



TENNIS NT ANNUAL REPORT



2014 - 2015



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Schools part of the National Schools Partnership Program

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Athletes and four coaches attend the Queensland Junior Teams Carnival

28

Athletes involved in the Video Analysis Program (VAP)

21

Tennis Australia Coach Members

155

People attend the 2014 Annual Tennis NT Presentation Dinner

105

Athletes involved in the 7 Project Talent Camps held across the NT

228

Registered Tournament players in the NT

8,580

Participants experiencing tennis during Community Activations, a 5% decrease on previous year

1,559

Tournament experiences accessed, a decrease of 7.9%

2,725

Registered Club Participants, an increase of 10.55% compared to the previous year



2014-15 Key Highlights

- Alice Springs Line Umpires: Kitty Brak, Gary Bigg, Virginia Moore and Leanne Usher are selected to call lines at the [Australian Open](#) in Melbourne
- Six Territory Coaches attend the [Australian Open Grand Slam Conference](#)
- Darwin announced as the host of the 2015 Davis Cup Quarter Final between Australia and Kazakhstan in July 2015
- AWOFSports wins the 2014 [Club Super Challenge](#)
- The 2015 [Katherine Open](#) attracts a year high 133 entries
- Matt Roberts from [Tennis Alice Springs](#) wins the *Eric Johnston Coach of the Year* at the 2015 Northern Territory Sports Awards
- The [Alice Springs Tennis Association](#) win their second *Club of the Year Award* at the 2014 Annual Presentation Dinner
- A Territory Team of 23, supported by four coaches, finishes 2nd overall in the [Queensland Regional Teams Event](#)
- Darwin hosts the [Bruce Cup](#) with the NT team finishing 7th
- Six Territory coaches commence the Tennis Australia Club Professional Coaching Course being held in Darwin for the first time in ten years
- The NT 12 and under boys team finish as the third ranked Australian State (6th overall) in the [Australian Teams Championships](#)
- Former Australian Open Junior Winner Brydan Klein (GBR) takes out the 2014 [Alice Springs Tennis International](#), while Alice Springs local *Ethan Scobie* qualifies for the main draw
- [Gove Peninsula Tennis Clubs](#) US College scholarship holder Caitlyn Mitchell wins the Austin Asche Trophy



As we all reflect on another year of Territory tennis, it gives us great pleasure to be presenting this report for the 2014/15 year.

As this Annual Report shows, 2014/15 has been another big year for Territory Tennis with progress in a number of strategic priority areas. This progress, which is detailed throughout the Annual Report, is coupled with some major announcements including an \$8m contribution from the Northern Territory Government towards a new major facility, and Darwin's hosting of the Davis Cup Quarter Final in July 2015.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 1: PARTICIPATION "More people playing, more often, for longer"

In alignment with Tennis Australia's vision of 'more people playing tennis', Tennis NT has maintained a focus on working with key stakeholders in engaging more people in the sport. It is pleasing to report an increase in registered club participants of 10.55% for 2014-15; this increase follows an increase of 6.29% in 2013-14. This success is largely off the back of increases in both Alice Springs (26%) and Katherine (433%) with the Alice Springs Tennis Association having an NT high of 910 registered participants.

Participation initiatives across the NT are supported by a number of National and NT specific programs which are driven by both Tennis NT and its affiliates. Programs such as ANZ Tennis Hot Shots and the National Schools Partnership Program (NSPP) continue to provide tennis with great platforms to engage new participants. These programs are complimented at a Territory level, particularly through Tennis in Schools Programs and the Power and Water Regional Development Program, which has been crucial in developing sustainability in regional areas of the NT.

The considerable work done by Tennis NT's affiliated clubs in this space cannot go unnoticed. 2014-15 has seen increased stability in centre managers and coaches which has led to continuity of programming and a greater NT wide focus on participation. This is evidenced by an increase in NSPP schools from fourteen to

sixteen. Tennis NT looks forward to continuing to work with affiliated clubs on a day to day basis, and through workshops such as the annual Centre Managers Workshop.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 2: PERFORMANCE "Developing the NT's next National Champion"

Throughout 2014-15 Tennis NT continued with its decentralised player development system, underpinned by the Territory Academies Program. A key component of this approach is the development of coaches within affiliated clubs, as such having six NT coaches undertake the Club Professional Coaching Course, and another coach commence the Junior Development Coaching Course, is very encouraging. This offering of the Club Professional Course is the first time in ten years that the course has been offered in the NT, so to have six participants holds the NT in good stead.

Tennis NT also continued its focus on creating team based opportunities for athletes of varying ages through its participation in the Queensland Regional Teams Event and the Australian Teams Championships (December Showdown). Our success in these events gave a good indication of depth across the NT with the NT finishing second overall in Queensland. In the December Showdown there were strong performances across the Board, most notably from the 12 and under boys' team who finished as the third ranked Australian state / territory behind only Victoria and South Australia (sixth overall).

From a tournaments perspective, NT tournaments saw a 7.9% decrease in participation with decreases across AMT's, JT's and JDS tournaments. Reversing this trend needs to be a focus of the NT's tennis community moving forward. On a positive note, the Katherine Open was run attracting a year high 133 entries and Alice Springs again played host to the Pro Tour which was won by Great Britain's Brydan Klein. Local player Ethan Scobie was successful in making the main draw of the event.





ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Tennis in the NT benefits from the support of a number of key stakeholders. We would like to acknowledge Tennis Australia for their widespread support of tennis in the Territory, as well as the NT Government for their continued investment in our sport. We look forwards to these positive relationships continuing to prosper in the future.

We would also like to acknowledge our various sponsors, listed on page 6, who are critical in the running of various programs across the Territory. Further to that we acknowledge the tireless work of our affiliated clubs, parents, players, coaches, and volunteers who continue to make valuable contributions to tennis in the Territory.

The work of the Tennis NT Board in 2014-15 has been of a very high level and should be acknowledged. The Board has worked hard at maintaining a strong financial position whilst positioning the organisation, and indeed the sport, for a strong future. In late 2014 the Board created history by hosting a Board meeting in Alice Springs and has committed to this engaging approach. The Board has also worked tirelessly in facilitating an NT Facilities Strategy, as well as the beginning of a strategic planning approach for 2016 beyond.

We would also like to thank Tennis NT's dedicated staff made up of Erin Bormann (Community Tennis Officer), Pat Coburn (Coach & Talent Development Manager) and Mark Pead

(Events & IT Coordinator). Tennis NT is fortunate to have such passionate and committed staff who's dedication to the sport never waivers. The team continues to be a crucial aspect in the development of tennis across the NT and we look forward to the continued work in navigating through future challenges and opportunities.

LOOKING AHEAD

2015-16 promises to be yet another massive year for tennis in the NT. Along with the hosting of the Davis Cup Quarter Final in July, we look forward to continuing to progress discussions with both levels of Government around the proposed Marrara development. We also look forward to unveiling the strategic priorities for the sport and working hard with our various stakeholders in delivering quality pathways, facilities and tennis experiences.

Warren Martin

President
Tennis NT

Sam Gibson

Manager
Tennis NT



There is a real buzz about our sport, whether it be in the suburbs of Darwin or across the wider Northern Territory.

Loyalty, Excellence, Teamwork and Humility are the values that underpin our daily operations, complemented by an innate innovative streak.

We value our excellent and highly collaborative working relationship with Tennis NT, which we believe helps drive benefits for the sport throughout the community.

The proposed Territory Tennis, Community and Events Centre for Murrumbidgee has been positively received. The world-class community, multi-support and cultural events venue in Darwin will give the Territory the ability to host major international and national events regularly, supporting tennis development and meeting community and sporting needs.

The proposed project will deliver a venue featuring a multi-use sporting and cultural events arena, 15 international standard Plexipave courts, four ANZ Tennis Hot Shots courts, a multi-purpose clubhouse and capacity for other sports.

In April, the Northern Territory government announced an \$8 million contribution towards the new facility to significantly boost the future of tennis in the region.

For the first time in history Darwin will host a Davis Cup quarterfinal tie between Australia and Kazakhstan, staged on a purpose built temporary court at the Murrumbidgee Sports Complex in July.

The joint effort from the entire tennis community has led to an incredible surge in the popularity of ANZ Tennis Hot Shots, with more than 570,000 children across the nation enjoying the experience in the last 12 months and 1043 primary schools involved.

An additional 319 new or reconditioned courts have been delivered in the past 12 months, with a total of 2154 courts delivered as part of the National Court Rebate Scheme since its inception in 2007. We continue to work together to provide quality facilities for players of all abilities at both metropolitan and regional locations.

Australian Open 2015 enjoyed a record attendance of 703,000 in a summer that also featured the global launch of FAST4 tennis and a brilliant Emirates Australian Open Series of lead in events, attracting strong attendances and excellent viewing audiences on television and online around the world.

The appointment of Pat Rafter led to a restructuring of the Performance team with the aim of building on all the good work of recent years done in each of the National Academies.

The results from the Australian players have been encouraging but there is still plenty of work to be done at all levels and we are looking forward to continuing the journey.

There are exciting plans for the continued growth and development of our sport, from grassroots to the elite level.

Participation initiatives including ANZ Tennis Hot Shots, FAST4 and our player registration program will remain a focus and continue to drive more people to play more tennis, more often at tennis courts around the country.

It has been an incredible year with a lot of successful outcomes but the most pleasing has been the growth, passion and collective effort of all our staff. They continue to excite and excel, pushing the boundaries and innovating every aspect of our business. We are ONE Team.

Thank you, your staff and Board, for your dedication, support and co-operation.

Of course, our sport would not be what it is today without the enduring support of the Australian tennis community. Players, coaches, officials, administrators and fans around the country are the often unsung heroes of tennis; thank you for your unrelenting contribution.

We are so fortunate to be part of such a passionate community and look forward to another year growing our great sport together.

Craig Tiley
CEO, Tennis Australia



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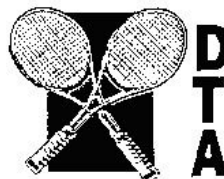
Gold Partners



Silver Partners



Bronze Partners



White Partners



About Us

Heritage

Tennis NT was established in 1980 under the incorporated name of the Northern Territory Tennis Council. The organisation changed its incorporated identity in 2005 to Tennis NT Incorporated and trades simply as Tennis NT. Its establishment was the shared vision of the founding President, Mr Max Horton OAM and a small group of interested tennis players. Their vision foresaw the need for a 'parent body' to assume a role of guidance along with the benefits of establishing relationships with the Northern Territory Government and Tennis Australia.



Tennis NT Strategic Intent: 2012 – 2016

Participation

To attract more children to tennis through Hot Shots and Tennis in Schools

- Accelerate awareness of Hot Shots across the NT
- Influence all coaches to establish Hot Shots into their coaching programs
- Consolidate and grow the lunch time schools program emphasising the link to clubs

To facilitate the excellence of community and commercial management of tennis centres

- Facilitate commercial management at every affiliated centre
- Conduct Annual Industry and Centre Manager Workshops
- Promote and educate the value of completing the Club Health Check

To attract more people to tennis via Cardio Tennis

- Grow Cardio Tennis
- Recruit coaches / deliverers
- Train coaches / deliverers
- Establish marketing plans

Performance

To develop a collaborative Athlete Development Pathway

- Establish 8 – 10 year old Training Squads in each centre
- Expand the Video Analysis Program
- Conduct 'environment specific' Project Talent Camps
- Establish Super 10s Program
- Foster collaborative relationships
- Establish Medibank Junior Development Series tournaments
- Facilitate the establishment of quality competitions
- Conduct Parent Information Forums

To provide quality competitive opportunities

- Design and promote a strategic Events Calendar
- Facilitate the automation and online entry of tournaments
- Increase the quantity and quality of officials
- Deliver innovative, engaging and well-managed major events
- Provide Tournament Directors with the skills to deliver a quality event

Enablers

Provide resources, subject matter expertise to allow Participation and Performance core drivers to deliver

- Coaches
- Places to Play
- Organisational Partnerships and Relationships
- Governance Structures
- Systems and Databases
- Marketing and Communications

In June 2015 the Tennis NT Board of Directors began the process of reviewing its strategic priorities with the view of creating and implementing a Strategic Plan for the 2016 – 2020 period.



About Us

Our People

PRESIDENT

Mr Warren Martin

VICE PRESIDENT

Ms Kate Lee

DIRECTORS

Mr David De Silva

Mr Mathew Ryan (to November 2014)

Ms Alicia Boyle (from November 2014)

Mr Paul Fitzsimons (re-appointed July 2014)

Mr Matthew Campbell

PATRON

The Hon Austin Asche AC

MANAGER

Mr Sam Gibson

COMMUNITY TENNIS OFFICER

Ms Erin Bormann

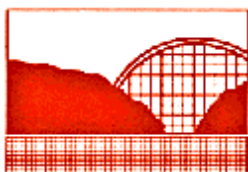
EVENTS & IT COORDINATOR

Mr Mark Pead

COACH & TALENT DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

Mr Patrick Coburn

Tennis NT Affiliates



Alice Springs Tennis Association



AWOF Sports



Darwin Tennis Association



Gove Peninsula Tennis Club



Katherine Tennis Club



Tennis Palmerston



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Honour Roll

Warren Martin	2008 – current
Sandra Smiles	2001 – 2008
Max Horton OAM	1980 – 2001

Life Members

5 November 2011	Patrick Coburn
19 March 2006	Thelma Britton John Britton
5 March 2005	Lyle Lee
7 Nov 1992	Max Horton OAM

Special Service Awards

These Awards are presented in recognition of outstanding, significant, long-term service to tennis in the Northern Territory.

6 Nov 2010	Nicky Mayer
1 March 2008	Brendan Higgins
17 Feb 2007	Di MacDonald Brenton Milner
19 March 2006	Ivy Batten Stephen Brown Jaki Hill Connolly
28 Feb 2004	Warren Foote Mereme Hyde
1 March 2003	Maggie Burke Carl Black Patrick Coburn Paul Ngamoki
24 Feb 2001	Colin Keily
26 Feb 2000	Jan Horsfall Horry Kneebone (dec) Lyle Lee
13 Feb 1999	John Britton Betty Crabb Mike Geddes Julie Mortensen Geoff Vandendriesen (dec)

Austin Asche Trophy

Policy

The Austin Asche Trophy is awarded to a junior touring player recognising the following criteria: Performance against Interstate Competitors, Sportsmanship, Contribution to Tennis in the Northern Territory and Attitude on and off the court.

Austin Asche Trophy Winners

2013-14	Caitlyn Mitchell
2012-13	Michael Shepheard
2011-12	Tom Zaleski
2010-11	Kassandra Dunser
2009-10	Kassandra Dunser
2008-09	Kassandra Dunser
2007	Kassandra Dunser
2006	Ashlee Brown
2005	Ashlee Brown
2004	Ashlee Brown
2003	Peter Parian
2002	Sarah Andrews
2001	Sarah Andrews
2000	Sarah Andrews
1999	Stephanie Lim
1998	Nicholas Bent

Club of the Year

2013-14	Alice Springs Tennis Association
2012-13	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2011-12	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2010-11	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2009-10	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2008-09	DTC Sports
2007	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2006	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2005	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2004	Alice Springs Tennis Association
2003	Katherine Tennis Club
2002	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2001	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club

Club Volunteers of the Year

Alice Springs Tennis Association

2013-14	Debbie Diemer
2012-13	Karen Brown
2011-12	Luke Horsfall
2010-11	Gary Bigg
2009-10	Tony Jennison
2008-09	Virginia Moore
2007	Bruce Scobie
2006	Craig Gallagher
2005	Chris Schultz
2004	Bruce Scobie
2003	Mark Baxter
2002	Andy Roberts
2001	Stephen Brown
2000	Geoff Hood

Darwin Tennis Association

2013-14	Kathy Hutt
2012-13	Dung Buckingham
2011-12	Des McLellan
2010-11	Gary McCulloch
2009-10	John Britton
2008-09	Nil Nomination



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Darwin Tennis Association continued

2007	Ian Redmond
2006	Kevin Stephens
2005	John Britton
2004	Jo Bruce
2003	Mark Bruce
2002	Jo Bruce
2001	Jock Bremner
2000	Cas Fletcher

DTC Sports

2011-12	Lynda Valentine
2010-11	Andrew Moo
2009-10	Warren Martin
2008-09	Ranta Lye
2007	Peter Baden
2006	Leonie Stokes
2005	Paul Stevens
2004	Leanne Tilley-Dunser
2003	Deanne Coburn
2002	Richard Waterson
2001	Megan Brown

AWOF Sports

2013-14	Terry Franklin
2012-13	Priscilla Franklin

Gove Peninsula Tennis Club

2013-14	Ledua Gentle
2012-13	Eugene Venter
2011-12	Rena Lane
2010-11	Paul Mery
2009-10	Paul Mery
2008-09	Donna Banks
2007	Michael Higgins/ Garry Hinchcliffe
2006	Susan Guerini
2005	Garry Hinchcliffe
2004	Tracy Naughton
2003	Brendan Higgins
2002	Nicky Mayer
2001	Mereme Hyde
2000	Paul Ngamoki

Groote Eylandt Tennis Club

2004	Alan McVicar
2003	Gerry McLennan
2002	Gerry McLennan
2001	Michelle Wallace
2000	Sharon Currie

Kakadu Tennis Club

2002	Richard Hutton
2001	Guy Boggs
2000	Peter Hurst

Katherine Tennis Club

2013-14	Kathy Brummitt / Amanda Kingdon
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2012-13	Lisa Alexander
2011-12	Michelle Kealy
2010-11	Kathy Brummitt
2009-10	Nil Nomination
2008-09	Steven Budarick
2007	Lisa Alexander
2006	Nil Nomination
2005	Greg Henschke
2004	Kathy Brummitt
2003	Fiona Upstill/ Fiona Walker
2002	Jan Henschke
2001	Ruth Murphy
2000	Maggie Burke

Tennis Palmerston

2013-14	Karyn Gossow
2012-13	Angelique Bos
2011-12	Robyn Woods

Palmerston Tennis Pro

2008-09	Jessica Kendall
2007	Michael Kelley Cheryl Kelley
2006	Judith Schneider
2005	Donna Johnson
2004	Nil Nomination

Sanderson Tennis Club

2004	Sam Giess
2003	Tim Nixon
2002	Oscar Parian
2001	Oscar Parian
2000	Oscar Parian

Tennis Borrooloola

2006	Delia Farlam
2005	Tania Mackay
2004	Delia Farlam

TCA - NT

2005	Robyn Woods
2004	Ryan Popovsky
2003	Robyn Woods
2002	Jaki Hill Connolly
2001	Jaki Hill Connolly
2000	Milo Bradley

Tennis Seniors NT

2009-10	Thelma Britton
2008-09	Pam Long
2007	Nil Nomination
2006	Norm Hawthorne
2005	Sally Thomas
2004	Nil Nomination
2003	Nil Nomination
2002	John Britton
2001	Thelma Britton
2000	Marie Le Cornu



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USA College Scholarships

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>University</i>
Caitlyn Mitchell	2014	Sam Houston State University
Matthew Delsar	2013	Goshen College Indiana
Hrehan Hakeem	2009	Mississippi State University
Ashlee Brown	2007	Arizona State University
Sarah Andrews	2004	Michigan State University
Benita Bittner	2000	University of North Texas
George Dubrava	2000	University of Tennessee and University of Alabama/Birmingham
Dominic Hall	1997	Austin Peay State University Tennessee
Priya Jayaraman	1993	University of Memphis
Ken Phillips	?	?

National Champions

SINGLES

<i>Name</i>	<i>National Title</i>	<i>Location</i>
Kassandra Dunser	2010 14s Grasscourt Nationals	Mildura VIC
Kassandra Dunser	2008 14s Claycourt Nationals	Perth WA
Ashlee Brown	2006 16s Winter Nationals	Bendigo VIC

DOUBLES

<i>Name</i>	<i>Platinum Event/ National Title</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Partner</i>
Kassandra Dunser	2010 14s Grasscourt Nationals	Mildura VIC	Brooke Rischbieth SA
Kassandra Dunser	2009 14s Spring Nationals	Perth WA	Brooke Rischbieth SA
Emily Webb	2009 14s Winter Nationals	Brisbane QLD	Brooke Rischbieth SA
Emily Moo	2009 12s Autumn Nationals	Mildura VIC	Olivia Tjandramulia QLD
Kassandra Dunser	2008 14s Spring Nationals	Perth WA	Lyann Hoang QLD
Kassandra Dunser	2008 12s Autumn Nationals	Mildura VIC	Brooke Rischbieth SA
Ashlee Brown	2006 16s Hardcourt Nationals	Bendigo VIC	Anna Wishink TAS
Hrehan Hakeem	2005 14s Hardcourt Nationals	Gosford NSW	Matt Reid NSW

NT Rankings as at 30 June 2015

<i>Men (Open)</i>	<i>Boys' 16/u (up to BY 1999)</i>	<i>Boys' 14/u (up to BY 2001)</i>	<i>Boys' 12/u (up to BY 2003)</i>
1. Ethan Scobie	1. Kylan Bishop	1. Liam Franklin	1. Peter Politis
2. Jake Woods	2. Liam Franklin	2. K Odonoghue-Ellis	2. Jett Leong
3. Daniel Parker	3. Jesse Russell	3. Kenneth Prete	3. Patrick Findlay
4. Nick Whyte	4. K Odonoghue-Ellis	4. Peter Politis	4. Thomas Van Haaren
5. Kylan Bishop	5. Kenneth Prete	5. Nicholas Carmichael	5. Nicolas Tremblay
6. Liam Franklin	6. Oscar Ferdinands	6. Jett Leong	6. Nicholas Boffa
7. Jesse Russell	7. Peter Politis	7. Ashley Setterfield	7. Liam Coach
8. Mathew Dudley	8. Nicholas Carmichael	8. Patrick Findlay	8. Davis Zweck

<i>Women (Open)</i>	<i>Girls' 16/u (up to BY 1999)</i>	<i>Girls' 14/u (up to BY 2001)</i>	<i>Girls' 12/u (up to BY 2003)</i>
1. Bonnie Usher	1. Bonnie Usher	1. Jaimee Murphy	1. Keely Bishop
2. Rebecca Rayner	2. Rebecca Rayner	2. Eilis Kruger	2. Anna Kruger
3. Anina Conradie	3. Rosie Henderson	3. Stephanie Rayner	3. Maya Kruger
4. Ashley Diemer	4. Natalie Roe	4. Grace Henderson	4. Trepkina Campbell
5. Rosie Henderson	5. Jaimee Murphy	5. Serena Adams	5. Jemma Gossow
6. Natalie Roe	6. Eilis Kruger	6. Keely Bishop	6. Sidni Finch
7. Jaimee Murphy	7. Stephanie Rayner	7. Anna Kruger	7. Kayla Peters
8. Eilis Kruger	8. Grace Henderson	8. Maya Kruger	8. Isabella Setterfield



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Presentation Dinner

One of the showcase events on the Tennis NT calendar is the Annual Presentation Dinner. The 2014 Dinner was held in the Grand Ballroom at SKYCITY Darwin on Saturday 15 November. 155 guests were witness to a fantastic evening of entertainment, which included special guest and tennis legend John Fitzgerald OAM.

The key feature of the evening is to celebrate the achievements of the Territory tennis community and the Champions within it: both on and off the court. Congratulations to all award winners on the night.



Alice Springs Tennis Association celebrated their first Club of the Year award since 2004 and their second overall since the establishment of this recognition in 2001. The award came off the back of a fantastic year driving both the participation and performance arms of tennis in Alice Springs.



Parents & former coach, Lyn Mitchell, Nicky Mayer & Les Mitchell accept the award on behalf of Caitlyn Mitchell, winner of the Austin Asche Trophy



Awards Category Winners were:

*Austin Asche Trophy
Club of the Year*

Caitlyn Mitchell
Alice Springs Tennis Assoc

Club Volunteers of the Year

Alice Springs Tennis Ass
Darwin Tennis Ass
AWOF Sports
Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
Katherine Tennis Club

Debbie Diemer
Kathy Hutt
Terry Franklin
Ledua Gentle
Kathy Brummitt
Amanda Kingdon
Karyn Gossow

Tennis Palmerston

ALLIED PICKFORDS Senior Points Circuit

Men
Women

Nick Whyte
Bonnie Usher

Junior Incentive Awards

Male
Female

Jake Johan
Caitlyn Mitchell



Community Tennis Report

Tennis Australia's Community Tennis Officer Program

One of the many resources utilised in the Northern Territory in order to drive promotional activities is the Community Tennis Officer program. The provision of this role also assists in the creation of necessary relationships within all areas, such as schools, clubs and communities in order to achieve the stable and sustainable growth witnessed from year to year.

Community Tennis Officer programs saw a 5.00% decrease over the 2014-15 figures, however this was due to the phasing out of volunteer coach attendance sessions in favour of extended school visit sessions which allowed for greater coach engagement with the students. The introduction of the new Sporting Schools Initiative also shows potential to create greater coach involvement within schools. This is beginning to create more engagement with coaches and schools, however we do not currently have a way to track this within the Metropolitan area, so whilst numbers appear to be decreasing, coach – school engagement is anecdotally on the rise.

	30 June 2015	30 June 2014	% change
<i>Metropolitan</i>			
Activations	30	44	31.81% decrease
Participants	2,472	3,584	31.02% decrease
<i>Northern</i>			
Activations	3	13	76.92% increase
Participants	267	1,281	79.15% decrease
<i>Central</i>			
Activations	40	7	471.42% increase
Participants	1,993	351	467.80% increase
<i>Southern</i>			
Activations	24	49	51.02% decrease
Participants	3,848	4,178	7.89% decrease
<i>TOTAL</i>			
Activations	97	113	14.15% decrease
Participants	8,580	9,032	5.00% decrease

Player Registrations

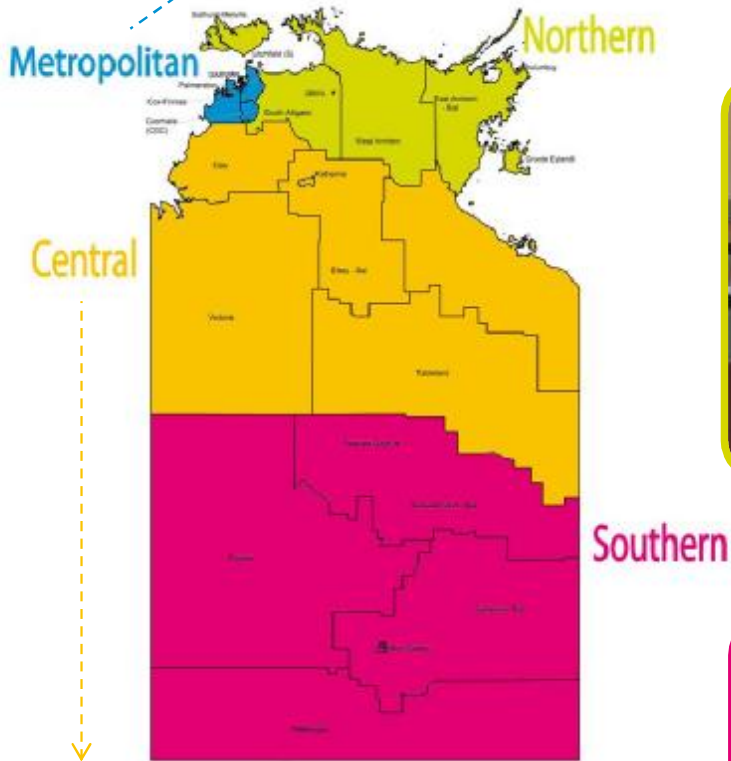
An increase in registrations was once again reported across the Southern Region. With very strong growth witnessed in the Central Region, due to the introduction of a new Club Coach and Managers. An overall growth was seen within the Northern Territory with an increase of 10.54%. Tennis NT will continue to work with all regions in an effort to continue growth trends across the Territory.

	Registered @ 31 Dec 2014	Registered @ 31 Dec 2013	% change
<i>Metropolitan</i>	1,147	1,205	4.81% decrease
<i>Northern</i>	374	486	23.04 % decrease
<i>Central</i>	288	54	433.33% increase
<i>Southern</i>	910	720	26.38% increase
<i>TOTAL</i>	2,725	2,465	10.54% increase



Community Tennis Report

Northern Territory Tennis Regions



Community Tennis Report

Power and Water Regional Development Program

In order for our coaches to continue to provide considerable investment into regional tennis development outside of the metropolitan area, Tennis NT continued its successful partnership with Power and Water. This partnership is appreciatively acknowledged.



The partnership is managed by identified program objectives documented in separate Memorandum of Understandings (MOU).

An MOU is a crucial part of ensuring that there is a strong focus on Regional and Remote tennis. As such, the MOU for the Southern (Tennis Alice Springs – Matt Roberts) Region was renegotiated with the Regional Development Officers at the beginning of 2014-15. Tennis NT also worked with the Central (Katherine Tennis Club – Sam Murch) Region in order to develop a quality MOU to help drive growth within the region.

The Central Region demonstrated a highly successful partnership with the new club coach and manager making a big impact. As reported earlier, an increase of participation of 467.80% was observed within the Central Region. There were large decreases witnessed within the Northern Region, with activations down 76.92%. This Region is now serviced by a volunteer run club who are doing a fantastic job of keep the coaching groups & competition up and running. There is however, a lack of resources needed to get out and engage surrounding communities.



Tennis NT has continued to support the club, schools and communities within the Northern Region to the best of their ability with an Intro to Hot Shots course being run for the club volunteers, a school visit and a commitment to visit the Groote Eylandt school twice in 2015-16. Tennis NT also acknowledges the continued success of the Southern Region and looks forward to this region continuing to thrive.

Centre Managers Workshop

The annual two day Centre Managers Workshop is convened to provide a forum specifically for Northern Territory tennis centre managers. Three of the NT's four regions were represented as thirteen participants gathered to network and share ideas in February 2015.



David Phillips, Tennis Australia's Professional Development Coordinator (Coach Education) once again made the trip up in order to facilitate a variety of discussions building upon the various areas the delved into last year. This included topics such as Driving Continuous Improvement and Coach Professional Development through IT.

Workshop attendees also discussed an array of topics aimed at guiding operations in the Northern Territory through the upcoming year. Topics included the Tournaments, Junior Development Series events, Schools Competitions, Tennis Connect and the Territory Academies Program.

The continuation of these workshops is crucial in order for Tennis NT to ensure a committed and united approach to the delivery of tennis across the Territory.



Community Tennis Report

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots (ANZTHS) is tennis especially for children. It incorporates smaller courts, smaller racquets and low-compression tennis balls that don't bounce too high. All of this makes learning tennis easy and best of all, fun. There are three stages – Red, Orange and Green – all of which help develop children's skills and confidence.

Across the Metropolitan Region the lunch time ANZTHS program continued throughout the July – December period, with one trial of the "Six session program". The six session program properly kicked off in February 2015 and was designed as a replacement for the lunch time sessions and was developed with the aid of teachers and coaches and to what they envisaged would work best within the school environment. Much like the lunch time sessions program, Tennis NT's Community Tennis Officer facilitates the relationship between a school and their closest local club. Coaches then attended the school for six sessions within class time, which culminated in a round robin event. This has provided greater opportunity for the students to experience tennis and has shown a higher cross-over from school sessions to club sessions than the lunch time sessions.



ANZTHS also continues to be used as the community engagement program attached to major events such as the Pro Tour.

In 2014-15 there were eight registered ANZTHS deliverers in the Northern Territory providing programs participants. The ANZTHS deliverers were:

Metropolitan

- Erin Bormann
- Matthew Dudley
- Sam Giess
- Daniel Parker
- Ben Scott
- Dennis Scrutton

Central Southern

- Sam Murch
- Matthew Roberts

Community Play

Community Play is all about enjoying tennis with friends and being a good sport. Parents (or guardians) are empowered to assist on court with scoring and reinforcing the "Be a good sport" messages.

With the departure of their Head Coach Nicky Mayer, Gove Peninsula Tennis Club (GPTC) continues on as a Community Play club run by a group of enthusiastic, hard-working committee members who give up their time to run coaching sessions and match play throughout the week.

The Community Plays Program once again held a conference at the Australian Open, January 2015. The dedicated volunteer selected to attend from the NT was *Susanna Renkwitz (pictured, right)* from KTC. Susanna got the opportunity not only to workshop with a variety of other volunteers from other states, but was also able to offer her feedback on how successful it was within the Central Region.



Tennis in Schools

Tennis Australia's National Schools Partnership Program (NSPP) continued strongly this year, through the quality connections formed by the clubs & coaches. There was also a jump in NSPP numbers to sixteen with the introduction of Katherine coach Sam Murch, who is striving to create a great base network with which to grow tennis within the Central Region.

The ongoing support of TA sponsors such as ANZ allowed for schools to continue receiving equipment packs and manuals which allows any teacher to confidently run sessions within their schools. The Playback rebate, which began in 2013, saw schools most schools once again awarded \$100+ to spend on tennis equipment of their choosing once they resigned for the new financial year.

As part of the NSPPs ongoing professional development, one primary and one secondary teacher were invited to attend the National Teachers



Community Tennis Report

Conference held at the Australian Open in January 2015. This year it was AB Mohr from St Paul's Catholic Primary School and Lisa Taylor from St John's Catholic College respectively who were selected and the Primary and Secondary school representatives from the NT.

The Inter-Schools Challenge Cup continued on for its third year between Nightcliff Primary School and The Essington School Darwin, with students from St Paul's Catholic Primary School participating for the first time. The competition was hosted by all three schools on a Thursday afternoon for four weeks from August 7 – August 28, 2014. Play was held on red ball courts at the schools for the first three weeks of the competition, with finals being played at AWOFF Sports, the partner club of all three schools. Once again, [Nightcliff Primary School \(pictured\)](#) were too strong and stole victory from Essington in what were some very tight finals matches.



Indigenous Tennis Program

Central Region Development Officer Sam Murch began his tenure with a visit to Timber Creek to promoting tennis during their "West is Best" Carnival, as part of the *Power and Water* Regional Development Program. Sam's dedication to the area was shown when he promptly got the school signed up to the National School Partnership Program, and continues to visit them and engage them in events within the Central Region. Southern Region Development Officer Matt Roberts continued his excellent work with Tennant Creek Primary School and numerous schools within Alice Springs. Without the passion and drive of our Regional Development Officers, many remote and regional schools and students would miss out on fantastic opportunities to play the great sport of tennis.

Learn Earn Legend! Indigenous Come & Try Days

The initiative known as the "Learn Earn Legend!" hit the Top End again in September 2014. Sessions began at Katherine Tennis Club on September 1, which was followed by a 2-day visit with Sam Murch and Susanna Renkwitz (KTC) to the remote community of Ngukurr. After this whirlwind trip through the Central Region, it was off to visit the NSPP schools within the Northern Region, starting with Milingimbi. Gapuwiyak was the next stop then back to the Metropolitan Region where the sessions ended out at Woolanig Homeland Christian College in Litchfield National Park.

Tennis NT would like to thank Community Partnerships - Indigenous Coach & Ambassador Ian Goolagong for his continued enthusiasm for working with these remote students and acknowledges Tennis Australia for their work in supporting Indigenous Tennis.

With the support of HK Training & Consultancy, Tennis NT developed a program to begin working with the students of Belyuen Primary School. Belyuen is located nearly 1.5 hours' drive out of Darwin, however Sam Giess and Daniel Parker of Tennis Palmerston were dedicated to providing the best service possible to these students and ensured at least one of them was in attendance for every session. The students thoroughly enjoyed their six tennis sessions and demonstrated great aptitude in a sport they had not had the opportunity to play before.



Community Tennis Report

AO Tennis Blitz

The *AO Tennis Blitz* is a campaign designed to encourage clubs, schools and individuals to “Get Court Up” in Tennis. The top 256 towns across Australia are allocated a player in the 2015 Australian Open, a truly unique way of connecting the community with the international event. The Australian Open Trophy Tour was also incorporated into the AO Tennis Blitz, creating an immense Club & Community engagement program. Tennis NT would like to acknowledge the support of Tennis Australia and its Affiliates in supporting these events.

This year saw the introduction of the Ultimate Schools, Club and Coach challenges, in which schools and clubs could host Tennis days in order to go in the draw to win \$5,000 for their school or club.

- Ultimate Schools Challenges were hosted by:
 - Nightcliff Primary School
 - St Paul’s Catholic Primary School
 - Moulden Park Primary School

Moulden Park Primary was the lucky recipient of the \$5,000 prize.

- Ultimate Club Challenge hosted and won by:
 - Katherine Tennis Club
- Ultimate Coach Challenge won by:
 - Sam Murch – Katherine Tennis Club



Top Towns

Two towns within the Territory were allocated main draw players at the Australian Open following their contributions to the AO Tennis Blitz. Palmerston (Moulden NT) scored Tomas Berdych (CZE) whilst Katherine earned themselves (and were lucky enough to meet) Garbiñe Muguruza (ESP).



Community Events

2014 saw Tennis NT take the AO Tennis Blitz to the People’s Choice Teddy Bear’s Picnic, with the assistance of local clubs and Tennis Australia staff. Lastly, if they were up to the challenge, they saw how fast they could hit the ball in the Speed Serve. Overall, this provided a fantastic community engagement platform for clubs and is something that will be continued in previous years.

Win a Wildcard

This year also saw the introduction of the inaugural “Win a Wildcard” event, a Fast4 mixed doubles tournament with the winners given the opportunity to represent the NT at the National playoffs. Hosted as part of the AO Tennis Blitz, winners of the National Playoffs were to be granted a Wildcard into the Australian Open Mixed Doubles event.



Gardens Tennis hosted the event, with two pools of four pairs competing for that elusive spot in the National Finals, but only one pair could emerge victorious. Daniel Parker and Emma Labessa won their way through to the Finals in Melbourne, however went down in a tough match against the Victorian pairing.



Northern Territory Academies Program

With a decentralised approach to player development the Academies program allows Tennis NT to both keep abreast of what programs and services are being offered in the player development space, as well as monitor the progress of athletes within the club based training programs.

In January 2015 Clubs were asked to submit their first full year of achievements against the Territory academies benchmarks. A clear learning was that players in the key ten to thirteen years development window were not doing the number of court hours required to develop them as nationally competitive athletes. In addition Club Coaches were not doing a desirable level of athlete planning and that players were not routinely accessing appropriate strength and conditioning services.

Club Extension Training Program

Following a review of the Academies program, and with the support of the metropolitan clubs, Tennis NT initiated the Club Extension Training Program. This program provided for up to three additional hours of court training plus a weekly strength and conditioning session. To access the program players had to have an individual athlete improvement plan prepared for them and be nominated by their coach.

Lesson plans for all sessions of the Club Extension Training Program were prepared by Tennis NT's CTDM and distributed to all clubs with operating squads allowing coaches to either use the plans for their sessions or take ideas, activities or drills from it to use in their own environments.

Four players were selected to attend the club extension program twice a week and four were selected to attend one session a week. The Program commenced in April 2015 and has received extremely good feedback from both club coaches and parents.

Project Talent = Coaches + Camps+ Competitions + Capture

Tennis Australia's Project Talent initiative remained a major part of Tennis NT's player development strategy. In tune with Tennis NT's decentralised player development model Project Talent was all about supporting the coaches to improve player development outcomes from their environments.

Coaches

Tennis NT's Coach and Talent Development Manager (CTDM) made 57 metro club visits working alongside club coaches in the club coaching program. The CTDM also made two extended visits to Alice Springs where he observed and was involved in a variety of club based programs. These visits were used to develop empathy with the club coaching program and to identify and discuss areas of potential improvement. The visits helped to position Tennis NT as the service provider for individual coach professional development and support.



Capture

Tennis NT entrusts its coaches with having the 'eyes and intuition' to spot and develop talent. Players that convinced their Club Coach of their potential were included in the Video Analysis Program (VAP). In all 28 athletes from Darwin Palmerston and Alice Springs benefited from being filmed and having their game reviewed. To ensure the best outcome for the player private coaches, parents and the player were involved in stakeholder meetings and jointly committed to a way forward. .

Camps

Territory athletes accessed seven local Project Talent Camp's during the reporting year. This included Club based camps at Tennis Palmerston, AWO Sports and Tennis Alice Springs and Tennis Katherine along with three Tennis NT selected camps based around interstate team participation. Tennis NT also ran the Bruce Cup lead in Camp. In total 105 athletes from across the Territory and twelve coaches were impacted by Project Talent Camps.



Athlete Development Report



In the reporting year seven parent information sessions were held covering a range of topics. In all a total of 102 parents were impacted by these sessions.

Competitions

Two Seasons of Super 10s were held in Darwin and one in Alice Springs culminating in sixteen players being selected from across the Territory to attend the Super 10s Project Talent Camp in September. From the camp four boys and four girls were selected to represent the NT in the Super 10s National Finals held at Melbourne Park during the second week of the Australian Open.

The boys' team finished 4th ahead of Vic, WA, Tas and ACT while the girls team finished 6th ahead of ACT and Tas.



National Academy Partnership

Tennis NT continues to have a strong relationship with the SA National Academy through involvement of National Academy Manager Rohan Fisher.

Rohan visited the Northern Territory twice this reporting period to work with players, consult with coaches and parents, and provide services to identified players through VAP (Video Analysis

Program). This is an 'under-pinning' program for Territory players aspiring to play at a national level.

Tennis NT acknowledges the investment of Tennis Australia in this part of our business.

Acknowledgements

The support from the centre managers in the Athlete Development space needs to be acknowledged. Without exception all of our commercial operators, generously and enthusiastically provided their facilities and give of their time.

Tennis NT would also like to acknowledge the support of the Territory Coaches who consistently go above and beyond expectations in trying to enhance the development of our next group of nationally competitive players and ultimately our next National Champion.



Athlete Development Report

Coach Education

Professional Development Sessions, Workshops and Coaching Courses

In October 2014, six Territory Coaches commenced their Club Professional Coaching qualification in Darwin. One Alice Springs based coach was able to access Tennis Australia's Junior Development Coaching qualification through a Melbourne based course run in blocks. Tennis NT ran five introduction to ANZ Tennis Hot Shots courses covering Alice Springs, Gove, Katherine and Darwin drawing forty four participants. While only one formal coach PD session was run attracting twelve coaches. Tennis NT's CTDM made 57 formal club visits to engage in individual coach professional development. This included two extended visits to Alice Springs and one to Katherine. Tennis NT recognises the pivotal role coaches play within the tennis community and offers them a wide range of support through the services of the Coach and Talent Development Manager Position.

The Tennis NT Centre Managers workshop conducted in February in Darwin was once again an outstanding success with Tennis Australia's David Phillips facilitating the discussions for the second year in a row. The workshop continues to play a vital role in coordinating the behaviours of the clubs to form a collaborative network of shop fronts to sell the game of tennis to the wider public.



2015 Australian Grand Slam Coaches Conference

Six coaches from the Northern Territory tennis coaching fraternity travelled to the 2015 Australian Grand Slam Coaches Conference held in Melbourne just prior to the Australian Open.



Australian Grand Slam
Coaches' Conference

The Northern Territory continues to have great representation from its small tennis community and Tennis NT acknowledges these coaches for their personal commitment and their desire for knowledge.

Talent Development Coaches

Tennis Australia has continued to invest in this selected network of coaches who specialise in the development of athletes under the age of fourteen. This group of coaches who are recognised for their proven ability to develop young players continue to be provided with additional professional development opportunities including travel grants.

Ultimately the purpose of this engagement is to build stronger relationships and partnerships with private coaches to improve the quality and quantity of athletes.

Benita Bittner (Gardens Tennis) Matt Dudley (AWOF Sports) and Matt Roberts (Tennis Alice Springs). Remain the Territories three Talent Development Coaches with Ben Scott (Gardens Tennis) departing in April. They are part of a National network of 140 recognised Talent Development Coaches.



Athlete Development Report

2014 Australian Teams Championships

After not participating in 2013, 2014 saw Tennis NT sent teams in the Boys 12 and 14 and the Girls 12 age groups. The boys 12 age group produced the stand out performance coming 6th of the 12 teams competing and finishing the third highest Australian State.

2014 Queensland Junior Teams Carnival

Tennis NT was represented in all divisions of the 2014 Queensland Regional Teams Carnival. The event was held from December 13 to 17 and comprised mixed teams of six players in the 11s, 13s, 15s, and 17s age groups.



The 11s place 7th of 16, the 13s 6th of 16, the 15s 7th of 16 and the 17s 8th of 14 placing the NT 2nd of the nine regions that competed. Participation in the Queensland Junior Teams Carnival proved a great success with players and coaches finding the competition to be challenging while still appropriate. Being able to provide some of our older athletes with the opportunity to represent the Territory was a particular bonus.



11s
Patrick Findlay
Jett Leong
Nicholas Boffa
Maya Kruger
Anna Kruger
Trepina Campbell
Coach: Sam Giess

13s
Kyle O'Donoghue-Ellis
Nicholas Carmichael
Ashley Setterfield
Serena Adams
Grace Henderson
Chloe Shoyer
Coach: Helen Lamech

15s
Dartanion Berryman
Callum Saunders
Tyson Usher
Natalie Roe
Rebecca Rayner
Rosie Henderson
Coach: Daniel Parker

17s
Lucas Frichot
Leighton Fuller

Bonnie Usher
Anina Conradie
Bethany Illemann
Coach: Erin Bormann



Athlete Development Report

Bruce Cup

The Northern Territory hosted the 2014 Bruce cup from August 16 to 23. The team finished seventh out of the eight teams participating. For the first year in its long history the Bruce Cup played an individual singles event in which the NT's Liam Franklin finished third. The Team was supported by *Manager* Megan Politis *Coach* Jordyn Howarth and Assistant Coach Tennis NT CTDM Pat Coburn.

Tennis NT continued to support school sport in trials, skill sessions, gala days and the 12 and under school sport exchange. For the second consecutive year the NT CTDM Pat Coburn took on the formal role of Assistant Coach to the Bruce Cup team. Along with being heavily involved in the lead up training Pat was able to provide specific tennis advice and support to both the team and support staff while benefitting from experiencing firsthand the student management strategies and practices employed by the school sport teachers.



Pictured: Back Row (L-R) Kim Kachel (Tennis Australia), John Ferguson (School Sport Secretary – Tennis), Patrick Coburn (Tennis NT representative), Brianna Smith, Jaimee Murphy, Kyle O'Donoghue-Ellis, Nicholas Carmichael, Matt Walsh, Jordyn Howarth (coach), Todd Woodbridge, Megan Politis (manager)
Front Row (L-R) Serena Adams, Ashley Setterfield, Katie Riggall, Peter Politis, Stephanie Rayner, Tyson Usher, Liam Franklin, Grace Henderson, Ellis Kruger



Athlete Development Report

Super 10s

The Northern Territory sent male and female teams of four players and a coach to the Super 10s Australian State finals played at Melbourne Park during the last five days of the Australian Open. Not only did the teams have a terrific on court tennis experience the whole super 10s cohort were given tickets and attended the 2015 Australian Open women's final courtesy of Tennis Australia.

The Territory teams did themselves proud with the boys team finishing 4th of the eight competing States and the girls 6th.



Boys' Team

Peter Politis
Patrick Findlay
Jett Leong
Nicolas Tremblay
Coach: Patrick Coburn

Girls' Team

Jemma Gossow
Trepina Campbell
Anna Kruger
Maya Kruger
Coach: Benita Bittner



Pictured: Team NT with Team SA and Lleyton Hewitt



Tournaments & Competitions Report

People's Choice Metro League



Pictured: Metro League winners Harry Lee-Schell, Ben Scott, Ben Mclachlan, Steve Lewis-Driver and Ockie Steyn

The winning team for the 2014 *People's Choice Metro League* competition was decided in September with Gardens Tennis 1 claiming the champion's pennant over Gardens Tennis 2 for the second year running. Gardens Tennis 1 was made up of the following players: Ben Mclachlan, Harry Lee-Schell, Ben Scott, Steve Lewis-Driver, Naomi Fellows and Ockie Steyn.

The competition included six teams, with each of the three Metropolitan Clubs entering two teams. Each of the six teams submitted a four person team to compete in the Metro League.

People's Choice Credit Union partnered Tennis NT in the running of the Metro League; this support is invaluable and is gratefully acknowledged by Tennis NT.

ALLIED PICKFORDS Senior Points Circuit

The *ALLIED PICKFORDS Senior Points Circuit* (SPC) comprises seven tournaments conducted across the Northern Territory. This circuit provides individuals with the opportunity to compete for SPC points as well as a cash bonus of \$500 for the winning Male (sponsored by *Darwin Financial Services*) and winning Female (sponsored by *Darwin Waterfront Corporation*) at the end of the circuit. This bonus is awarded at the Annual Presentation Dinner. The SPC tournaments are:

2014 Red Centre AMT

Steven De Waard QLD* & Alexandra Taylor NSW*

2014 HKTC Alice Springs Open

Justyn Levin VIC* & Alexandra Taylor NSW*

2015 Scope Building NT Carnival

Thomas Fancutt QLD* & Bonnie Usher ASTA

2015 Schweppes AWOFF Sports Open

Daniel Parker TP & Emma Labessa AWOFF

2015 Katherine Open Carnival

Daniel Parker TP & Bonnie Usher ASTA

2015 SKYCITY Darwin Open

Victor Crivoi ROU* & Zuzana Zlochova SVK*

2015 89th SKYCITY NT Open Championships

Victor Crivoi ROU* & Zuzana Zlochova SVK*

270 players competed during this year's Circuit, with 121 Male and 67 Female players.

Tennis NT continues its successful partnership with Naming Rights sponsor *ALLIED PICKFORDS*, who have supported this tournament series for the past nine years.



Pictured: Winning People's Choice Metro and Junior League teams.



Tournaments & Competitions Report

ALLIED PICKFORDS Senior Points Circuit Honour Roll

Men	1st		2nd		3rd	
2014-15	Daniel Parker	TP	Jake Woods	ASTA	Nick Whyte	ASTA
2013-14	Nick Whyte	ASTA	Ethan Scobie	ASTA	Matt Dudley	AWOF
2012-13	Daniel Parker	TP	Nick Whyte	ASTA	Nathan Hawke	DTA
2011-12	Ryan Palfrey	DTC	Kacy Brennan	DTC	Nicholas Munro	DTC
2010-11	Ryan Palfrey	DTC	George Shepheard	TNT	Kaelan Bates	DTC
2009-10	Ryan Palfrey	DTC	Nathan Hawke	TNT	Nicholas Munro	DTA
2008-09	Ryan Palfrey	DTC	Daniel Parker	PTP	Mark Pead	DTA
2008	Daniel Parker	PTP	Luke Bosio	DTC	Nicholas Munro	DTA
2007	Adil Hakeem	DTA	Jarron Kretschmann	ASTA	Nicholas Munro	DTA
2006	Jed Stanford	DTA	Chris Letcher	ASTA	Adil Hakeem	DTA
2005	Ben Howen	ASTA	Dominic Hall	DTC	Nicholas Munro	DTA
2004	Dominic Hall	DTC	Adil Hakeem	DTC	Isaac Wardle	DTC
2003	Tony Rehn	DTA	Dominic Hall	DTC	Adam Gromadzki	DTA
2002	Brett McLellan	DTC	Bruce McIver	DTC	Adam Gromadzki	DTA



Women	1st		2nd		3rd	
2014-15	Bonnie Usher	ASTA	Rebecca Rayner	AWOF	Ashley Diemer	ASTA
2013-14	Bonnie Usher	ASTA	Caitlyn Mitchell	GPTC	Katherine Campbell	ASTA
2012-13	Caitlyn Mitchell	GPTC	Katherine Campbell	ASTA	Bonnie Usher	ASTA
2011-12	Caitlyn Mitchell	GPTC	Bonnie Usher	ASTA	Emily Moo	DTC
2010-11	Emily Moo	DTC	Madeleine Murray	DTC	Matilda Hurst	DTC
2009-10	Tarlina Tipungwuti	DTA	Emily Moo	DTC	Kassandra Dunser	DTC
2008-09	Emily Webb	DTC	Madeleine Murray	DTC	Kassandra Dunser	DTC
2008	Matilda Hurst	DTA	Emma Labessa	DTC	Emily Webb	DTC
2007	Tarlina Tipungwuti	DTA	Matilda Hurst	DTA	Kassandra Dunser	DTC
2006	Amanda Grahame	TNT	Nancy Ferguson	DTA	Kassandra Dunser	DTC
2005	Ashlee Brown	DTC	Samantha Lim	DTA	Jennifer Woerner	DTC
2004	Jayne Robinson	DTC	Ashlee Brown	DTC	Nicole Baxter	DTC
2003	Jayne Robinson	DTC	Nicole Baxter	DTC	Sarah Andrews	DTC
2002	Sarah Andrews	DTC	Suzie Dubrava	DTC	Khia De Silva	DTC



2014-15 ALLIED PICKFORDS Senior Points Circuit
Winners Daniel Parker TP & Bonnie Usher ASTA



Tournaments & Competitions Report

Events Calendar

The Northern Territory had another busy tournament schedule with 1 Australian Pro Tour tournament, 7 Australian Money Tournaments, 8 Junior Tour tournaments and 10 Medibank Junior Development Series tournaments.

Australian Pro Tour

The Pro Tour is a series of professional tennis events that act as a bridge between junior events and the ATP/WTA Tour. These events provide an opportunity for players to earn their first World Ranking Points.

Pro Tour events are staged predominantly in regional areas across Australia. The Northern Territory held a single Men's only event in Alice Springs that saw 55 competitors compete, a marginal 3.77% increase on the previous year.

Australian Money Tournaments (AMTs)

AMTs are semi-professional tournaments introduced by Tennis Australia in 2006. They are designed to create quality match play opportunities and help with the transition of post junior athletes.

The Northern Territory conducted 1 Platinum; 2 Gold; 1 Silver; 1 Bronze and 2 White AMTs.

Of the 7 AMT tournaments, 14 events offered Australian Ranking Points and prize money. 270 competitors entered which is a decrease of 14.01% over the previous reporting period.

Junior Tour (JT)

The JT is an umbrella tour that provides a competition pathway for aspiring junior players. These tournaments offer Australian Ranking points across the 12/U, 14/U and 16/U age groups.

The Northern Territory conducted 1 Gold; 1 Silver; 2 Bronze and 5 White JT tournaments during the reporting period.

Of these 9 JT tournaments, 50 events offered Australian Ranking Points for both boys and girls across the three age groups. 827 competitors entered which was a decrease of 4.61% over the previous reporting period.

Medibank Junior Development Series (MJDS)

The MJDS sits under the JT in the Competition Pathway and is designed for beginner to intermediate players, giving them their first tournament experience. These tournaments are conducted around Australia.

Now in its third year the MJDS attracted 407 competitors over the 10 tournaments that were on offer across the Northern Territory. This is a decrease of 11.52% compared to the previous reporting period.



Tournaments & Competitions Report

Competitor Analysis

The following table identifies the number of competitors at each level of tournament. A total of 1,559 Australian Ranking Points opportunities were accessed. This was a decrease of 7.96% over the previous reporting period.

Level	Pro Tour	AMT	JT	MJDS	TOTAL
ATP	55				
Platinum		52			
Gold		95	155		
Silver		49	142		
Bronze		29	192		
White		45	338		
MJDS				407	
<i>Totals</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>270</i>	<i>827</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>1,559</i>



Tournaments & Competitions Report

Australian Pro Tour

The *Alice Springs Tennis International* was held 27 September – 05 October 2014 for the fifth time at Tennis Alice Springs. The tournament forms part of the ITF Futures calendar and was the first leg of the Northern Circuit (Alice Springs, Toowoomba and Cairns) on the Australian Pro Tour.

Tennis NT would like to acknowledge the continued sponsorship of the Northern Territory Government through the Department of Sport and Recreation, together with Alice Springs Town Council and local sponsors, the *ibis Styles Alice Springs Oasis* as the official hotel, *Emu Runs Tours* for providing tournament incidentals, together with the significant investment of Tennis Australia.



Countries represented at the *Alice Springs Tennis International* included Australia, Japan, New Zealand, the United States of America, China, Great Britain and Macedonia. Only four Northern Territory players entered into the qualifying draw to for 2014; they included Ethan Scobie, Nicholas Whyte, Jake Woods and Jingjo Brown.

In a thrilling match against fifth-seeded Qualifier Andrew Corbitt, Alice Springs local Ethan Scobie emerged victorious to claim a spot in the Main Draw, becoming the first local player to do so. Scobie then came up against seventh seed Andrew Whittington and whilst he had his chances in the first set, he was unable to capitalize on them. In the end Scobie went down 6-2 6-1.

Special thanks are extended to the small but hard working team of local volunteers and officials in Alice Springs. They included: Gary Bigg, Kitty Brak, Mike Heyburn, Virginia Moore, Tarun Soni, Leanne Usher, and the many ball kids who assisted throughout the finals.

Tennis NT gratefully acknowledges the host venue, Alice Springs Tennis Association and Tennis Alice Springs. Special thanks are also extended to Gary Bigg for loaning his personal vehicle to facilitate a range of Community Activations.

Pro Tour Honour Roll

Darwin Tennis International

	Men's Singles	Women's Singles
2011	Isaac Frost AUS	Casey Dellacqua AUS
2010	John Millman AUS	Olivia Rogowska AUS
2009	Dayne Kelly AUS	Alicia Molik AUS

Alice Springs Tennis International

	Men's Singles	Women's Singles
2014	Brydan Klein GBR	
2013	Jordan Thompson AUS	
2012	Matthew Barton AUS	
2011	Michael Look AUS	Olivia Rogowska AUS
2010	Colin Ebelthite AUS	Sacha Jones AUS
2009*	Jamie Baker GBR	Sacha Jones AUS

*The tournament was played in Darwin in a 'caretaker' role until the facility upgrade in Alice Springs was completed.



Pictured: Brydan Klein (GBR), winner 2014 Alice Springs Tennis International



Pictured: Jarmere Jenkins (USA) & Mitchell Krueger (USA), Doubles Champions 2014 Alice Springs Tennis International



Tournaments & Competitions Report

SKYCITY Darwin Open

The reporting period saw the SKYCITY Darwin Open, now in its seventh year under the directorship of Tennis NT, split into two separate tournaments (JT White and AMT Gold), conducted back-to-back to allow higher level AMT competitors the opportunity to play the AMT Gold and AMT Platinum with minimal 'downtime' between tournaments.



2015 Winners Zuzana Zlochova & Victor Crivoi

The SKYCITY Darwin Open – AMT Gold attracted 61 entries across four events, with international representation from New Zealand and Slovakia as well as interstate representation from New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria, Western Australia and from across the Northern Territory. This was an decrease of 5% compared to AMT numbers last year.

While the SKYCITY Darwin Open – JT White attracted 83 entries across ten events, an increase of 29.69% compared to JT numbers the previous year.

Lastly, a JDS event was also conducted, attracting 43 entries across Orange and Green ball events.

Tennis NT would like to thank the group of dedicated officials who helped make the SKYCITY Darwin Open such a success.

Referee Warren Martin

Court Supervisors Sue Bormann
Jenny Roe

Darwin Open Honour Roll

<i>Champions</i>	<i>Men's Singles</i>	<i>Women's Singles</i>
2015	V. Crivoi	Z. Zlochova
2014	M. Robins	Z. Zlochova
2013	D. Polkinghorne	D. Hollands
2012	D. Polkinghorne	T. Tipungwuti
2011	D. Polkinghorne	T. Tipungwuti
2010	R. Palfrey	A. Hadzic
2009	R. Palfrey	J. Swift
2008	H. Hakeem	S. Lim
2007	E. Bouchier	N. Ferguson
2006	S. Robertson	A. Graham
2005	B. Howen	A. Brown
2004	B. Howen	A. Hubacek
2003	D. Fernandez	K. Condon
2002	C. Ebelthite	S. Andrews

SKYCITY NT Open Championships

The 89th NT Open Championships, which was an AMT Platinum and JT Bronze, attracted 187 entries across eighteen events, with 49 interstate competitors, including; New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia, as well as international representation from New Zealand, Romania, Serbia and Slovakia. Overall, event entries decreased 16%.



One new NT Open Champion was crowned and one returning Champion retained their title to have their names etched into the Parap Cup (Men's Trophy) and Barden Trophy (Women's Trophy).

It was the top four Men's seeds that fought through to the semi-finals, with top seed Victor Crivoi (ROU) proving too strong once again in order to claim back-to-back victories at both the Darwin and NT Open.

He took on 3rd seed Mitchell Robins in the finals. After a dominant first set win, Mitchell Robins fought back but was unable to get over the line, going down 6-2 7-5.

The Women's draw also saw the top four seeds advance to semi-finals and was a repeat of the Men's draw with the 1st and 3rd seeds progressing to finals.



Tournaments & Competitions Report

Top seed Zuzana Zlochova of Slovakia faced off against 3rd seed Alicia Smith (QLD) who took the first set and fought hard however in the end Zlochova was too consistent, winning 4-6 6-3 7-6(5).



2015 Winners Victor Crivoi & Zuzana Zlochova

A Junior Development Series was also conducted during the Championships with aspiring Orange and Green Ball players playing in a modified environment and being able to witness some high class tennis action over the weekend.

Tennis NT acknowledges the generous support of SKYCITY Darwin, the naming rights sponsor of the Darwin Open and NT Open Championships as well as valuable co-sponsor, Southern Cross Television.



Pictured: Victor Crivoi in action



Pictured: Zuzana Zlochova in action

Tennis NT would also like to thank the dedicated group of volunteers and officials who continue to help make the SKYCITY NT Open Championships such a success.

Referee

Court Supervisors

Chair Umpires

Lines Umpires

Physio

Warren Martin

Sue Bormann

Jenny Roe

Olivier Calvignac (VIC)

Gary Bigg

Virginia Moore

Leanne Usher

Mike Heyburn

Rhys Janes



Tournaments & Competitions Report

NT Open Honour Roll

Champions	Men's Singles	Women's Singles	Champions	Men's Singles	Women's Singles
2015	V. Crivoi	Z. Zlochova	1969	W. Ravenswood	Y. Cosgrove
2014	D. Polkinghorne	Z. Zlochova	1968	W. Ravenswood	Y. Cosgrove
2013	K. Hensel	I. Holland	1967	R. Berry	Y. Cosgrove
2012	R. Palfrey	E. Burns	1966	W. Ravenswood	A. May
2011	J. James	T. Tipungwuti	1965	K. Chin	M. Callier
2010	E. Bourchier	A. Hadzic	1964	K. Chin	C. McConaghy
2009	E. Bourchier	J. Swift	1963	K. Chin	J. Calvert
2008	C. Marsland	A. Hadzic	1962	R. Forscutt	J. Calvert
2007	E. Bourchier	N. Ferguson	1961	E. Hamilton	J. Calvert
2006	C. Letcher	N. Ferguson	1960	E. Hamilton	J. Koehne
2005	S. Robertson	A. Brown	1959	E. Hamilton	V. Clarke
2004	B. Howen	M. Sorbello	1958	R. Forscutt	V. Clarke
2003	M. Leong	K. Condon	1957	K. Chin	V. Clarke
2002	B. McLennan	D. McIntyre	1956	J. Casson	S. Robertson
2001	B. McLennan	N. T. K. Trang	1955	J. Faull	V. Clarke
2000	M. MacMahon	D. Blackwell	1954	J. Trama	Miss Radford
1999	S. Martin	D. McIntyre	1953	A. Alle	Unknown
1998	J. Gould	N. Sewell	1952	N. Belle	Mrs. Hart
1997	J. Gould	D. Blackwell	1951	H. Chia	Not Conducted
1996	M. MacMahon	D. Blackwell	1950	E. Davies	Not Conducted
1995	D. Culley	R. Balodis	1949	J. Falk	Not Conducted
1994	D. Culley	D. Blackwell	1948	A. Swan	Not Conducted
1993	D. Culley	D. Blackwell	1947	E. Hargreaves	Not Conducted
1992	M. Hill	R. Tucker	1940-46	Not Conducted	Not Conducted
1991	P. Davis	R. Tucker	1939	H. Foster	Not Conducted
1990	B. Tucker	R. Walker	1938	K. Fuller	D. Abott
1989	W. Foote	C. Biurra	1937	A. Dawson	D. Abbott
1988	W. Foote	C. Finnegan	1936	K. Fuller	Mrs. Smythe
1987	W. Foote	M. Lonergan	1935	A. Bush	Unknown
1986	A. Evans	L. Weetaseke	1934	C. Webb	Unknown
1985	A. Evans	K. Ballard	1933	C. Webb	Mrs. Forster
1984	N. Coltos	S. Duigan	1932	R. Edwards	M. Lord
1983	K. Robinson	C. Miller	1931	C. Webb	L. James
1982	A. Lane	N. Leipus	1930	K. Curry	L. James
1981	A. Lane	J. Brimson	1929	G. Webb	Unknown
1980	R. Berry	J. Brimson	1928	R. Edwards	Ms. Blesser
1979	R. Berry	J. Brimson	1927	R. Edwards	Not Conducted
1978	R. Staines	J. Brimson	1926	H. Naylor	Not Conducted
1977	R. Berry	L. Horton	1925	A. Brown	Not Conducted
1976	R. Staines	K. Clothier	1924	A. Brown	Not Conducted
1975	I. Bidmeade	L. Horton	1923	G. Feakes	Not Conducted
1974	W. Ravenswood	R. Theiss	1922	J. MacKenzie	Not Conducted
1973	W. Ravenswood	J. Brimson	1921	E. Dennis	Not Conducted
1972	W. Ravenswood	S. Klose	1920	E. Dennis	Not Conducted
1971	W. Ravenswood	S. Klose			
1970	W. Ravenswood	L. Young			



Tournaments & Competitions Report

NT Age Championships & Darwin Age Titles

The NT Age Championships JT Gold and Darwin Age Titles JT Silver were conducted back to back and attracted 295 competitors (an increase of 32% compared to last year) with representation from New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria, Western Australia and from across the Northern Territory.

With Tennis Australia restructuring the four National Championships to eight State / Territory Championships, each State and Territory had to promote a prominent JT tournament to the Championship status. The NT Age Titles, now in its third year as a JT Gold seemed the appropriate tournament due to its attraction to interstate travellers, NT school holidays and its association with the Darwin Age Titles preceding it. The Darwin Age tournament was also upgraded to JT Silver to help further attract interstate participation.



Pictured: Winners 16/U Girls Doubles Rebecca Rayner (AWOF) & Nicola Pavlic (SA) with Runners Up Serena Adams (AWOF) & Natalie Roe (AWOF).

Junior Development Series events were also conducted during these tournaments. 79 beginner to intermediate players (an increase of 17.91% compared to last year) took part in a variety of events including: Orange and Green Ball singles and doubles. Having these events conducted at the same venue and at the same time allowed these younger players to experience the culture of a tournament, the fun that can be had, and perhaps aspire to becoming a future tennis star. Along with allowing older juniors to give back to the tennis community by scoring and assisting the JDS players were necessary.



Tennis NT would also like to thank the group of dedicated volunteers and officials without whom, the NT Age Championships and Darwin Age Titles would not be such a success.

Referee Warren Martin
Court Supervisors Sue Bormann
Julie Dawson
Jenny Roe
Venues Gardens Tennis
AWOF Sport



Intra-Territory Travel Grant

Throughout 2014-15 a total of \$4,845.45 was distributed to tournament competitors traveling to Territory tournaments.

The purpose of these Grants is to increase participation in Northern Territory Australian Ranking point's tournaments that are sanctioned on the Tennis NT Events Calendar.



Tennis NT acknowledges People's Choice Credit Union for their valuable support.



Tournaments & Competitions Report

Officials Development

One officials' development session was conducted during the reporting period. This was conducted at the SKYCITY NT Open Championships in the Metropolitan Region, with 4 officials in attendance. Unfortunately, there were no courses conducted during the reporting period in any of the regions. It is hoped this culture will change with the increase of tournaments in the Metro and Central regions.

Whilst the Northern Territory faces challenges in officials to tennis in some regions, it must be noted that the group of officials in Alice Springs continues to grow both in number and confidence as they take advantage of all development opportunities offered.

During the 2014 Alice Springs Tennis International, the Alice Springs officiating team provided nine of the ten line umpires for the six days of competition. This is a rarity on the Australian Pro Tour circuit, with the majority of venues having to fly in line umpires.



Alice Springs Officials, *Kitty Brak, Leanne Usher, Virginia Moore* and *Gary Bigg* (pictured) were once again selected to call lines at the Australian Open for 2015. Gary and Leanne received the opportunity to call lines during the Wheelchair Singles finals with Gary also getting to work the Fast4 demonstration with Rafael Nadal. All four of the Alice Springs officials had the opportunity to call lines on both Margaret Court Arena, with Gary also getting to work 2 night session on Rod Laver Arena. Virginia reported some highlights as getting to call lines for players such as Kokkinakis, Wozniacki & Dellaqua. Kitty had the opportunity to call for Wawrinka & Venus Williams and found her on court time both exhilarating and nerve-wracking, especially when a call of hers was challenged. We hope to see even more of our local Alice Springs officials receive the opportunity to work at the Australian Open for 2016 and will be keeping a close eye on them.

Our Alice Springs officials are very special to us as even though they work such high quality, world class events, they are still eager to officiate grassroots matches on home turf and up in Darwin. This is sure to be an inspiration to their officiating peers, to continue striving for the next level.



Pictured: Warren Martin (NT referee), Gary Bigg, Henry Brunekreef (NSW), Ben Carter (NSW), Virginia Moore & Leanne Usher



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Tennis NT's website continues to be used as a means of publishing specific information about Tennis NT and its services, along with the promotion of programs and events.

2014-15 saw a 3.59% increase in website 'hits' compared to the previous reporting period.

	2013-14	2014-15
Hits	14,228	14,740

Social Media

Tennis NT continues to use social media to engage with and provide information to its members, along with engaging with the various clubs Facebook pages through upcoming events and good news stories.

This instant information has been crucial to keep fans engaged, while appealing to a wider audience with constant and relevant updates. 77 posts were conducted during the five months of reporting, with 259 'Likes'. The highest recorded post reached 1,647 fans with 108 clicks and 70 'Likes'.



Territory Tennis Talk (e-newsletter)

The *Territory Tennis Talk* gives a brief overview of current news and information. It is hoped the continuation of this e-newsletter will strengthen our programs and events marketing, acknowledgement of our achievements, and importantly acknowledgement of our partners.

Seven e-newsletters were circulated to an ever increasing database of Tennis NT registered players and interested interstate enthusiasts. On average 2,256 e-newsletters were delivered with an average 25.46% open rate, this is an increased delivery rate of 4.68% compared to the previous reporting period.

Media

Regular and event specific circulation of media releases to Territory media outlets proved to be beneficial in gaining exposure for tennis, particularly during tournaments.

94 articles were accounted for during the 2014-15 period, an increase of 77.35% from the previous year. They were extracted from the pages of the *NT News*, *Sunday Territorian*, *Darwin & Palmerston Sun*, *Katherine Times*, *Centralian Advocate*, *Tennant & District Times* and *Arafura Times*.

The *Power and Water Corporation January update* as well as the *Energy Source & Distribution Magazine* also contained relevant media about the Power and Water Regional Development Program.

Local and international tournaments, particularly the 2015 Davis Cup tie in Darwin and Pro Tour Event in Alice Springs, provided the highest exposure opportunities within the print media.

Radio stations, *Hot 100*, *Mix 104.9* and *ABC Radio* provide consistent coverage in their local sports reports when briefed with media releases. Radio interviews were also conducted with ABC's *Grandstand*, *Darwin Mornings* and *Saturday Breakfast*; *Hot 100's Around the Grounds*; *Sun FM* and *Territory FM*.



Governance

Constitution

Tennis NT is a not-for-profit incorporated association registered in the Northern Territory. The association's purpose is to:

- Support the growth and development of tennis in the NT
- Make a positive contribution to the national and international community
- Provide progressive opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to participate
- Develop and improve infrastructure
- Ensure access is available and appealing to consumers' via media outlets

Tennis NT's Constitution was modified and adopted at Tennis NT's last Annual General Meeting held 2 November 2013 at SKYCITY Darwin. Further modifications were made and adopted at a Special General Meeting held 20 February 2014.

Thirty people attended the 2014 AGM, including thirteen delegates with voting rights. Elections for the Vice-President position and two Director positions were held with Kate Lee (Vice-President), Matthew Campbell (Director) and Alicia Boyle (Director) all elected unopposed.

Board of Directors

The Tennis NT Board comprises five Directors including a President and a Vice-President. In accordance with the Constitution the election of positions is rotational to ensure continuity of corporate knowledge. The Constitution also allows for the appointment of up to two independent Directors, appointed by the Board.

The Board of Directors is responsible for setting the strategic direction of the association and monitoring management's performance against the targets and priorities set.

Six meetings were conducted during the reporting period. Attendances are recorded as follows.

	Eligible	Attended
Warren Martin	6	5
Kate Lee	6	5
David De Silva	6	4

Matthew Campbell	6	5
Alicia Boyle	4	4
Mathew Ryan (to November 2014)	2	1
Paul Fitzsimons	6	5

Annual Industry Workshop

As part of its engagement with stakeholders, Tennis NT conducts a Workshop immediately following the Annual General Meeting seeking feedback as well as engaging stakeholders in discussions around the key issues impacting on tennis in the Northern Territory.

The 2014 Workshop contained a diverse range of topics, with a specific focus on Tennis NT's strategic priorities within both performance & participation. Kim Kachel, Manager of Competitions at Tennis Australia, presented Tennis Australia's national vision for Competitions and engaged participants in a number of discussions relevant to the Competitions space.

The Annual Industry Workshop agenda also included the following areas of discussion:

- What successful tournaments look like
- Tennis Connect
- Facility Development
- Community Tennis and the transition to clubs
- Athlete Development: Challenges and Successes

All six affiliated members also presented at the Workshop on varying topics. All presentations were aimed at sharing best practice.



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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF TENNIS NT INCORPORATED

Scope

I have audited the attached special purpose financial report of Tennis NT Incorporated for the year ended 30 June 2015. The Association's Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report, and the information contained therein, and has determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the entity's Constitution and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. I have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion to the members of Tennis NT Incorporated on its preparation and presentation. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members. The financial report has been prepared for distribution to the members for the purpose of fulfilling the Board of Directors financial reporting requirements under the Association's Constitution and the *Associations Act*. I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates, to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

My audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial report and the requirements of the *Associations Act*. These do not require the application of all Accounting Standards.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Qualification

The Association only records amount received for fundraising, donations and function receipts when these amounts are banked, as it is not practical to establish control over such income prior to its initial entry. My audit relating to such income was therefore limited to ensuring that the amounts banked are properly recorded in the accounts.

Qualified Audit Opinion

In my opinion, subject to the matters referred to in the above qualification paragraph, the financial report presents fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial report and the *Associations Act*, the financial position of Tennis NT Incorporated at 30 June 2015 and the results of its operations for the period then ended.



SUSANNE LEE, FCPA
DATED 27/07/2015

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Statement by the Board

TENNIS NT INCORPORATED Year ended 30 June 2015

In our opinion –

- (a) the financial report, as set out on the following pages, being a special purpose financial statement, is drawn up so as to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association as at 30 June 2015 and the results of the Association for the year ended on that date;
- (b) the accounts of the Association have been properly prepared and are in accordance with the books of account of the Association; and
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

We confirm as follows:

- (a) The names of each Board Member of the Association during the relevant financial year were:

President	Warren Martin
Vice President	Kate Lee (since September 2014)
Director	David De Silva
Director	Matthew Campbell
Director	Mathew Ryan (resigned November 2014)
Director	Paul Fitzsimons
Director	Alicia Boyle (since November 2014)

- (b) The principal activities of the association during the relevant financial period were to promote, develop and manage the sport of tennis in the Northern Territory.
- (c) The net deficit of the association for the relevant financial period was: (\$18,200.30)

Signed at Darwin on 28 August 2014

Warren Martin.



President

Vice President



Financial Statements

<i>TENNIS NT INCORPORATED</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>30 June 2015</i>	<i>30 June 2014</i>
		\$	\$
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank		8,516.13	67,195.00
Cash Management Account		16,802.63	43,584.88
Investment	2	712,496.44	700,000.00
Petty Cash		200.00	200.00
Prepaid Expenses	3	7,744.29	4,104.99
Receivables		80,508.44	61,267.05
GST Paid on Purchases		6,499.59	5,927.17
Accrued Income	4	12,050.19	11,685.46
Total Current Assets		844,817.71	893,964.55
Non-Current Assets			
Loan Receivable	5	15,000.00	15,000.00
Property, Plant and Equipment	6	47,676.93	47,676.93
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(45,840.42)	(39,656.50)
Total Non-Current Assets		16,836.51	23,020.43
Total ASSETS		861,654.22	916,984.98
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade Creditors		42,779.04	24,377.02
Accrued Expenses		10,785.15	12,340.43
Income Received in Advance	7	1,519.98	16,198.65
Officials Development Fund	8	10,000.00	2,845.60
Feasibility Study - Territory Tennis Centre	9	0.00	61,798.56
TCA-NT Scholarship Fund	10	20,200.00	5,886.21
Staff Entitlements		39,332.31	35,551.85
GST Collected from Sales		14,190.63	16,939.25
Total LIABILITIES		138,807.11	175,937.57
Net ASSETS		722,847.11	741,047.41
EQUITY			
Retained Profits at beginning of Period		541,047.41	718,677.87
Facility Development Fund Reserve	11	176,765.02	0.00
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)		5,034.68	22,369.54
Total EQUITY	12	\$722,847.11	\$741,047.41



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TENNIS NT INCORPORATED

Income

30 June 2015

30 June 2014

Tennis Australia Grants			
Administration		110,525.00	109,094.00
Athlete Development		19,494.00	20,899.21
Community Tennis		42,585.00	22,900.00
Events		16,962.00	24,000.00
Total		189,566.00	176,893.21

Government Grants			
Business Development		186,000.00	186,000.00
Total		186,000.00	186,000.00

Administration			
Affiliation fees	13	11,436.33	8,800.00
Insurance		4,576.67	5,350.01
Bank Income		25,828.01	26,360.97
Premises		28,500.00	20,500.00
Sundry Income		0.00	400.00
Total		70,341.01	61,410.98

Athlete Development			
Sponsorship		1,700.00	0.00
National Teams Tour		14,816.61	25,139.38
Total		16,516.61	25,139.38

Community Tennis			
Presentation Dinner		6,343.45	4,775.46
Regional Development Program		10,000.00	10,000.00
Total		16,343.45	14,775.46

Operations and Events			
Ball Sales		310.27	355.00
Competitor Sanction Fees		6,586.36	5,759.10
Intra-Territory Travel Grant		3,000.00	4,000.00
Metro League		3,218.45	4,000.00
Darwin and NT Age Titles		9,164.72	8,600.51
NT Open Championships		16,410.94	12,153.60
Darwin Open		10,671.91	10,424.65
Senior Points Circuit		500.00	5,600.00
Tournament Development		1,555.66	2,667.78
Total		51,418.31	53,560.64

Total Income **530,185.38** **517,779.67**

Expenditure

Athlete Development			
Coach Development	14	14,333.79	59.08
National Teams Tour		32,672.49	40,149.30
Player Travel Grants		5,890.00	2,706.39
Total		52,896.28	42,914.77

Community Tennis			
Centre Managers Workshop		2,594.49	3,726.75
Presentation Dinner		9,568.45	6,529.89
Indigenous Tennis Program		787.27	1,630.35
Regional Development Program		27,137.76	16,097.87
Tennis in Schools		6,936.30	5,274.75
TennisConnect Club Grants		4,715.00	0.00
Total		51,739.27	33,259.61



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TENNIS NT INCORPORATED

Expenditure (cont'd)

	30 June 2015	30 June 2014
Operations and Events		
Intra-Territory Travel Grant	4,845.45	8,450.00
Metro League	1,806.19	1,466.07
Darwin and NT Age Titles	13,165.71	8,662.65
NT Open Championships	24,990.18	27,250.40
Darwin Open	12,585.55	12,029.19
Senior Points Circuit	1,500.00	1,500.00
Pro Tour	9,590.58	11,857.66
Officials Development	7,154.40	1,800.00
Tournament Development	3,803.06	3,615.63
Total	79,441.12	76,631.60
Staff		
Salaries	205,504.29	207,809.62
Superannuation	19,174.88	18,106.61
Workers Compensation	3,375.99	3,446.83
Staff Amenities & Uniforms	340.97	142.60
Professional Development	245.46	432.97
Total	228,641.59	229,938.63
Administration		
AGM	2,110.91	229.09
Audit Fees	2,200.00	2,100.00
Annual Industry Workshop	6,768.18	6,129.00
Bank Charges	314.29	170.56
Depreciation	6,183.92	6,624.98
Equipment	725.14	395.69
FBT	2,389.25	2,310.89
Insurance	3,588.00	4,636.00
Motor Vehicle	1,471.85	3,646.53
Marketing Costs	3,977.28	3,975.88
Petty Cash	186.69	388.61
Meetings	440.39	334.68
Postage	155.27	80.76
Premises	62,732.34	63,838.23
Printing and Stationery	2,278.67	2,648.54
Telephone	6,904.38	7,244.42
Travel	9,915.40	7,911.66
Bad & Doubtful Debts	90.48	0.00
Strategic Facility	23,234.98	0.00
Total	135,667.42	112,665.52
<i>Total Expenditure</i>	<i>548,385.68</i>	<i>495,410.13</i>
<i>Net DEFICIT</i>	<i>(\$18,200.30)</i>	<i>\$22,369.54</i>



TENNIS NT INCORPORATED

Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2015

Note 1

Summary of Accounting Policies

The accounting policies adopted by the Association are stated in order to assist in a general understanding of the Financial Statements. These policies have been consistently applied except as otherwise indicated.

Reporting entity

The Association is not a reporting entity because in the Board's opinion there are likely to exist users who are able to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy all of their information needs, and these accounts are therefore "special purpose accounts" that have been prepared solely to meet the requirements of the Constitution and the Associations Act.

Accounting policies

The Financial Report has been prepared under the historical cost conventions and does not take into account changing money values except to the extent that they are reflected in the revaluation of certain assets. In order for the Financial Report to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association and the results of the Association for the year, Australian Accounting Standards have been adopted to the extent disclosed in this note.

Government Grants

Government Grants are brought to account as income when the Association receives them. Unspent Grants are transferred to an appropriate liability account.

Assets

Asset purchases that have a life of greater than one year are capitalised and depreciated over the period of the estimated useful life of the asset. The estimated useful life for the assets purchased is three years for computer and IT equipment and five years for plant and equipment.

Employee Entitlements

The amounts expected to be paid to employees for their pro rata entitlement to annual leave and long service leave are accrued annually at current pay rates.

Income tax

The Association is of the opinion that it is not subject to income tax.

Note 2

Investment

The investment is currently held at People's Choice Credit Union, previously named Australian Central Savings & Loans.

Note 3

Prepaid Expenses

This is made up of insurance allocations to the next financial year – both Workers Compensation insurance and the National Insurance Program, and Salaries paid on 30 June for the period covers from 22 June to 3 July 2015.

Note 4

Accrued Income

This is made up of Interest to June 2015 on People's Choice Credit Union Investment and Entry fees for NT & Darwin Age collected by Active Network however not received in the bank as at 30 June 2015.

Note 5

Loan Receivable

Alice Springs Tennis Association Incorporated received a loan of \$15,000 to assist its facility upgrade that was undertaken in 2010. A Loan Agreement has been exchanged. The Loan will be repaid within 10 years.



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Note 6

Property, Plant and Equipment

There was no Property, Plant and Equipment purchased in 2014-15.

Note 7

Income Received in Advance

National Insurance Program receipts from Affiliates to be allocated to the next financial year in line with the related cost.

Note 8

Officials Development Fund

In 2010, Tennis NT was successful in securing \$2,845.60 of 'unclaimed monies' from the dissolved *Northern Territory Tennis Umpires Association*. This group ceased to function during the period 1996-97 and the remaining funds held in their bank account were surrendered by the bank in 2004 to the *Australian Securities and Investments Commission*. The money is held in trust for Officials Development.

An additional amount of \$7,154.40 has been raised and endorsed by the board in September 2014.

Note 9

Feasibility Study - Territory Tennis Centre

In 2005, \$50,000 was committed to progress the development of a *Territory Tennis Centre*. At various stages funds have been expended to design concept drawings to enhance the case.

During 2014-15 financial year, the funds have been spent in full and Facility Development Fund Reserve is newly created. (Refer to Note 11)

Note 10

TCA-NT Scholarship Fund

In 2006, TCA-NT dissolved and instructed that its residual funds be given to Tennis NT on the provision that the funds be held in trust as a scholarship fund, specifically for coach education and development.

This has been increased to \$20,200 endorsed by the board in September 2014.

Note 11

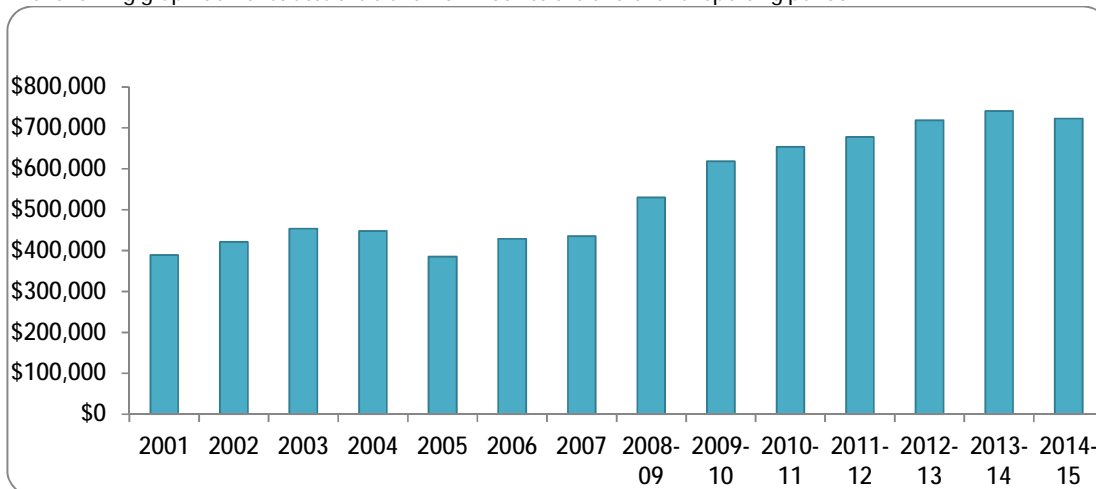
Facility Development Fund Reserve

In 2014, Tennis NT Board endorsed and committed \$200,000 to the Facility Development Fund for the development of facilities throughout Northern Territory.

Note 12

Equity

The following graph demonstrates the trend from 2001 to the end of this reporting period.



Note 13

Affiliation fees

	2014-15	2013-14
Alice Springs Tennis Association	2,690.90	2,600.00
Darwin Tennis Association	2,909.08	2,800.00
AWOF Sports (prev DTC Sports)	2,254.54	2,200.00
Gove Peninsula Tennis Club	1,327.27	1,300.00
Katherine Tennis Club	2,254.54	2,200.00
Tennis Palmerston (12/13 Fee reversed in 13/14)	0.00	(2,300.00)
TOTAL	\$11,436.33	\$8,800.00

Note 14

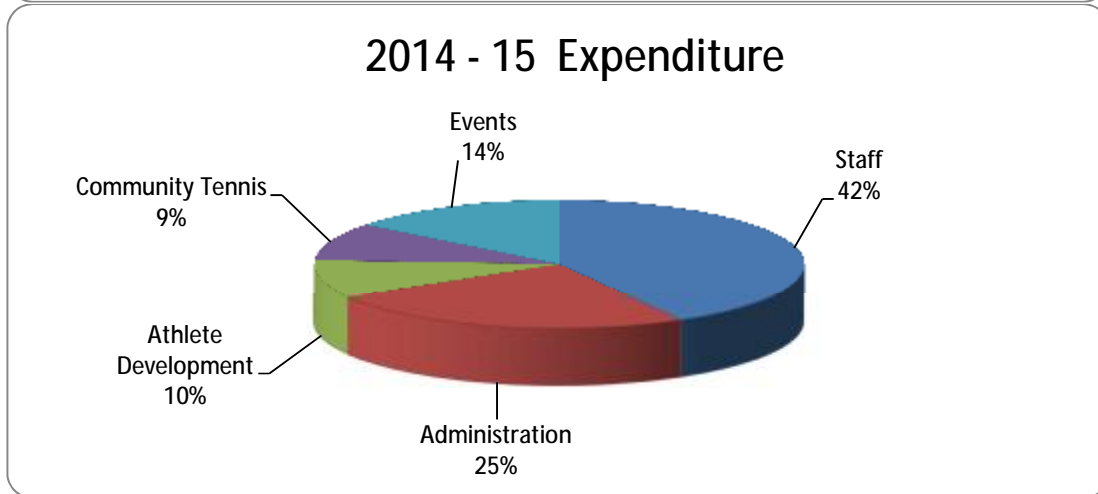
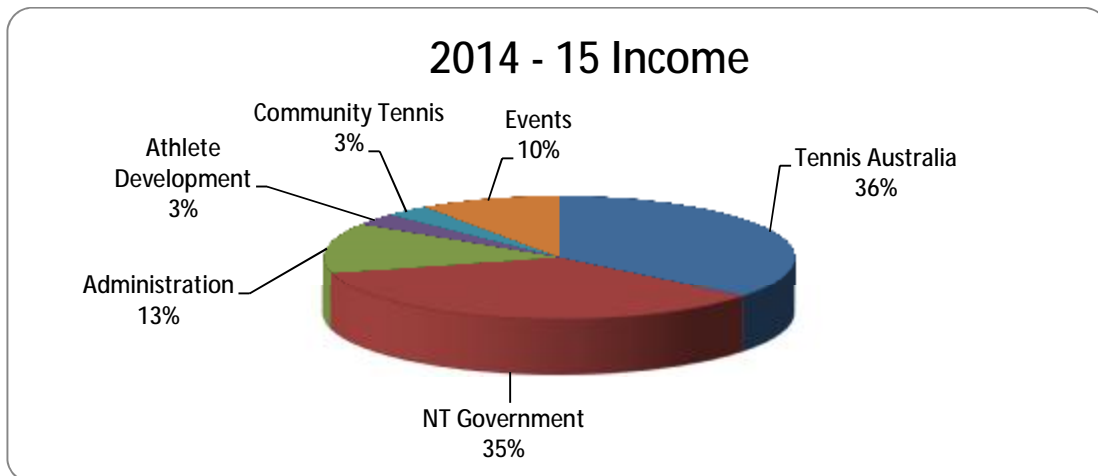
Coach Development

This was accounted for in line with raising the TCA-NT Scholarship Fund during 2014-15 financial year. (Refer to Note 10)

Note 15

Strategic Facility

Expenses incurred during 2014-15 financial year in relation to the Development within the Marrara Sporting Complex. (Refer to Note 11)





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