2022	2023
Qualified	10	10
Trainee	5	3

Unfortunately, the past year saw 2 trainee coaches leave the NT. Tennis NT is committed to working with our stakeholders to train more people from the ground-up to grow the number of coaches to work in clubs and centres.

We thank and appreciate our coaches at every level across the NT for the time they sacrifice and commitment they show towards their players – especially the kids.



Social Marketing

The year's focus has been to add more video content through Instagram Stories to promote events and reach a younger audience.

During the ITF's, our singles winners in both the Boys & Girls Singles were interviewed to generate interaction with a wider audience.

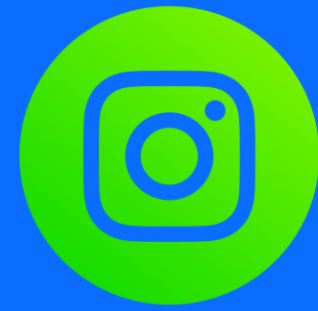


1,401 followers

285 posts

1,184 followers last year

239 posts last year



714 followers

385 posts

724 followers last year

96 posts last year



184 followers





Honour Roll

Tennis NT congratulates the award winners from 2021-2022, celebrated at the Annual Awards night held on 5th November 2022 at the Darwin International Tennis Centre, Marrara.

We appreciate those who go to the effort to recognize others in the tennis community through nominating their peers for awards.

At the 2022 Awards Night, the NT community recognised Joel Crawford for his outstanding, significant, and long-term service to tennis in the Northern Territory. Congratulations Joel. This was the first time the Special Service Award has been granted since 2019.

Awards Night 2022

Held in November 2022, at Marrara

Awards Category Winners were:

Special Service Award	Joel Crawford
Austin Asche Trophy	Rafael Fulmanski
Club of the Year	Tennis Palmerston
Most Outstanding School	Nightcliff Primary School
Excellence in Inclusion & Diversity	Deborah Jones
Excellence in Indigenous Community Programs	Linda Quall

Junior Athlete of the Year	
Women:	Tumi Kgosiemang
Men:	Rafael Fulmanski

Club Person of the Year	
Tennis Palmerston	Liam Jong
Katherine Tennis Club	Greg Dickson
Gove Peninsula Tennis Club	Nicky Mayer
Gardens Tennis Club	Andrew Hawke
Alice Springs Tennis Association	Kasper Chen & Tom Langcake
Top End Multi Sports	Chris Vouthivong



Honour Roll

Tennis NT Presidents

Steve Rossingh	2021 - current
David De Silva	2017 - 2021
Warren Martin	2008 – 2017
Sandra Smiles	2001 – 2008
Max Horton OAM	1980 – 2001

Life Members

5 November 2011	Patrick Coburn
19 March 2006	Thelma Britton & John Britton
5 March 2005	Lyle Lee
7 Nov 1992	Max Horton OAM

Special Service Awards

These Awards are presented in recognition of outstanding, significant, long-term service to tennis in the Northern Territory.

5 Nov 2022`	Joel Crawford
2 Nov 2019	Gary Bigg Les Mitchell
19 Nov 2016	Kathy Brummitt
6 Nov 2010	Nicky Mayer
1 March 2008	Brendan Higgins
17 Feb 2007	Di MacDonald Brenton Milner
19 March 2006	Ivy Batten Stephen Brown Jaki Hill Connolly
28 Feb 2004	Warren Foote Mereme Hyde
1 March 2003	Maggie Burke Carl Black Patrick Coburn Paul Ngamoki
24 Feb 2001	Colin Keily
26 Feb 2000	Jan Horsfall Horry Kneebone (dec) Lyle Lee
13 Feb 1999	John Britton Betty Crabb Mike Geddes Julie Mortensen Geoff Vandendriesen (dec)

Austin Asche Trophy

The Austin Asche Trophy is awarded to a junior touring player recognising the following criteria: Performance against Interstate Competitors, Sportsmanship, Contribution to Tennis in the Northern Territory and Attitude on and off the court.

Austin Asche Trophy Winners

2021-22	Rafael Fulmanski
2020-21	Peter Politis
2019-20	Peter Politis
2018-19	Jett Leong
2017-18	Jett Leong
2016-17	Kenneth Prete
2015-16	Liam Franklin
2014-15	Liam Franklin
2013-14	Caitlyn Mitchell
2012-13	Michael Shepheard
2011-12	Tom Zaleski
2010-11	Kassandra Dunser
2009-10	Kassandra Dunser
2008-09	Kassandra Dunser
2007	Kassandra Dunser
2006	Ashlee Brown
2005	Ashlee Brown
2004	Ashlee Brown
2003	Peter Parian
2002	Sarah Andrews
2001	Sarah Andrews
2000	Sarah Andrews
1999	Stephanie Lim
1998	Nicholas Bent

Most Outstanding School

2021-22	Nightcliff Primary School
2020-21	Casuarina Street Primary School
2019-20	Nightcliff Primary School
2018-19	Nightcliff Primary School
2017-18	Casuarina Street Primary School
2016-17	The Essington School, Darwin
2015-16	Nightcliff Primary School

Excellence in Officiating

2021-22	No Nominations Received
2020-21	Jennifer Roe/Leanne Usher
2019-20	Not awarded due to COVID-19
2018-19	Leanne Usher
2017-18	Virginia Moore
2016-17	Jennifer Roe
2015-16	Gary Bigg

Volunteer Achievement Award

2020-21	Tara Keenan-Russell
2019-20	Joel Crawford Jamie & Ruth O'Brien
2016-17	Charles Webb
2015-16	Kathy Brummitt

Club of the Year

2021-2022	Tennis Palmerston
2020-2021	Top End Multi Sports
2019-2020	Gardens Tennis
2018-19	Gardens Tennis
2017-18	Gardens Tennis
2016-17	Tennis Palmerston
2015-16	Darwin Tennis Association
2014-15	Alice Springs Tennis Association
2013-14	Alice Springs Tennis Association
2012-13	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2011-12	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2010-11	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2009-10	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2008-09	DTC Sports
2007	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2006	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2005	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2004	Alice Springs Tennis Association
2003	Katherine Tennis Club
2002	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2001	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club

Club Persons of the Year

Alice Springs Tennis Association

2014-15	Julie Dawson
2013-14	Debbie Diemer
2012-13	Karen Brown
2011-12	Luke Horsfall
2010-11	Gary Bigg
2009-10	Tony Jennison
2008-09	Virginia Moore
2007	Bruce Scobie
2006	Craig Gallagher
2005	Chris Schultz
2004	Bruce Scobie
2003	Mark Baxter
2002	Andy Roberts
2001	Stephen Brown
2000	Geoff Hood

Alice Springs Tennis Association

2021-22	Kasper Chen Tom Langcake
2020-21	Tom Neville
2019-20	Joel Crawford
2018-19	Jenny Ashenden
2017-18	Jenny Ashenden
2016-17	Lloyd Remedio
2015-16	Karen Jones

Gardens Tennis

(Formerly: Darwin Tennis Association)

2021-22	Andrew Hawke
2020-21	Bryan & Lynne Dowling
2019-20	Jamie & Ruth O'Brien
2018-19	Ruth O'Brien
2017-18	Mike & Zou Little
2016-17	Charles Webb
2015-16	Ruth O'Brien
2014-15	Natalie La Pira
2013-14	Kathy Hutt
2012-13	Dung Buckingham
2011-12	Des McLellan
2010-11	Gary McCulloch
2009-10	John Britton
2008-09	Nil Nomination
2007	Ian Redmond
2006	Kevin Stephens
2005	John Britton
2004	Jo Bruce
2003	Mark Bruce
2002	Jo Bruce
2001	Jock Bremner
2000	Cas Fletcher

DTC Sports

2011-12	Lynda Valentine
2010-11	Andrew Moo
2009-10	Warren Martin
2008-09	Ranta Lye
2007	Peter Baden
2006	Leonie Stokes
2005	Paul Stevens
2004	Leanne Tilley-Dunser
2003	Deanne Coburn
2002	Richard Waterson
2001	Megan Brown

AWOF Sports

2015-16	Helen Coburn
2014-15	Ewa Finch
2013-14	Terry Franklin
2012-13	Priscilla Franklin

Gove Peninsula Tennis Club

2021-22	Nicky Mayer
2020-21	Michael Mayer
2019-20	Michael Mayer
2018-19	Ledua Gentle
2016-17	Sarah Carlile
2015-16	Les Mitchell
2014-15	Billy Howes
2013-14	Ledua Gentle
2012-13	Eugene Venter
2011-12	Renae Lane
2010-11	Paul Mery
2009-10	Paul Mery
2008-09	Donna Banks
2007	Michael Higgins/ Garry Hinchcliffe
2006	Susan Guerini
2005	Garry Hinchcliffe
2004	Tracy Naughton
2003	Brendan Higgins
2002	Nicky Mayer
2001	Mereme Hyde
2000	Paul Ngamoki

Groote Eylandt Tennis Club

2004	Alan McVicar
2003	Gerry McLennan
2002	Gerry McLennan
2001	Michelle Wallace
2000	Sharon Currie

Kakadu Tennis Club

2002	Richard Hutton
2001	Guy Boggs
2000	Peter Hurst

Tennis Borroloola

2006	Delia Farlam
2005	Tania Mackay
2004	Delia Farlam

Honour Roll

Club Person of the Year (continued)

Katherine Tennis Club

2021-22	Greg Dickson
2020-21	Lewis Lampton
2019-20	Greg Dickson
2018-19	Michael Jazyschyn
2016-17	Rebecca McGrath
2015-16	Sarah Hurley
2014-15	David Brummitt
2013-14	Kathy Brummitt
	Amanda Kingdon
2012-13	Lisa Alexander
2011-12	Michelle Kealy
2010-11	Kathy Brummitt
2009-10	Nil Nomination
2008-09	Steven Budarick
2007	Lisa Alexander
2006	Nil Nomination
2005	Greg Henschke
2004	Kathy Brummitt
2003	Fiona Upstill/ Fiona Walker
2002	Jan Henschke
2001	Ruth Murphy
2000	Maggie Burke

Tennis Palmerston

2021-22	Liam Jong
2020-21	Ethan Prosser
2019-20	Tara Keenan-Russell
2018-19	Tara Keenan-Russell
2017-18	The Osborne Family
2016-17	Donna & Matt Cartwright
2015-16	Ken Parker
2014-15	Ethan Prosser
2013-14	Karyn Gossow
2012-13	Angelique Bos
2011-12	Robyn Woods

Top End Multi Sports

2021-22	Chris Vouthivong
2020-21	Chris Vouthivong
2019-20	Alicia Boyle

Palmerston Tennis Pro

2008-09	Jessica Kendall
2007	Michael Kelley
	Cheryl Kelley
2006	Judith Schneider
2005	Donna Johnson
2004	Sam Giess
2003	Tim Nixon
2002	Oscar Parian
2001	Oscar Parian
2000	Oscar Parian

TCA – NT

2005	Robyn Woods
2004	Ryan Popovsky
2003	Robyn Woods
2002	Jaki Hill Connolly
2001	Jaki Hill Connolly
2000	Milo Bradley

Tennis Seniors NT

2009-10	Thelma Britton
2008-09	Pam Long
2007	Nil Nomination
2006	Norm Hawthorne
2005	Sally Thomas
2004	Nil Nomination
2003	Nil Nomination
2002	John Britton
2001	Thelma Britton
2000	Marie Le Cornu

USA College Scholarships

Name	Year	University
Caitlyn Mitchell	2014	Sam Houston State University
Matthew Delsar	2013	Goshen College Indiana
Hrehan Hakeem	2009	Mississippi State University
Ashlee Brown	2007	Arizona State University
Sarah Andrews	2004	Michigan State University
Benita Bittner	2000	University of North Texas
George Dubrava	2000	University of Tennessee and University of Alabama/Birmingham
Dominic Hall	1997	Austin Peay State University Tennessee
Priya Jayaraman	1993	University of Memphis
Ken Phillips	?	?

National Champions

SINGLES

Name	National Title	Location
Kassandra Dunser	2010 14s Grasscourt Nationals	Mildura VIC
Kassandra Dunser	2008 14s Claycourt Nationals	Perth WA
Ashlee Brown	2006 16s Winter Nationals	Bendigo VIC

DOUBLES

Name	National Title	Location	Partner
Peter Politis	2018 14s Claycourt Nationals	Canberra	Jett Leong NT
Jett Leong	2018 14s Claycourt Nationals	Canberra	Peter Politis NT
Nicolas Tremblay	2018 12s Grasscourt Nationals	Adelaide	Cooper Errey Vic
Liam Franklin	2015 14s Rod Laver Platinum	Brisbane	Michael Shepherd Vic
Kassandra Dunser	2010 14s Grasscourt Nationals	Mildura VIC	Brooke Rischbieth SA
Kassandra Dunser	2009 14s Spring Nationals	Perth WA	Brooke Rischbieth SA
Emily Webb	2009 14s Winter Nationals	Brisbane QLD	Brooke Rischbieth SA
Emily Moo	2009 12s Autumn Nationals	Mildura VIC	Olivia Tjandramulia QLD
Kassandra Dunser	2008 14s Spring Nationals	Perth WA	Lyann Hoang QLD
Kassandra Dunser	2008 12s Autumn Nationals	Mildura VIC	Brooke Rischbieth SA
Ashlee Brown	2006 16s Hardcourt Nationals	Bendigo VIC	Anna Wishink TAS
Hrehan Hakeem	2005 14s Hardcourt Nationals	Gosford NSW	Matt Reid NSW

State Ratings as at June 2022

Men (Open)

1. Peter Politis 9.92
2. Thomas Van Haaren 7.97
3. Ethan Prosser 7.74
4. Stephen Lewis-Driver 7.07
5. Jason Duff 6.79

Boys' 16/u (up to BY 2006)

1. Rafael Fulmanski 8.92
2. Taj Cannard 8.46
3. Koorosh Taheri 6.95
4. Lincoln Pratt 6.83
5. Dusty Cannard 5.80

Women (Open)

1. Tumi Kgosiemang 6.64
2. Eva Harris 6.54
3. Amber Sharp 6.22
4. Ava Willoughby 5.96
5. Christina Prete 5.6

Girls' 16/u (up to BY 2006)

1. Tumi Kgosiemang 6.64
2. Eva Harris 6.54
3. Amber Sharp 6.22
4. Ava Willoughby 5.96
5. Christina Prete 5.6

Boys' 14/u (up to BY 2008)

1. Rafael Fulmanski 8.92
2. Koorosh Taheri 6.95
3. Lincoln Pratt 6.83
4. Dusty Cannard 5.80
5. Jack Burrowes

Girls' 14/u (up to BY 2008)

1. Amber Sharp 6.27
2. Christina Prete 5.6
3. Nelini Abeywickrama 4.6
4. Ruva Nesvinga 4.0
5. Grace Harris 3.0

Boys' 12/u (up to BY 2010)

1. Dusty Cannard 5.80
2. Jude Karpeles 4.0
3. Rafael Prete 3.5
4. Tim Nesvinga 3.4
5. William Pengelly 3.4

Girls' 12/u (up to BY 2010)

1. Christina Prete 5.6
2. Nelini Abeywickrama 4.6
3. Grace Harris 3.0
4. Karys Sheridan 2.9
5. Layla Fulmanski 2.6

Honour Roll

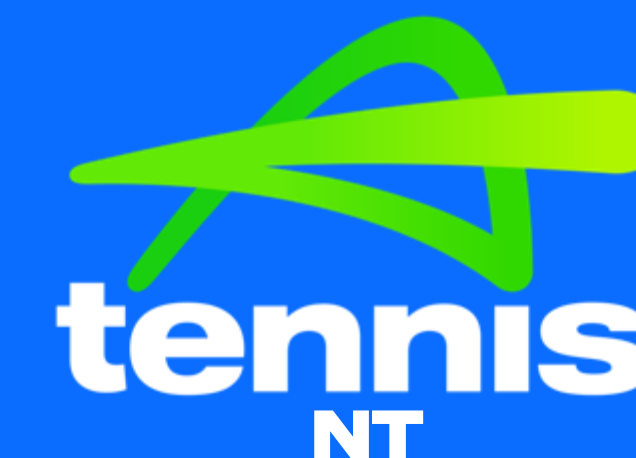
Open Points Circuit Honour Roll

Men	1st	2nd	3rd
2020-21	Peter Politis	Patrick Findlay	Chris McLachlan
2019-20	Peter Politis	Jeremy Slee	Kenneth Prete
2018-19	Peter Politis	Patrick Findlay	Thomas Van Haaren
2017-18	Ben McLachlan	Jeremy Slee	Daniel Parker
2016-17	Ben McLachlan	Max Tolstoy	Daniel Parker
2015-16	Daniel Parker	Liam Franklin	Kyle O'Donoghue-Ellis
2014-15	Daniel Parker	Jake Woods	Nick Whyte
2013-14	Nick Whyte	Ethan Scobie	Matt Dudley
2012-13	Daniel Parker	Nick Whyte	Nathan Hawke
2011-12	Ryan Palfrey	Kacy Brennan	Nicholas Munro
2010-11	Ryan Palfrey	George Shephard	Kaelan Bates
2009-10	Ryan Palfrey	Nathan Hawke	Nicholas Munro
2008-09	Ryan Palfrey	Daniel Parker	Mark Pead
2008	Daniel Parker	Luke Bosio	Nicholas Munro
2007	Adil Hakeem	Jarron Kretschmann	Nicholas Munro
2006	Jed Stanford	Chris Letcher	Adil Hakeem
2005	Ben Howen	Dominic Hall	Nicholas Munro
2004	Dominic Hall	Adil Hakeem	Isaac Wardle
2003	Tony Rehn	Dominic Hall	Adam Gromadzki
2002	Brett McLellan	Bruce McIver	Adam Gromadzki

Women	1st	2nd	3rd
2020-21	Eva Harris	Ava Willoughby	Tumi Kgosiemang
2019-20	Eva Harris	Keely Bishop	Sidni Finch
2018-19	Keely Bishop	Sidni Finch	Rosie Henderson
2017-18	Keely Bishop	Jo-Anne Karaitiana	Rosie Henderson
2016-17	Rosie Henderson	Madeleine Murray	Jenna Green
2015-16	Ilse Huiskes	Rosie Henderson	Eilis Kruger
2014-15	Bonnie Usher	Rebecca Rayner	Ashley Diemer
2013-14	Bonnie Usher	Caitlyn Mitchell	Katherine Campbell
2012-13	Caitlyn Mitchell	Katherine Campbell	Bonnie Usher
2011-12	Caitlyn Mitchell	Bonnie Usher	Emily Moo
2010-11	Emily Moo	Madeleine Murray	Matilda Hurst
2009-10	Tarlina Tipungwuti	Emily Moo	Kassandra Dunser
2008-09	Emily Webb	Madeleine Murray	Kassandra Dunser
2008	Matilda Hurst	Emma Labessa	Emily Webb
2007	Tarlina Tipungwuti	Matilda Hurst	Kassandra Dunser
2006	Amanda Grahame	Nancy Ferguson	Kassandra Dunser
2005	Ashlee Brown	Samantha Lim	Jennifer Woerner
2004	Jayne Robinson	Ashlee Brown	Nicole Baxter
2003	Jayne Robinson	Nicole Baxter	Sarah Andrews
2002	Sarah Andrews	Suzie Dubrava	Khia De Silva

NT Open Honour Roll

Champions	Men's Singles	Women's Singles	Champions	Men's Singles	Women's Singles
2023			1974	W. Ravenswood	R. Theiss
2022	Postponed	Postponed	1973	W. Ravenswood	J. Brimson
2021	T. Braithwaite	A. Marshall	1972	W. Ravenswood	S. Klose
2020	P. Politis	E. Harris	1971	W. Ravenswood	S. Klose
2019	C. White	N. Russell	1970	W. Ravenswood	L. Young
2018	H. Bourchier	A. Marshall	1969	W. Ravenswood	Y. Cosgrove
2017	D. Polkinghorne	A. Smith	1968	W. Ravenswood	Y. Cosgrove
2016	D. Polkinghorne	M. Haet	1967	R. Berry	Y. Cosgrove
2015	V. Crivoi	Z. Zlochova	1966	W. Ravenswood	A. May
2014	D. Polkinghorne	Z. Zlochova	1965	K. Chin	M. Callier
2013	K. Hensel	I. Holland	1964	K. Chin	C. McConaghy
2012	R. Palfrey	E. Burns	1963	K. Chin	J. Calvert
2011	J. James	T. Tipungwuti	1962	R. Forscutt	J. Calvert
2010	E. Bourchier	A. Hadzic	1961	E. Hamilton	J. Calvert
2009	E. Bourchier	J. Swift	1960	E. Hamilton	J. Koehne
2008	C. Marsland	A. Hadzic	1959	E. Hamilton	V. Clarke
2007	E. Bourchier	N. Ferguson	1958	R. Forscutt	V. Clarke
2006	C. Letcher	N. Ferguson	1957	K. Chin	V. Clarke
2005	S. Robertson	A. Brown	1956	J. Casson	S. Robertson
2004	B. Howen	M. Sorbello	1955	J. Faull	V. Clarke
2003	M. Leong	K. Condon	1954	J. Trama	Miss Radford
2002	B. McLennan	D. McIntyre	1953	A. Alle	Unknown
2001	B. McLennan	N. T. K. Trang	1952	N. Belle	Mrs. Hart
2000	M. MacMahon	D. Blackwell	1951	H. Chia	Not Conducted
1999	S. Martin	D. McIntyre	1950	E. Davies	Not Conducted
1998	J. Gould	N. Sewell	1949	J. Falk	Not Conducted
1997	J. Gould	D. Blackwell	1948	A. Swan	Not Conducted
1996	M. MacMahon	D. Blackwell	1947	E. Hargreaves	Not Conducted
1995	D. Culley	R. Balodis	1940-46	Not Conducted	Not Conducted
1994	D. Culley	D. Blackwell	1939	H. Foster	Not Conducted
1993	D. Culley	D. Blackwell	1938	K. Fuller	D. Abott
1992	M. Hill	R. Tucker	1937	A. Dawson	D. Abbott
1991	P. Davis	R. Tucker	1936	K. Fuller	Mrs. Smythe
1990	B. Tucker	R. Walker	1935	A. Bush	Unknown
1989	W. Foote	C. Buirra	1934	C. Webb	Unknown
1988	W. Foote	C. Finnegan	1933	C. Webb	Mrs. Forster
1987	W. Foote	M. Lonergan	1932	R. Edwards	M. Lord
1986	A. Evans	L. Weetaseke	1931	C. Webb	L. James
1985	A. Evans	K. Ballard	1930	K. Curry	L. James
1984	N. Coltos	S. Duigan	1929	G. Webb	Unknown
1983	K. Robinson	C. Miller	1928	R. Edwards	Ms. Blesser
1982	A. Lane	N. Leipus	1927	R. Edwards	Not Conducted
1981	A. Lane	J. Brimson	1926	H. Naylor	Not Conducted
1980	R. Berry	J. Brimson	1925	A. Brown	Not Conducted
1979	R. Berry	J. Brimson	1924	A. Brown	Not Conducted
1978	R. Staines	J. Brimson	1923	G. Feakes	Not Conducted
1977	R. Berry	L. Horton	1922	J. MacKenzie	Not Conducted
1976	R. Staines	K. Clothier	1921	E. Dennis	Not Conducted
1975	I. Bidmeade	L. Horton	1920	E. Dennis	Not Conducted



Financial Report

FY 22-23

Special Purpose Financial Report

For

Tennis NT Incorporated

ABN 58 257 241 220

For the year ended 30 June 2023

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Tennis NT Incorporated
Declaration by the Board
For the year ended 30 June 2023

In our opinion

- (a) the financial report, as set out on the following pages, being a special purpose financial statement, is drawn up so as to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association as at 30 June 2023 and the results of the Association for the year ended on that date;
- (b) the accounts of the Association have been properly prepared and are in accordance with the books of account of the Association; and
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

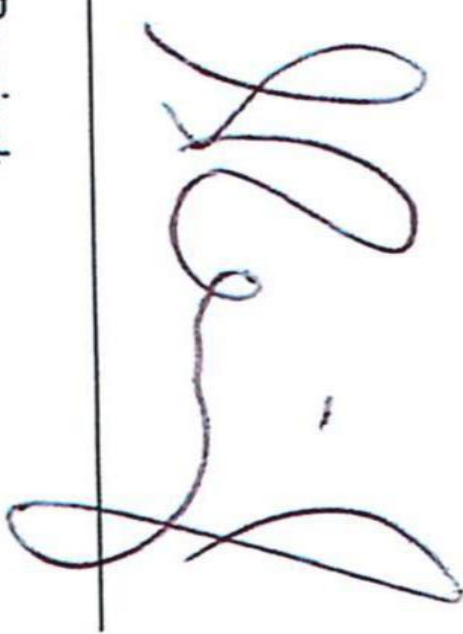
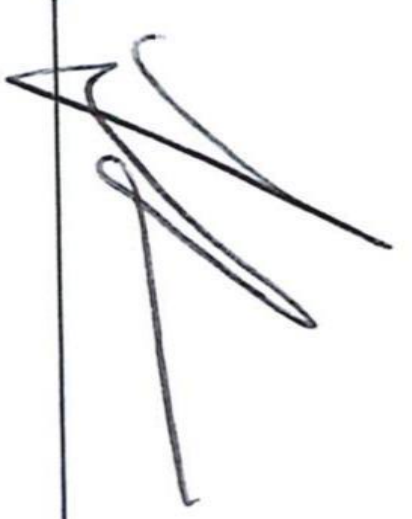
We confirm as follows

- (a) The names of each Board Member of the Association during the relevant financial year were:

President	Steve Rossingh
Vice President	Kate Lee (ceased 05/11/2022)
Vice President	Alicia Boyle (commenced from 05/11/2022)
Director	Alicia Boyle (ceased 05/11/2022)
Director	Sally Courtney (commenced from 05/11/2022)
Director	Katrina Hancock
Director	Anthony Hill (ceased 29/08/2022)
Director	Jamie O'Brien (commenced from 05/11/2022)
Director	Helen Summers
- (b) The principal activities of the Association during the relevant financial period were to promote, develop and manage the sport of tennis in the Northern Territory.
- (c) Tom George's termination date as Chief Executive Officer of Tennis NT was 20/02/2023.
The Tennis NT Board appointed Tania Tandora as Chief Executive Officer, effective 05/06/2023.
No other significant changes in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.
- (d) The net operating result of the Association for the relevant financial period was a \$2,531 surplus before depreciation (2022 net operating surplus of: \$137,398) and the net deficit after depreciation was \$678,848 (2022 net deficit of: \$552,048).

Dated at Darwin 19th day of OCTOBER 2023.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:

 _____ Steve Rossingh President	 _____ Alicia Boyle Vice President
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Tennis NT Incorporated
Statement of Profit or Loss
For the year ended 30 June 2023

	2023	2022
INCOME		
Tennis Australia Grants	1,245,277	943,810
Government Grants	271,858	327,512
Administration	52,763	44,370
Athlete Development	872	10,028
Participation	28,940	42,100
Operations and Events	42,776	22,717
Tennis Centres	382,963	420,213
Total Income	2,025,449	1,810,750
EXPENDITURE		
Athlete Development	19,344	30,570
Participation	425,474	221,248
Operations & Events	60,576	44,668
Tennis Centres	264,742	230,734
Staff	935,183	974,457
Administration	317,599	171,676
Total Expenditure	2,022,918	1,673,353
Net Operating Profit for the Year before Depreciation	2,531	137,397
Depreciation	681,379	689,445
Net Deficit for the Year after Depreciation	(678,848)	(552,047)

The accompanying notes form part of the financial report. This report is to be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.

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Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2023

	Note	2023	2022
Assets			
Cash at Bank		1,231,450	1,049,729
Prepaid Expenses	2	3,178	14,733
Receivables		55,463	77,760
GST Paid on Purchases		15,159	19,986
Accrued Income	3	12,426	66,027
Total Current Assets		1,317,676	1,228,235
Total Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant and Equipment			
Property, Plant and Equipment at Cost	4	17,963,631	17,963,631
Less Accumulated Depreciation	4	(3,540,120)	(2,858,741)
Total Non-Current Assets		14,423,511	15,104,890
Total Assets		15,741,187	16,333,125
Liabilities			
Trade Creditors		15,777	80,678
Accrued Expenses		78,391	70,579
Contract Liabilities / Income Received in Advance	5	296,061	140,519
Employee Entitlements		44,302	65,335
GST Collected from Sales		46,615	21,226
Total Current Liabilities		481,146	378,337
Total Non-Current Liabilities			
Employee Entitlements		7,338	23,237
Total Non-Current Liabilities		7,338	23,237
Total Liabilities		488,484	401,574
Net Assets			
		15,252,703	15,931,551
Equity			
Retained Earnings		15,252,703	15,931,551
Total Equity		15,252,703	15,931,551

The accompanying notes form part of the financial report. This report is to be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.

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Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 30 June 2023

The financial statements cover Tennis NT Incorporated ('Association') as an individual entity. Tennis NT Incorporated is an association incorporated in the Northern Territory and operating pursuant to the Northern Territory of Australia Association Act 2003.

The registered office of the association and principal place of business is:

9 Abala Road
Marrara
Darwin, NT 0812

The Association is a not-for-profit entity and the principal activities of the Association during the course of the financial year were the promotion and development of the game of tennis in the Northern Territory.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Financial Reporting Framework

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Northern Territory of Australia Association Act 2003. Management have determined that the association is not a reporting entity as the users of the financial statements are able to obtain additional information to meet their needs.

Statement of Compliance

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with Northern Territory of Australia Association Act 2003 and the basis of accounting specified by all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations.

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs. They do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

Functional and presentation currency

The financial report is presented in Australian dollars, which is the Association's functional currency.

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.

Going concern

The Association is economically dependent upon Tennis Australia and receives grant funding therefrom that forms an integral part of the funding required for the Association 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 Association would still be able to continue meeting the above 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. The Directors acknowledge that such uncertainties do not represent material uncertainties related to going concern.

Accounting policies

The Financial Report has been prepared under the historical cost conventions and does not take into account changing money values except to the extent that they are reflected in the revaluation of certain assets.

In order for the Financial Report to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association and the results of the Association for the year, Australian Accounting Standards have been adopted to the extent disclosed in this note. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report are set out below.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Revenue and other income

(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.

Revenue is recognised by applying a five-step model as follows:

- 1) Identify the contract with the customer
- 2) Identify the performance obligations
- 3) Determine the transaction price
- 4) Allocate the transaction price
- 5) Recognise revenue

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Note 1 (Summary of Significant Accounting Policies continued)

Revenue and other income (continued)

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 Association 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 obligations 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.

Where control is transferred over time, generally the revenue is recognised 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 maybe property which has been donated or sold to the Association at significantly below its fair value.

Once the asset has been recognised, the Association 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 Association to acquire or construct an item of property, plant and equipment to identified specifications which will be controlled by the Association (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 Association.

Volunteer services

The Association has elected not to record volunteer services in the financial statements. Volunteer services received relate to assisting in the organising and running of tennis events throughout the Northern Territory.

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 Association 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 Association uses its historical experience, external indicators and forward-looking information to calculate the expected credit losses using a provision matrix.

(ii) *Non-financial assets*

The carrying amounts of the Association's non-financial assets, 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.

Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

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Note 1 (Summary of Significant Accounting Policies continued)

Property, plant and equipment

(i) *Recognition and measurement*
Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost or deemed cost less accumulated depreciation. Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of 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. 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*

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Association. Ongoing repairs and maintenance are expensed 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:

• Buildings	30 - 40 years
• Courts & court equipment	5 - 40 years
• Office equipment	1 - 7 years
• Landscaping	40 years
• Computer equipment	3 - 5 years
• Motor Vehicles	4 - 5 years
• Leasehold improvements	15 - 30 years
• Furniture and fittings	5 - 30 years

Leases

(i) *Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets*

The Association 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 Association allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of their relative stand-alone prices.

(ii) *Concessionary leases*

For leases that have significantly below-market terms and conditions principally to enable the association to further its objectives (commonly known as peppercorn/concessionary leases), the association has adopted the temporary relief under AASB 2018-8 and measures the right of use assets at cost on initial recognition.

The Association has the right to use Darwin International Tennis Centre for nil consideration through a forty year Crown Lease provided by the Northern Territory Government. This property is used for operation of Tennis and the lease term ends in 2057. As the lease was deemed below market value the Association 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.

Employee benefits

(i) *Long-term employee benefits*

The Association'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 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 Association'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 Association 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 Association can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits and when the Association 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.

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Note 1 (Summary of Significant Accounting Policies continued)

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Income tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Association is exempt from income tax under division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

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 Australian Taxation Office (ATO). 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 inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

New and amended Accounting Policies adopted by the entity

There were no new Accounting standards or interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) which were mandatory for the current reporting period that were applicable to the Association.

Note 2

Prepaid expenses

Event expenses
 Rent expenses

	2023	2022
Event expenses	3,178	11,400
Rent expenses	-	3,333
	3,178	14,733

Note 3

Accrued income

Tennis Australia contributions
 Affiliation Fees

	2023	2022
Tennis Australia contributions	12,426	50,800
Affiliation Fees	-	15,227
	12,426	66,027

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Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 30 June 2023

Note 4

Property, Plant and Equipment	2023	2022
Building & Grandstands at cost	8,110,587	8,110,587
Building & Grandstands accumulated depreciation	(1,368,770)	(1,099,439)
	<u>6,741,817</u>	<u>7,011,148</u>
Computers & Printers at cost	47,208	47,208
Computers & Printers accumulated depreciation	(47,208)	(47,208)
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Court & Court equipment at cost	6,183,518	6,183,518
Court & Court equipment accumulated depreciation	(1,288,561)	(1,038,109)
	<u>4,894,957</u>	<u>5,145,409</u>
Furniture & Fittings at cost	909,115	909,115
Furniture & Fittings accumulated depreciation	(355,864)	(285,272)
	<u>553,251</u>	<u>623,843</u>
Landscaping at cost	1,777,703	1,777,703
Landscaping accumulated depreciation	(225,870)	(181,426)
	<u>1,551,833</u>	<u>1,596,277</u>
Leasehold Improvements at cost	885,750	885,750
Leasehold Improvements accumulated depreciation	(207,890)	(166,984)
	<u>677,859</u>	<u>718,766</u>
Motor Vehicles at cost	28,116	28,116
Motor Vehicles accumulated depreciation	(28,116)	(24,441)
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,675</u>
Office Equipment at cost	21,634	21,634
Office Equipment accumulated depreciation	(17,841)	(15,862)
	<u>3,793</u>	<u>5,772</u>
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	<u>14,423,511</u>	<u>15,104,890</u>

The Association has the right to use Darwin International Tennis Centre for nil consideration through a forty year Crown Lease provided by the Northern Territory Government. This property is used for operation of Tennis and the lease term ends in 2057.

Note 5

Contract Liabilities / Income received in advance	2023	2022
Event funding	257,989	140,519
Tennis Australia funding	16,500	-
Program funding	15,000	-
Memberships	6,572	-
	<u>296,061</u>	<u>140,519</u>

Note 6

Capital and Leasing Commitments

a) Lease Commitments

Rental commitments: low value photocopier lease.

Committed at reporting date but not recognised as a liability.

	2023	2022
Within one year	1,860	1,860
One to five years	5,115	6,975
More than 5 years	-	-
	<u>6,975</u>	<u>8,835</u>

b) Capital Expenditure Commitments

The Association has no capital expenditure commitments as at 30 June 2023 (2022: \$Nil).

Note 7

Contingent Liabilities

The Association is not aware of any contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2023 (2022: Nil).

Note 8

Other Related Party Disclosure

There were no related party transactions in 2023 (2022: Nil).

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Note 9

Subsequent events

The Association is not aware of any significant events since the end of the reporting period that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Association's operations, the results of those operations, or the Association's state of affairs in future financial years.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF TENNIS NT INCORPORATED
REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Tennis NT Incorporated ("the Association"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, the statement of profit or loss, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and declaration by the Board.

In our opinion the accompanying financial report of Tennis NT Incorporated, is in accordance with the requirements of the *Northern Territory of Australia Associations Act 2003*, including:

- (a) The accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at 30 June 2023, and its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (b) Complying with Australia Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 and in accordance with the *Northern Territory of Australia Associations Act 2003*;
- (c) The accounts of the Association have been properly prepared and are in accordance with the books of account of the Association.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. 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 Association in accordance with 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 also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the Tennis NT Incorporated to meet the requirements of the *Northern Territory of Australia Associations Act 2003*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Board is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the association's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, 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.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF TENNIS NT INCORPORATED
REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT (CONT)**

Responsibilities of the Board for the Financial Report

The Board of the Association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 of the financial report and the *Northern Territory of Australia Associations Act 2003* and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Board is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are 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 and 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 this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Board's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF TENNIS NT INCORPORATED
REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT (CONT)**

We communicate with the Board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



Nexia Edwards Marshall NT
Chartered Accountants

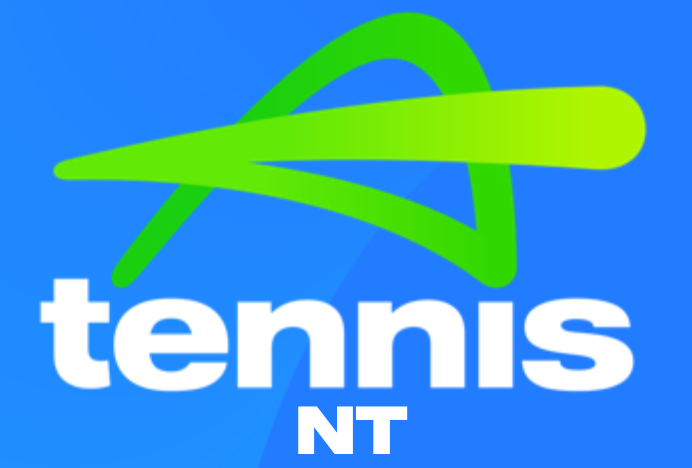


Noel Clifford
Partner

Dated: 23 October 2023



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Thank you