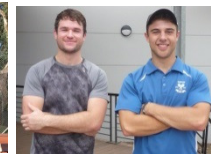


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## AGM Presidents Report

### 2018-19 Committee

Club Phone:

**9830 6617**

**President:**

Neil Kafer



**Vice President:**

Paul Hambleton



**Secretary:**

Chloe Reese



**Treasurer:**

Catherine Davis



**Club Captain:**

Tim Shackleton



**Membership Secretary:**

&

**General Club Management:**

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**Junior Conveners:**

Hamish Clark

Natalie Bacon



**Committee:**



Peter Owen

John Wade



Dougall McIntyre

Jacob Smart



Joe Interrigi

**Club Coach:**

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The 2018 AGM is upon us, and it is time to reflect back on the last 12 months and look forward to the next 12.

Financially, 2017 was a good year for the Club with a resulting profit of approximately \$30,000. We managed to keep costs static while achieving a lift in revenue of about \$18,000. Some of the revenue items are "once-offs" – such as donations made to purchase a defibrillator – but it is still a strong result.

In 2017 there was a lot going on around the Club as usual, but some of the outstanding achievements for us were the following:

1. We remained in the top 50 Victorian Tennis Clubs by participation rate. We slipped a little bit from 10 to 13, but when you think that we are in there pitching against Kooyong, Royal South Yarra and Melbourne Park – as well as massive growth centres like Hume and Pakenham – then we are doing very well.
2. We acquired a defibrillator after a close call for one of our Tuesday night players. This has been a longstanding goal for the Club and our thanks goes to all who donated funds (Jim Easson, the Wade family, Colin Edwards and the Tuesday night men), organised fund raising and prizes (Dougall McIntyre) and installed the defib unit (Paul Hambleton).
3. In terms of Competitions, we are getting stronger. We have added another Tuesday mid-week Ladies team (who made the Finals in their first season and have been promoted), our Monday night team were runners-up in the Spring season, and in the Summer weekend season just finishing we had a record 21 teams across seniors and juniors with 11 of these teams in Finals.

Looking forward, the big project will be the replacement of our courts.

Unfortunately they have reached their end of life and are proving too costly and difficult to maintain, and we are being impacted by tree roots and poor drainage as well. At the moment we are deep into a process of sourcing funding, after reviewing different proposals from contractors and selecting a preferred supplier. We have decided to go forward with a premium quality sand-filled synthetic grass. This surface has recently been approved by Tennis Australia and it comes with a number of strong features including being gentler on the knee and ankle joints, being "all weather" and quick drying (less washouts), and it gives us the ability to change the speed of the courts. It is a much fairer surface providing a more true bounce for all styles of play. It is also much cheaper and easier to maintain than the alternatives.

We have also decided to go with a two-tone blue colour to make our courts highly visually appealing from Warrigal Rd and give the appearance of being championship courts.

Finally, a personal "thank you" to our Committee members who are resigning their posts at this AGM: Denese Bacon (who has served our members with distinction for many years), Rosy Interrigi (Secretary) and Jacob Smart (Treasurer). And more "thank you's" to our new Committee members who joined us throughout the year: Catherine Davis, John Wade and Dougall McIntyre.

**MEMBERSHIP: to join the club please use link below:**

<https://my.tennis.com.au/OnlineMembership/662684>

# 2018 Junior Club Championships



Open Boys:  
Winner: Joshua Stacey  
Runners Up: Ashley Hill

Open Girls:  
Winner: Alice Kafer  
Runners Up: Jordyn Beggs

EVENT	Winners	Runners Up
C Grade Mixed Doubles	Jessica Tran & Ben Adams	Zoe Freemantle & Edward Hankin
Open Boys Doubles	Joshua Stacey & Matthew Wildie	William Beaton & Ashley Hill
C Grade Boys Doubles	Max Getley & Hayden Reed	Ben Adams & Harry Carter
C Grade Girls Doubles	Cate Beaton & Jessica Tran	Charlotte Crozier & Aarushi Mishra
B Grade Boys Singles	Ashley Hill	Justin Witt
B Grade Girls Singles	Emily Tran	Charlotte Crozier
C Grade Boys Singles	Hayden Reed	Angus Freemantle
C Grade Girls Singles	Charlotte Crozier	Cate Beaton
D Grade Boys Singles	Jayden Engelbrecht	Ben Adams
D Grade Girls Singles	Jessica Tran	Cate Beaton
Most Improved 2018	Nathan Ellis	
2017/18 Best & Fairest	Ian Macgibbon-Parker	



# WEEKEND COMPETITION

Summer season has just finished. Winter has commenced, if you are interested in participating in a Winter team on the weekends please contact:

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON COMPETITION:** Contact Tim Shackleton, [tim@toptenn.com.au](mailto:tim@toptenn.com.au) 0411 299 017

**Ladders Pennant Winter:** <http://leagues.tennis.com.au/organisation/info/258/Burwood+TC/ladders/participating>

**Ladders WDTA Summer & Winter:** <http://www.waverleytennis.asn.au/ladders.html>

**SATURDAY / SUNDAY MORNING JUNIORS:** Contact Natalie Bacon, [burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au](mailto:burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au)  
0412 619 695

**Ladders Summer & Winter:** <http://www.waverleytennis.asn.au/ladders.html>

## NIGHT TENNIS COMPETITION

The Feb – June, Autumn, night season is in full swing. The Spring season will begin in July and run to the end of November or early December. So if you wish to play in any of our intra competitions, see below for the contacts.

**Ladders WDTA Monday:** <http://www.waverleytennis.asn.au/ladders.html>

## MID-WEEK LADIES COMPETITION

The Tuesday Mid-week ladies now with 2 teams are doing well in their respective competitions. Both teams enjoy their Tuesday tennis, but are always happy to introduce new players. If there are any new players interested in joining these ladies anytime please contact Denese (9885 7166).

**Ladders:** <http://leagues.tennis.com.au/organisation/info/258/Burwood+TC/ladders/participating>

## WANT TO PLAY SOME TENNIS AT BURWOOD!

- MONDAY NIGHT TENNIS: Gail Stiffe: 0424 333 136.
- TUESDAY NIGHT MENS: Greg Lloyd: 0414 881 816 or Alan Tyson: 0408 638 208
- THURSDAY NIGHT MIXED: Paul Hambleton: 0424 249 764
- TUESDAY MORNING Ladies Competition: Denese Bacon: 9885 7166
- SATURDAY or SUNDAY Morning Junior Competition: Management Team 9830 6617
- SATURDAY Afternoon Competition: Management Team 9830 6617

## 2018 SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior Club Championships, are for all members. All members are eligible to enter into the singles draws. The singles draw will be a Mens and a Ladies and if we have more than 8 entries in any draw a consolation will be played which will be the B Grade Draw and if we have over 16 a Consolation Plate will be played which will then form a C Grade. This event will take place from the 19<sup>th</sup> August til the 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Singles will take place predominantly on Sunday afternoons, some Saturdays may be used if required. Doubles will take place on the evenings of when those competitions are played.

Singles:

- Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> August, Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Saturday and other days as required.

Doubles:

- Mens Doubles – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September
- Mixed Doubles – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September
- Ladies Doubles – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September

Entries for this are open from Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July, but if you want to sign up now:  
just e-mail us at: [burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au](mailto:burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au)



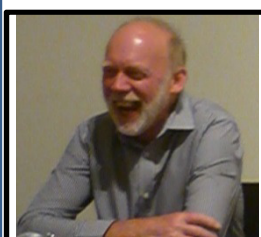
# James Shrimpton Award



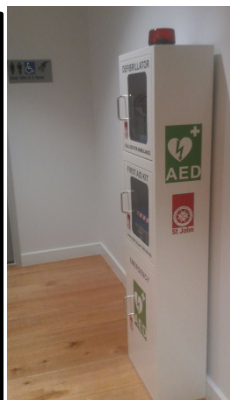
This years James Shrimpton Award for Best Club Person was awarded to Denese Bacon for all her work she has done over many years with the Mid-Week Ladies and being on the committee. She will still be registering the teams and getting the midweek ladies teams organised each season, but she will not be on the committee.

Well Done Denese. Thank you for all your contributions!

## New Defib "Jimmy" & First Aid Station



Happy, Healthy  
Jim "Jimmy"  
Easson



The defib is now set up in the hall entrance in the clubhouse near the disabled toilet. You will all be pleased to know Jim "Jimmy" Easson is doing very well also and has been back on a tennis court since!

If you wish to see how to use please check up at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dkv2BrgLK4>

The cabinet also has a sports first aid kit, but there is still the very basics , band-aids etc. in the kitchen cupboard in the far left hand yellow cupboards.

## TRIVIA NIGHT – Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> July

Our annual Trivia Night will be held on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July. Find 10 friends now to join us at this Fun Family Event.

**Please put it in your Diary now and hope you will come along and enjoy a great night!**

If you are able to donate any prizes we would be very grateful. If you can please contact the club: [burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au](mailto:burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au)

## BALL KIDS 2019 Australian Open

As mentioned in the last Sidelines we had the Round 1 Trials for the 2019 Australian Open Ballkids in March. We have many returning Burwood Juniors again making the squad and also more joining the squad for the potential to be a Ballkid at the 2019 Australian Open.



## Memberships Payments

Reminder Annual Membership renewals are now over 2 months overdue, so please ensure you update your membership: <https://my.tennis.com.au/OnlineMembership/662684>

If you are having trouble renewing or would like an invoice sent please e-mail us at [burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au](mailto:burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au)



**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018:** Junior Presentation Night 2018

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018:** French Open 2018 begins

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2018:** 2018 Burwood tennis Club Trivia Night  
Entries Open for Senior Club championships

**WEEK Commencing Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2018:** Waverley Spring Night Competition begins

**FROM SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2018:** Open Club Championships Begin

Singles:

- Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> August, Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Saturday and other days as required.

Doubles:

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**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2018:** Summer 2018-19 weekend competitions entry close.

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018:** Winter 2018 weekend competition Grand Finals

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018:** MEMRLTA Mid-Week Ladies Grand Final Day

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2018 :** Presidents Day

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2018:** Summer weekend competition starts

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2018:** Table Tennis Championships Open and Junior

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018:** Melbourne Cup 2018 Calcutta Evening



## Peter Sharpe



*All of Peter's children, Whitney, Jackson and Harrison played for the Burwood Tennis Club throughout their Junior years. The family was well known throughout the club at the time as you could imagine with 3 children of various ages mixing with all aspects of the juniors at that time.*

Peter was a loved and loving member of the Sharpe family born in 1960 to Alec and Shirley. He married Wendy in 1990 and they started a family of their own the following year with the birth of their eldest, Whitney, and Jackson and Harrison quickly following. He was extraordinarily proud of his family and they remain equally proud of him.

His battle with mental illness was lengthy, exacerbated by his struggle with his sexuality and the related societal expectations. In recent years he began to accept his sexuality and made several meaningful relationships along the way.

His expectations of himself were too great, especially when it came to aging, work, family, wealth and status. His family considers him a role model in all areas and wishes he could see what they saw. Unfortunately, mental illness is a bigger monster than we understand and he ultimately needed more help than is currently available. Peter has thanked the organisations that have helped him.

He is survived by his 3 siblings, Geoff, Ann, and Robert, his wife Wendy, his 3 children, Whitney, Jackson and Harrison, and his daughter-in-law, Maddie. 12/04/1960- 25/01/2018. Forever loved and deeply missed.

## Shirley Warner



Shirley (Left) with Fran Coggins and Marie Hawkins

Shirley was a well loved member of the Wednesday ladies group and remembered by all. She loved to ride her bike. The whole Warner family were well known in the area especially with the Warners nursery. The nursery used to be situated across the road from the club, now where there is housing aptly named Nursery Way.

From the Burwood Tennis Club book celebrating 100 years: " Anyone who played Midweek Ladies in the 60s, 70s, 80s or even the 90s would know Shirley Warner such was her incredible longevity.

Shirley was a member of Burwood for 50 years , her name was synonymous with Midweek Ladies. Shirley lived in Donvale and travelled to Burwood for all those years such was her passion for the game, and for Burwood Tennis Club.

Shirley was a strong player, although when I said that to her, she quickly replied...."Iwasn't a good player, I was a dog's body, never had any coaching....just picked it up."

## Syd Grieves

Syd was also a well remembered part of the tennis club. His house backed onto our now carpark area for the club. He was always supportive to club when we were moving the current clubhouse to this site even though it would back onto his home. He was always helpful with our hall hirers .

Syd moved to Warrnambool where he passed away just over a month ago.

# COURT UPGRADE

The new courts are still the 1<sup>st</sup> priority of the club. We are finalising details at the moment and we hope construction will start in these upcoming June/July school holidays.

So please help us with any function / raffle we may have in the next year or so, as all will help us keep our loan repayments in check like we always do. We have been successful in getting some funding from Tennis Australia, as well as a loan from them also with a good rate.



## BALLS FOR SALE

The club has used Head Championship yellow balls for sale. They have been used in 1 to 2 competition matches. These are \$2 per can or \$35 per box. We have some balls that are not too nice as have been played with during some wet weather, so they look a bit ugly, so these ones are only \$1.50 per can or \$25 per box. A box is 6 dozen balls. Please contact us at [burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au](mailto:burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au) or call Natalie on 0412 619 695 if you would like to purchase some. We have a small amount of green balls also if you are interested, let us know.

## CLUB POLO SHIRTS



Polo all members given (men sizing)

If you are a current member playing competition and do not already have a club shirt, please contact us at [burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au](mailto:burwoodtennisclub@westnet.com.au) or call Natalie on 0412 619 695, with your size. To check your size check: <https://www.bizcollection.com.au/au/products/p7700> . All financial members playing any type of competition with the club is eligible for a shirt. If you have out grown your current one or would like to change it for a new ladies style (sizing: <https://www.bizcollection.com.au/au/products/sg4071> please also let us know.



New Ladies Style, sleeveless

Reminder Toptenn Tennis Pro Shop can assist you with all your Tennis requirements. Toptenn offers restringing, racquet repairs and re-gripping. They have the current range of Head racquets, and can allow you to demo the racquets before you purchase them.

Toptenn Tennis Academy can assist you with your game, having tennis sessions for all ages, abilities and preferences. You can have a session to work on your game, or maybe do a Cardio Session just as a social / fitness hour.

Toptenn coaches are always looking forward into the future of Tennis and furthering their students horizons. Tim Shackleton a Club Professional Coach is the Head of Coaching at Toptenn.



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<https://my.tennis.com.au/OnlineMembership/662684>

Bendigo Bank sponsored our club to assist us to make us feel like Team members. We have purchased Club Shirts for all the new members who are playing in a team in the past. Also if

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you need a larger shirt, when your other shirt is returned, we can upgrade your shirt also. Bendigo

also gives us rebates if you open an account with them and mention you are a member of the Burwood Tennis Club. So if you have a Bendigo account, make sure the bank is aware you are a member of the Burwood Tennis Club.



We would like to thank the City of Boroondara, who upgraded the clubhouse in the last few years and assisting us with upgrading the courts.

We have a great new facility for a 5 court suburban tennis club in Melbourne

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