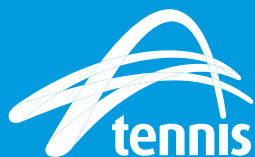




TENNIS ACT

ANNUAL REPORT 2017-2018





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ABOUT US

TENNIS WILL BE A PROSPEROUS SPORT AND RECREATIONAL PURSUIT THAT DELIVERS AN EXCEPTIONAL AND ACCESSIBLE ACTIVE EXPERIENCE TO COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE ACT AND REGION.

VISION FOR TENNIS IN THE ACT AND REGION

A preferred view of the future of our game

Tennis will be a prosperous sport and recreational pursuit that delivers an exceptional and accessible active experience to communities throughout the ACT and region.

TENNIS ACT MISSION

Our role in achieving the vision of our game

To grow, manage, promote and develop the sport of tennis throughout the ACT and region by:

- Providing strong leadership and direction that guides the sport towards our vision;
- Advocating the accessibility of tennis as a sport for all people;
- Promoting the health, economic, social and entertainment benefits that tennis delivers;
- Preserving the rich heritage and traditions of tennis;
- Partnering effectively with Tennis Australia, government, corporate partners and our clubs; and
- Taking an active approach to the commercial development of the sport and industry in the region.

OUR VALUES AND COMMITMENT

The way we will operate

Tennis ACT is committed to:

- Creating a strong sense of unity amongst the Tennis community in the ACT and region;
- Working in strategic partnerships with our major stakeholders, including Tennis Australia and the ACT Government;
- Maintaining constructive and progressive relationships with all stakeholders; and
- Conducting the sport and business of tennis with integrity and professionalism

OVERVIEW

THE PHILOSOPHY OF TENNIS ACT IS TO MAKE THE GAME OF TENNIS MORE STIMULATING AND REWARDING IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE GREATER PARTICIPATION AND MAKE IT AVAILABLE TO THE WIDEST POSSIBLE CROSS-SECTION OF THE ACT COMMUNITY AS A LIFETIME EXPERIENCE AND SPORT.

THE OBJECTS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE COMPANY ARE TO:

- Control, foster, develop, promote and assist the game of tennis in the Australian Capital Territory, the surrounding region and Australia, including promoting the game of tennis as a spectator sport;
- Uphold and maintain the Rules of Tennis, the Rules and Regulations of the International Tennis Federation, the Regulations for the International Tennis Championships and such other Rules and Regulations as the Company shall from time to time consider necessary for or incidental to the Rules and Regulations referred to in this paragraph;
- Decide all matters relating to the Rules and Regulations above in the Australian Capital Territory;
- Arrange, conduct, sanction, regulate, promote, publicise and control tournaments, matches, competitions, exhibitions and social functions for the game of tennis in the Australian Capital Territory;
- Sanction and approve the dates of all State Championships played in the Australian Capital Territory;
- Promote, provide for, regulate and manage State tennis championships;

- Select and control teams and squads to represent the Australian Capital Territory and Tennis ACT;
- Develop or adopt and implement appropriate policies, including in relation to sexual harassment, discrimination, equal opportunity, drugs in sport, health, safety, junior and senior programs, and any other matters that arise from time to time as issues to be addressed in the game of tennis;
- Conduct the affairs of a tennis corporation;
- Ensure the maintenance and enhancement of Tennis ACT and the game of tennis, its standards, quality and reputation for the collective and mutual benefit of the Members and the game of tennis;
- Promote the economic and sporting success, strength and stability of tennis and each Member;
- Represent the interests of its Members and the game of tennis generally in any appropriate forum;
- Do all that is reasonably necessary to enable these Objects to be achieved and to enable the Members to receive the benefits which these Objects

are intended to achieve;

- Use and protect Tennis ACT's intellectual property;
- Carry on or engage in any other business, undertaking or project, which is capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with Tennis ACT or is designed to directly further the Objects; and
- Any other Object which, in the opinions of the Board, is in the best interests of tennis.

The philosophy of Tennis ACT is to make the game of tennis more stimulating and rewarding in order to encourage greater participation and make it available to the widest possible cross-section of the ACT community as a lifetime experience and sport.

The Australian Capital Territory Tennis Association trading as Tennis ACT was founded in 1923 and has a long and proud history of producing tennis talent that any state or territory would be proud of. In July, 2008 the Australian Capital Territory Tennis Association was converted to Tennis ACT Limited, a company limited by guarantee under the Corporations Act 2001. The official colours of the Association are Royal Blue and Gold in line with the colours of the ACT.

OUR PEOPLE

TENNIS ACT LIMITED BOARD

President

Dan Bisa

Directors

Colin Adrian

Ben Fuller

Lisa Stone

Carolyn Paris

Robyn Hendry

Simon Plummer

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Graham Bartlett OAM*

Charles Boag OAM*

Peter Breugelmans

Keith Carnall*

Les Crawley MBE*

Charles Gibbs*

Graham Gordon*

Anne Haycock

John Heinemann

Brian Hynes*

Arthur Ide*

Alison Ide OAM*

Clem Maloney*

Colin Mason

Frank Piggini*

Bill Quealy*

Ken Randall*

Roy Smalley OAM*

Ted Tudor*

Isobel Watson*

Ken Willis OAM*

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Chief Executive Officer

Lenka Greenhalgh

Participation Manager

Jake Lalliard

Participation Leader

Brittany Hughes

Competitions & Tournaments

Coordinator

Geoff Bartlett

School Development Coordinator

Tracey Butler

Marketing Partnerships and Communications Coordinator

Nicole Morris

Media & Communications

Coordinator

Claire Dunn

Business Services Administrator

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Todd Larkham

National Academy Head Coach - ACT

Alun Jones

Talent Development Manager, ACT/SE NSW

AFFILIATED TENNIS CLUBS

ADFA

Ainslie Tennis Club

Australian National University

Barton Tennis Club

Belconnen Tennis Club

Campbell Tennis Club

Canberra Grammar School

Eastlake Tennis Club

Erindale Active Leisure Centre

Forrest Tennis Club

Jerrabomberra Tennis Club

Kaleen Tennis Club

Kambah Tennis Club

Kippax Tennis Club

Majura Tennis Club

Melba Tennis Club

North Woden Tennis Club

O'Connor Tennis Club

Old Parliament House Gardens

Tennis Club

Queanbeyan Park Tennis Club

Red Hill Tennis Club

Reid Tennis Club

Southlands Mawson Tennis Club

Tennis World - Canberra Tennis

Centre

The Pines Tennis Club

Torrens Tennis Club

Turner Tennis Club

Wesley Uniting Church

Weston Creek Tennis Club

Yarralumla Tennis Club

OTHER AFFILIATED BODIES

Tennis Seniors ACT



MAJOR PARTNERS

ACT Government has provided funds for the redevelopment of the Canberra Tennis Centre in addition to our partnership with Sport and Recreation Services and operational assistance. Events ACT has also been a key supporter of the ACT's Pro Tour events.

ANZ is the Principal Partner of Junior Pennant and the Junior Development Series in the ACT and a Presenting Partner of Community Forums and the Tennis ACT Awards.

Apis is the Title Sponsor of the Apis Canberra International 2017.

Australian Sports Foundation is a fundraising partner of Tennis ACT.

Capital Hotel Group is the Official Accommodation Provider of Tennis ACT.

East Hotel is the Title Sponsor and Official Hotel of the East Hotel Canberra Challenger 2018.

Lennox Jaguar Land Rover is a Premium Partner of Tennis ACT and the Official Car for the Australian Pro Tour Series events in Canberra.

Manteena is the Official Building Partner of the Apis Canberra International 2017.

Mix 106.3 is the Official Radio Partner of the Apis Canberra International 2017 and the East Hotel Canberra Challenger 2018.

P² Advisory is an Official Partner of Tennis ACT.

Prime7 is the Official Television Partner of Tennis ACT.

Singapore Airlines is a Platinum Partner of the Apis Canberra International 2017 and the East Hotel Canberra Challenger 2018.

Tennis Australia is the governing body of tennis within Australia. Tennis Australia has eight Member Associations – state/territory based governing bodies responsible for implementing national initiatives.

Tennis Australia's responsibilities include promoting and facilitating participation in tennis at all levels, staging tennis events including the Australian Open, developing future stars, growing business revenues and honouring the sport's heritage.

The Canberra Times is a Media Partner for the Australian Pro Tour Series events in Canberra.

The Walking Clinic is the Principal Partner of Adult Pennant in the ACT.

Wilson is the Official Tennis Ball of Tennis ACT.

Yes (Your Event Solutions) is an Official Supplier of the Apis Canberra International 2017 and the East Hotel Canberra Challenger 2018.



TENNIS ACT PRESIDENT REPORT

2017-18 HAS BEEN AN INCREDIBLY SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR TENNIS ACT, SEEING RECORD PARTICIPATION GROWTH ALONG WITH THE RETURN OF FED CUP TO THE CAPITAL FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 20 YEARS.

Thank you to the tennis community and key stakeholders for your continued support as Tennis ACT President. The ACT is lucky to have such dedicated volunteers and passionate coaches to drive our sport.

2017-18 has been an incredibly successful year for Tennis ACT, seeing record participation growth along with the return of Fed Cup to the capital for the first time in 20 years.

A record 27,570 participants picked up a racquet in the ACT in the 17-18 financial year, more than double the participants in the previous year. The school programs continue to go from strength to strength, and I commend Tennis Australia's work to align the Tennis for Primary and Secondary School programs to the Australian Curriculum. It is great to see the success of the school program filtering to the club level with 4794 children participating in ANZ Tennis Hot Shots.

Book A Court has opened up casual court hire to the tennis community and our clubs have set the national benchmark in this space and played a key role in the ongoing development of the software.

ACT players have continued to perform on the international stage

with Nick Kyrgios leading the way in the professional ranks, while Annerly Poulos remains the top player in the country for her age, representing Australia at the Junior Fed Cup in April. Ros Balodis and Narelle Raftery were victorious for Australia in the Maureen Connelly Cup at the ITF Seniors World Team Championships in the USA.

The highlight of the year was Australia's hard fought 3-2 victory over Ukraine in the Fed Cup by BNP Paribas World Group II First Round in February. The delivery of Fed Cup was the realisation of many years of hard work and a key vision in the redevelopment of the Canberra Tennis Centre. The team of Ashleigh Barty, Daria Gavrilova, Casey Dellacqua and Destanee Aiava thrilled the Canberra crowds with quality tennis and their passion for their country. With Barty putting the Australian's up 1-0, rising 15 year-old Marta Kostyuk hit back for Ukraine, upsetting Gavrilova in straight sets. Barty showed her experience on day two, defeating Kostyuk 6-2 6-3 to again put the Aussies in the lead. Nadiia Kichenok then recovered from a set down to shock Gavrilova and send the tie to a deciding doubles rubber.

Fed Cup stalwart Dellacqua, then

teamed up with Barty to clinch victory for the Australian's, with the pairing showing why they have been one of the most successful doubles duos in the past couple of years. It was an honour for Canberra to be part of history with the match turning out to be Dellacqua's last as a professional. The 33-year-old announced her retirement from the sport in early April.

The Australian team then went on to defeat The Netherlands in Wollongong in April which will see them return to the World Group for the first time since 2015.

The delivery of a successful Fed Cup was also supplemented by growth across the major Pro Tour events ,the Apis Canberra International, the East Hotel Canberra Challenger and the ACT Claycourt International. Record crowds, quality tennis, and community engagement were key to the success and continued growth of the events. Matt Ebden's victory at the Apis Canberra International launched his return to the top 100, and it was pleasing to see him go on to reach a career high ranking, while Olivia Rogowksa's victory helped secure her a place in the Australian Open 2018 Women's singles. Eleven of the world's top



100 players competed in the East Hotel Canberra Challenger. Andreas Seppi's victory was made all the more impressive after surviving a match point in his opening round and defeating four top 100 players on his way to the title.

Strategic facility growth and club development continues to be a key focus of the board, highlighted by the need for a facility in the rapidly growing Gungahlin region. We look forward to welcoming a dedicated staff member with the appointment of a Manager for Facilities and Club Development to implement the recommendations of the report.

The board has continued to focus on the financial stability of Tennis ACT to ensure the future of the sport. Tennis ACT has secured numerous partners throughout the year which all demonstrate a commitment to help drive participation in the ACT and ensure ongoing financial viability.

It was fantastic to have Tennis

Australia CEO Craig Tiley visit Canberra in June to discuss the Tennis Participation Strategy with clubs, coaches, Tennis ACT staff and board. The Tennis ACT Board and staff were excited by the opportunities presented and look forward to further growth in the participation space. We thank Craig and the team at Tennis Australia for their ongoing support of our state and continue to strive towards the national goal of one million Australian's connected to our sport.

We would like to thank former Tennis Australia President Chris Freeman for his service to the sport. A warm welcome to new Tennis Australia Board President Jayne Hrdlicka, who has already visited the capital, attending the Fed Cup in February. We look forward to working with Jayne and continuing our strong relationships with the Tennis Australia board.

Congratulation to our CEO Kim

Kachel and the Tennis ACT staff on what has been a truly outstanding year. The small but dedicated team has gone above and beyond in the delivery of numerous events and continued to drive participation growth, and the results are a credit to you all.

Finally, thank you to my fellow board members for the dedication, passion, and expertise they bring to the sport. The expertise and diverse skillset are valuable assets in driving the strategic objectives for Tennis in the ACT and Region. We look forward to an exciting 12 months ahead.

Dan Bisa
President

TENNIS ACT CEO REPORT

2017-18 has been a record breaking year full of historic milestones and record growth for tennis in the ACT and region.

Providing children a positive first tennis experience was again a focus, with ANZ Tennis Hot Shots being further entrenched into curriculums via the Sporting Schools program. This allowed for more kids in primary and secondary schools to experience tennis than ever before. Equally, Book A Court was a priority to engage casual players and offer an innovative solution to book, pay and play. These priorities were instrumental in recording a total of 27,570 players in the ACT and region at 30 June 2018. An incredible 106% growth on 16-17 and more than doubling the previous record of 13,373. The biggest contributor to this result was the 15,413 school children who participated in the sport.

The ACT and region continues to lead the way nationally with the Book A Court program. With 15 clubs now on the system we reached a critical mass of 50% of all affiliated clubs and excellent coverage. This allowed us to partner with Tennis Australia and execute the largest participation campaign ever seen in the ACT and region over summer 17-18. The campaign was multi-faceted comprising a TV commercial, radio, digital, social and out of home elements.

A total of 29,837 bookings were made across 17-18, a 246% growth from the previous year. This is a testament to more clubs utilising the system combined with the campaign. One thousand three hundred and ninety-two unique non-members booked a court over the last 12 month. There are still a few system issues being resolved, however, Book A Court is helping provide clubs a more sustainable future and increasing court hire revenue. A total of \$67,483 was generated as income for clubs through Book A Court. Well done

to the participating clubs.

Thank you to Tennis Australia and ACT Government for supporting a number of clubs with the Book a Court system. Equally, ACT Government's ongoing and unwavering support of tennis saw funds committed to The Pines Tennis Club and North Woden Tennis Club for development of ANZ Tennis Hot Shots courts integrated with their hitting walls.

We would like to thank all our passionate coaches and dedicated club volunteers for your continued patience with our online systems. Challenges are continuing to be worked through but the systems are improving at every turn. The club forums over the year have been extremely well attended and some great content has been shared and discussed. We look forward to this engagement continuing over the next 12 months. We can achieve far more as a collective tennis community; thank you for the constructive feedback on topics and willingness to improve.

The pinnacle event for 2017-18 was undoubtedly the Fed Cup and its return to Canberra. Tennis ACT was successful in its bid to host the World Group II First Round Playoff between Australia and Ukraine on 10-11 February 2018. Australia chose to play the tie on natural grass and a purpose built grass court along with a temporary stadium transformed the Canberra Tennis Centre. The official dinner took place at the iconic National Arboretum followed by the official draw at the National Gallery of Australia. Both teams were then welcomed by The Hon. Malcolm Turnbull, Prime Minister, at The Lodge and officially opened the tennis court.

Led by Captain Alicia Molik, Australia's Ash Barty, Daria Gavrilova and Casey Dellacqua defeated a spirited Ukraine team 3-2 in front of a near capacity crowd of more than 6300 fans. Emotional

scenes followed the win, with the world to find out later it was Casey's last professional match.

Thank you to Next Gen Canberra for catering to all stakeholder requirements and Yowani Country Club for converting a bowling green into two brilliant practice courts for both teams. Likewise, tie sponsors in Canberra Airport and Singapore Airlines assisting in elevating the tie. Lennox Jaguar and Land Rover provided vehicles to transport the Australian team and ensure their time in the capital was memorable.

We have seen further growth in our programs and competition players, along with the delivery of five world class Pro Tour events. Key to this year's events was further community engagement and profiling elite tennis whilst leveraging participation. Kids Tennis Day was held prior to the semifinals of the Apis Canberra International with a range of family friendly activations. Over 2000 people enjoyed the lively atmosphere and activities with 100 free tennis racquets given away to the first 100 kids on site in a staggering seven minutes. A Twilight Session was held on Friday evening with the Doubles Final of the East Hotel Canberra Challenger targeting young adults with food trucks and beverages on site alongside a live DJ. Tennis ACT partnered with five other state sporting organisations (Basketball, Cricket, Hockey, Netball and Volleyball) to deliver a range of activities as part of the Girls Make Your Move Day (GMYMD) hosted prior to the Women's final of the ACT Claycourt International #1. Next Gen Canberra also provided free boot camp, box fit and yoga classes delivered by personal trainers.

Record crowds of 11,976 and 7491 attended the Apis Canberra International and the East Hotel Canberra Challenger respectively. The Apis Canberra International saw new Australian champions

crowned with Matthew Ebden (WA) and Olivia Rogowska (Vic) taking the singles titles. Matthew Ebden has gone on to reach a career high ranking (ATP 43) and Olivia Rogowska earned an Australian Open (AO) wildcard for her efforts. The East Hotel Canberra Challenger in January cemented itself as the strongest Challenger in the world of this calibre with 11 top 100 players competing. Andreas Seppi (ITA) defeated Marton Fucsovics (HUN) in the final and it proved the perfect preparation for the AO, with both players going on to make the 4th round. Both events engaged the broader tennis community in numerous ways with coin toss opportunities for ANZ Junior Pennant players, the People's Couch, clubs and schools linked with players via the "Player Challenge" to win unique prizes, various school visits / on site activations and club presidents invited to the VIP function.

Australia's rising female players Destanee Aiava, Priscilla Hon, Jaimee Fourlis and Ellen Perez headlined a strong Aussie contingent which descended on Canberra to contest the ACT Claycourt International #1 & #2. Event #1 was elevated to a USD\$60,000 event and attracted eight top 200 players. Slovenia's Dalila Jakupovic was too strong for Destanee Aiava in the final and took the title. Jaimee Fourlis overcame compatriot Ellen Perez to claim event #2.

All these events rely heavily on an extremely committed and dedicated team of volunteers and Tennis ACT staff. This team was recognised in late 2017 being a finalist at the Newcombe Medal Australia Tennis Award for Most Outstanding Professional Tournament for the 2017 ACT Claycourt International. This was followed up by being a finalist for the "Minister for Sport and Recreation's Award for Event

Excellence" at the CBR Sports Award 2017 for the 2016 Apis Canberra International and 2017 East Hotel Canberra Challenger.

ACT athletes continued to shine on the performance stage and represented Australia admirably. Nick Kyrgios battled some injuries yet still produced another brilliant 12 months with numerous wins over top 10 opponents. He claimed the Brisbane International (ATP 250) title in January 2018 before reaching the 4th round of AO 2018 after which he peaked at a world ranking of 14 for the financial year. He gallantly led Australia in the Davis Cup semifinal loss to Belgium in September 2017 and battled through injury in Australia's loss to Germany in the first round of the World Group in February 2018. Nick reached the final of the ATP 1000 Masters in Cincinnati and ATP 500 event in Beijing.

Annerly Poulos guided the Australian 16/u team to success at the Junior Fed Cup Asia/Oceania qualifying event. After being defeated in the final of the 14/u Australian Championships she went on to qualify and win the 16/u Australian Championships. A number of ACT athletes also reached career high rankings at various points throughout the year.

Ros Balodis and Narelle Raftery were part of the Australian team which won the Women's 55+ Maureen Connelly Cup at the ITF World Teams Championships in Miami, Florida. Balodis also won the doubles titles with Leanne Swaysland (NSW). Balodis was inducted into the Tennis ACT Walk of Fame along with Alison Ide at the Tennis ACT Awards – great recognition for a lifetime of achievements.

The records of 2017-18 would not have been possible without the support of key stakeholders. Thank you to ACT Government for their

ongoing commitment to tennis across all levels. Thank you to Tennis Australia for their continued support and leadership as we drive toward growing the sport and getting more people to play more often. We welcomed new partners which have allowed us to drive participation further and reach our key objectives. Lennock Jaguar and Land Rover are our premier partner across a range of areas. We also welcomed ANZ, Capital Hotel Group, P² Advisory, The Canberra Times, The Walking Clinic, YES (Your Event Solutions) and Singapore Airlines. Thank you to our fantastic existing partners Apis, East Hotel, Manteena, Mix 106.3, PRIME7 and Wilson.

Our company values of Loyalty, Excellence, Humility and Teamwork are consistently shown from the Tennis ACT team. Their passion and dedication to the sport is second to none, and we look forward to welcoming some further team members shortly. We said farewell to Tracey Butler and Geoff Bartlett who have both taken on exciting new roles and we thank them for their fantastic contribution to our vision and realising our goals.

Congratulations and a sincere thank you to the whole tennis community, Tennis ACT Board and Staff for their collective efforts in a record breaking 12 months. The Tennis ACT Board continue to fully support all endeavours and we welcomed Simon Plummer as a Director in August 2017. The tennis community in the ACT and region is very strong and we look forward to another great year ahead.



Kim Kachel
CEO

TENNIS AUSTRALIA CEO REPORT

A THRIVING COMMUNITY

As Canberra welcomed the nation's top female players for the Australia versus Ukraine Fed Cup World Group II first round in February 2018, there were many symbols of the qualities that have made tennis so strong in the ACT.

Alongside the dedication of the hard-working team that saw Fed Cup return to the Australian capital for the first time in 20 years, there was also the tremendous support of a tight-knit tennis community that loves to participate - including Canberra's own Nick Kyrgios.

Contested on a purpose-built grass court installed at the state-of-the-art Canberra Tennis Centre, the Fed Cup tie was also a showcase of the ACT's tremendous tennis facilities.

At the end of a glorious weekend, those world-class players, passionate supporters and behind-the-scenes staff celebrated a thrilling 3-2 win, paving the way for the team's return to the Fed Cup World Group for the first time since 2015.

Providing inspiration to players at every level, that stellar performance marked another important milestone in Australian tennis - but it was by no means the only one. As

record numbers show, the game is thriving nationally, and in this tennis community particularly.

RECORD NUMBERS

Both in Australia and in the ACT, more people are enjoying the sport than ever. The 930,000-plus total participants who experienced tennis throughout the nation in 2017-2018 represented a 34 per cent growth on the previous year. In the ACT alone, there were a record 27,570 participants in this period.

Increasingly, a lifelong connection to tennis begins with ANZ Tennis Hot Shots, the junior development pathway that also underpins Tennis Australia's hugely successful School Partnership Program.

Growth in schools has been particularly strong in the ACT. From 6227 participants in the 2016-2017 financial year, numbers soared to 15,413 in 2017-2018. The ACT can be particularly proud that 54 per cent of primary schools are now official partner schools of this innovative program.

At a time when providing healthy activity for young people is a priority, opportunities to participate have never been stronger.

OPEN TO EVERYONE

Passionate that tennis should be a sport for everyone, our values of equality, inclusion and diversity are ever-present. Regardless of ability, gender, race, age or sexual orientation, players will always be welcomed.

Accessibility is also a priority in a more literal sense, as the expanding Book A Court program demonstrates. Providing casual players with the means to book and pay for courts online, the program is now available in 159 venues throughout the nation, including 15 clubs in the ACT.

Ease of participation provides an obvious boost, with people able to book a court within 15 minutes of any location in Canberra.

AUSTRALIA'S FINEST

As a glittering showpiece of ACT's sporting facilities, the Canberra Tennis Centre - with 28 full-sized courts on three separate surfaces, as well as four ANZ Tennis Hot Shots courts - provides development and competitive opportunities for players from grassroots to elite level.

The Canberra Tennis Centre is host to several marquee events on Australia's Pro Tour calendar, which runs from September until April and offers more than \$1 million dollars in prize money, along with valuable rankings points, to elite players.



The Apis Canberra International was staged at the venue in October, with Matt Ebden and Olivia Rogowska each achieving important victories. Ebden's win over Japanese player Taro Daniel in the men's final propelled him back inside the world's top 100, while Rogowska went on to earn an Australian Open wildcard after also making another Pro Tour final in Bendigo.

At the East Hotel Canberra Challenger in January, Italy's Andreas Seppi defeated Hungarian Marton Fucsovics in the final, with both men going on to reach the fourth round of Australian Open 2018.

The Canberra Tennis Centre also hosts the ACT Claycourt International #1 and #2 events, which are a part of the ITF women's circuit and contested back-to-back in March.

Meanwhile, players from the ACT thrived at a national and global level. Proud Canberran Kyrgios most notably continues to light up the men's game, with the 23-year-old winning his fourth career title at the Brisbane International and maintaining his position within the ATP's top 20.

Australia's top Australian male also showed his commitment and

passion for Davis Cup as he led the team to its third World Group semifinal in three years in 2017, the team losing a fiercely-contested battle against Belgium in Brussels.

There was also an exciting glimpse of the future when the ACT's Annerly Poulos, at only 14 years old, claimed the 16/U Australian Championships. The national title is among many that are contested at the 16-day December Showdown at Melbourne Park, where Poulos further underlined her position as one of the nation's most promising juniors as runner-up in the 14/u Australian Championships.

NATIONAL PRIDE

Our record-breaking world class events not only inspire the tennis community at every level, but also help grow the game in a positive sense as revenue is invested back into the sport.

More than one million fans flocked to see the world's best players compete at Australian Open series events throughout the Australian summer.

The Australian Open celebrated 30 years at Melbourne Park in January, with a record 743,667 fans experiencing new heights in hospitality and off-court entertainment, alongside

captivating tennis. A fortnight of fiercely-contested matches showcased astonishing ability and unrelenting passion from the game's superstars.

It culminated in two stunning finals as Caroline Wozniacki claimed her first Grand Slam title with a three-set victory over Simona Halep and Roger Federer seized a record-extending 20th major title with a five-set win over Marin Cilic.

A TEAM EFFORT

Growth – whether it be in participation numbers, revenue or the achievements of our players – would not be possible without the collective efforts of our passionate team members throughout Australia.

As our hard-working staff showcased the company values of excellence, humility, loyalty and team-work, there was a special point of pride when Jayne Hrdlicka was voted Tennis Australia's first female President and Chair in October.

It was another inspirational turning point as the Australian tennis community comes together to achieve new heights in every endeavour.

Thank you, your staff and Board, for your tremendous contribution to those achievements.

Our pride in the many unparalleled milestones of another memorable year in tennis is surpassed only by our passion to build on them in the future.



Craig Tiley

Tennis Australia CEO



PARTICIPATION

THIS YEAR HAS BEEN A RECORD BREAKING YEAR IN THE PARTICIPATION SPACE WITH THE KEY FOCUS AREAS BEING BOOK A COURT, ANZ TENNIS HOT SHOTS IN SCHOOLS, SYSTEMS AND LEAGUES.

CLUBS

Book a Court

Tennis Australia's Book a Court system allows clubs to offer online court bookings at their clubs, available to club members and members of the general public. In 2017-18 four more venues implemented Book a Court, taking the total number of clubs using Book a Court in the ACT to 15. The ACT now has the most clubs per capita utilising Book a Court in the country. Throughout the 2017-18 year 29,837 bookings were made by 2059 players.

Club Forums

Over 2017-18 Tennis ACT hosted four club forums to provide clubs with further knowledge on some key topics to assist clubs in successful planning. The topics covered included;

- Tennis Australia's Safeguarding Children Policies
- Club/Coach relationships
- Club Management models and effective Business Planning
- Book a Court - Engagement and promotions.

Promotions and Activations

In 2017-18 there were 11 Free Tennis Day events held over the year at seven affiliated clubs. Free Tennis Days are all about opening up your club to the local community and encouraging people of all ages and abilities to pick up a racquet, have a hit, socialise and have fun.



ANZ TENNIS HOT SHOTS

Schools

In 2017-18 ANZ Tennis Hot Shots was once again a major focus, with continued investment in the delivery of tennis programs in schools. Tennis Australia currently offers two programs through the Australian Sports Commission's Sporting Schools funding initiative. This funding is available to schools to help fund the delivery of a range of sporting pursuits across 33 National Sporting Organisations. As part of this initiative Tennis Australia has produced the Tennis for Primary and Secondary Schools national resource, which was developed specifically to align with Australian Curriculum: Health and Physical Education (AC:HPE). Both the primary and secondary resources aim to assist teachers and coaches in the successful facilitation of these programs to mass participants. Fifteen thousand, four hundred

and thirteen students have been exposed to tennis as part of the physical education curriculum throughout the ACT. This was a growth of 147% on the previous year.

Primary Program

The Primary Partnership Program is focused on skill acquisition and learning the technical elements of the game. This year has seen 55 local primary schools take part in the Partnership Program and deliver tennis within their curriculum.

The Play Program is designed to assist in transitioning students from 'learning the game' into 'playing the game' or competitive situations. This year, 13 schools took part in the Play Program.

Secondary Program

The Secondary Partnership Program is focused on the promotion of lifelong physical

activity and health by providing students with the opportunity to participate in tennis at school. The launch and introduction of the Tennis for Secondary Schools resource during the Australian Open has enabled tennis in the secondary space to develop at a very rapid pace. Whilst the secondary program has only been in operation for six months, 15 schools across the ACT have already committed to deliver tennis in curriculum time.

Teacher Workshops

Over the last 12 months two teacher workshops have been run in both the primary and secondary sectors. Notably, 63 teachers have been exposed to the workshop which aims to better equip teachers with the practical skills to deliver tennis in their schools using the AC:HPE aligned resource. These 63 teachers represented 28 schools from across the ACT.



PARTICIPATION

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Racquet Roadshow

On 24 and 25 May two local schools were involved in the National ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Racquet Roadshow. Former Davis Cup captain and world No.1 doubles player John Fitzgerald attended Holy Family Primary and Harrison School. Over the two days 237 free ANZ Tennis Hot Shots racquets were handed out to kindergarten students. An additional eight partner schools across the ACT received ANZ Tennis Hot Shots racquets, taking the total distributed in the capital to 776.

Clubs

The continued focus of ANZ Tennis Hot Shots in Schools has seen a major impact in club program again this year. In order to gain a more comprehensive understanding on the number of participants in the grassroots program, Tennis Australia conducted an ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Deliverer Survey. The results of this survey showed that 4794 children participated in an ANZ Tennis Hot Shots program in the ACT.

COMPETITIONS

All Tennis ACT administrated competitions continue to be managed through League Manager. Players are able to access all draws, fixtures, personal statistics as well as enter results online through Match Centre. Currently there are 1609 active league players recorded in League Manager.

The Walking Clinic Adult Pennant

Tennis ACT has continued to provide a variety of inter-club competitions for members of all Tennis ACT affiliated clubs. A combination of both singles and doubles formats, and day and night competitions ensures there is a something for everyone. Pennant competitions have continued to

develop with the introduction of Adult Pennant sponsor The Walking Clinic. With the support of The Walking Clinic we are able to celebrate the competitions with an end of season presentation for all winners and runners-up hosted at Next Gen Canberra. Two presentations have been held thus far, the first in December 2017 and the second in June 2018.

The introduction of the Summer Pennant season continued to be well supported with Monday Night and Thursday Night competitions. A total of 46 teams entered which is a growth of 39%. A total of 370 teams participated in The Walking Clinic Adult Pennant through the spring (122), summer (46), autumn (126) and winter (73) seasons. This year also saw a regrading structure for all pennant competitions to ensure a more competitive and even competition for every player.

Tennis ACT would like to thank all club pennant coordinators for their hard work and commitment over the past year. Thank you also to The Walking Clinic for your support of Adult Pennant in the ACT.

ANZ Junior Pennant

There were two ANZ Junior Pennant competitions held in 2017-18 during the spring and autumn seasons. The competitions have continued to grow with the introduction of sponsor ANZ. With the support of ANZ the finals day for both seasons were made entertaining with giveaways for all participants and spectators, as well as winners and runners up receiving their trophies from local ANZ Branch members. The competitions continued to be well supported with 73 teams entering the spring competition and 68 teams entering the autumn competition.

Tennis ACT would like to thank all junior pennant club coordinators, coaches, team supervisors and

parents for their outstanding efforts and commitment throughout the year. Thank you also to ANZ for your continued support of Junior Pennant in the ACT.

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Match Play

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Match Play is an addition to the ANZ Tennis Hot Shots program and is designed for kids to start playing the game in a fun and social way. ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Match Play is available through flexible formats at both the orange ball and green ball levels for players and will teach them the fundamentals of the game as well as scoring. ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Match Play is currently delivered by coaches in 13 venues across the ACT.

INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY

In December 2017 Tennis Australia established a national workforce in the Inclusion and Diversity space. The main objective of the workforce is to provide participation, playing opportunities and pathways to underrepresented groups within the community.

On Sunday 1 October 2017, in conjunction with the Canberra Wheelchair Tennis Open and the 12/u and 14/u Australian Clay court Championships, a wheelchair tennis come and try day was held at the Canberra Tennis Centre. From this come and try session ACT Wheelchair tennis coach Brett Lennard began an eight week Wheelchair Tennis program in term four at the North Woden Tennis Club. Eight participants took part in the program and have continued to participate in the program throughout 2018.

On 18 October 2017 Tennis ACT participated in the Wodenstock Musical Festival hosted by the Woden School. The festival is designed for students with a disability to enjoy a day full of fun, music & activities. A number of



sporting organisations attended the event as well as 300 students from across the ACT.

On 1 February 2018 Tennis ACT participated in the Differentiation/ Inclusion in Physical Education Workshop at Melrose High School. The day saw a number of teachers partake in the workshop which highlighted the different ways to incorporate sport, including tennis for kids with a disability. Teachers were also exposed to the Tennis for Secondary Schools Resource and how this can be delivered in their school.

The Special Olympics Australia National Games were held in Adelaide from 16-20 April 2018.

The event gives players with an intellectual disability the opportunity to compete and demonstrate their skills and sportsmanship on a national level. The ACT was represented by Patrick Heath Jeffery, Dean Argaet, Michelle Stirzaker and Samuel McCrossen with the team bringing home three bronze medals. The team were supported by ACT coach and team manager David Beniamini throughout the event, with all four players continuing to participate in a two hour training squad at Eastlake Tennis Club each week.

On 17 May 2018 Melba Tennis Club hosted the Evonne Goolagong Foundation's Indigenous tennis

come and try day for the third consecutive year, with 60 participants from a number of ACT schools attending the day. The foundation uses these days to promote and provide better health and education for young Indigenous Australians, and may also lead to the Goolagong National Development Camp selection and entry to the Evonne Goolagong Foundation mentored tennis and school scholarship programs. Tennis ACT has also received a \$7500 Indigenous grant from the ACT Government to support tennis education and program opportunities for Indigenous community members in the ACT.

PLACES TO PLAY

FACILITY MANAGEMENT

Operational Health Checks

The Operational Health Check (OHC) is Tennis Australia's national survey of tennis facilities assessing performance in the areas of management, usage and financial sustainability. 2017-18 saw the most OHC's completed since 2008 with 18 Tennis ACT affiliated clubs completing the survey. The data provided from the survey is used to produce industry benchmarks enabling these clubs to annually compare their results against both individual performance and other venues of a similar size all around the country.

FACILITY DEVELOPMENT

Over the last 12 months, a number of clubs have completed capital works at their venues. Some of the works include;

- Turner Tennis Club resurfacing two synthetic grass courts.
- Forrest Tennis Club resurfacing one synthetic grass court and converting two courts from synthetic grass to an acrylic surface.
- Kaleen Tennis Club resurfacing all four of their hard courts, with additional ANZ Tennis Hot Shots blended line markings on one of the courts.
- Campbell Tennis Club replaced lighting on two of their courts.
- Belconnen resurfaced one of their synthetic grass courts.

A number of clubs received financial assistance for projects through Tennis Australia's National Court Rebate (NCR).

- Jerrabomberra, Kippax, Majura and Wesley Uniting Church Tennis

Clubs all received funding to assist them in the installation of Tennis Australia's Book a Court gate access and online booking system.

- Forrest Tennis Club received financial assistance through the NCR to help resurface their existing synthetic grass court and convert two courts to an acrylic surface.
- Jerrabomberra Tennis Club received funding to assist them with the construction of purpose-built Hot Shots courts which are expected to be completed in late 2018.

Tennis ACT received funding from the ACT Government through the Capital Assistance Program to help repurpose hitting walls at local clubs. This funding will be used to establish a proof of concept at two ACT clubs in the first instance (North Woden and The Pines Tennis Clubs) by creating dedicated kids zones via development of purpose-built ANZ Tennis Hot Shots courts.



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PERFORMANCE

THE PAST 12 MONTHS HAS SEEN SOME OUTSTANDING RESULTS FROM ACT'S ELITE PLAYERS BOTH IN THE SENIOR AND JUNIOR RANKS.

Leading the way in the juniors has been 15 year old Annerly Poulos. Annerly joined a rare group of Australian players in December 2017, when she won the 16/u Australian Championships, at the age of 14. Annerly had to come through qualifying in the event, winning a total of 8 straight matches to take out the title, defeating Zara Brankovic of NSW 6-0 6-1 in the final. Annerly also represented Australia at the Junior Fed Cup and carried the team to victory in the Australasia zone finals. She participated in her first Australian Open junior singles draw, going down in the 2nd round of the singles event.

Also having a fantastic 12 months was ACT junior player Charlie Camus, who has won an incredible eight doubles and six singles titles at Australian ranking points events. He also achieved his best ever result at a National title by reaching the semifinals of the 12/u boys singles at the Australian Grasscourt Championships in April 2018.

In the professional ranks, Nick Kyrgios led the charge once again. Nick's outstanding result came at the Cincinnati 1000 Masters event, where he reached his first ever Masters Series final. Nick also represented Australia with pride at the Davis Cup by leading the team to a semifinal appearance in 2017 and won his fourth career singles title at the ATP 250 Brisbane International.

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCES AND RANKING IMPROVEMENTS

NICK KYRGIOS

- Winner Brisbane International ATP 250
- Runner-up Cincinnati ATP 1000 Masters
- Runner-up Beijing ATP 500
- Semifinals Davis Cup
- Won his first ever ATP doubles title in Lyon

ALISON BAI

- Reached the final of four ITF Doubles titles
- Reached the final of an ITF singles event and the semifinals of the Apis Canberra International
- Reached the semifinals of the Hobart International doubles event
- Reached career high doubles ranking of 178

ANNERLY POULOS

- Won 16/u Australian Championships
- Finalist at the 14/u Australian Championships singles and doubles titles
- Represented Australia at the 16/u Junior Fed Cup
- Ranked No.1 In Australia in birth year

CHARLIE CAMUS

- Won six 12/u singles and eight 12/u doubles titles
- Ranked No.2 In Australia in birth year

DEVELOPMENT

Over the past twelve months a number of programs and camps have been offered in the development space.

In January a three day camp was held for players 15/u from the ACT and South East and West NSW. In February during the Fed Cup, a four day camp was held for the 2006 birth year, with athletes from the ACT and South East and West NSW attending. Players also had the opportunity to watch the Fed Cup tie between Australia and Ukraine.

Two seasons of Super 10's were held in November 2017 and May 2018. The competition facilitates a culture of fair play, team work, and acknowledgement.

Continued education of coaches plays a vital role in the talent space, with a coaches workshop held on developing players from ANZ Tennis Hot Shots through to National level, and the talent coach working group looking to develop more competition opportunities in ANZ Tennis Hot Shots.





TEAMS EVENT RESULTS

The ACT continued to send teams to the NSW State Team Championships throughout the year.

10/u Boys - Cessnock	12/u Girls - Bathurst	12/u Boys - Bathurst	14/u Boys - Gosford	14/u Girls - Gosford
Stellan Lindrud	Sophie McDonald	Dougall Tyrwhitt	Charlie Camus	Lauren Milosis*
Kiran Myutel-Mansur	Aliyah Dwyer	Gen Casarotto	Daniel McDonald	Callison Row*
Jack Dugdale	Marqaylar Tere	Hugh Taylor	Connor Watts	
Dan Moisescu	Isabella Andrews	Stellan Lindrud		
Finished 6th	Finished 3rd	Finished 2nd	Finished 10th	Finished 10th

*14/u girls participated in the President's Team

STATE TEAMS / MELBOURNE (DECEMBER)

ACT players competed at the National State Teams Championships held during December Showdown at Melbourne Park

12/u Girls	12/u Boys	14/u Girls	14/u Boys
Sophie McDonald	Charlie Camus	Ashleigh Simes	Charlie Snow
Isabella Andrews	Hugh Taylor	Alyssa Simoncini	Nick Bisa
Aliyah Dwyer	Stellan Lindrud	Camilla Felix-Vonarx	Lachlan Rowing (South West NSW)
Finished 10th	Finished 11th	Finished 8th	Finished 11th

NOTABLE RANKING IMPROVEMENTS

Charlie Camus ranked number 2 in 2006

Hugh Taylor ranked number 16 in 2007

Stellan Lindrud ranked number 20 in 2007

Bhav Mathur ranked number 15 in 2008

Aliyah Dwyer ranked number 20 in 2006

COACH MEMBERSHIP & EDUCATION

This year saw an increase in the number of TA coach members within the ACT from 43 to 53. This can be attributed to an increase in educational opportunities as well as the overall work done by the participation team at Tennis ACT. This year there were five professional development workshops, including the well-attended National Programs

workshops where coaches witnessed the launch of the Secondary schools program. A Junior Development course started in April, and there are now plans to introduce the Foundation course (September) in a bid to entice young members of coaching programs to receive some guidance and hopefully assist in the delivery of coaching across ACT.

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FED CUP

Fed Cup returned to Canberra for the first time in 20 years when Australia took on Ukraine in the Fed Cup by BNP Paribas World Group II First Round tie from 10-11 February.

A purpose built grass court transformed centre court at the Canberra Tennis Centre.

The Australian team of Ashleigh Barty, Daria Gavrilova, Casey Dellacqua and Destanee Aiava delighted Canberra crowds with a nail biting 3-2 victory.

The scores were level at the end of day one, with Barty securing the first win of the day, followed by an upset from Ukrainian teenage prodigy Marta Kostyuk, displaying a

maturity beyond her years to defeat Gavrilova.

Australia's No.1 Barty displayed the level of grass-court tennis for which she is renowned, kick-starting day two with a comfortable win over Kostyuk (UKR) 6-2 6-3. Nadiia Kichenok (UKR) was a last minute substitute in the fourth rubber, a move that paid off for Ukraine when she defeated Gavrilova 4-6 6-2 6-3.

In an emotional fifth rubber Barty teamed with Casey Dellacqua, and they celebrated the latter's 33rd birthday with a decisive 6-2 6-4 win over the Kichenok twins.

It would prove to be a historic victory for Dellacqua with

the match being her last as a professional, announcing her retirement in early April.

More than 6300 fans attended the event which included seven hours and 31 minutes of tennis across the weekend. Australia went on to defeat The Netherlands in April in Wollongong, resulting in Australia returning to the World Group for the first time since 2015.

Canberra was highlighted during the event with the Official Dinner taking place at the National Arboretum and the Official Draw occurring at the National Gallery of Australia.







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TOURNAMENTS

APIS CANBERRA INTERNATIONAL

The Apis Canberra International 2017 was held at the Canberra Tennis Centre from 28 October - 5 November 2017. A USD\$75,000 ATP Challenger Tour event and a USD\$60,000 ITF women's event, the professional tennis tournament boasts valuable world ranking points. It attracted 111 players from 19 countries including 79 Australians and 32 internationals.

Crowd attendance at the 2017 Apis Canberra International saw an increase of 2000 with over 11,900 people through the gates including a capacity crowd on finals day.

Arina Rodionova (Vic), Lizette Cabrera (Qld) and Destanee Aiava (Vic) headlined the women's field which featured 12 of the top 20 Australian female players. 2015 champion Asia Muhammad (USA), Tamara Zidansek (SLO), and Erika Sema (JPN) were the highest ranked internationals.

Alison Bai led the local charge, while National Academy Canberra players Kaitlin Staines, Lisa Mays and Annerly Poulos all featured in qualifying action. Staines made it through to the final round of qualifying, while Mays fell in the second round. 14-year-old Poulos put up a strong battle against Anne-Marie Medcalf, but the experience of her older opponent came through.

Bai caused the biggest upset of the tournament when she ousted top seed Rodionova in a three set epic in the second round. On securing arguably her biggest career win Bai said "It's great to have it in my hometown, in my backyard and on centre court. It was awesome". Bai went on to reach the semifinals, a career best result and jumped 129 spots in the WTA rankings.

After surviving a scare in the opening round, Aiava steamrolled

through to the semifinals where she defeated Bai 6-3 7-5 in a tense encounter. Olivia Rogowska (Vic) came into the Apis Canberra International having won 14 of her past 16 matches on the Pro Tour including titles in Cairns and Penrith. In the semifinals, Rogowska met Israel's Julia Glusko who had upset second seed Cabrera in the quarterfinals. Glushko raced out to 6-1 3-0 before amazingly Rogowska rattled off 12 games in a row to take the match and move into the final against Aiava.

Rogowska, the world No.226, broke Aiava's serve twice to charge to a 3-0 lead in the opening set and never looked back taking the first set 6-1 in 23 minutes. Things remained on serve early in the second, however a couple of forehand errors by Aiava helped secure the break. Rogowska faced a couple of break points herself in the seventh game, but managed to hold thanks to some blistering backhand winners. She broke again in the eighth game to secure the match 6-1, 6-2 in under an hour.

The following week, Rogowska went on to make the final of the Bendigo International. As the best performing Australian player across Canberra and Bendigo, she was awarded a wildcard into Australian Open 2018.

In the Men's draw, Davis Cup players Jordan Thompson (NSW) and John Millman (Qld) were set to feature in the main draw. Unfortunately both players were forced to withdraw prior to the opening round matches with Thompson struck down by tonsillitis and Millman suffering a shoulder injury.

Matthew Ebden (WA) came into the event having climbed 699 spots in the ATP rankings in 2017 after missing most of 2016 due to injury.

Australian's Alex Bolt (SA), Marc Polmans (Vic), and former finalist Luke Saville (SA) were all looking to make an impact at the event.

Japan's Taro Daniel was the second seed and highest ranked player at 104 following the withdrawal of Thompson. Also seeded were Americans Mitchell Krueger [184], Evan King [209] and Noah Rubin [214].

Locals James Frawley and Dimitri Morogiannis featured in the qualifying draw. Frawley won his opening round before falling to former top 200 player Matthew Barton (NSW) in three sets while Morogiannis fell in his first match.

Third seed Ebden cruised through to the semifinals, without the loss of a set, where he faced 2016 finalist Marc Polmans.

Polmans took a tight opening set 7-5 after Ebden let an early lead slip. Ebden came back strong in the second taking it 6-1 and broke early in the third with a chance to go up a double break before Polmans fought back. Ebden held strong on serve and closed out the match to move through the final.

In the final, Ebden took command of the match early, breaking Daniel in the second game of the match. Daniel secured the break back after some brilliant passing shots in the ninth game. The first set headed into a tiebreak, with solid serving and net rushing from Ebden seeing him take it 7-4.

In the second, a solitary break in the seventh game of the set was all the world number 117 needed to close out the match and record his seventh ATP Challenger title.

The result saw Ebden and Daniel both return to the world's top 100 with Ebden at 100 and Daniel at 96.



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A. SEPPi	5	6	6

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EAST HOTEL CANBERRA CHALLENGER

IT WAS THE STRONGEST FIELD EVER ASSEMBLED FOR THE EAST HOTEL CANBERRA CHALLENGER WITH 11 PLAYERS FROM THE WORLD'S TOP 100 COMPETING.

The East Hotel Canberra Challenger was held at the Canberra Tennis Centre from 6-13 January 2018. An ATP Challenger event boasting USD\$75,000 in prize money, the tournament attracted 64 players from 21 countries.

It was the strongest field ever assembled for the East Hotel Canberra Challenger with 11 players from the world's top 100 competing, including former top 25 players Florian Mayer (GER), Andreas Seppi (ITA) and Guillermo Garcia-Lopez (ESP). Top seed and defending champion, Dudi Sela (ISR) also featured in the blockbuster field.

Crowd attendance at the East Hotel Canberra Challenger was 7491 including a capacity crowd on finals day.

In qualifying, seventeen-year-old local Jamieson Nathan made his ATP Challenger debut, facing Benard Bruno Nkomba (AUS) in the opening round. Nathan fought hard in difficult conditions, but eventually fell 6-2 7-5.

Fellow Canberran James Frawley was unable to repeat his 2017 qualifying success, falling in the second round in straight sets. Tasmanian Harry Bouchier, who now lives and trains in the capital, was able to win through qualifying, prevailing in an epic three set match against Steven De Waard in the final round 3-6 6-4 7-6(4).

The opening round of main draw served up two top 100 battles with Andreas Seppi facing Maximilian Marterer (GER) and Marton Fucsovics (HUN) taking on Malek Jaziri (TUN).

With only four spots separating the

pair in the ATP rankings, the battle between Seppi and Marterer lived up to the hype. After splitting the first two sets, the third headed into a tiebreak. Marterer held a match point, before Seppi fought back to claim victory and progress to the second round.

Fucsovics on the other hand, dominated his match against Jaziri, taking just 64 minutes to claim victory.

In the upset of the tournament, defending champion and top seed Sela was ousted in the opening round, falling to world No.395 Hugo Grenier (FRA).

Maxime Janvier (FRA) upset eighth seed Laslo Djere (SBR) in the opening round, while Australian qualifier Jeremy Beale was leading fourth seed Mikhail Kukushkin (KAZ) by a set when he retired with illness.

Bouchier couldn't continue his form from qualifying, being outclassed by China's Zhe Li 6-2 6-4.

In the second round, the remaining Australian hopes were eliminated as Andrew Harris, Jeremy Beale, and Ben Mitchell all fell.

In the quarterfinals, sixth seed Fucsovics cruised into the final four, defeating Grenier 6-4 6-4. In what was worthy of an ATP Tour level final, former top 25 players Seppi and Garcia-Lopez fought it out with the Italian winning in straight sets. Victor Estrella Burgos prevailed in three sets over second seed Florian Mayer, while Janvier won the battle of the unseeded players, defeating fellow Frenchman Elliot Benchetrit.

Semifinal action saw Seppi easily account for Estrella Burgos, dropping just four games. In the

other semifinal, Fucsovics came through a tough three set match winning 6-3 4-6 6-2 over Janvier.

The final set up the first meeting between Seppi and Fucsovics with only two spots separating the pair in the ATP rankings.

A packed crowd saw Seppi take an early lead, breaking in the fourth game, to go up 4-1. Fucsovics responded breaking back to level things up at 4-4. With the scores again locked at 5-5, Fucsovics stepped up to break Seppi, and then served it out to clinch the opening set 7-5.

It remained on serve early in the second set before the wind picked up and made it difficult for both players on serve.

Seppi broke to go up 5-3 before Fucsovics broke straight back. Seppi again broke serve hitting a forehand lob winner to secure the second set 6-4.

The decider remained on serve until Seppi broke to lead 5-3. Seppi held serve winning a 20 ball rally to win the title.

Seppi was only one point away from losing in the opening round of the tournament when he faced a match point against Maximilian Marterer.

"Being match point down in the first round and now standing here with the trophy it's for sure very important for me and special.

"I had some very good matches I have to say during this week, and I'm pretty happy with my game so hopefully I can keep it up for Melbourne.

In the men's doubles final second seeds Jonathan Erlich (ISR) and Divij Sharan (IND) defeated top seeds Hans Podlipnik-Castillo (CHI) and Andrei Vasilevski (BLR) 7-6(1) 6-2.

Seppi and Fucsovics continued their good form the following week with both players making the fourth round of Australian Open 2018 and jumping up the rankings further.

TOURNAMENTS

ACT CLAYCOURT INTERNATIONAL

The ACT Claycourt International 2018 was held at the Canberra Tennis Centre from 17 March – 1 April. Consisting of back to back women's Pro Tour events, the ACT Claycourt International #1 was elevated to a USD\$60,000 event while the ACT Claycourt International #2 offered USD\$25,000 in prize money.

One hundred and twenty-one entrants from eleven countries participated in 149 matches over 16 days over tennis.

The elevation of event #1 saw eight players from within the world's top 200 line up, with former world No.56 Nao Hibino (JPN) leading the charge along with fellow country women Miyu Kato and Risa Ozaki.

Qualifying saw local teenagers Annerly Poulos, Ashleigh Simes, and Tallulah Farrow gain valuable experience at the world class event. Fifteen-year-old Poulos was impressive, claiming wins over WTA ranked players Alexandra Walters [913] and Marianna Zakarlyuk [611] before falling in the final round to top seed Ramu Ueda (JPN) 7-6(4) 6-4.

Simes also posted a win over Isabella Bozicevic [1123] before falling to Abbie Myers (NSW) in the second round, while Farrow fell in the opening round. The victories for Poulos and Simes saw both girls earn their first WTA ranking points.

With the commencement of the main draw majority of the seeds progressed comfortably to the second round, with Victoria's Jaimee Fourlis completing the only upset, ousting third seed Ozaki in straight sets. Canberra local Alison Bai also exited with a three set loss to Ellen Perez (NSW).

Fourlis then fell to rising star Destanee Aiava (Vic) in a three set tussle in the second round, before Perez upset eighth seed Priscilla Hon (Qld). Qualifier Abbie Myers

completed a stunning upset of top seed Hibino. The event was only Myers second event back on tour after a six month hiatus.

The quarterfinals saw Brit, Gabriella Taylor continue her unbelievable form in Australia when she defeated Myers in a tough two set match. Coming into the event, Taylor had won 17 of her last 18 matches in Australia, claiming three Pro Tour titles.

Slovenia's Dalila Jakupovic continued to storm through the draw, easily accounting for Lizette Cabrera. Kato dismissed Perez for the loss of just one game, while Aiava kept Australia's hopes alive defeating Sherazad Reix (FRA).

In the semifinals, Jakupovic ended Taylor's winning streak, with a 6-2 6-2 victory, while Aiava was convincing in beating second seed Kato in straight sets to make her third final in the capital.

The final threw up difficult conditions with the match twice interrupted due to rain and strong winds persisting. It was the Slovenian who held her composure to claim her biggest career title

with a 6-4 6-4 win over Aiava.

Jakupovic also backed it up by partnering with Hon to claim the women's doubles over top seeds Kato and Makato Nanomiya.

Jakupovic was pleased with the win and loved the Canberra courts

"I had a good week. I really like it here; the courts are great. I hadn't played on clay for some time and I loved to be back on it again."

The #2 event commenced with Farrow and Simes back in action with both players receiving a bye in the first round of qualifying. Farrow won her second round match, but was outclassed in the final round by Myers. Simes lost her second round match, falling to Walters in straight sets.

Off the back of her strong performance the previous week, Poulos was awarded a wildcard into main draw. She faced World No.527 Irina Fetecau (ROU) who showed her experience defeating the 15-year-old 6-4 6-1.

Fellow local Alison Bai fared better, winning her opening round match over Alexandra Bozovic (NSW)



before falling to doubles partner Zoe Hives (Vic) in the second round.

It was smooth sailing for the seeds in week two with all eight seeds progressing to the quarterfinals. Unfortunately top seed Taylor was forced to retire from her quarterfinal with Hives at 5-5 in the first set.

Eighth seeded Furlis recovered from 1-4 in the third set to defeat fourth seed Reix setting up a semifinal with Hives.

Perez claimed two tiebreaks to edge out third seed Jia-Jing Lu (CHN), while Eri Hozumi (JPN) dropped only one game against Katy Dunne (GBR).

The semifinals saw two tightly contested matches with Furlis coming out on top 6-2 7-5 over Hives, while Perez won 7-6(3) 7-5 over Hozumi.

Furlis and Perez are no stranger to each other, with the pair regular hitting and travel partners, and also sharing the same coach, Colin Ebelthite.

Furlis came out of the blocks firing, breaking Perez in the second game. Perez managed to break back to level the set at 3-3 before handing it straight back to Furlis. The Victorian then closed out the opening set 6-3.

After consecutive breaks to start the second, things were on serve until Furlis secured the break to

go up 4-2. From there the 18-year-old held her nerve to close out the match and claim her second Pro Tour title.

Furlis was thrilled to add a second title to her collection.

“It feels really good to have another \$25,000 title under my belt. It’s been a really tough week and I’m just really relieved that I could finish it with a win. It’s not every day you get to win a tournament so I’ll definitely cherish this moment.”

In doubles, Queensland’s Kaylah McPhee combined with Irina Fetecau to win her maiden ITF Pro Tour doubles title after the pairing edged out fourth seeds Pia Konig (AUT) and Michika Ozeki (JPN) 6-1 4-6 10-5.



TOURNAMENTS

ACT OPEN

The **ACT Open (Women's Platinum AMT & Men's Silver AMT)** was held from 13-16 March 2018 as a lead-in to the ACT Claycourt International #1 & #2 tournaments, with 70 players (26 Men, 44 Women) competing in the event.

Women's Singles Final - [1] Sherazad Reix (FRA) def [4] Kaylah Mcphee (Qld) 6-1 6-0

Men's Singles Final - [1] Jake Delaney (NSW) def [3] Patrick Flynn (Qld) 6-4 4-6 7-5

Women's Doubles Final - [1] Pia Koenig (AUT)/Alexandra Walters (SA) def [4] Maree Teiwa Casey (WA)/ Jasmin Starr (Vic) 6-3 3-6 [10-8]

Men's Doubles Final - [3] Alex Bulte (Vic)/ Dimitri Morogiannis (ACT) def Jamieson Nathan (ACT)/ Andrew Zedde (ACT) 6-2 7-6(3)

TENNIS WORLD TOURNAMENTS

In 2018 Tennis World Canberra made several changes to the ACT Australian Ranking (AR) tournament calendar. This included date changes and three combined Australian Money Tournaments (AMT)/Junior Tour (JT) events to try and attract more players. In 2017-18 Tennis World conducted four Junior Tournaments (1 Gold, 3 Bronze), and five Australian Money Tournaments (1 Gold, 1 Silver, 3 Bronze).

12/U & 14/U AUSTRALIAN CLAYCOURT CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2017 12/U & 14/U Australian Claycourt Championships (Platinum Junior Tournament) were held at the Canberra Tennis Centre over six days from 29 September to 4 October.

Players not only had the opportunity for matches each day with the use of a compass draw format, but also attended a session on Healthy Digital Habits presented by Dr Kristy Goodwin and a social Ultimate Frizbee afternoon.

Singles

Girls 14/u - [1] Anastasia Berezov (NSW) def. [5] Taylah Lawless (NSW) 6-0 6-2

Boys 14/u - [1] Cooper White (Vic) def. [5] Derek Pham (WA) 6-4 6-4

Girls 12/u - [4] Jessie Culley (WA) def. [2] Zahra Arthur (Vic) 6-2 6-3

Boys 12/u - [1] Zachary Viiala (WA) def. Andre Filep (NSW) 6-3 7-6(5)

Doubles

Girls 14/u - Anastasia Berezov (NSW) / Lara Walker (Qld) def. Mia Repac (NSW) / Hana Sonton (Qld) 6-3 6-2

Boys 14/u - Haru Sonton (Qld) / Cooper White (Vic) def. Casey Hoole (Qld) / Edward Vo (SA) 6-1 7-6(4)

Girls 12/u - Roisin Toireasa Gilheany (Vic) / Darina Kamenoff (Qld) def. Jessie Culley (WA) / Sydney Stone (Qld) 7-6(5) 6-7(5) [10-5]

Boys 12/u - Stami Arthur (Vic) / Brian Capalnean (Vic) def. Alexander Despoja (SA) / Zachary Viiala (WA) 4-6 6-4 [10-8]

CANBERRA JUNIOR INTERNATIONAL

In its third year the Canberra Junior International (Junior ITF G5) was held on the Canberra Tennis Centre clay courts from 21-27 September 2017. Canberra player Annerly Poulos reached the semifinals of

the Girls Singles going down to eventual winner Anastasia Berezov 6-4 7-6(4).

Girls Singles Final - [7] Anastasia Berezov (NSW) def [2] Oleksandra Kalachova (NZL) 6-4 4-6 6-3

Boys Singles Final - Alex Bulte (Vic) def Cooper White (Vic) 2-6 7-6(3) 6-4

Girls Doubles Final - [1] Oleksandra Kalachova (NZL)/ Emilia Price (NZL) def Komaki Ido (Qld)/ Natasha Russell (SA) 7-6(0) 6-4

Boys Doubles Final - Edward Vo (SA)/Cooper White (Vic) def Patrick Kotan (Qld)/Srijan Singh (NSW) 6-4 6-3

ANZ JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT SERIES

In 2017 ANZ Canberra was announced as a partner for the ANZ Junior Development Series (JDS). ANZ representatives have attended all ANZ JDS events, assisting with presentation and handing out giveaways.

The ACT Champion of Champions event was introduced as part of the series in 2017 and was held in December. Players are invited to play in the ACT Champion of Champions if they reach the semifinal of an ANZ JDS Series tournament and have played a minimum of three tournaments during the year. In 2017, 54 players qualified for ACT Champion of Champions and 31 players participated in events from 11/U to 15/U.

Eight ANZ JDS events were held in 2017-18 (The Pines Tennis Club, Weston Creek Tennis Club, Melba Tennis Club, North Woden Tennis Club(2), Forrest Tennis Club, Tennis World Canberra and Champion of Champions).

Tennis ACT would like to thank ANZ Canberra, participating clubs and tournament directors for supporting the series in 2017-18.

2017 ACT JUNIOR RESIDENTS CHAMPIONSHIPS WINNERS

	Boys Singles	Boys Doubles	Girls Singles	Girls Doubles	Mixed Doubles
10/U	Kyle Burgess	Bhav Mathur & Harry Sincock	Meaghann Scott	Ashlee Antonakos & Meaghann Scott	Eamon Lopez & Alisha Kumar
12/U	Leo Levi-Malouf		Marqaylar Tere	Chloe Barden & Chevonne Van Rensburg	Kiran Myutel-Mansur & Marqaylar Tere
14/U	Nicholas Maleganeas				
16/U			Saskia Kozlow		
18/U	Patrick Roche				

2017 ACT RESIDENTS CHAMPIONSHIPS WINNERS

	Men's Singles	Men's Doubles	Women's Singles	Women's Doubles	Mixed Doubles
Resident	Christian Parker	Daniel Green & Ryan Lopez		Leonie Ainsworth & Helen Holcombe	
A Grade	Mark Hardy	Mark Hardy & Robert Spry	Susan Willis		Wayne O'Connell & Cheryl Reid
50+	Daniel Tang				Greg Holcombe & Helen Holcombe

CHAMPIONSHIP ROLL

ACT OPEN CHAMPIONS/PRO CIRCUIT

Men's Singles

1930 S. Gee	1963 J. Newcombe
1931 R. Ayliffe	1964 G. Pollard
1932 F. Murray	1965 W. Bowrey
1933 S. Gee	1966 D. Kelso
1934 D. Chrystal	1967 B. Larkham
1935 D. Chrystal	1968 R. Ruffels
1936 D. Chrystal	1969 J. Alexander
1937 R. Bennett	1970 B. Larkham
1938 D. Thompson	1971 B. Larkham
1939 J. Bennett	1972 B. Larkham
1940-45 Not held	1973 B. Larkham
1946 A. Brogan	1974 C. Kachel
1947 R. Bennett	1975 P. Hawking
1948 K. Johnston	1976 Not completed
1949 W. Wallace	1977 P. Martin
1950 W. Wallace	1978 P. Serrett
1951 W. Sidwell	1979 E. Myers
1952 D. Candy	1980 B. Edwards
1953 G. Worthington	1981 C. Fancutt
1954 W. Woodcock	1982 Not held
1955 R. Emerson	1983 Not held
1956 B. Phillips-Moore	1984 Not held
1957 W. Woodcock	1985 C. Miller
1958 R. Emerson	1986 B. Derlin
1959 N. Fraser	1987 S. Youl
1960 N. Fraser	1988 J. Stoltenberg
1961 R. Hewin	1990 B. Stevens
1962 G. Pollard	1991 W. Arthurs

Women's Singles

1930 V. Kemp	1963 N. Marsh	1992 J. Richardson
1931 J. Bruce	1964 H. Gourlay	1993 J. Richardson
1932 J. Bruce	1965 L. Turner	1994 M. Tang
1933 J. Bruce	1966 J. Blackman	1995 M. Tang
1934 V. Selwyn	1967 L. Turner	1996 K. Radford
1935 J. Crawley	1968 S. Alexander	1997 J. Taylor
1936 J. Shumack	1969 E. Goolagong	1998 A. Grahame
1937 J. Shumack	1970 P. Coleman	1999 Not held
1938 J. Shumack	1971 P. Macnicol	2000 Not held
1939 V. Treweek	1972 P. Macnicol	2001 Not held
1940-45 Not held	1973 S.F. Rodriguez	2002 Not held
1946 F. Matthews	1974 S. Alexander	2003 Not held
1947 F. Matthews	1975 J. Headford	2004 J. Hewitt
1948 B. Penrose	1976 Not completed	2005 L. Breadmore
1949 P. Liiv	1977 K. Kral	2006 J. Gajdosova
1950 E. Ashford	1978 S. Leo	2007 Not Held
1951 G. Simm	1979 P. Macnicol	2008 Not Held
1952 M. Hawton	1980 E. Minter	2009 Not Held
1953 M. Hawton	1981 A. Minter	2010 Not Held
1954 K. Newcombe	1982 Not held	2011 Not Held
1955 B. Jones	1983 Not held	2012 Not Held
1956 M. Carter	1984 Not held	2013 Not Held
1957 M. Carter	1985 M. Turk	2014 Not Held
1958 I. Olerenshaw	1986 J. Masters	2015 A. Muhammad
1959 J. Grangel	1987 B. Potter	2016 R. Ozaki
1960 L. Turner	1988 S. McCann	2017 O. Rogowska
1961 L. Plummer	1990 J. Thompson	
1962 M. Smith	1991 J. Limmer	

ACT RESIDENTS CHAMPIONS

Men's Singles

1933 S. Bell	1963 D. Keys
1934 S. Bell	1964 G. Villaneuve
1935 R. Hunt	1965 J. Austin
1935 R. Bennett	1966 B. Larkham
1937 R. Bennett	1967 R. Humphreys
1938 J. Bennett	1968 B. Larkham
1939 R. Rennett	1969 B. Larkham
1940 R. Bennett	1970 B. Larkham
1941 K Taylor	1971 B. Larkham
1942-45 Not held	1972 B. Larkham
1946 M. Palmer	1973 B. Larkham
1947 R. Bennett	1974 G. Wurtz
1948 R. Bennett	1975 B. Larkham
1949 F. Pryor	1976 G. Wurtz
1950 F. Pryor	1977 A. Richardson
1951 P. Roberts	1978 P. Martin
1952 P. Roberts	1979 B. Edwards
1953 A. Crawley	1980 G. Wurtz
1954 P. Roberts	1981 B. Edwards
1955 J. Jorgensen	1982 R. Tickner
1956 C. Roberts	1983 P. Martin
1957 J. Jorgensen	1984 G. Ingham
1958 P. Roberts	1985 M. Jorgensen
1959 P. Roberts	1986 J. Gibson
1960 P. Roberts	1987 P. Lord
1961 P. Roberts	1988 S. Maloney
1962 D. Keys	1989 J. Harsdorf

Women's Singles

1933 L. Yates	1963 B. Walsh	1991 R. Balodis
1934 R. O'Sullivan	1964 B. Walsh	1992 R. Balodis
1935 J. Shumack	1965 B. Walsh	1993 L. Weerasekera
1936 J. Shumack	1966 P. Macnicol	1994 R. Balodis
1937 J. Shumack	1967 J. Purdy	1995 S. Gillespie-Jones
1938 J. Shumack	1968 J. Purdy	1996 R. Balodis
1939 J. Shumack	1969 B. Walsh	1997 S. Gillespie-Jones
1940 J. Shumack	1970 P. Macnicol	1998 S. Gillespie-Jones
1941 V. Treweek	1971 P. Macnicol	1999 S. Gillespie-Jones
1942-45 Not held	1972 P. Macnicol	2000 S. Gillespie-Jones
1946 N. Southwell	1973 B. Winder	2001 Not held
1947 N. Southwell	1974 S. Larkham	2002 Not held
1948 M. Joyce	1975 B. Winder	2003 D. Olejniczak
1949 L. Boag	1976 L. Kral	2004 L. Bush
1950 P. Liiv	1977 L. Kral	2005 N. Ecomivic
1951 J. Challon	1978 L. Kral	2006 L. Simpson
1952 B. Cattle	1979 H. Holcombe	2007 Not Held
1953 N. Crawley	1980 R. Bryant	2008 G. O'Rourke
1954 N. Crawley	1981 L. Cassell	2009 I. D'Ambrosio
1955 J. Grangel	1982 R. McCann	2010 J. Ling
1956 J. Grangel	1983 R. McCann	2011 T. Tipungwuti
1957 J. Grangel	1984 A. Ide	2012 S. Kang
1958 P. Bridgman	1985 L. Weerasekera	2013 V. Marriott
1959 S. Boag	1986 M. Turk	2014 Not Held
1960 K. Blundell	1987 J. Clissold	2015 Not Held
1961 P. Robinson	1988 R. Balodis	2016 E. Welsh
1962 P. Robinson	1989 L. Weerasekera	2017 Not Held

ENGAGEMENT



TENNIS ACT ANNUAL AWARDS

The 2017 Tennis ACT Annual Awards were held on Saturday 9 September at Next Gen Health & Lifestyle Club, Canberra. The awards night is held annually, bringing together the ACT Tennis community to recognise and thank the outstanding coaches, players, clubs, officials and volunteers, who have continuously contributed to a successful year of tennis in the ACT.

The following were awarded for their exceptional contributions and achievements:

ACT Player of the Year	Nick Kyrgios
Coaching Excellence – Talent Development	Nathan Price
Coaching Excellence – High Performance	Todd Larkham
Junior Club Player of the Year	Guy Sancataldo
Adult Club Player of the Year	Daniel Green
Junior Athlete of the Year - Female	Annerly Poulos
Junior Athlete of the Year -Male	Jamieson Nathan
Most Outstanding 35+ Tennis Senior	Ros Balodis
Excellence in Officiating	Emma Walter
Coaching Excellence – Club	Frank Calabria
Most Outstanding Tennis Club	Melba Tennis Club
Volunteer Achievement Award	Peter Breugelmans
Most Outstanding School	Giralang Primary School



ACT WALK OF FAME

The Tennis ACT Walk of Fame was established in 2016 to honour the exceptional contributions individuals have brought to tennis in the Australian Capital Territory. In 2017, Alison Ide and Ros Balodis were inducted into the Tennis ACT Walk of Fame.

NEWCOMBE MEDAL, AUSTRALIAN TENNIS AWARDS

The Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards was held on Monday 27 November at the Crown Palladium in Melbourne. The awards evening recognises the outstanding achievements of the Australian tennis community, with the Newcombe Medal presented to Australia’s most outstanding tennis player in 2017.

The strength of tennis in the capital was highlighted with the ACT having finalists in five categories, along with Nick Kyrgios as a finalist for the Newcombe Medal. Ros Balodis won the Most Outstanding 35+ Tennis Senior award for the third time, while Emma Walter was honoured for Excellence in Officiating. Frank Calabria was a finalist for Coaching Excellence Club, Giralang Primary a finalist for Most Outstanding School, and the ACT Claycourt International 2017 a finalist for the Most Outstanding Professional Tournament.

CBR SPORT AWARDS 2017

The CBR Sport Awards celebrate the outstanding achievements of Canberra’s top athletes and teams, while also recognising special contributors that make the local sporting community so great.

In 2017, Tennis was a finalist in a number of categories:

- Minister for Sport and Recreation’s Award Event Excellence – Tennis ACT
- Minister for Sport and Recreation’s Award for Inclusion – Tennis ACT
- Athlete of the Year, Men’s Sport – Nick Kyrgios

MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS

Tennis ACT maintains its communication channels with registered players and affiliated clubs through monthly communications. Court Talk is the monthly communication to registered players, while Club Ambassador keeps club committee members up to date with the latest news. Tennis ACT also utilises social media including Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

TENNIS SENIORS ACT PRESIDENT'S REPORT

ACT PLAYERS SUCCESSFULLY COMPETED IN OUR LOCAL INTERNATIONAL TENNIS FEDERATION (ITF) EASTER TOURNAMENT AND THE VARIOUS INTERSTATE ITF TOURNAMENTS HELD OVER THE

2017-18 proved to be a consolidation year after the previous year's committee changes. Our new committee settled in and we proceeded through our normal calendar of events.

Our membership to 30 June totals 157 which includes one Vetset subscriber and two life members. This is a slight increase from last year and approximates the fluctuations from year to year.

2017-18 has been a successful year for our teams and for a number of our members.

The Australian Seniors Championships were held on the Gold Coast in January. Tennis Seniors ACT (TSACT) fielded four men's teams and five women's teams. Our best result was the 55 Women's team winning their grade. Unfortunately the other teams found the competition too strong. In the Individual Championships of the second week we had some good performances from our seven players who stayed and competed. Ros Balodis had another good tournament winning the 60 singles, the 60 mixed with Colin Holgate and the 55 doubles with her regular partner Leanne Swaysland (NSW). Narelle Raftery won the 55 singles and was runner up in the 55 doubles (to Ros and Leanne) and reached the semis in the 55 mixed. Heather McKay also had good success in winning the 75 singles and 75 doubles. Pat Moloney won the 150

combined with Mick Bruton (NSW).

On the international scene TSACT were well represented and successful with Ros Balodis, Narelle Raftery and Leonie Ainsworth representing Australia at the 2017 ITF Seniors World Team Championships in the US in November. Ros and Narelle played in the winning Maureen Connelly Cup 55+ team for which Ros was also captain. Leonie played in the Alice Marble Cup 60+ team which finishes a credible 5th. Both Ros and Narelle have been selected again to represent Australia at the 2018 ITF Seniors World Team Championships this time in Germany in August. Narelle has been selected as captain of the Maureen Connelly Cup (55+) and Ros will captain the Alice Marble

Cup (60+). We wish them both good luck.

ACT players have also successfully competed in our local International Tennis Federation (ITF) Easter tournament and the various interstate ITF tournaments held over the year. All these representations and wins are seen as important as they maintain a high profile for TSACT with the major states and other sports.

Our scheduled list of events for the year was completed with satisfying degrees of success. These included the ACT Open Seniors Championships; Sunday Round Robins and our Christmas dinner.

The Seniors Residents Championships were held in conjunction with the ACT Resident Championships. Although there were not many entries in the seniors events, senior players were well represented and successful in the other events.

Our main event, the Easter Tournament, an ITF Grade 2 Championship was again held at the Canberra Tennis Centre as a clay court Championship. One hundred and thirty-five players participated which unfortunately was down on last year. The main reason being the closeness of another major senior tournament. However our entries still included 20 past and present Australian team representatives and so provided some strong and competitive tennis. The





tournament also attracted players from Germany, Japan, Sri Lanka and Singapore. Having these highly ranked players and international players should enable our Grade 2 category to be maintained for 2019. Narelle Raftery was our only ACT singles winner, however we had three finalists in other singles and winners in doubles and mixed. The entries for the Non-IPIN events were disappointing. These events are mainly suited to our Canberra players who seemed to be missing this year. Hopefully they will return for next year.

Ten Sunday round robins were successfully held over the year in various weather conditions and with various numbers. Good weather brings out the players with the largest entries during the early summer months and up to April. The locations being Weston Creek, Belconnen and this year a return to Forrest. This year also saw the return of the Venezuela Cups for the years successful players. These cups have not been played for since 2010 when the popular Thursday afternoon mid-week senior's tournaments ceased. It is hoped this extra incentive will attract more players.

At the Christmas dinner our two major awards were presented. Leonie Ainsworth won the Frank Thornton award for achieving the most notable tennis success over the past year, and Colin Lyons won the George Henshilwood Award for his administrative work.

Members of TSACT also hold positions on the national committee, Tennis Seniors Australia (TSA). At TSA's January AGM on the Gold Coast Peter Breugelmanns was re-appointed as TSA's Public Officer and Pat Moloney was re-elected as Secretary.

Other fine performances by our members were recognised by Tennis ACT in their annual awards for 2017. Ros Balodis and the late Alison Ide were inducted into the Tennis ACT Walk of Fame. Ros also received the Award for the Most Outstanding 35+ Tennis Senior and Peter Breugelmanns received the Volunteer Achievement Award plus the ANZ Bonus Prize for the work he has done with both Tennis Seniors and the Turner Tennis Club. Ros went on to win the national award at the Australian Tennis Awards. All very well deserved.

The Presidents of the State and Territory associations met

with the Executive of Tennis Seniors Australia (TSA) twice over this last year. Among the items discussed were the 2018 Australian Championships on the Gold Coast, the upcoming 2019 Championships at Shepparton, TSA/TA relationships, membership, sponsorship, Business and Communication Plans.

Financially TSACT is in a sound position with money in the bank and no expected large financial outlays.

While this year we celebrated four eightieth birthdays we also sadly saw the passing of five well known identities, founders and supporters of Tennis Seniors ACT.

The successful running of Tennis Seniors ACT during 2017-2018 is attributed to the good work put in by the committee members. I thank them all for their support and contribution.

Graham Smith
President
July 2018

LADIES COMMITTEE REPORT

PENNANT

In 2017-18 as I enter my third year as President of the ladies committee, we again ran three pennants with the numbers remaining fairly stable on last year. There were a few new faces, which is good to see. Like last year, the Autumn pennant saw Division 1 and 2 combined making seven teams of five ladies with one complete round and a final which proved successful. The other two competitions were ladies doubles where players entered individually and were graded into positions 1-4 across two divisions. As well as recognising the winners and runners-up in each pennant, a prize was given for the best player in each position. It was interesting to see that over the three pennants different people have won the prize in each position.

Thank you to Brenda Ford, Sue Willis, Sandra Roughton and Merle Coutts for being part of the grading committee. I would also like to thank Leonie Southwell, who does a lot of work in the background taking names, money for luncheons and dropping off result forms and filling in results forms when needed.

ANNUAL CHARITY DAY

On Thursday 10 May, the ladies committee held their annual charity tennis tournament and luncheon at

Belconnen and Melba Tennis Clubs. Clubs. For the first time in 18 years the ladies lost their touch with poor weather forecast for the day. However, the day dawned sunny and they managed to get nearly all the tennis finished prior to the arrival of cold and the rain.

Unfortunately Martin Klein, the President of the Belconnen Tennis Club, had to shelter under an umbrella to cook the 120 sausages and onions for the hordes. There was a beautiful range of very yummy salads provided by the ladies.

A total of 54 people played tennis at both venues, with 10 extra people arriving for lunch, which was held at Belconnen. Thank you to Anne Haycock for helping me with the numbers and working on the day, and also a thank you to Ros Balodis for helping set up tables and food before the rain arrived.

The day would not have been possible without the support of Belconnen Tennis Club, Melba Tennis Club, Tennis Seniors ACT, and raffle donations from individuals and local businesses.

The charity this year was Endometriosis Australia. Endometriosis is a common condition that affects about one in 10 women, often starting in

teenagers.

176 million women worldwide suffer with endometriosis.

It is a condition where tissue similar to the lining of endometrium, which normally lines the uterus, is found in abnormal sites around the body. Most often though, endometriosis it is found in the pelvis. These deposits can cause a number of symptoms such as pelvic pain and infertility. It is possible that you can have endometriosis and not have either of these problems. The degree of symptoms does not always indicate the degree of damage the disease is causing.

Former Kaleen Tennis Club member Holly Marando spoke about endometriosis from personal experience having been diagnosed in 2014. Holly then accepted a cheque for almost \$2000 from Tennis ACT CEO, Kim Kachel, raised through the players, raffle and other donations

SOCIAL TENNIS

Our Thursday ladies social tennis is still going, although small in numbers and only now played every second Thursday. They are still encouraging people to come along.

Finally I would like to thank the committee members, Brenda Neal, Secretary, Luana King, Treasurer, and Betty Smith, Amanda Gemmill Smith and Sue Willis for all their hard work during the year. They do a great job.

Also I would like to thank the Tennis ACT staff for their support through out the year. In particular I thank Brittany Hughes and Lenka Greenhalgh, who make sure we pay our bills, and for helping us with grading, draws and entering results online when I run into trouble so as everything runs smoothly.



Helen Greenup
Ladies Committee





TENNIS AUSTRALIA OFFICIALS REPORT

Tennis Australia Officials in the ACT has had an exciting year in 2017-18, with some amazing achievements and performances from our ACT officials. ACT was represented on the world stage by astounding performances from our ACT officials during the AO Series, Pro Tour events, Fed Cup, and abroad at the French Open, Wimbledon and US Open.

Since coming into this role in late 2017, I have been blown away by the skill level and professionalism of the ACT Officials. Their commitment to work as a team has allowed them to deliver stellar performances to ensure each event is ran smoothly and professionally.

I would like to congratulate Emma Walter on her astonishing career achievements, and hard work throughout 2017 and 2018. In 2017 Emma was awarded the ACT Excellence in Officiating, and she also took out the Newcombe Medal for Excellence in Officiating. During Emma's time as the ACT Adviser, she has shown dedication and passion for both tennis and officiating. She has helped build a strong and fantastic officiating team, and has put an enormous amount of time in developing

and growing officiating in the ACT. Without her, I do not believe officiating in ACT would be where it is today.

A National Chair Umpiring course was held in mid 2018, with only 27 officials selected throughout Australia, of which three represented the ACT. All three attendees showed excellence in understanding tennis officiating, and delivered strong performances throughout the course. We are pleased to advise that all three were successful in the course, and were awarded their chair umpire accreditation. Congratulations to Guy Sancataldo, Ammad Shamsi, and Marc Vandembroucke.

I would also like to acknowledge Susan Aitkens for her accreditation as a referee. Susan refereed her first tournament in early 2018, and we applauded her on delivering such a high quality tournament particularly in such early stages of her refereeing career.

As always, developing and recruiting officials in the ACT will be a top priority for Tennis Australia Officials. In the upcoming months, we will be aiming to grow and strengthen our officiating team across various recruitment courses

and training sessions. We will be looking to utilising the tournament calendar to increase crosslines training opportunities and offer refresher courses throughout the year. Developing our official's skills and knowledge will be key in ensuring all tournaments from grassroots through to the national level are delivered at a high quality level, to ensure a more enjoyable and professional experience for all involved.

A special mention and thank you to Lenka Greenhalgh for her passion and support in growing officiating in the ACT. I look forward to working closely with Lenka and the Tennis ACT team to help strive to make the ACT the ideal destination for tournaments in Australia.

Congratulation to the ACT Officials on their outstanding performances throughout the 2017-18 financial year. There are exciting times ahead for officiating in the ACT, and I look forward to seeing what great achievement we can accomplish in the future.

Roxanne Wain

TENNIS ACT LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

For the year ended 30 June 2018

The directors present their report together with the financial report of Tennis ACT Limited ('the Company') for the financial year ended 30 June 2018 and the auditor's report thereon.

1. DIRECTORS

The directors of the Company at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

President

D Bisa	Property Developer	President since November 2015
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Company Secretary

K Kachel	Chief Executive Officer	Commenced February 2017
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Directors

C Adrian	Public Administrator	Director since March 2010
B Fuller	Lawyer	Director since June 2011
C Paris	Public Administrator	Director since November 2015
L Stone	Chartered Accountant	Director since November 2015
R Hendry	Chief Executive Officer	Director since June 2016
S Plummer	General Manager	Director since August 2017

2. DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

The number of directors' meetings (including meetings of committees of directors) and number of meetings attended by each of the directors of the Company during the financial year are:

Director	Board Meetings		Finance & Audit Committee Meetings	
	A	B	A	B
D Bisa	6	6	-	-
K Kachel	6	6	5	5
C Adrian	6	4	-	-
B Fuller	6	5	-	-
C Paris	6	5	-	-
L Stone	6	6	5	5
R Hendry	6	4	-	-
S Plummer	6	6	4	3

A - Number of meetings held during the time the director held office during the year

B - Number of meetings attended

DIRECTORS' REPORT

For the year ended 30 June 2018

3. SHORT AND LONG TERM OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES FOR ACHIEVING THOSE OBJECTIVES

The Company's objectives and strategies are to grow, manage, promote and develop the sport of tennis throughout the ACT and region by:

- providing strong leadership and direction that guides the sport towards our vision;
- advocating the accessibility of tennis as a sport for all people;
- promoting the health, economic, social and entertainment benefits that tennis delivers;
- preserving the rich heritage and traditions of tennis;
- partnering effectively with Tennis Australia, government, corporate partners and our clubs; and
- taking an active approach to the commercial development of the sport and industry in the region.

The Company, being an associate member of Tennis Australia Limited, receives grant funding that forms an integral part of the funding required for the Company to achieve its short and long term objectives.

It is the view of the directors that the Company would need to change its objectives in the future should funding from Tennis Australia Limited cease.

4. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the Company during the course of the financial year were the promotion and development of the game of tennis in the ACT, and to provide recreation, sports and other facilities for members and non-members of the Company. No significant changes in the nature of the Company's activity occurred during the financial year.

5. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

The Company has an annual review process that ensures key performance indicators (KPI's) are set and assessed to ensure the above objectives and strategies are being achieved to the highest degree possible.

6. OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Company's net result for the year ended 30 June 2018 was a net surplus of \$4,026. This compares with a net deficit of \$99,295 for the year ended 30 June 2017.

7. STATE OF AFFAIRS

The Company has complied with the Australian Accounting Standards as issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

8. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO REPORTING DATE

In the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report there have been no events, items or transactions of material or unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, to significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

9. LIKELY DEVELOPMENTS

The directors do not anticipate any major changes in the basis of operations of the Company and the future results of those operations in subsequent financial years.

10. MEMBERS EQUITY

The Company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is an entity limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$1.00 each towards meeting any obligations of the entity. At 30 June 2018 the number of members was 5,538.

11. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE OF OFFICERS

Indemnification

The Company has agreed to indemnify the directors of the Company against all liabilities to another person (other than the Company or a related body corporate) that may arise from their position as directors of the Company, except where the liability arises out of conduct involving a lack of good faith. The agreement stipulates that the Company will meet the full amount of any such liabilities, including costs and expenses.

Insurance premiums

Tennis Australia, through a national insurance scheme, provides the Company with directors' and officers' liability, legal expenses and insurance contracts, for current and former directors and officers of the Company.

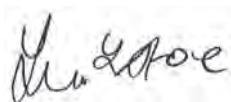
12. LEAD AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

The Lead auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 64 and forms part of the directors' report for the financial year ended 30 June 2018.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors:



Dan Bisa
President



Lisa Stone
Director

Dated at Canberra this 29th day of August 2018.

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 30 June 2018

	Note	2018	2017
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	10	495,191	313,915
Trade receivables and other assets	11	138,868	203,299
Total current assets		634,059	517,214
Property, plant and equipment	12	8,914,409	9,270,024
Total non-current assets		8,914,409	9,270,024
Total assets		9,548,468	9,787,238
Liabilities			
Trade payables and other payables	13	114,122	295,987
Employee benefits	14	95,525	72,217
Income received in advance	15	86,409	103,575
Interest bearing liabilities	16	65,568	65,478
Total current liabilities		361,624	537,257
Employee benefits	14	1,703	3,936
Interest bearing liabilities	16	1,286,454	1,351,384
Provisions	17	7,142	7,142
Total non-current liabilities		1,295,299	1,362,462
Total liabilities		1,656,923	1,899,719
Net assets		7,891,545	7,887,519
Members' equity			
Retained earnings		6,687,410	6,683,384
Reserves		1,204,135	1,204,135
Total members' equity		7,891,545	7,887,519

The statement of financial position is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 46 to 60.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2018

	Note	2018	2017
Performance revenue	5	11,396	5,700
Tournaments and competitions revenue	5	227,565	233,109
Commercial operations revenue	5	314,288	306,437
Participation revenue	5	505,750	395,509
Media and communications revenue	5	170,367	28,040
Total revenue	5	1,229,366	968,795
Other income	6	314,962	392,619
Performance expenses		(12,569)	(7,753)
Tournaments and competitions expenses		(233,881)	(166,947)
Commercial operations expenses		(441,443)	(425,316)
Participation expenses		(414,162)	(476,388)
Media and communications expenses		(141,868)	(68,023)
Finance and administration expenses		(249,713)	(266,654)
Total expenses		(1,493,636)	(1,411,081)
Finance costs	8	(46,666)	(49,628)
Net finance costs	8	(46,666)	(49,628)
Net surplus/(deficit) for the period		4,026	(99,295)
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the period		4,026	(99,295)

The statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income is to be read in conjunction with the notes of the financial statements set out on pages 46 to 60.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the year ended 30 June 2018

	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Retained Earnings	Total Equity
Balance at 1 July 2016	1,204,135	6,782,679	7,986,814
Total comprehensive income for the period			
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	-
Deficit for the period	-	(99,295)	(99,295)
Balance at 30 June 2017	1,204,135	6,683,384	7,887,519
Balance at 1 July 2017	1,204,135	6,683,384	7,887,519
Total comprehensive income for the period			
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	-
Surplus for the period	-	4,026	4,026
Balance at 30 June 2018	1,204,135	6,687,410	7,891,545

The statement of changes in equity is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 46 to 60.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 30 June 2018

	Note	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash receipts from customers		1,655,289	1,048,120
Cash receipts from government grants		185,219	289,696
Cash paid to suppliers and employees		(1,526,566)	(997,207)
Interest paid		(46,666)	(49,628)
Net cash from operating activities	20	267,276	290,981
Cash flows from investing activities			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment		(21,160)	(11,487)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	3,486
Net cash (used) in investing activities		(21,160)	(8,001)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of borrowings		(64,840)	(64,270)
Net cash (used in) financing activities		(64,840)	(64,270)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		181,276	218,710
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July		313,915	95,205
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	10	495,191	313,915

The statement of cash flows is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 46 to 60.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. REPORTING ENTITY

Tennis ACT Limited (the “Company”) is a company domiciled in Australia. The Company is a company limited by guarantee. The address of the Company’s registered office is:

1 Riggall Place

Lyneham ACT 2602

The Company is a not for profit entity and the principal activities of the Company during the course of the financial year were the promotion and development of the game of tennis in the Australian Capital Territory.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

(a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements are Tier 2 general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Act 2001. These financial statements comply with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 29 August 2018.

(b) Basis of measurement

The financial report has been prepared on the historical cost basis.

(c) Functional and presentation currency

The financial report is presented in Australian dollars, which is the Company’s functional currency.

(d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

In particular, information about significant areas of estimation uncertainty and critical judgements in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amount recognised in the financial statements are described in the following note:

Note 12 – property, plant and equipment (impairment assessment and determination of useful lives)

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Financial instruments

(i) Non-derivative financial instruments

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, interest bearing liabilities, and trade and other payables.

Non-derivative financial instruments are recognised initially at fair value. Subsequent to initial recognition non-derivative financial instruments are measured as described below.

A financial instrument is recognised if the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are derecognised if the Company's contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets expire or if the Company transfers the financial asset to another party without retaining control or substantially all risks and rewards of the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised if the Company's obligations specified in the contract expire or are discharged or cancelled.

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits.

Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the company's cash management are included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purposes of the statement of cash flows.

(ii) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Such assets are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

Loans and receivables comprise cash and cash equivalents and trade and other receivables.

(iii) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits with maturities of three months or less from the acquisition date that are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in their fair value, and are used by the Company in the management of its short term commitments.

(iv) Non-derivative financial liabilities

The Association has the following non-derivative financial liabilities: interest bearing liabilities, bank overdrafts and trade and other payables.

Such financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition these financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

(b) Property, plant and equipment

(i) Recognition and measurement

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost or deemed cost less accumulated depreciation (see below) and accumulated impairment losses. The cost of property, plant and equipment at 1 July 2004, the date of transition to AASBs, was determined by reference to its cost at that date.

Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of self-constructed assets includes the cost of materials, direct labour, the initial estimate, where relevant, of the costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located, and an appropriate proportion of production overheads. Purchased software that is integral to the functionality of the related equipment is capitalised as part of that equipment.

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

The Company measures land at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use in the asset's principal market, or in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market, which the Company must have access to.

The Company uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data is available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(b) Property, plant and equipment (continued)

(ii) Subsequent costs

The cost of replacing part of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the Company and its cost can be measured reliably. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of property, plant and equipment are recognised in the statement of profit or loss as incurred.

(iii) Depreciation

Depreciation is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property, plant and equipment.

The estimated useful lives in the current and comparative periods are as follows:

- Leasehold land and buildings 7- 40 years
- Plant and equipment 3- 10 years
- Courts and court equipment 5- 50 years

The residual value, the useful life and the depreciation method applied to an asset are reassessed at least annually.

(c) Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of inventories is based on the first-in first-out principle, and includes expenditure incurred in acquiring the inventories and bringing them to their existing location and condition. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the estimated costs of completion and selling expenses.

(d) Impairment

(i) Financial assets (including receivables)

A financial asset is considered to be impaired if objective evidence indicates that one or more events have had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset.

An impairment loss in respect of a financial asset measured at amortised cost is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount, and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate.

Individual significant financial assets are tested for impairment on an individual basis. The remaining financial assets are assessed collectively in groups that share similar credit risk characteristics.

All impairment losses are recognised through profit and loss.

An impairment loss is reversed if the reversal can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised, and this reversal is recognised through the profit and loss.

(ii) Non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Company's non-financial assets, other than inventories, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable asset group that generates cash flows that largely are independent from other assets and groups. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the units and then to reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the unit (group of units) on a pro rata basis.

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

Impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

(e) Employee Benefits

(i) Long-term employee benefits

The Company's net obligation in respect of long-term service benefits is the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. The obligation is calculated using expected future increases in wage and salary rates including related on-costs and expected settlement dates, and is discounted using the rates attached to the corporate bonds at the balance sheet date which have maturity dates approximating to the terms of the Company's obligations.

(ii) Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid if the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

(iii) Termination benefits

Termination benefits are expensed at the earlier of when the Company can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits and when the Company recognises costs for a restructuring. If benefits are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months at the end of the reporting, then they are discounted.

(f) Provisions

A provision is recognised if, as a result of a past event, the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability.

(g) Revenue and other income

(i) Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of returns and allowances, trade discounts and volume rebates. Revenue is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, recovery of the consideration is probable, the associated costs and possible return of goods can be estimated reliably, and there is no continuing management involvement with the goods.

(ii) Rendering of services

Revenue from services rendered is recognised in the profit or loss in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at reporting date. The stage of completion is assessed by reference to surveys of work performed.

(iii) Grants

Reciprocal grants

Grants received on the condition that specified services should be delivered or conditions fulfilled are considered reciprocal. Such grants are initially recognised as a liability and revenue recognised as services are performed or conditions fulfilled.

Non-reciprocal grants

Where a grant is received where there is no performance obligation or return obligation, revenue is recognised when the grant is received or receivable.

(h) Lease payments

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Lease incentives received are recognised as an integral part of the total lease expense, over the term of the lease.

(i) Finance income and costs

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested. Interest income is recognised as it accrues, in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

Finance costs comprise interest expense on borrowings. All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

(j) Income tax

The income of the Company is exempt from income tax, and accordingly, no provision has been made in the accounts for income tax payable.

Withholding tax from other jurisdictions is provided when the liability is due and payable.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(k) Goods and services tax

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

(l) New accounting standards and interpretations not yet adopted

The following accounting standards, amendments to accounting standards and interpretations have been identified as those which may impact the Company in the period of initial adoption. They were available for early adoption for the Association's annual reporting period beginning 1 July 2018, but have not been applied in preparing this financial report.

AASB 9 Financial Instruments becomes mandatory for the Company's financial statements for the period beginning on or after 1 January 2018 and could change the classification and measurement of financial assets. The Association does not plan to adopt this standard early and the Association does not expect a material impact to its financial statements on applying the classification and measurement requirements of AASB 9.

AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers becomes mandatory for the Company's financial statements for the period beginning on 1 July 2019 and establishes a comprehensive framework for determining whether, how much and when revenue is recognised. The standard replaces existing revenue recognition guidance. The Company does not plan to adopt this standard early and the extent of the impact is being assessed.

AASB 16 Leases mandatory for the Company's financial statements for the period beginning on 1 July 2019 and introduces a single, on-balance sheet accounting model for lessees. A lessee recognises a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying asset and a lease liability representing its obligation to make lease payments. These are optional exemptions for short-term leases and leases of low value items. Lessor accounting remains similar to the current standard- i.e. lessors continue to classify leases as finance or operation expenses. The Company does not plan to adopt this standard early and the extent of the impact is being assessed.

AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities becomes mandatory for the Company's financial statements for the period beginning on 1 July 2019 and establishes principles for NFP entities that apply specifically to transactions where the consideration to acquire an asset is significantly less than fair value principally to enable a NFP entity to further its objectives; and to volunteer services received. The Company does not plan to adopt this standard early and the extent of the impact is being assessed.

(M) Changes in accounting policies

The Company has consistently applied the accounting policies set out in Note 3 to all periods presented in these financial statements.

4. DETERMINATION OF FAIR VALUES

A number of the Company's accounting policies and disclosures require the determination of fair value, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities. Fair values have been determined for measurement and/or disclosure purposes based on the following methods. Where applicable, further information about the assumptions made in determining fair values is disclosed in the notes specific to that asset or liability.

(a) Trade and other receivables

For receivables with a remaining useful life of less than one year, the notional amount is deemed to reflect the fair value. All other receivables are discounted to determine the fair value.

(b) Inventories

The fair value of inventories acquired in a business combination is determined based on its estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and sale, and a reasonable profit margin based on the effort required to complete and sell the inventories.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

5. REVENUE

	2018	2017
Performance revenue		
Contributions from players	5,358	5,700
Other income	6,038	-
	11,396	5,700
Tournaments and competitions revenue		
Tennis Australia grants	91,136	91,000
Sponsorship	41,800	50,500
Entry fees	85,467	88,130
Court hire	1,991	1,391
Other income	7,171	2,088
	227,565	233,109
Commercial operations revenue		
Court hire	-	4,364
Rental income	301,652	300,842
Tennis Australia contributions	12,000	-
Other income	636	1,231
	314,288	306,437
Participation revenue		
Program income	34,880	25,328
Tennis Australia grants	418,733	320,125
Affiliation and registrations	52,137	50,046
Other income	-	10
	505,750	395,509
Media and communications revenue		
Sponsorship	163,461	19,340
Ticket sales	130	273
Other income	6,776	8,427
	170,367	28,040
Total revenue	1,229,366	968,795

6. OTHER INCOME

	2018	2017
Government grants	230,169	325,113
Tennis Australia grants	72,270	67,506
Other income	12,523	-
Total other income	314,962	392,619

Government grants

The Company has received ACT Government grants in the 2017-18 financial year relating to the Triennial operational assistance program, the Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme (SLISS) and Events ACT funding for support of the East Hotel Canberra Challenger and ACT Clay court International events.

7. OTHER EXPENSES

The Company has the following key expenses:

	2018	2017
Depreciation expense		
Plant and equipment	26,996	29,163
Car park and landscaping	61,188	60,770
Leasehold land and buildings	82,501	82,367
Courts and court equipment	206,090	205,225
Employee benefits expense	530,315	421,994
Insurance expense	16,185	23,831
Operating lease rental expense	53,030	53,030

8. NET FINANCE COSTS

	2018	2017
Interest expense on borrowings	(46,666)	(49,628)
Total finance costs	(46,666)	(49,628)
Net finance costs	(46,666)	(49,628)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

9. AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

	2018	2017
Auditor of the Company		
<i>KPMG Australia</i>		
Audit and review of financial reports	13,300	15,200
	13,300	15,200

10. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2018	2017
Bank balances	495,191	313,915
Cash and cash equivalents	495,191	313,915

11. TRADE RECEIVABLES AND OTHER ASSETS

	2018	2017
Trade receivables and other assets	98,540	67,676
Prepayments	13,760	16,291
Other receivables	26,568	119,332
	138,868	203,299

12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Leasehold land and buildings	Plant and equipment	Courts and court equipment	Car park and landscaping	Total
Cost					
Balance at 1 July 2016	4,938,519	277,272	5,166,050	970,956	11,352,797
Additions	-	-	-	11,487	11,487
Disposals	-	(15,969)	-	-	(15,969)
Balance at 30 June 2017	4,938,519	261,303	5,166,050	982,443	11,348,315
Balance at 1 July 2017	4,938,519	261,303	5,166,050	982,443	11,348,315
Additions	1,470	-	18,500	1,190	21,160
Disposals	-	-	(4,182)	-	(4,182)
Balance at 30 June 2018	4,939,989	261,303	5,180,368	983,633	11,365,293
Accumulated depreciation					
Balance at 1 July 2016	(756,195)	(136,119)	(728,986)	(91,950)	(1,713,250)
Depreciation charge for the year	(82,367)	(29,163)	(205,225)	(60,770)	(377,525)
Disposals	-	12,484	-	-	12,484
Balance at 30 June 2017	(838,562)	(152,798)	(934,211)	(152,720)	(2,078,291)
Balance at 1 July 2017	(838,562)	(152,798)	(934,211)	(152,720)	(2,078,291)
Depreciation charge for the year	(82,501)	(26,996)	(206,090)	(61,188)	(376,775)
Disposals	-	-	4,182	-	4,182
Balance at 30 June 2018	(921,063)	(179,794)	(1,136,119)	(213,908)	(2,450,884)
Carrying amounts					
At 1 July 2016	4,182,324	141,153	4,437,064	879,006	9,639,547
At 30 June 2017	4,099,957	108,505	4,231,839	829,723	9,270,024
At 1 July 2017	4,099,957	108,505	4,231,839	829,723	9,270,024
At 30 June 2018	4,018,926	81,509	4,044,249	769,725	8,914,409

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13. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2018	2017
Trade payables	4,008	220,334
Other payables	110,114	75,653
	114,122	295,987

14. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

	2018	2017
Current		
Provision for long-service leave	39,245	30,230
Provision for annual leave	56,280	41,987
	95,525	72,217
Non-current		
Provision for long-service leave	1,703	3,936
	1,703	3,936

15. INCOME RECEIVED IN ADVANCE

	2018	2017
Affiliation & memberships	22,091	19,500
Other income	64,318	10,532
Grant income	-	73,543
	86,409	103,575

16. INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES

	2018	2017
Current		
Tennis Australia loan	65,568	65,478
	65,568	65,478
Non-current		
Tennis Australia loan	386,454	451,384
ANZ Commercial loan	900,000	900,000
	1,286,454	1,351,384

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Financing arrangements

Bank overdrafts

The bank overdraft facility is \$125,000 (2017: \$125,000) and secured by a floating charge from the Company. Interest on bank overdrafts is charged at prevailing market rates.

Tennis Australia Loan

Project facility loan of \$452,022 is repayable in tranches over the next 8 years pursuant to the loan amortisation schedule prepared by Tennis Australia Limited. The average interest rate charged on this loan during the year was 0.83%.

ANZ Commercial Loan

During the current year there were no defaults or breaches of covenants on this facility. During July 2016 a variation to the original loan agreement was executed. As a result of the variation, principal reductions of \$90,000 per annum are required to be made with first repayment due on 25 May 2020. Interest on the commercial loan is charged at weighted average rate of 3.92%. Termination date of ANZ loan is 25 May 2021 (previously 28 September 2018) and is subject to renegotiation for a further term.

17. PROVISIONS

Non-current	2018	2017
TACT Officials	7,142	7,142
	7,142	7,142

18. CAPITAL AND RESERVES

Asset revaluation reserve

The revaluation reserve relates to the revaluations of property, plant and equipment.

As a result of the retirement of the buildings, courts and car park during the 2013-14 year, the asset revaluation reserve was adjusted to ensure it only reflected revaluations on existing assets.

Members equity

The Company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is an entity limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$1.00 each towards meeting any obligations of the entity. At 30 June 2018 the number of members was 5,538.

19. OPERATING LEASES

Leases as lessee

Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are payable as follows

	2018	2017
Less than one year	53,030	53,030
Between one and five years	202,020	205,049
More than five years	350,000	400,000
	605,050	658,079

Leases as lessor

Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are payable as follows

	2018	2017
Less than one year	200,000	200,000
Between one and five years	800,000	800,000
More than five years	8,800,000	9,000,000
	9,800,000	10,000,000

During the financial year ended 30 June 2018, \$53,030 was recognised as an expense in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income in respect of operating leases (2017: \$53,030) and \$200,000 was recognised as income (2017: \$200,000). Next Generation Clubs Australia Pty Limited subleases Block 10 under an agreement and operates a sporting club. Tennis ACT occupy an office in the Next Generation building under a lease agreement.

20. RECONCILIATION OF CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES AND CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

(a) Cash flows from operating activities

	Note	2018	2017
Surplus/(Deficit) for the period		4,026	(99,295)
Adjusted for:			
Depreciation	12	376,775	377,525
Operating surplus before changes in working capital and provisions		380,801	278,230
Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables		64,430	(115,729)
Decrease in inventories		-	4,374
(Decrease) in income received in advance		(17,166)	(54,620)
(Decrease)/increase in trade and other payables and provisions		(181,864)	183,378
Increase/(decrease) in employee benefits		21,075	(4,652)
Net cash from operating activities		267,276	290,981

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21. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company, being an Associate member of Tennis Australia (TA), receives shared services benefits from TA. These benefits include accounting, human resources, legal and information technology resources. These services were provided for nil consideration.

The names of each person holding the position of director/company secretary of the Company during the financial year were: K Kachel, C Adrian, B Fuller, D Bisa, C Paris, L Stone, R Hendry and S Plummer (commenced as Director August 2017).

Officers of the Company are acting on an honorary basis.

Robyn Hendry is the CEO of Canberra Business Chamber. The following transactions between Tennis ACT and Canberra Chamber of Commerce occurred during the financial year ended 30 June 2018: \$1,540 (2017: \$850).

Dan Bisa is a Director of East Hotel. The following transactions between Tennis ACT and East Hotel occurred during the financial year ended 30 June 2018: \$2,209 (2017: \$438).

Lisa Stone was a principal of P Squared Advisory. Tennis ACT entered into a sponsorship arrangement with P Squared Advisory for \$10,000 which began on 1 July 2017. Ms Stone removed herself from any Board discussions surrounding this contract.

The key management personnel for Tennis ACT included the following employees:

Kim Kachel, Lenka Greenhalgh and Geoff Bartlett.

Key management personnel compensation

In AUD

	2018	2017
Short-term employee benefits	270,275	269,112
Post employment benefits	24,578	22,311
Total compensation	294,853	291,423

In addition to salaries paid, key management personnel receive cash incentive bonuses based on key performance indicators.

22. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report there have been no events, items or transactions of material or unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, to significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

TENNIS ACT LIMITED
DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

In the opinion of the directors of Tennis ACT Limited ('the Company'):

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 42 to 60, are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2018 and its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



D Bisa
President



L Stone
Director

Dated at Canberra 29th day of August 2018

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



Independent Auditor's Report

To the Directors of Tennis ACT Limited,

Report on the audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the **Financial Report** of Tennis ACT Limited (the Company).

In our opinion, the accompanying Financial Report of the Company is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- giving a true and fair view of the **Company's** financial position as at 30 June 2018 and of its financial performance for the year ended on that date; and
- complying with *Australian Accounting Standards- Reduced Disclosure Requirements* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

The **Financial Report** comprises:

- Statement of financial position as at 30 June 2018
- Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, Statement of changes in equity, and Statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- Notes including a summary of significant accounting policies
- Directors' Declaration.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the *Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.



Other Information

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in Tennis ACT Limited's annual reporting which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. The Directors are responsible for the Other Information.

Our opinion on the Financial Report does not cover the Other Information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

The Other Information we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report was the Directors' Report.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information. In doing so, we consider whether the Other Information is materially inconsistent with the Financial Report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information, and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report we have nothing to report.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors are responsible for:

- preparing the Financial Report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with *Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements* and the *Corporations Act 2001*
- implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error
- assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern and whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objective is:

- to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the Financial Report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report is located at the *Auditing and Assurance Standards Board* website at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

KPMG

Gordon Sangster

Partner

Melbourne

29 August 2018

LEAD AUDITORS INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION



Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001

To the Directors of Tennis ACT Limited

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit of Tennis ACT Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2018 there have been:

- i. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

KPMG

Gordon Sangster

Partner

Melbourne

29 August 2018

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