



Update from the Q18 Organising Committee 13th February 2017

Welcome to first update from the Q18 Organising Committee. We'll issue these from time to time to keep you up to date with our plans and developments.

The Committee held it's second meeting on the 8th February. Unfortunately Mike Evans has had to stand down from the Committee as he is now spending a lot of time in Melbourne. Consequently we are a little behind with some of the responsibilities in Mike's portfolio (such as Accommodation) but we're in 'catch up' mode!

Accommodation

We know there have been numerous enquiries about accommodation possibilities on the Gold Coast. A list of providers across the price range is currently being prepared and should be on our Q18 website by 17th February hopefully.

Our objective for Q18

By the way, our objective is to "deliver a quality "best ever" event in a format acceptable to the majority of players, knowing that we are never going to satisfy all requests or requirements!"

Courts and facilities

We know that there were some adverse comments about the condition of some courts used for SA17 in Adelaide. The courts for Q18 will be in great condition. For the Carnival, we will be using facilities at Gold Coast Seniors Club, Miami Grass, KDV tennis (clay) Tweed Heads, Surfers Paradise, Banora Point and Burleigh. All courts are artificial grass with the exception of KDV. The Individual Championships will be played solely at the recently expanded Pizzey Park complex (GCSC and Miami) There will be adequate shower and toilet facilities and we will have scoreboards on all the courts for the Individuals. Lots of ice will provided.

Sponsorship

We are and continue to be actively looking for sponsors. We will shortly have a sponsorship proposal document available offering different levels of sponsorship. If anyone knows of a potential sponsor that we might approach, please advise Reg Trevaskis on regt@tpg.com.au.

Functions and presentations

We are currently viewing potential venues for the Opening Ceremony and the Carnival Presentation dinner - the format will be much the same as previous years except that we intend to do medal

presentations during the Carnival on court after each final. It is planned to hold mid-week BBQ's and maybe a "happy hour" on Sunday 14th January at the start of the Individual Championships

Transport

Bus transport will be provided (gold coin donation) between the venues for the Carnival, and we are considering a pick-up facility from Coolangatta airport but this is very much subject to budget considerations at this stage.

Any queries contact Tournament Director Gail Bates at maxgailbates@bigpond.com