

## **TENNIS SENIORS QUEENSLAND INC**

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2010 - 2011**

It is with great pleasure that I present my first President's report. Tennis Seniors Queensland (TSQ) can be very proud of their performances over the past twelve months.

Queensland had 17 teams compete at the Australian Championships in Newcastle last January where we had four winning teams and three teams finishing runner up. An excellent result as 41% of our teams competed in the finals. In the Teams Trophy, Qld. finished in second place behind ACT.

#### **2011 NEWCASTLE REPORT – TEAMS WEEK – 10th to 14th January**

Congratulations to AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY who won their first Teams Trophy at the recent 2011 Australian Tennis Seniors Teams Championships held at Newcastle.

#### **Total points per State:**

State	Total teams	Trophy %
ACT	6	66.16%
QLD	17	55.46%
NSW	28	54.87%
NZ	7	48.58%
SA	11	45.05%
VIC	9	39.76%
WA	11	33.61%

#### ***Queensland winning teams:***

<b>60/1 Women</b>	- Daphne Moni; Annette Pratt; Helen Richardson & Dianne Zelinski (Capt)
<b>60/2 Women</b>	- Julianne Daniel (Capt); Judy Le Cornu; Lyn Stamper; Coral Vickers & Shirley Wilkinson
<b>60/1 Men</b>	- Max Bates (Capt); Ray Bray; Kerry Cullinan; Ian Somers; Reg Trevaskis & Gary Thompson
<b>65/1 Men</b>	- Kevin Bradley; Noel Cheshire; Terry McLellan; John S Walker & Ray West
<b><i>Runners-up:</i></b>	
<b>35/40 Women</b>	- Ros Evans; Kym Ireland (Capt); Liz Ireland-Jones; Melinda Obah; Karen Pearce, Susan Rheinberger
<b>55 Women</b>	- Jan Argent; Jan Johns; Roberta Klatt; Lyn Mortimer (Capt); Wendy Gilchrist
<b>55/1 Men</b>	- Les Apolloni; Ian Argent; Fred Beven; Jim Gillespie; Neal Healy (Capt) & Geoff Voller

Congratulations to all teams that participated and a special mention to the winning teams.

**2010 TSA ADMINISTRATOR OF YEAR AWARD.** Gail Bates was declared the winner of this award and was presented with a gift of crystal at the Championship Dinner in Newcastle.

#### **INDIVIDUAL RESULTS – 14th to 22nd January**

The individual Championships were held the following week with some outstanding individual performances. Adrian Alle, Peter Froelich, Lyn Mortimer and Wendy Gilchrist each won the singles event in their respective age groups. Peter Froelich defeated John Powless from USA who has been World No 1 player for some time. Wendy combined with her NSW partner to win the women's doubles whilst Lyn partnered Ray Bray from Qld. to win the mixed doubles event. Eight Qld. players enjoyed success in the doubles events whilst seventeen players ended a great week finishing runner up in their respective doubles age groups.

Stephen Fine and Norma McGhie won the Consolation Singles titles in their age group with David Abramovich finishing runner up in the 75 men's singles Consolation event. Again, congratulations to all winners - A truly outstanding achievement to win an Australian Seniors Tennis Championship. Ray Bray and Neville Halligan had excellent results narrowly losing their respective singles finals.

The results are as follows:

### WINNERS

80 Men's Singles	<b>Adrian Alle (Gold Coast)</b> def Ron de Costa (NSW)	7/5 6/3
75 Men's Singles	<b>Peter Froelich (Gold Coast)</b> def John Powless (USA – No 1 in World)	6/1 6/2
55 Women's Singles	<b>Lyn Mortimer (Gold Coast)</b> def Suzy Ellis (NSW)	6/0 6/1
60 Women's Singles	<b>Wendy Gilchrist (Gold Coast)</b> def Helen Worland (NSW)	7/6 6/4
35 Men's Doubles	<b>Rhys McDougall &amp; Jamie White (Gold Coast)</b> def Troy Hargreaves & Scott Utley (WA)	7/6 6/3
50 Men's Doubles	<b>Brian Williams (Emerald)</b> & Peter Doohan (NSW) def Peter Hampton (NZ) & Edward Myers (VIC)	6/1 6/4
60 Men's Doubles	<b>Max Bates (Brisbane)</b> & Andrew Rae (VIC) def John Deane (NSW) & Russell Hart (VIC)	6/2 6/1
50 Women's Doubles	<b>Mi Ran Kim (Gold Coast)</b> & Wanda Clothier (VIC) def Kerrie Douglas (VIC) & Leanne Swaysland (NSW)	2 wins (250%) to 2 wins (200%)
60 Women's Doubles	<b>Wendy Gilchrist (Gold Coast)</b> & Carol Campling (NSW) def Adrienne Avis & Helen Worland (NSW)	3 wins/2 wins
65 Women's Doubles	<b>Meg West (Gold Coast)</b> & Lou Griffith (VIC) def Carol Salisbury & Jill Simons (NSW)	6/4 5/7 7/6
55 Mixed Doubles	<b>Ray Bray &amp; Lyn Mortimer (Gold Coast)</b> def Brian Adams & Sara Goddard (NSW)	6/0 6/1
140 Comb Women's Doubles	<b>Norma McGhie (Gold Coast)</b> & Maria van der Linden (VIC) def <b>Joy Rigter (QLD)</b> & Margaret Harrigan (ACT)	6/3 7/5
<b><u>RUNNERS-UP</u></b>		
60 Men's Singles	Andrew Rae (VIC) def <b>Ray Bray (QLD)</b>	6/2 6/0
85 Men's Singles	Douglas Corbett (NSW) def <b>Neville Halligan (QLD)</b>	4 wins / 3 wins
40 Men's Doubles	Brett Patten (WA) & Martin Richards (SA) def Paul Kleverlaan (VIC) & <b>Chris O'Mara (QLD)</b>	6/3 6/1
55 Men's Doubles	Glenn Busby (VIC) & Gary Thoroughgood (NSW) def <b>Stephen Fine (QLD)</b> & Rodney Wurtz (VIC)	6/2 6/7 6/1
70 Men's Doubles	Bob Howes (VIC) & Bruce Rehn (SA) def Maurice Broom (VIC) & <b>Kevin Crump (QLD)</b>	7/6 4/6 6/3
80 Men's Doubles	Douglas Corbett & Ron de Costa (NSW) def <b>Snow Hall (QLD)</b> & John Mc Carthy (NSW)	6/1 6/0
40 Women's Doubles	Narelle Follington & Karen Thompson (NSW) def <b>Melinda Obah &amp; Karen Pearce (QLD)</b>	6/2 4/6 7/5
45 Women's Doubles	Karen Lenz & Suzy Ellis (NSW) def <b>Liz Ireland-Jones &amp; Susan Rheinberger (QLD)</b>	3 wins / 2 wins
70 Women's Doubles	Mary Gordon & Margaret Wayte (NSW) def Heather Mc Kay (ACT) & <b>Jill Taylor (QLD)</b>	6/3 6/4
150 Comb Men's Doubles	Daryl Munday & Norm Richardson (NSW) def <b>Graham Brown &amp; Alan Hocking (QLD)</b>	6/7 6/2 6/2
40 Mixed Doubles	Martin Richards (SA) & Narelle Follington (NSW) def <b>Chris O'Mara (QLD)</b> & Brenda Foster (NSW)	W/O (injured)

70 Mixed Doubles	Don Biddle (NSW) & Nola Collins (VIC) def <b>John Walker &amp; Jill Taylor (QLD)</b>	6/4 6/2
140 Comb Women's Doubles	Norma Mc Ghie (QLD) & Maria van der Linden (VIC) def <b>Joy Rigter (QLD)</b> & Margaret Harrigan (ACT)	6/3 7/5

### CONSOLATION SINGLES

55 Men's Singles	<b>Stephen Fine (QLD)</b> def <b>Glen Gray (QLD)</b>	6/2 6/2
75 Men's Singles	Ron Moulton (SA) def <b>David Abramovich (QLD)</b>	6/4 6/2
70 Women's Singles	<b>Norma Mc Ghie (QLD)</b> def Maria van der Linden (VIC)	2wins/1 win

### 2010 ITF SUPER-SENIORS CUPS COMPETITION held in TURKEY— October 11<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> - (60+ to 80+Ladies & 60+ to 85+Men)

At the Super Seniors team's event held in Turkey in October 2010, Australia finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in three age groups, 4<sup>th</sup> in one and 5<sup>th</sup> in two age groups.

#### WOMEN

<b>MARBLE CUP 60+</b>	Won by USA	Australia 3rd
<b>GODFREE CUP 65+</b>	Won by GBR	Australia 7th
<b>GIBSON CUP 70+</b>	Won by USA	Australia 3rd
<b>QUEENS CUP 75</b>	Won by USA	Australia—no team entered

#### MEN

<b>von CRAMM CUP 60+</b>	Won by USA	Australia 17th
<b>BRITANNIA CUP 65+</b>	Won by USA	Australia 3rd
<b>CRAWFORD CUP 70+</b>	Won by AUT	Australia 5th
<b>GRANT CUP 75+</b>	Won by USA	Australia 4th
<b>MULLOY CUP 80+</b>	Won by CAN	Australia 5th

### 2010 ITF SUPER-SENIORS INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS— held in Turkey—October 17<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>

In the World Super Seniors individual events there were some outstanding results by Queenslanders. Neville Halligan won both the singles and doubles championships. He seems to get better every year. Alan Hocking completed a successful event by winning the 75 men's doubles whilst Wendy Gilchrist enjoyed a successful tournament with a runner up in the 60 women's doubles. Congratulations to all on a spectacular result.

#### WOMEN

60 Women's Singles	Elizabeth Allan def Heidi Eisterlehner (GER)	6/3 6/4
60 Women's Doubles	Carol Campling & <b>Wendy Gilchrist</b> def Adrienne Avis & Helen Worland	6/2 6/3

#### MEN

75 Men's Doubles	<b>Alan Hocking</b> & Charles Nelson (USA) def Wim Heeremans & Michael van Berckel(NED)	6/1 6/1
85 Men's Singles	<b>Neville Halligan</b>	Round Robin 4 wins –undef.
85 Men's Doubles	<b>Neville Halligan</b> & Wilhelm Papst (AUT) def Pehr Svenshammar & Stig Malmberg (SWE)	6/0 6/4

The 2011 Super-Seniors World Individual Championships is being held on 16<sup>th</sup> – 23rd October in Antalya, Turkey.

The team competition for the same age categories is taking place at the same venue the previous week.

**In 2011, the Seniors World Individual Championships** was cancelled due to the devastating earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand. It was scheduled to begin on 27 February.

The earthquake struck NZ's South Island the previous week during the Seniors World Team Championships, causing the team competition to be abandoned at the Christchurch venue.

### **Aussies find a pot of GOLD, SILVER and BRONZE in the Team Championships in New Zealand**

In the Tony Trabert Cup (men's 40), Australia had to settle for Bronze. Australia outplayed New Zealand 3-0 for 3<sup>rd</sup>, when Martin Richards beat Jason Young 62 60, Brett Patten was too strong for Glenn Wilson, 64 62, and Paul Kleverlaan & Chris O'Mara held out against Stephen Buckmaster and Steven Pett 46 64 64.

In the Austria Cup (men's 55), Glenn Busby, Gary Thoroughgood and Rodney Wurtz successfully defended the Cup which Australia has won 6 times before, in consecutive years. Gary Thoroughgood soundly defeated Spaniard Jose Cambra in the #2 Singles, 62 64, followed by an equally impressive win over Miguel Mir, 75 61 by Glenn Busby, followed by a solid performance by Rod Wurtz and Gary Thoroughgood to take the Doubles 62 62 against J F Arcones Pastor and Felix Riba.

In the Susan Lenglen Cup (35s), after a win against Turkey, Australia had to play South Africa for 5<sup>th</sup> position. Michelle Leyden won against Marlese Wilke 63 64, with Karen Kleverlaan having a convincing win against Sally Estcourt 61 61. The doubles pairing of Juliann Jacobsen and Karen Pearce, completed the proceedings with a 76 62 victory over Marlese and Sally. This was the third win "on the trot" to these girls.

In the Maria Esther Bueno (women's 50) Australia (#2) can be proud of the Silver medal, after meeting the favoured USA team, who were seeded #1. Kerrie Douglas did well against Susan Wright, 36 57, with Ros Balodis leveling with a superb straight sets win over Di Fishburne 61 62. Ros and Kerrie then faced former Grand Slam doubles winner, Joanne Russell playing with Susan Wright. The Americans were too strong, taking it 64 62 to win Gold, with Silver for Australia.

In the Maureen Connolly (women's 55), in the 3-team round robin, Australia lost its second match to the USA team. Robin Walker was beaten by the very experienced Tina Karwasky, while Lyn Mortimer lost narrowly to Carolyn Nicholls, 57 67(7). Tina then played with Mary Ginnard, completing a clean sweep for the US, against Lyn Mortimer and Sara Goddard, 60 61. Bronze for Australia!

### **TSQ 2010 SENIOR OF THE YEAR AWARD**

The winner of this award is Ray West of Brisbane Seniors. Ray has been involved with Brisbane Seniors for many years as a fixture player. He has held the position of President of Miami Tennis Club on Gold Coast for over 13 years. He represented Australia in Von Cramm Cup (60+) and played in the ITF World Team Championships in Turkey. Ray competes in many of our Senior's tournaments in Queensland and other States with a great deal of success. He was a member of the Queensland Men's 60+ team which won in January 2010 at the Australian Championships on the Gold Coast. He is well respected by his peers for his tennis ability and also his sportsmanship.

**TSQ LIFE MEMBERSHIPS.** Alan Hocking announced at the 2010 Annual General Meeting that Life Memberships were to be awarded to Secretary, Coral Vickers and Committee Member, Gail Bates for their contribution to Seniors tennis in Queensland. Certificates were presented to both and were received with thanks to those present.

### **Web Page**

Ian Somers continues to provide an up to date and professional website for the enjoyment of TSQ players.

### **Finances**

Our new treasurer, Reg Trevaskis, has taken the way our finances are handled and reported to a new level. We continue to maintain a healthy balance sheet and look forward to stronger financial figures in the future.

## **Tennis Queensland**

TSQ has been fortunate to gain the total support from new Tennis Queensland CEO, Cameron Pearson and Community Tennis Manager Elia Hill. Their assistance throughout the year has been greatly appreciated by our committee. TQ continue to support us financially and professionally and we look forward to a long and successful association.

## **Committee**

We are very fortunate to have a committee dedicated to the success and future of Senior's Tennis in Queensland. Coral Vickers, Secretary, continues to work tirelessly to ensure all facets of TQ runs smoothly and professionally. Our Tournament Director, Gail Bates continues her enormous workload of ensuring our tournaments are conducted successfully and without blemish. Gail also compiles and updates our Australian singles and doubles ranking points throughout the year. Treasurer Reg Trevaskis has transferred our financial accounts to an electronic system and has presented quality reporting throughout the year. Reg is also Treasurer of Tennis Seniors Australia and has a wonderful knowledge of the financial system.

Alan Hocking, Vice President, is retiring from all office positions after serving TSQ as President in 2009 and 2010. Alan's passion for senior's tennis in Queensland and Australia is second to none and his experience and knowledge will be sadly missed. Thank you Alan for an outstanding contribution to TSQ.

## **Summary**

I would like to thank our committee for their support and guidance throughout the year and to all players who have supported TSQ. I look forward to continuing the good work completed over many years by past office bearers and to see the growth in senior's tennis in Queensland continue to grow. Finally, good luck to all our teams competing in the Australian Championships in Perth in January 2012 and to all players competing in the individual championships.

Phil Waight  
President