



Since reporting to you all in the November edition of Advantage Receiver, the ITF Super-Seniors World Team Championships have been held in Christchurch, New Zealand. Of the five Cups contested by the Men's Teams, Australia won two – the Britannia Cup (65+) and the Crawford Cup (70+) and was second of nine teams in the Mulloy Cup (80+); third of

18 teams in the Von Cramer Cup (60+) and fifth of seven teams in the Grant Cup (75+).

In the Womens teams Australia was second of eight teams in the Gibson Cup (70+), fourth of 10 teams in the Marble Cup (60+); fourth of eight teams in the Godfrey Cup (65+) and fourth of seven teams in the Queen's Cup (75+).

Victorians were represented throughout these Cups as has been indicated in previous editions of Advantage Receiver so our representatives have performed entirely well against strong opposition from the United States, Canada; Great Britain and Germany.

In the second week of Individual Events, Victorians performed well again with Tom Downie and Murray French winning the 65+ Mens Doubles; Ward Hillier winning the 80+ Mens Doubles with Doug Corbett (NSW) and Nola Collins winning the 70+ Womens Doubles with Margaret Robinson (WA).

For all those thinking of hanging up their racquet, it should be noted here that Elsie Crowe (WA) won the inaugural 80+ Womens Singles.

As you are aware, Victoria hosted the 2008 CountryLink Australian Seniors Tennis Championships at the Wodonga Tennis Centre from January 20 to February 2. This time round the weather was kind to us and two weeks of excellent tennis was enjoyed by all.

Unfortunately, Victoria was unsuccessful in winning the AAP Tennis Cup for the third consecutive year being narrowly defeated by Queensland in the final count. However a number of our teams were successful including the Womens 70+ which included Nola Collins (recently returned from Queensland). After 23 years of attending the National Championships she won her first medallion in the teams competition. One could say "everything comes to those that wait and nothing ever comes too late". So congratulations to all our teams, but especially to Nola and her team members.

The Individual Championships, held in the second week were again successful for many Victorians. The

detailed results can be seen in the body of Advantage Receiver as can the list of those people who were successful in being selected to represent Australia in ITF teams this year in Turkey. Our special congratulations go to all those players who have achieved this high honour.

Also, Victorians were successful in the annual Tennis Seniors Australia Awards with Andrew Rae being chosen as the Player of the Year for the second consecutive year and your President receiving the Administrator of the Year Award.

I would like to thank the Victorian Organising Committee for making this Award possible for the work you all did in planning and conducting such a successful Australian Championships. My special thanks go to Maurie Broom (our CEO) who was struck down by illness at the ninth hour (but is recovering well now) and to Ian Roberts and Hayden Rees who both so ably stepped into the breach to fill the gap. Well done fellows.

With the Australian Championships completed our efforts can now be turned to the State Titles which will be upon us in less than five weeks over the Labour Day Weekend. Anyone who is prepared to help before and/or during this event should contact Ian Roberts on 9873 1448 or 0403 273 445. Your help, however small, will be greatly appreciated by your Organising Committee. Remember, this event will be held at Glen Iris Valley Recreational Club this year and, as there should be no problems related to the watering of courts because Glen Iris have independent sources of water supply now, we are looking forward to a great tournament in 2008.

Regarding the events on offer, Tennis Seniors Victoria has been asked to offer a full range of Age Group Events with the object of encouraging participation. If events must be combined then all participants will receive the points relevant to their age group, even though they could be playing in a combined age event. So please be encouraged to enter and enjoy your State Titles.

Pennant Tennis for Men's Seniors Competition will revert to Saturday afternoons during Autumn/Winter period of this year. Although entries have closed, anyone who is still interested in being part of this competition should contact the Pennant Secretary Dick Bartley on 5968 3804 to record your expression of interest.

Continued..... PTO

Cont fr page 1.....Throughout the year Social Round Robin Tournaments will be conducted at weekends. Your Secretary Judy Collins has put considerable time and effort into making up an interesting and varied program in many locations and on various surfaces. I would encourage you to support this programme as we have been concerned with the drop-off in interest over 2007. Any constructive suggestions can be directed to Judy Collins on 9551 2815 as we are interested in providing tournament opportunities for all our members throughout the year.
Relationships with Tennis Seniors Australia in

regards to the implementation of the five year plan; Tennis Victoria in regards to the development of Seniors Tennis in the State; and Tennis Australia in regards to the implementation of their marketing strategy are both on-going and positive.

Therefore, we look forward to 2008 being a good year for Tennis Seniors Victoria. So get involved, especially at the 35+ end of the age spectrum and the 70+ end of the spectrum. Remember as Spock said, "Live long and prosper" by being actively involved in Seniors Tennis.

Ray Fitz-Gerald

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**Future ITF Tennis Seniors'
World Championships**

2008 Seniors AND Super Seniors will be played in Antalya, Turkey (Clay)

Teams - October 12-18

Individuals -October 19-26

2009 Seniors (35yrs -55yrs)

Majorca, Spain (Clay)

Teams April 27 -May 2

Individuals - May 3 -May 10

Super Seniors (60yrs -85yrs)

Perth, WA. (surface tbc)

Teams - Nov 2 -7

Individuals -Nov 8-15

EDITORIAL:

There has been so much happening since the Nov. edition of AR and although we have included a few more pages there still doesn't seem enough room to enter all the news and photos!



President Ray has just about said it all re the Australian Nationals played recently in Wodonga which has just left me to print the results and a couple of snippets and photos. More information can be found on the Tennis Seniors website— see page 2 for address.

Please try and help with interesting articles / photos/members profiles etc. If you wish to discuss anything with me feel free to telephone. I would love to hear from you.

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“Tennis adds years to your life and life to your years”
Quote by Roy Wilder

Vic Seniors are thinking about you Anne

We all wish Ann Fotheringham a full recovery from her recent health problems. Anne has recently been seen briefly on court trying out that powerful left handed forehand and with more rehabilitation hopes to get back to more tennis in the near future.

ACT President, Alison Ide would like to thank her many Vic Senior friends on their good wishes, cards, phone calls and emails wishing her well in her battle with ill health. “Just too many to reply to you all.”

Alison says all these have certainly helped her to get through the past months.

**Tennis Seniors Victoria
State Championships**

Category 2 ITF Seniors Tournament



Friday 7th – Monday 10th March 2008

GLEN IRIS VALLEY RECREATION TENNIS CLUB
HIGH STREET ROAD MT WAVERLEY

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

IN THE KITCHEN

Once again Margaret Mitchell has kindly offered to be responsible for the catering and is looking for volunteers to assist in the kitchen. **ALSO** for donations of food items etc that can be used Margaret's tel: **9533 5009**

WITH THE BBQ

Volunteers needed to help with the cooking—aprons provided!

COURT SWEEPING

Volunteers also need for this important job at the start of each day and after each match. Names and enquiries to Ian Roberts please: tel: **03 9873 1448**

**Australian Teams selected to play in the Super Seniors Cups Competitions
Turkey, October 2008**

WOMEN

Marble Cup 60+

Carol Campling NSW (C)
Denise Leavens NSW

Kerin Tulloch VIC

Lou Griffith VIC

Godfree Cup 65+

Lynne Nette VIC

Judy Hancy VIC

Helen Muir WA (C)

Jill Taylor QLD

Bobbie Edwards WA Res

Gibson Cup 70+

Lesley Heumiller NSW

Nola Collins VIC (C)

Joyce Rogers VIC

Joy Rigter QLD

Queens Cup 75+

Margaret Robinson WA (C)

Peg Hoysted NSW

Elsie Crowe WA

Shirley Whitaker VIC *Barbara Godfrey VIC Res*



MEN

Von Cramm Cup 60+

Alan Gooch WA (C)

Lee Taylor QLD

Terry McLellan QLD

Don McIndoe NSW

Hayden Rees VIC Res

Britannia Cup 65+

Bob Howes VIC (C)

Alan Walsh NSW

Dennis Bindon NSW

Crawford Cup 70+

Ian King NSW (C)

Ian MacDonald QLD

Kevin Crump QLD

Tony Harkin NSW

Ray Woodforde SA Res

Grant Cup 75+

Neville Langford QLD

Alan Hocking QLD

Bert Barwick NSW

Graham Brown QLD

John McCarthy NSW Res

Mulloy Cup 80+

Doug Corbett NSW (C)

Ward Hillier VIC

Neville Halligan QLD

Neale Hook QLD

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2008 Tennis Seniors Australia Calendars

If members would like one of these calendars please contact Judy Collins tel: 9551 2815 and she will send you one.




**A WARM WELCOME
TO OUR NEW MEMBERS**

 Roger Frankenberg, Russell Hawkins,
 David Lake, Warren McGregor,
 Mick Mussen, Max Mueller,
 Martin Raybould, Des Steele,
 Vincent Warnock


Reflections from Ashburton New Zealand.

Kitty Godfree Cup (12 teams) & Britannia Cup (13 teams)

“16 Nations, Six Days– Let the games begin” were the headlines seen in the local Ashburton Guardian, with full page coloured photographs and reports on the first day, continuing throughout the whole week.

The opening ceremony came in ‘with a blast’ in the form of a strong wind, but the captains were able to control their flags and followed by their teams took their places on the show court. This is a most fantastic experience, with everyone in their national tracksuits. After the parade the ITF representative Lorna Krog welcomed everyone with local primary school children proudly performing Maori songs culminating with the Haka.

Ashburton Trust Tennis Centre was buzzing with volunteers, all willing to help us visitors on and off the court with some drawing attention to footfaults!



Men I-r. Murray French, Bob Howes, Bruce Burns & Tom Downie (3 Vics)

The 65+ men did a wonderful job finishing FIRST with hard fought matches in both the semi final against the USA and final against Germany. WELL DONE BOYS!

The ladies finished a creditable 4th after disposing of the seeded France. It was very upsetting to see Judy Hancy stumble on the hard court and injuring her knee, putting her out for the rest of the event after the first day! We all hope she recovers well from her recent surgery to repair her knee.

At the end of the weeks play the closing ceremony certainly went out ‘with a blast’ with violent winds causing blossoms and leaves from the surrounding trees sweeping across the court, which, once again was set up with the 16 nations flags. This happened just as the local dignitaries had arrived! However no-one was daunted and after the formalities everyone adjourned into the club house for a terrific end of event celebration with food and drinks and many happy times reflected from the weeks tennis, and activities.

The wonderful hospitality given to all players was second to none and a big THANK YOU to everyone connected with the running of this event.

Just for the record, Tom Downie was offered a FFC from one of the volunteers! From then on he was offering it to one and all! What is this I hear you ask? ‘A FULL FRONTAL CUDDLE’

Playing in Christchurch, Australia had another great win in the Mens 70 team championships. Well done to Peter Froelich Qld, Ian King & Tony Harkin NSW & Ray Woodforde SA.

Results involving all the Super-Seniors from teams involved in the Championships from Ashburton and Christchurch:

Men's Cups	No teams	Finished	Won by	R up
Von Cramm 60+	18	3rd	USA	Germany
Britannia 65+	12	WON	Australia	USA
Crawford 70+	9	WON	Australia	USA
Grant 75+	7	5th	Canada	USA
Mulloy 80+	9	2nd	USA	Australia
Women's Cups				
Marble 60+	10	4th	Germany	GB
Godfree 65+	12	4th	USA	GB
Gibson 70+	8	2nd	USA	Australia
Queens 75+	7	4th	GB	USA



Nola Collins (lft) & Joyce Rogers flying the Aussie flag at the official teams dinner in Christchurch

ITF World Rankings-as at 1/1/08

Australians in the top 10: (Vics bold)

MEN

45+	Simon Arms	No 7
50+	Glenn Busby	No 2
55+	ANDREW RAE	No 1
60+	Garry Penberthy	No 5
65+	Bob Howes	No 4
65+	Bruce Burns	No 5
70+	Peter Froelich	No 4
75+	Max Byrne	No 8
80+	Ward Hillier	No 5
80+	Doug Corbett	No 6
85+	Neville Halligan	No 2

WOMEN

50+	Lyn Mortimer	No 4
55+	Kerry Ballard	No 8
60+	Carol Campling	No 4
80+	Elsie Crowe	No 7

Just for the record, Victorians Barbara Godfrey is ranked No 13 in the 75+ and Terry Smith No 11 in the 60+

World Individual Super Seniors

Championships New Zealand Dec 2007

There was a good roll up from Australia in this World Championship played in Christchurch NZ on a combination of hard and grass courts.

The Christchurch organising committee should be very proud of their efforts and a job well done. Thank you.

Our CONGRATULATIONS go to the sole Aussie singles winner Elsie Crowe from WA in the 80+ event. Her first World Championship, what an achievement- Elsie hasn't stopped smiling!

There were a number of players who were successful in the doubles events including Victorians **Tom Downie & Murray French** winning the 65+ World title, adding to their teams success the week before. They defeated two more Australians, Bruce Burns & Rupert Rosenblum (NSW) in the final.

Stayers, **Ward Hillier VIC & Doug Corbett NSW** conquered two Americans to win the 80+ doubles crown – they also had come 2nd in the Mulloy Cup the week before.

Peter Froelich Qld & G. Davis USA won the 70+ & Max Byrne Tas & G.McCabe USA the 75+ Mens Doubles.

Nola Collins VIC & Margaret Robinson WA held up the women's successes by winning the 70+ title.

Phil Higgs ACT won the 60 consolation singles

What a thrill for our World Champions.

CONGRATULATIONS to all players.

Many of you will know Mose Harvey from New Zealand. Mose was so thrilled to become the first ever NZ singles World Champion winning the 70+ singles.

All results can be viewed at:
www.92computing.com

NATIONAL RANKINGS

These can be located on the Tennis Seniors website www.tenniseniors.org.au

These are based on the number of tournaments played and how well you have performed.

Gail Bates from Queensland is National Singles Ranking Co-ordinator, and reminds all players competing in ITF International Seniors Tournaments, they **MUST** notify her for their points to be added to the Australian Seniors Singles Ranking System.

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VICTORIAN HOLIDAY

My Victorian holiday I will never forget

The places we visited, the people we met

The ever friendly Aussies, I had to change my thoughts

Apparently only enemies when it comes to playing sports!

The laughter, the camaraderie, we had lots of fun

A pity we couldn't say the same for the sun

But the weather is not a problem, it didn't hold us back

Waiting a bit longer for our tennis, enthusiasm did not lack

We filled in the time with dance, laughter and song

Everyone joined in with a great sing-along

You looked after us so well, your hospitality was great

With some drinkies after tennis, then many a great meal was ate

Cards were played, friends were made, everyone played their part

A big thank-you I must say, from the bottom of my heart

Sorry I can't be with you, but those of you off the land

Will know there are times when one simply has to give a hand

That time unfortunately is now, as I help stock the oats

Remember me when that cool beer is sliding down your throats

So if you feel bored, lonely or bogged down with strife

Take a "Jonesy Aussie Tour," for the holiday of your life.
Sue Brosnahan

Sue came to Australia in April/May 2006 and visited and played tennis at Warrnambool, Ballarat, Bendigo, Wodonga and Melbourne Sue was also one of the wonderful volunteers who gave up their time for a week to make the Kitty Godfree & Britannia Cups, played in

Ashburton, NZ such a memorable time.....

seen here with Linda & Tony at Ashburton



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MILDURA November 2007

LADIES

- 40/45 **Fairlie Lamond VIC d Wanda Clothier VIC**
3.6 6.3 7.5
- 50/55 **Lyn Mortimer VIC d H.Worland NSW 6.0 6.1**
60 Lou Griffith VIC d Angie Arthurs VIC 6.4 6.3
65 Judy Hancy VIC d Nola Collins VIC 6.1 6.2
40/45LD K.Butler/Y.Stanton NSW d
W.Clothier VIC/D.Cassel NSW
- 50LD **L.Mortimer/S. WalterVIC d**
A.Cochrane/H. Webb NSW
- 60LD **L.Huemiller/M.Wayte d L.Funnell/D.Martin**
65LD L Heumiller/M.Wayte d J.Hancy/L.Pengelly Vic

MEN

- 35/40 MS **G. Westwood NSW d V.Ejov SA 6/4 6/1**
45MS H. O'Brien NSW d P.Thomas SA 6.0 6.1
50MS Rudi Villani VIC d R.H-Brown NSW 6.1 7.6
55 Ray Bray VIC d Russell Hart VIC 6.1 6.0
60 Peter Keller VIC d Alan Walsh NSW 1.1 ret inj.
65 Dennis Bindon NSW d Tom Downie VIC 6.2 6.1
70 Ian Macdonald Qld d Hugh Bloink VIC 4.6 7.6 6.0

35/40MD **Paul Kleverlaan Vic/Chris O/Mara**

- 45MD **V.Ejov/P.Thomas SA**
50MD Len Little/Rudi Villani Vic
55MD D Arthurs/P Keller Vic
60MD G.Heath/H.Rees Vic
65MD H Bloink/S.KennettVic

Mixed

- 35/40 **F.Lamond/G.Westwood R/up**
50 R.Bray/L.Mortimer 55 R.Hart/S.Walter
60 L.Griffith/T.McLellan R/up
65 J.Hancy/A.Olsen R/up

Tri-state match

Bob McCarthy Shield NSW v SA

Won by NSW

	Sets	Games
NSW	55	442
SA	25	307

Brian Bermingham Shield VIC v NSW

Won by NSW

VIC	38	404
NSW	42	409

Pat & Max Phillips Trophy VIC v SA

Won by VIC

VIC	52	450
SA	28	340

A most enjoyable event played over two days with 16 selected men and women from VIC, SA & NSW competing for the above trophies.



Some of the Vics before play began

The successful Round Robins played on Saturday pm attracted large numbers of entries. Players who had more energy to burn off, then walked up the clubhouse stairs and were fed with a camp oven dinner and the famous Mildura pancakes and ice cream and entertained with terrific music and song.

Sunday experienced some much needed rain around mid day cancelling play for remainder of the day. For the record, 'it was also the coldest November day on record' a low 11.5degrees!

There were 225 entries received and the happy band of Mildura helpers did a marvellous job keeping things moving in all departments with Jenny Cooke organising the Melbourne Cup Day sweepstake while husband 'Cookie' played (on the court) and also performed many off court jobs.....Seen here making sure Wanda's dog Shandee has a drink.....

The Dinner Dance was well received and it brought back memories to many, dancing the night away on the paddle steamer while floating along the Murray on a wonderful balmy evening. The scenery and sunset were unforgettable.

Welcome to all the new competitors visiting Mildura and playing for the first time and it is hoped everyone returns next year. One such gentleman was a new Vic Senior member, Rudi Villani who came away with a singles and doubles crown.

The standard of play was once again very high with many entertaining matches to be seen. Congratulations to Lyn Mortimer winning all three events she entered.

The Tri State was ably conducted this year by NSW and a big THANK YOU for all their hard work. Garry Potter could be heard 'cracking his whip' for those who didn't obey!

There are winners and losers in all competition, but at Mildura there were not any losers! Everyone fortunate to visit Mildura Seniors tournament were Winners!



Memories from Mildura.



Wanda, the Vic captain, proudly displaying the **Brian Bermingham trophy presented by NSW President Noel Fraser**



Rob McWhinnie & Gary Potter NSW with winner of 70 doubles Hugh Blook with partner Stan Kennett (absent)



Lyn & Sue
50 Doubles
winners

Angie & Lou after
the 60 singles
final



Rudi & Len,
winners of
the 55
doubles



Judy & Nola after
the 65 singles final

Peter and
Derek after
winning the
55 doubles



What an
achievement
for Derek!



A very thrilled
H e l e n
Alexander -
seen here with
Lou after
winning their
way to the
semi final of
the 60

doubles. (Helen filled in for Lou's injured partner Jenny Grose)

Tennis Quotations

"Why has slamming a ball with a racquet become so obsessive a pleasure for so many of us? It seems clear to me that a primary attraction of the sport is the opportunity it gives to release aggression physically without being arrested for felonious assault."

Nat Hentoff. From "Murderous Pleasures of the Game in "It Only Hurts When I Serve."

One Blonde Bimbo in Wodonga!

Who booked her accommodation but forgot to pay the deposit thus no bed when she arrived! MV

& Another one!

Who travelled up to Wodonga planning to pitch her tent but had forgotten the tent poles! WC

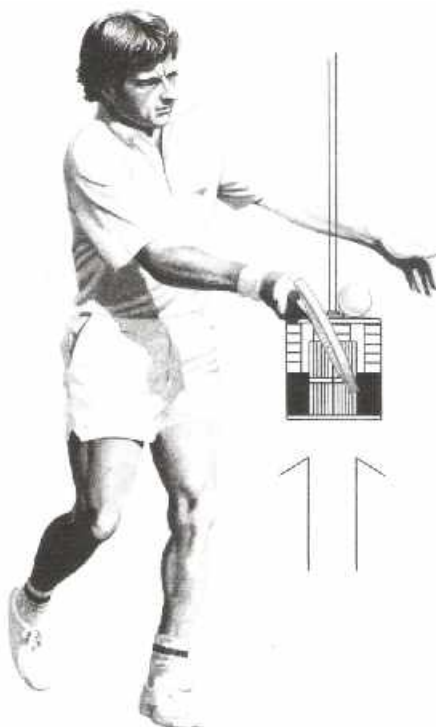
& Another one!

Who forgot to take her toothbrush and went off to buy another one but came back with toothpaste instead -2 tubes of TP and no toothbrush!

COACH'S CORNER

Put your lobs on an elevator when you follow through

To hit higher, deeper lobs, keep your racquet on the ball longer by following through more fully,. Think of your racquet being like a rising elevator. The ball should get on at the bottom floor with contact about waist height. Lift your racquet through contact with ball and keep on lifting it after contact until your arm is fully extended upward. By developing this technique you will feel that the ball has stayed on the racquet much longer, and by using a smooth upward motion like an elevator your lobs will go higher and deeper into the



LOOKING AHEAD to Next Year! IMPORTANT

Message from SA.... It has been brought to our notice that during January 2009, when Adelaide will be hosting the National Tennis Seniors Team and Individual Championships, accommodation might be at a premium, as the Test Cricket, the World Tennis Challenge and the Tour Down Under will also be staged there. However, several apartments have been reserved until early this year.

From Christine Exelby on behalf of Player Welfare Group 2009: cexelby@iprimus.com.au

For accommodation names and email addresses please contact our secretary Judy Collins tel: 9551 2815

Senior Teams selected to represent Australia in the 2008 ITF Cups

WOMEN

Court Cup 45+

Brenda Foster NSW
Leanne Swaysland NSW (C)
Suzy Ellis NSW

Bueno Cup 50+

Ros Balodis ACT (C)

Lyn Mortimer VIC

Kaye Nealon NSW *Sue Walter VIC res*

Connolly Cup 55+

Kerry Ballard NSW (C)
Helen Worland NSW
Adrienne Avis NSW

Sue Walter VIC res



MEN

Italia Cup 35+

Brendon Rose NSW (C)
Martin Richards SA
Rino Traforti SA

Paul Kleverlaan VIC res

Trabert Cup 35+

Chris O/Mara QLD (C)

Rodney Wilson VIC

Andrew Schuelke SA *Greg Westwood NSW res*

Dubler Cup 45+

Roger Grant WA (C)

Simon Arms VIC

Vladimir Ejov SA
Shane Smedley WA

Perry Cup 50+

Glenn Busby VIC (C)

Mike Ford QLD

Bruce Osborne VIC *Simon Whitecross QLD res*

Austria Cup 55+

Andrew Rae VIC (C)

Russell Watts VIC

Max Bates QLD



A message to anyone going to Turkey in October.....

If you are interested in making up a group and having a 7-9 day tour from the South to Istanbul via Gallipoli-please contact Kerin Tulloch Tel: 03 9882 1493 or
email: kerintulloch@hotmail.com

As promised in November Advantage Receiver here are some more memories, taken at Merimbula tournament played in October 2007....



Kerin Tulloch & Diane Arnot

Ian & Jenny Grose

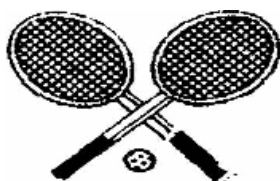


Lou Griffith & Heather Barwick

Paul Kleverlaan with the President of Merimbula TC



Joyce Rogers & June Simpson



Congratulation from Victorian Seniors

Heather McKay from Canberra has recently been awarded another World Medal for Life Time Achievement in Squash in recognition for her wonderful achievements on the squash court (before she took up Seniors tennis.)

The only others (males) to have won it are Jehangir Khan and Jonah Barrington

Motor Neurone Disease Charity Tennis Day

Held on 3rd February 2008 at the Moe Tennis Club nestled in the midst of the idyllic setting of the Moe Botanic Gardens on the outskirts of town.

On the day 90 players taking part in a great days tennis whilst raising over \$3500 for this very worthwhile charity, a new high, as we were able to accommodate a record number of players after moving the event reluctantly from it's traditional home, the Westbury Tennis Club.

Many thanks must go to all those who helped out behind the scenes especially Nancy & Len Bechaz, who organized most things not involved with the tennis and Joe Beeches who made a ton of relishes, that were sold on the trade table, as well as doing a great job as auctioneer for all the donated goods.

Results: Winner & Runner Up

Roger Spencer 24/11 Alan Pycroft 21/11
 Sonia Roberts 23/15 Bea Smallbom 20/11
 Dave Robinson 22/10 Joe Hammond 20/12
 Debra Town 24/17 Jennie Harris 23/15
 Alan Madeley 23/15 Paul Walker 23/16
 Debbie Griffith 24/12 Marlene Payne 20/12
 Daryl Rawson 24/9 Ray Town 24/15
 Florence Martin 24/7 June Munro 19/12
 Rob Auchterlonie 21/13 Paul O'Neill 21/14
 Stuart McDonald 24/15 Terry Hore 20/19
 Eileen Irwin 24/14 Carol Scott 22/18

Yours In Tennis Alan G Madeley



Any ideas what Wanda & Poss are discussing at the Presentation Dinner Dance in Wodonga?

Albury / Wodonga Jan/Feb 2008

The Opening Ceremony held at the Catholic College in Wodonga was well attended. The formalities and entertainment was followed by drinks and nibbles allowing everyone to socialize and catch up with friends from visiting states. Play began on Monday of what was to become a very successful Teams Championship week. This involved teams from the States plus Japan and New Zealand battling it out for five days, culminating in the finals on Friday.

The State trophy (a percentage score is worked out according to no. of matches played) was won by Queensland, for which they are to be congratulated.

Finals of teams events involving Vics

Women:

60/1 NSW d VIC
65/2 VIC d NSW
70/1 VIC d NSW
60/1 NSW d VIC

Men:

35/40 SA d VIC
45/50 VIC45 d VIC 50
45/502 ACT d VIC2
65/2 VIC2 d NSW 3



Bev Just, Helen Alexander, Wendy Lavington & Maria van der Linden— part of the 65/2 winning team.

2008 CountryLink Australian Seniors Teams Championships

STATE TROPHY

State	Total Teams	Sets Won	Sets Played	Trophy %
TAS	1*	40	64	62.50
JPN	1*	39.5	64	61.71
1. QLD	17	588.5	1032	57.02
2. NZ	8	252	448	56.25
3. VIC	18	609	1098	55.46
4. NSW	22	668	1253	53.31
5. SA	14	334.5	824	40.59
6. ACT	11	254	648	39.31
7. WA	10	219.5	581	37.77

* 5 Teams needed to qualify

Wilma Fitz-Gerald & Jill Anjou – two of the Womens 70s winning team



Andrew Rae, Bruce Osborne, Graeme Charlton & Russell Watts-

part of the winning 45/50 team

2008 CountryLink Australian Tennis Seniors Championships

This week saw some team members depart and new faces emerge to fight it out for the Individual Championships. Several countries including USA, GBR, NZ, Japan, Switzerland, & Spain, were involved which added to the charm and atmosphere

Glenn Busby played superb tennis to win the 50 singles especially in the rain interrupted semi final against another Victorian— Steve Packham. This match was of exceptional quality throughout. Glenn also won the 50+ doubles. Congratulations to Andrew Rae (again) in winning the 55 singles, only losing eight games in four matches! Plus playing with Russell Watts and winning the doubles, only losing five games! Ward Hillier lost in the 80 singles final in three tight sets—not a bad effort seeing he was hospitalised in Melbourne the week before! What a player, plus a wonderful inspiration to us all. Two more losing finalists worthy of a mention were Peter Dellavedova narrowly losing to Roger Grant WA 5/7 6/2 7/6 and Peter Keller losing to Gary Penberthy WA 6/7 6/2 7/6. Both matches were of a high standard.

Hayden Rees and Ian Roberts must be congratulated assuming responsibility and stepping into Maurie Broom's shoes at late notice. Hayden did a great job with the microphone at the several functions. Also he has 'nudged' into the von Cramm Cup team by being selected as the reserve.

Too many to mention everyone by name but a word of congratulations to Tom Hancy (manning the tournament box), and Gillian Farrell for her publicity work. In fact all the Vic Seniors and Wodonga TC members for performing such a fantastic job. The referee Steve Gibson was heard to say that his job was a lot easier than looking out for juniors! Where would we be without our volunteer helpers? Here are just three of them.



Hayden



Keith & Ian

Results from Australian 2008 CountryLink Seniors Championships

Event	Winners	Runners-Up
35MS	Brendon Rose [NSW]	Martin Richards [SA] 6/2 6/4
40MS	Chris O'Mara [QLD]	Rodney Wilson [VIC] 6/1 7/5
45MS	Roger Grant [WA]	Peter Dellavedova [VIC] 5/7 6/2 7/6
50MS	Glenn Busby [VIC]	Michael Collins [VIC] 6/2 6/0
55MS	Andrew Rae [VIC]	Ken Wurtz [VIC] 6/3 6/3
60MS	Gary Penberthy [WA]	Peter Keller [VIC] 6/7 (5) 6/2 7/6
65MS	Alan Walsh [NSW]	Bob Howes [VIC] 1/6 6/0 6/4
70MS	Peter Froelich [QLD]	Ian King [NSW] 6/3 7/6 (3)
75MS	John Powless [USA]	John O' Brien [NSW] 6/1 6/3
80MS	Doug Corbett [NSW]	Ward Hillier [VIC] 3/6 6/3 6/4
40WS	Sue Woodward [NSW]	Natalie Cutcliffe [NSW] 6/3 4/1 ret inj.
45WS	Brenda Foster [NSW]	Wanda Clothier [VIC] 6/1 6/2
50WS	Ros Balodis [ACT]	Lyn Mortimer [VIC] 6/2 6/2
55WS	Kerry Ballard [NSW]	Helen Worland [NSW] 7/6 (3) 6/3
60WS	Liz Allan [NSW]	Carol Campling [NSW] w/o
65WS	Heather McKay [ACT]	Linda Pengelly [VIC] 6/0 6/3
70WS	Lesley Heumiller [NSW]	Nola Collins [VIC] 5/7 6/4 6/2
75WS	Margaret Robinson [WA]	Peg Hoysted [NSW] 6/4 6/2
35MD	Martin Richards [SA] & Rino Traforti [SA]	Paul Kleverlaan [VIC] & Brendon Rose [NSW] 6/3 6/2
40MD	Chris O'Mara [QLD] & Andrew Schuelke [SA]	Bradley Hubbard [QLD] & Michael Russell [QLD] 6/3 6/2
45MD	Roger Grant [WA] & Shane Smedley [WA]	Warren McGregor [VIC] & Tony Golding [NSW] 7/6 6/4
50MD	Tony Luttrell [WA] & Glenn Busby [VIC]	Mike Ford [QLD] & Steve Packham [VIC] 7/6 2/6 6/4
55MD	Russell Watts [VIC] Andrew Rae [VIC]	John Deane [NSW] & Russell Hart [VIC] 6/2 6/0
60MD	Terry Smith [VIC] & Graham Wurtz [VIC]	Terry McLellan [QLD] & Lee Taylor [QLD] 6/3 6/7 6/2
65MD	Alan Walsh [NSW] & Dennis Bindon [NSW]	Bruce Rehn [SA] & Brian Dew [SA] 6/3 6/2
70MD	Peter Froelich [QLD] & John Powless [USA]	Tony Harkin [NSW] & Ian King [NSW] 6/3 6/3
75MD	Graham Brown [QLD] & Alan Hocking [QLD]	Max Byrne [TAS] & Neville Langford [QLD] 2/6 6/4 7/5
80MD	Doug Corbett [NSW] & Ward Hillier [VIC]	Trevor Horwood [VIC] & Malcolm Howard [SA]
40WD	Natalie Cutcliffe [NSW] & Sue Woodward [NSW]	Wanda Clothier [VIC] & Fairlie Lamond [VIC] 5/7 6/4 6/2
45WD	Suzy Ellis [NSW] & Leanne Swaysland [NSW]	Felicity Oxnevad [NZ] & Tuuru Tare [NZ] 6/3 6/2
50WD	Kaye Nealon [NSW] & Ros Balodis [ACT]	Lyn Mortimer [VIC] & Sue Walter [VIC] 6/0 6/0
55WD	Kerry Ballard [NSW] & Liz Allan [NSW]	Adrienne Avis [NSW] & Helen Worland [NSW] 7/6 6/1
60WD	Carol Campling [NSW] & Denise Leavens [NSW]	Donna Walker [QLD] & Robyn Castle [NSW] 6/0 6/1
65WD	Mary Gordon [NSW] & Margaret Wayte [NSW]	Linda Pengelly [VIC] & Helen Muir [WA] 6/3 3/6 6/3
70WD	Nola Collins [VIC] & Lesley Heumiller [NSW]	Joy Rigter [QLD] & Joyce Rogers [VIC]
75WD	Margaret Robinson [WA] & Peg Hoysted [NSW]	Elsie Crowe [WA] & Pat Ubrihien [NSW]
35XD	Martin Richards [SA] & Narelle Follington [NSW]	Natalie Cutcliffe [NSW] & Chris O'Mara [QLD] 0/6 7/6 6/3
45XD	Peter Dellavedova [VIC] & Brenda Foster [NSW]	Peter Hampton [NZ] & Felicity Oxnevad [NZ] 6/4 6/3
50XD	Colin Holgate [ACT] & Ros Balodis [ACT]	Ray Bray [VIC] & Lyn Mortimer [VIC]
55XD	Russell Hart [VIC] & Sue Walter [VIC]	Denis Colette [NSW] & Adrienne Avis [NSW] 6/1 6/2
60XD	Carol Campling [NSW] & Don McIndoe [NSW]	Lee Taylor [QLD] & Bev Eddington [NSW] 6/0 6/0
65XD	Bruce Burns [NSW] & Margaret Wayte [NSW]	Tom Downie [VIC] & Helen Muir [WA] 6/1 6/1
70XD	John Davis [NSW] & Lesley Heumiller [NSW]	Ian King [NSW] & Joyce Rogers [VIC]
75XD	Doug Corbett [NSW] & Margaret Robinson [WA]	Les Hodson [QLD] & Pat Ubrihien [NSW]
C120MD	Mick Bruton [NSW] & Gary Thoroughgood [NSW]	John Cameron [NSW] & Robert Haling [NSW] 6/2 6/0
C130MD	Don Biddle [NSW] & Denis Colette [NSW]	Brian Dew [SA] & Ray Woodforde [SA] 6/7 6/2 6/4
C140MD	John Powless [USA] & Chauncey Steele [USA]	Kevin Crump [QLD] & Tony Harkin [NSW] 6/4 6/4
C150MD	Graham Brown [QLD] & Alan Hocking [QLD]	Max Byrne [TAS] & Nev Langford [QLD] 7/5 7/6
C120WD	Robyn Castle [NSW] & Margaret Wayte [NSW]	Judith Rodins [QLD] & Donna Walker [QLD]
C130WD	Margaret Harrigan [ACT] & Joy Rigter [QLD]	Loretta Funnell [NSW] & Pam Smith [WA]
 Men's Consolation Singles:		
45/50	Garth Dix [QLD] d	Kerry Dock [NSW] 6/2 6/3
55/60	Ray West [QLD] d	Denis Mathews [SA] 6/3 6/3
65+	Alan Swingler [VIC] d	David Shewan [VIC] 6/7 6/4 7/5
70/75	Cam Dezrnaulds [NSW] d	Tony Flood [VIC] 6/4 6/4



GOOD FRIENDSHIPS FORMED FROM SENIORS TENNIS

L-r Jan Telford, Caroline Martin, Bev Just, Helen Alexander, Helen Overend,
Marjorie Ravenscroft & Fay Butterworth

Last September this group of friends from our Association set off on a twenty one day tour of China with 'Travel Indo China'



They had three days in Hong Kong before joining eight other Aussies in Beijing en route to mainland China - a land of great contrasts. Beijing was an eye opener with 10 lanes of traffic each way on the motorway and modern construction everywhere. In contrast they had lunch in a hutong where a 55yr old woman served their meal in her one room apartment. This was followed by a walk through the vast Tianamen Square and into the Forbidden City (the heart of the empire for over 500 years, and only recently open to the public).

Another highlight was walking part way along the Great Wall of China which was not easy going! Next, an overnight train from Beijing to the walled

city of Xian which was once the capital of China and is the start of the Silk Road. They biked along the wall top and looked down onto the old town inside the wall—marvelling that most homes had solar panels and satellite dishes!

A short drive from Xian our travellers saw the Terracotta Warriors, a truly amazing experience. The old farmer, who in 1974 unearthed the first warrior when digging a well, was there in person and happily signing books for the visitors.

From Xian they flew to Guilin and here made their headquarters. They began walking up a steep hill at Longsleng and saw people living in 3 storeyed stone & wooden houses – animals on the 1st level, people on the 2nd and rice etc drying on the top level. In contrast, at the top of the hill was a photographer complete with computer and laminator! Taking a boat ride along the Li river they saw steep limestone hills of incredible shapes and local fishermen on their bamboo rafts, fishing as they had done 1000's of years ago.

Next on to Chongquin, the largest city in China with 32 million people with 98% of them living in high rise apartments. Here they boarded a cruise ship for a three day trip up the Yantze River visiting the huge Three Gorges Dam Project which is yet to be finished. Here was an old ghost town, where, in 12 years, 600,000 people had been re housed in hi-rise apartments as their former town had been drowned! On to Shanghai with its thriving business district and yet still witnessing people squatting on walkways to sell their wares, wearing traditional hats and carrying their goods across their shoulders in huge baskets.

Despite a few setbacks – Jan lost her debit card, Margaret's wallet stolen, Bev suffered after eating prawns, Caroline crashed her bike, Helen A. was bruised by a hotel lift door and Helen O had bad heat rash (only Fay came thro' unscathed) all agreed **'it was a not to be missed experience.'**

A First! Congratulations to Shirley Whitaker gaining a place in the Queens Cup (75+) to play in Turkey later this year. This is the first time Shirley has been selected for an Australian team and naturally she (& Peter) are very thrilled
Good luck Shirley and enjoy the moment!

Another first! Nola Collins has won her first Australian Team Championship playing for Victoria in Wodonga this year. She has played in this event for 23 years representing Qld and Vic, but had to come back to VIC to achieve this success!
CONGRATULATIONS TO NOLA AND HER TEAM – Jill Anjou, Wilma Fitz-Gerald, Olive Gunnell, Joyce Rogers & Shirley Whitaker.

Bert and Cathy's Travels

Although they have officially started their travels, Bert & Cathy Faux haven't been too far from Melbourne just yet. They are making sure they get used to living in their Winnebago before they go too far afield! The birth of two grandchildren has slowed them a little! They are currently in Warrnambool and will be heading to Port Fairy.

Bert & Cathy are the proud grandparents of their first granddaughter Indiana Lily, born on 17 Jan.

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The above accommodation belongs to an old friend of Heather Barwicks with whom she used to play tennis in England. Heather has stayed there and reckons it is very nice. Carl & Jill Anjou called in there in October last year and can thoroughly recommend it.

21-24 MARCH (Easter Weekend)

ACT Open Seniors Tennis Champs ITF 3.

Weston Creek TC. Entry forms:

www.tennisseniors.org.au/act or Mick Doyle: tel
026258 3001 or Pat Moloney tel: 0262 8270

Entries close Fri 7 March

ALSO The ACT Super Seniors 60+ Clay Court Championships are being held on September 25-28 at the National Tennis Centre, Lyneham

Tournaments around the States:

2008 Gold Coast Seniors Tournament
3,4 & 5 May

Mermaid Waters & other Centres

Entry forms available 1 March.

Entries close 14 April

Contact Tournament Secretary

Libby Collin, PO Box 198, Robina QLD 4226

www.tennis.com.au/gcstc



Some likely lads trying their hands at selling goods at the very successful merchandise stall at the National Champs held in Wodonga.

WELL DONE to all the ladies (& men) who helped with this very successful stall!

2008 Queensland Seniors Championships

4-7 July ITF Cat 3

Singles best 3 set knockout played in am

Comb doubles 100-140 R/R Fri pm

Doubles Sat pm & Sun pm. Mixed Mon pm R/R

Entries close 17 June

Entry forms available in April-also online:

www.tennisseniors.org.au/qld

Enquiries to Gail Bates phone (07) 3264 3556

Mob: 0409 639 124

ALSO

Brand new Seniors Tournament on the Sunshine Coast - September 19-22.

More details in May AR

* * DATES FOR YOUR DIARY * *



February 24	GEELONG LTC Seniors R/ Robin – Grass	Somers St MEL 451 K9	Doug Jeffery	5241 3482 NOTE correct no. 6021 3514
February 24	N/E Vets Round Robin	Albury LTC	Sandra Rouvray	5825 1045
March 2	N/E Vets Round Robin	Mooroopna	Dot Brown	5338 7113
March 2	R/ Robin Social	Ballarat	Wendy Martell	5338 7113
March 19	R/Robin Essendon TC	Batman Res MEL 28B4	Ray Fitz-Gerald	9439 3928
March 16	N/E Vets R/Robin	Bendigo LTC	Gordon Mackenzie	5435 2371
April 6	R/Robin Social	Moe	Alan Madeley	5134 5490
April 6	R/Robin	Ballarat	Wendy Martell	5338 7113
April 6	N/E Vets R/Robin	Euroa LTC	Charles Arnold	5795 2345
April 20	N/E Vets R/Robin	Wangaratta LTC	John Prescott	5729 8306
April 27	R/Robin &/or Museum tour. SEE Insert for more information	Melbourne Pk	Judy Collins	9551 2815
May 4	R/Robin Social	Ballarat	Wendy Martell	5338 7113
May 3 & 4 Sat /Sun	N/E Vets– Mens, Ladies & Mixed R/ R	Wagga Wagga TC	Andrew Phillips	02 6921 2973
May 4	R/Robin Social	Moe	Alan Madeley	5134 5490
May 18	N/E Vets R/Robin	Yarrowonga LTC	Kay Hanrahan	5744 3012
May 18	R/Robin Geelong Indoor	Centre Court Hepner PI MEL 441 H9	Maureen Alberts	5229 2434
June 1	R/Robin Social	Moe	Alan Madeley	5134 5490
June 1	R/Robin Social	Ballarat	Wendy Martell	5338 7113
Fri June 6- Mon 9	Aust.Seniors Clay Court Champs, ITF Cat 4	Dendy Park	Barry Pryor	9592 2431

Weekly tournaments throughout the year:

BENDIGO

Mondays 9am-Noon

Tel:Gordon Mackenzie 5435 2371

WODONGA

Wednesdays 1.30pm \$5 pp

Tel: Denis Murnane 6024 3635

YARRAWONGA

Wednesdays 1pm

Tel: Kay Hanrahan 5744 3012

The tournaments in **bold** are run by Victorian Seniors and the cost is \$13 per player which includes afternoon tea. Please telephone the contact person listed after 6pm during the week prior to the event (mention car pooling if interested). If players withdraw after the Friday before any Sunday tournament, without due cause, an invoice may be issued for \$13.

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