



# Country Week 2018

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Hosted by Swan Hill Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club

What a way to start the 2018 Tennis Victoria Country Week than by honouring some of the people who make Country Week so memorable for us all. Yesterday we were pleased to induct six members of the Country Week community as Country Week Legends. Each of the Legends were presented with a Legends cap and a framed certificate.

They are Brenda Bishop, Robyn Darby, Pat Flynn, Trevor Holt, Norma Sim and Dawn Whykes.

## **Brenda Bishop of Sunbury**

Brenda has been a regular at Country Week for over 25 years. She is an integral member of the Sunbury Ladybirds team and even has recorded the score of every Country Week match she has played.

## **Robyn Darby of Macedon**

Robyn has participated at Country Week for over 25 years. Robyn has also recruited many new players to join the Country Week community. Everyone who knows Robyn knows she is a wonderful sports person, always encouraging her team mates and players from other teams as well.

## **Pat Flynn of Wangaratta**

Pat Flynn has been playing Country Week since 1962. A legend of tennis, he won the Premiership in 1980 and was runners up 6 times between 1997 – 2011. He has recorded all the names of people he's played with at Country Week and it's well over 50.

## **Trevor Holt from Swan Hill**

Trevor has played in every Country Week since 1989 except for last year where he attended in preparation for this year's event. In 1991 Trevor led a delegation from Swan Hill to request for Country Week to be hosted at Swan Hill. Since then, the tournament has visited this club 16 times. Trevor has been instrumental in the success of Country Week at Swan Hill and is very deserving of Legendary status.

## **Norma Sim of Wonthaggi**

Norma Sim has been attending Country Week since it was played back at Kooyong Lawn. Her 'tap' drop shot at the net is legendary. I'm told Norma is the life of the party, she enjoys her nights out to the fullest.

## **Dawn Whykes of Buninyong**

Dawn first played Country Week back in 1991 under Tongala. She once managed to play with her daughter Melissa and grand daughter Sarah. Dawn still comes to Country Week every year supporting the Buninyong players and any other teams she knows.



## **Slip, slop, slap!**



Swan Hill curator, Daniel Gardner (who might we add has the best name for a curator) has been getting a bit frustrated by Christian Devlin helping himself to his sunscreen. So what did he do to stop him? He put line marker in the sunscreen pump. Looks like you missed a spot Christian!

## **Social Calendar - What's on this week!**

### **Tuesday night**

80s dress up at the Murray Downs Golf and Country Club.

### **Wednesday night**

Commercial hotel and later on to Barrells Nightclub to celebrate Valentines Day! Swan Hill Club will also have *KEG Band* and Spoons Riverside will have *Daine Runnalls*. Make sure you book.

### **Thursday night**

Gourmet BBQ at the Tennis Club followed by CRAZY HAT night at the Swan Hill Club. *Drowning Sorrows* will take over the stage and it's Pasta night in the Bistro.

# Stay in touch

Join the Tennis Victoria Country Week Facebook group to stay in touch.

We will be producing this newsletter each day to keep you up to date with what has been happening across the courts. Keep an eye out for Gab from Tennis Victoria as she looks for the story of the day. If you have a story to share about your Country Week or you've seen something that should be shared (and is suitable to print) you can text it to 0433 116 881.

Tell us  
your  
stories

## Scores

All scores and ladders are posted in the club house and online. Visit the [www.tennis.com.au/vic/countryweek](http://www.tennis.com.au/vic/countryweek) and click through to results to see how your section is going.

## Overheard

I heard a whisper that one player was so committed to having a good day on court that she was overheard talking tactics in her sleep. Fellow team members were woken to the sounds of "mine" and "great shot" in the night.



## This Girl Can - VIC

Calling all Country Week Ladies. Head on down to our THIS GIRL CAN - VICTORIA story pod tomorrow, located outside the near the BBQ, to share your story. We want to hear why tennis is your thing, and so do others! #ThisGirlCanVIC #VicHealth #TennisVIC

## Buses

Club sponsors, Murray Downs have arranged for courtesy buses to help get you home. Courtesy buses will be running to and from their 3 venues (Murray Downs, Swan Hill Club & Spoons Riverside) from 6pm EVERY night from motels. Bookings are essential.

Plus an extra 70 capacity bus Tuesday 13th from 6.30pm – 2am to Murray Downs. Pickups for this large bus from KFC car park, Swan Hill Club car park and larger groups from motels (on request). ALL bus bookings call 5033 1422.

## Ouch, that hurt!

For sore and aching muscles or just a tune up pay a visit to Gene and Brett at their massage station near temp court 56. \$20 for 15mins.

## Tennis Victoria Country Week 2019

Next year, we're off to Shepparton for the next installment of Country Week. There will be information available today in the club house for next weeks event thanks to Shepparton Tourism.

## Thank you

It's early in the week but we wanted to give a shout out to the Swan Hill Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club for the awesome food and drinks available this week. The espresso martinis I suspect will be very popular as the week goes on. The salad boxes are top notch as are the pastries!

## Weather forecast:

Sunny. Low of 19, high of

32

## Listening Post

Tomorrow we will host the first ever 'Listening Post'. Come and share your stories or thoughts on what matters to you for the good of tennis in regional Victoria. What would you like to see more of, what needs addressing and how. From 4pm to approximately 5:30pm outside the clubhouse, join Tennis Victoria President Gary Clark, CEO Matthew Kennedy and other Tennis Victoria Board Directors and Staff to come and talk about all things tennis in a relaxed informal format. You might be a player at a country club, you might be a committee member or just a die hard tennis fan that just loves the sport like we do. You don't need to RSVP—please just join us at your leisure and some refreshments will be provided.

Let's talk  
about tennis  
in your area

## Reminder:

Players have to play a minimum of 3 matches to qualify for finals.