



# *Tennis NT*

*Annual Report  
2012 - 13*

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## July 2012

- John Fitzgerald officially opens the Nightcliff Primary School *MLC Tennis Hot Shots* courts, Australia's first permanent school based *Hot Shots* courts
- National Academy Manager – SA, Rohan Fisher conducts a Video Analysis Program camp in Darwin
- Evonne Goolagong-Cawley launches the *Learn Earn Legend!* Program in Darwin

## August 2012

- Evonne Goolagong-Cawley conducts Come & Try days in Palmerston, Gove and Alice Springs

## September 2012

- Men's Pro Tour event played in Alice Springs
- Super 10's Talent Camp conducted at DTC Sports and Gardens Tennis
- DTC Sports 2 win People's Choice Metro League
- Matthew Dudley commences as the Director of DTC Sports



## October 2012

- INPEX join the tennis community as a new partner of the Annual Industry Workshop, Centre Manager's Workshop and Annual Presentation Dinner
- The NT School Sport Team finish 7<sup>th</sup> out of 8 teams at the Bruce Cup in Perth, WA
- Australian Open Trophy Tour stops by in Nhulunbuy

## November 2012

- Nightcliff Primary School win the inaugural Inter-School Challenge Cup
- Tennis Australia's Developmental Tennis Manager, Scott Draper, visits the NT to present Tennis Australia's vision at the Annual Industry Workshop and makes a guest appearance at the Annual Presentation Dinner
- Gove Peninsula Tennis Club win their eighth *Club of the Year Award* at the Annual Presentation Dinner
- NT Government's Sport & Recreation Acting CEO, Steve Rossingh, presents the outcomes of the NT Government Review at the Annual Industry Workshop
- Five NT athletes were selected for the Combined State Indigenous Camp (SA,NT,WA) in Adelaide, SA

## December 2012

- Alice Springs Line Umpire Leanne Usher is selected to attend a cross line development school at the Australian Open Wildcard Play-offs during the December Showdown at Melbourne Park
- Gove Peninsula Tennis Club named finalists of the 2012 Most Outstanding Tennis Community and 2012 Most Outstanding Club at the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards
- Nightcliff Primary School named finalists of the 2012 Most Outstanding School at the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards
- Alice Springs Tennis Association finishes the year on top of the registration stats with 616 registrations
- Overall, registered participants increase 34.2% to 2319

## January 2013

- Alice Springs Line Umpire Leanne Usher selected to call lines at the Brisbane International
- Alice Springs Line Umpires, Kitty Brak and Virginia Moore, invited to call lines at the World Tennis Challenge in Adelaide, SA
- Alice Springs Line Umpires, Gary Bigg and Leanne Usher are selected to call lines at the Australian Open in Melbourne, VIC



- Four boys and four girls represent the NT at the National Super 10's Final held at Melbourne Park during the second week of the Australian Open
- NT boy's National Super 10's team play on Rod Laver Arena during the Sunrise sports report with Mark Beretta
- Five Indigenous Territorians selected for the Evonne Goolagong National Development Camp in Melbourne, VIC
- Two NT primary school PE teachers invited to attend the Australian Open Grand Slam Teachers Conference in Melbourne
- Nightcliff Primary School teacher, Mat Ryan invited to speak at the Australian Open Grand Slam Teachers Conference in Melbourne

## February 2013

- NTIS Athlete, Michael Shephard makes the doubles final of the Optus 12s National Grasscourt Championships in Mildura, VIC
- Erin Bormann appointed as Tennis NT's Community Tennis Officer

## March 2013

- INPEX Centre Managers Workshop brings Territory Coaches and Managers together

## April 2013

- Di MacDonald resigns as Manager of Tennis NT after eighteen years of service
- AWOFF Tennis Palmerston conduct an MLC Tennis Hot Shots Community Activation at the Palmerston Shopping Centre
- Tennis NT's Community Tennis Officer, Erin Bormann conducts a free Cardio Tennis session at the Katherine Tennis Club
- Sam Gibson appointed as Tennis NT Manager

## May 2013

- People's Choice Metro League Midweek is piloted at AWOFF Sports, Gardens Tennis and Tennis Palmerston
- Cardio Tennis in Secondary Schools pilot hits four schools in Metropolitan Region
- Four AWOFF Sports juniors participate in the Inter-Academy Team Challenge in Brisbane, QLD
- AWOFF Sports athlete, Peter Politis and Alice Springs Tennis Association athlete, Thomas Van Haaren, selected in National Talent Development Camp in Canberra
- Four NT coaches attend the National Talent Development Camp in Canberra
- Matthew Roberts becomes a Talent Development Coach

## June 2013

- Cardio Tennis in Secondary Schools Challenge conducted between two Metropolitan schools
- Participation in tournaments increased by 18.83% against previous year
- Participation in Community Tennis activations increase by 20.32% against previous year
- AWOFF Sports conducts an MLC Tennis Hot Shots Community Activation at Casuarina Square

## 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

# Our Partners



## Principal Partners



## Platinum Partners



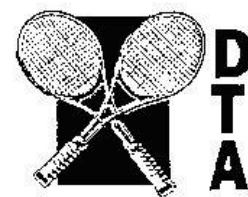
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## Gold Partners



## Silver Partners



## Bronze Partners



## White Partners





*Newk, Sam and Warren at the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards.*

John Newcombe was a rugged serve-volleyer and a great competitor. His most formidable weapons – serve, volley and forehand – were used to devastating effect. "Newk" captured seven Grand Slam singles titles, winning all but the French. Newcombe and Tony Roche won 12 Grand Slam doubles titles together – more than any other Australian men's team in tennis history. Newcombe would eventually own 17 doubles majors by the end of his career. He was part of five winning Davis Cup teams, four successive victories between 1964 and 1967 and the all-star pro team of 1973. In 1994 Newcombe was named Davis Cup captain and led Australia to a 3-2 win over France in the 1999 final.<sup>1</sup>

"Shakespeare on Management" Paul Corrigan takes a fascinating look at the psychology of leadership using classic Shakespearean characters. He shows how, through his plays, Shakespeare demonstrates the different roles a leader can take and the different skills needed. He analyses the decision-making and actions of certain characters to see what can be learnt by today's managers, such as: \* How Richard II's belief that having the title of King was enough became fatal; \* Why Richard III's manipulative approach finally isolated him; \* What made Henry V a great leader? \* How Shakespeare's development of subplots directs our attention to the vital role of support staff; \* What can we learn from Lear's fool about how to advise for leaders. Play after play taught 16th-century audiences lessons about how leaders organized their rise to power and how their failures precipitated their decline. In the 21st century we need to learn a great deal about how to lead and there is much that still can be learnt about leadership, power and responsibility from Shakespeare's magnificent works.<sup>2</sup>

The measure of any organisation is how well it stacks up against its stated aims and objectives.

Notwithstanding, it is the team that pulls you through.

2012/2013 saw Tennis NT spring from the gates and hit the ground running hard. Leading from the front, General Di MacDonald had a strong start to the season building on a very successful 11/12. The backup team Pat Coburn, Mark Pead and Jamie Stefanato were in hot pursuit.

In April 2013 the bomb hit. It saddened us all to see Di MacDonald depart Tennis NT. Di and I had worked closely together for over five years, me the 'newby' President and she the experienced CEO. Di was dedicated to the end and a fierce advocate for Tennis in the Territory. Notwithstanding her pay cheque coming from Tennis Australia Di would not take a backward step if she felt 'Head Office' was off in the wrong direction. Di is a wonderful administrator and manager and we all miss her enormously.

Welcome Sam Gibson! Sam has taken on the role as General Manager Tennis NT. He is leading a slightly revised team with Community Tennis Officer Erin Bormann joining following Jamie Stefanato's departure.

What games, sets and matches did we win this year? By the end of 2013 registered players had grown by 34.2% over the number registered in 2012. Our tournament numbers also increased over this period by a very pleasing 18.8%. The trend was across the court with most tournaments registering increased numbers.

Coaching numbers were up notwithstanding a slight drop in activations with total coaching participants growing by 12.8%. Community tennis participants also increased with an overall increase of 20.3%, again despite a slight drop in activations. The drop off in activations can be explained by the recruitment lag following the departure of Jamie Stefanato to Tennis Vic.

In August last year we witnessed the baton changing hands in the Wedding Cake with 'Territory' Mills taking on the Chief's role. He said at the time "We will bring the Territory together again, no division, no Berrimah line, we're all in this together." Unfortunately, as both Julia Gillard and Kevin Rudd know life is not safe at the top of a political party.

In 13/14 our focus will remain strong by building relationships with government at all levels.

**Warren Martin**  
**President**

<sup>1</sup> TA profile 2013

<sup>2</sup> Paul Corrigan, Kogan Page Publishers, 1999

Since assuming the role with Tennis NT in April 2013 three of the strongest impressions I have immediately received relate to the passion of the people within the tennis community, the strong commitment of coaches, players and volunteers and the healthy state of tennis throughout the entire Territory. It is also these three things that have tennis well placed moving into the future.

T-16, Tennis' Strategy for the NT, focusses on the broad areas of Participation and Performance. As such, it is pleasing to note a 34% increase in registered participants for the year ending 31 December 2012. This result comes off the back of significant increases in participation in Community Tennis Activations and is a testament to the hard work of Tennis NT staff Jamie Stefanato and Erin Bormann, and Member Affiliates who have tirelessly driven participation in tennis through outstanding programs such as Tennis in Schools, MLC Tennis Hot Shots and Cardio Tennis. In tune with this success was the continued achievements of the Gove Peninsula Tennis Club who were once again named finalists for both the Most Outstanding Tennis Community and Most Outstanding Club categories at the 2012 Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards. This ongoing recognition is an outstanding feat which is acknowledged throughout Australia.

Despite the loss of a combined Pro Tour tournament in Darwin and the women's event in Alice Springs, we witnessed an increased number of competitors taking part in the wide range of sanctioned tournaments held across the Territory. This increase was particularly evident in Junior Tour Tournaments and the Medibank Junior Development Series. Tournaments play a key role in T-16 and our ultimate goal of having a National Champion, as such the work by our Member Affiliates, officials and the leadership and expertise provided by Mark Pead cannot be underestimated.

A key driver behind tennis' participation and performance goals is the recruitment and development of quality coaches and the subsequent support to enhance coach capacity to achieve positive outcomes. Pat Coburn has undertaken a considerable amount of work in both recruiting new coaches through the delivery of coach education and developing coaches using various platforms of professional development. As such, tennis in the NT has found itself in a very strong position which I know can be capitalised upon in the years to come.

While it is the intention of Tennis NT to support the growth of tennis in the NT, it is clear that this wouldn't be possible without the support we receive from a number of stakeholders. Firstly I would like to thank Tennis Australia for the support readily provided across all of our key business areas. Their considerable investment in tennis at all levels has certainly enabled Tennis NT to proactively seek growth. The NT Government must also be recognised for their support and investment in tennis right across the NT. I'd also like to acknowledge our various sponsors who are critical in the running of various tournaments and programs.

Finally I would like to recognise the significant work of the entire NT tennis community whose countless hours and passion hold the sport in good stead, the Tennis NT Board in their commitment to advancing the sport and the support and hard work of the talented and devoted Tennis NT team.

As we continue on our journey outlined by T-16 it is important to take a step back and consider the environment in which tennis takes place and the next steps that need to take place in order to continue tennis' success. Moving forward the relationships we form and the strong networks throughout the sport will be the foundations for our success. Therefore, I look forwards to working with the NT tennis community in achieving the results we all desire.

**Sam Gibson**  
Manager



Northern Territory has been a pivotal contributor in driving our sport toward its ongoing and over-arching goal of having more and more people play tennis.

One of the biggest pillars in that strategy has been our MLC Hot Shots program which has been a success throughout the Territory. Full credit must go to the Tennis NT staff and clubs for their hard work and dedication to a program that is effectively delivering the future of our sport. Nationally we had more than 600,000 children pick up a racquet in the last 12 months.

Among the adults one of the growing success stories is Cardio Tennis which attracted more than 17,000 registrants during 2012-2013. Attracting and retaining both children and adults into the sport as well as replenishing the national court inventory are two of the platforms that will ensure the long-term health of the sport. Therefore the other critical achievement was the 283 new or reconditioned courts completed in the last 12 months, as part of the national Court Rebate Scheme.

Tennis Australia has continued to pursue strong revenue opportunities to help fund these infrastructure and participation growth strategies. Our biggest opportunities in revenue are around our summer of events and we now host more than one million attendees at these events nationally. Together with this, we have future-proofed our business loading it with capability to take on the 21<sup>st</sup> Century frontiers that are media and broadcast content and Asia. We have configured our entire organization to tackle the ongoing societal challenges and barriers around participation in tennis and the never-ending challenges of developing elite players.

On a personal note, I would like to thank all of those involved in our fantastic sport throughout Northern Territory for their incredible dedication and terrific support of not only tennis, but also of me in my role as the CEO. I have decided to resign and pursue other interests and will leave the organisation on 30 September. But I do so full of pride not only in our collective body of work, but in the terrific people who have shown their great talent and capacity to advocate for our sport. Their actions have helped tennis enormously and in turn have been of great benefit to the community in which we all live.



**Steve Wood**  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
**Tennis Australia**

## Board of Directors



**Chairman**  
**Warren Martin**



**Vice-Chairman**  
**Ross Connolly**



**Director**  
**Nicky Mayer**

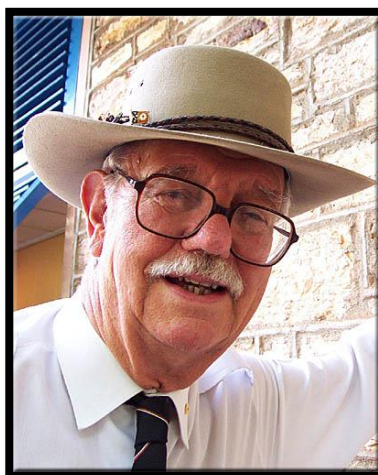


**Director**  
**David De Silva**



**Director**  
**Sarah Andrews**

## Patron



**Austin Asche AC**

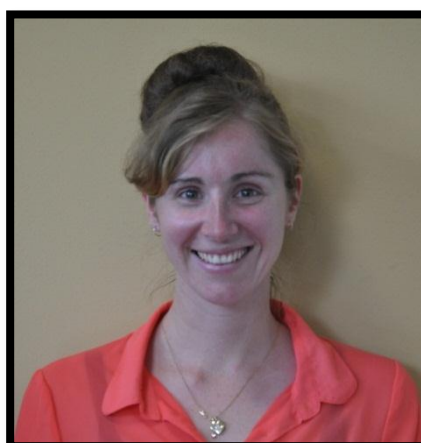
## Staff



**Manager**  
**Sam Gibson**



**Coach & Talent  
Development Manager**  
**Pat Coburn**



**Community Tennis Officer**  
**Erin Bormann**



**Events & IT Coordinator**  
**Mark Pead**

## Sub Committees

### **NTIS Management Committee**

*Pat Coburn (Chair)*  
*Rohan Fisher*  
*Sam Gibson*  
*Scott Draper*

### **Selections Committee**

*Nicky Mayer (Chair)*  
*Pat Coburn*  
*Matt Roberts*

### **Awards Committee**

*Ross Connolly (Chair)*  
*Nadine Jones*  
*Austin Asche AC*

### **Disciplinary Committee**

*David De Silva (Chair)*  
*Des McLellan*  
*Sam Gibson*

## INPEX Presentation Dinner

The Annual INPEX Presentation Dinner is one of the premier events on the Tennis NT calendar. The 2012 Dinner was held in the SKYCITY Grand Ballroom on Saturday 3 November. 126 guests were witness to a fantastic evening of entertainment including special guest and 2005 Australian Open Mixed Doubles Champion, Mr Scott Draper.



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.

### 2012 Award Category Winners:

#### Austin Asche Trophy Club of the Year

Tom Zaleski  
Gove Peninsula Tennis Club

#### Club Volunteers of the Year

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

Luke Horsfall  
Des McLellan  
Lynda Valentine  
Renaë Lane  
Michelle Kealy

#### Allied Pickfords Senior Points Circuit

Men  
Women

Ryan Palfrey  
Caitlyn Mitchell

#### Junior Incentive Awards

Male  
Female

Kacy Brennan  
Caitlyn Mitchell



Tom Zaleski, winner of the Austin Asche Trophy



Gove Peninsula Tennis Club celebrated their eighth Club of the Year award since the establishment of this recognition in 2001. Gove now adds to their impressive trophy list of two Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards, along with their eight Territory awards. This is an outstanding achievement for a remote, regional tennis club.

L to R: Gove representatives: Nicky Mayer, Sarah Carlile, Janice Johnson and Paul Mery

## USA College Scholarships

Tennis NT is seeking to complete the details of past Northern Territory USA College students. If you can add to the list, please contact Tennis NT. We are still investigating Ken Phillips' details.

Name	Year	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	?	?

# Recognition



## National Champions

### SINGLES

Name	National Title	Location
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

Name	National Title	Location	Partner
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



## State Rankings as at 30 June 2013

### Men (Open)

1. Nathan Hawke
2. Daniel Parker
3. Nick Whyte
4. Tom Zaleski
5. Jake Johan
6. Ben Lye
7. Nicholas Munro
8. Luke Horsfall
9. Matthew Delsar
10. Damian Butler

### Boys' 16/u

1. Jake Johan
2. Ben Lye
3. Michael Shephard
4. Joel Van Haaren
5. Liam Franklin
6. Oscar Ferdinands
7. Ross Cairns
8. Dartagnan Berryman
9. Ulysse Thivisol
10. Peter Politis

### Boys' 14/u

1. Michael Shephard
2. Joel Van Haaren
3. Liam Franklin
4. Oscar Ferdinands
5. Dartagnan Berryman
6. Peter Politis
7. Nicholas Carmichael
8. Tyson Usher
9. Evan Di Maria
10. Julian Lay

### Boys' 12/u

1. Liam Franklin *pictured*
2. Peter Politis
3. Nicholas Carmichael
4. Tyson Usher
5. Ashley Setterfield
6. Luke Magnusson
7. Ryan Peek
8. Teyrnon Higginson
9. Joshua Berryman
10. Kyle O'Donoghue-Ellis

### Women (Open)

1. Caitlyn Mitchell
2. Katherine Campbell
3. Bonnie Usher
4. Melanie Usher
5. Nicky Mayer
6. Rebecca Rayner
7. Rosie Henderson
8. Madeleine Murray
9. Vanessa Stacy
10. Anina Conradie

### Girls' 16/u

1. Bonnie Usher
2. Melanie Usher
3. Rebecca Rayner
4. Rosie Henderson
5. Anina Conradie
6. Serena Adams
7. Stephanie Long
8. Stephanie Rayner
9. Sigrid Smith
10. Eilis Kruger

### Girls' 14/u

1. Bonnie Usher
2. Rebecca Rayner
3. Rosie Henderson
4. Serena Adams
5. Stephanie Rayner
6. Sigrid Smith
7. Eilis Kruger
8. Eytahnyia Scott-Jones
9. Brianna Smith
10. Jaimee Murphy

### Girls' 12/u

1. Serena Adams *pictured*
2. Stephanie Rayner
3. Eilis Kruger
4. Brianna Smith
5. Jaimee Murphy
6. Katie Riggall
7. Grace Henderson
8. Valentina Floeck
9. Kyra Cooney-Cross
10. Jaylee Johnson

# Honour Roll



## Presidents

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:

1. Sportsmanship;
2. Performance against Interstate Competitors;
3. Contribution to Tennis in the Northern Territory;
4. Appearance.

### Austin Asche Trophy Winners

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
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1999	Stephanie Lim
1998	Nicholas Bent

### Club of the Year

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 Ass
2003	Katherine Tennis Club
2002	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club
2001	Gove Peninsula Tennis Club

### Club Volunteers of the Year

#### Alice Springs Tennis Association

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

# Honour Roll



## *Darwin Tennis Association*

2011-12	Des McLellan
2010-11	Gary McCulloch
2009-10	John Britton
2008-09	Nil Nomination
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

## *Gove Peninsula Tennis Club*

2011-12	Renae 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*

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*

2011-12	Robyn Woods
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## *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 Borroloola*

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

## Tennis Australia's Community Tennis Officer Program

Tennis Australia's "Community Tennis Officer" program has continued to produce excellent results in the Northern Territory. With this resource tennis is able to drive promotional activities and create the necessary relationships to achieve stability and sustain growth.

5,767 individuals participated in Community Tennis programs which reflect a 20.32% increase over the 2011-12 figures. These programs included: Tennis in Schools; Cardio Tennis; Indigenous Tennis; Disabilities Tennis and Community Activations.

Tennis NT acknowledges the significant investment made by Tennis Australia to this very important element of promoting our sport and the support received from our Member Affiliates and coaches.

	30 June 2013	30 June 2012	% change
<b>Metropolitan</b>			
Activations	48	55	12.72% decrease
Participants	2,517	2,495	0.88% increase
<b>Northern</b>			
Activations	12	21	42.86% decrease
Participants	1,281	1,133	13.06% increase
<b>Central</b>			
Activations	9	5	80.00% increase
Participants	223	282	20.92% decrease
<b>Southern</b>			
Activations	44	29	51.72% increase
Participants	1,564	883	77.12% increase
<b>TOTAL</b>			
Activations	115	122	5.74% decrease
Participants	5,767	4,793	20.32% increase

## Player Registration

A significant increase in registrations across the Northern Territory is reported. The establishment of Tennis Palmerston was a significant contributor to registered participants in the Metropolitan Region however the monumental increase in the Southern region was the major contributor to the overall increase of 34.2%. Following this increase in registrations will be the challenge for Tennis NT and all Member Affiliates to ensure quality programs continue to attract a growing number of participants.

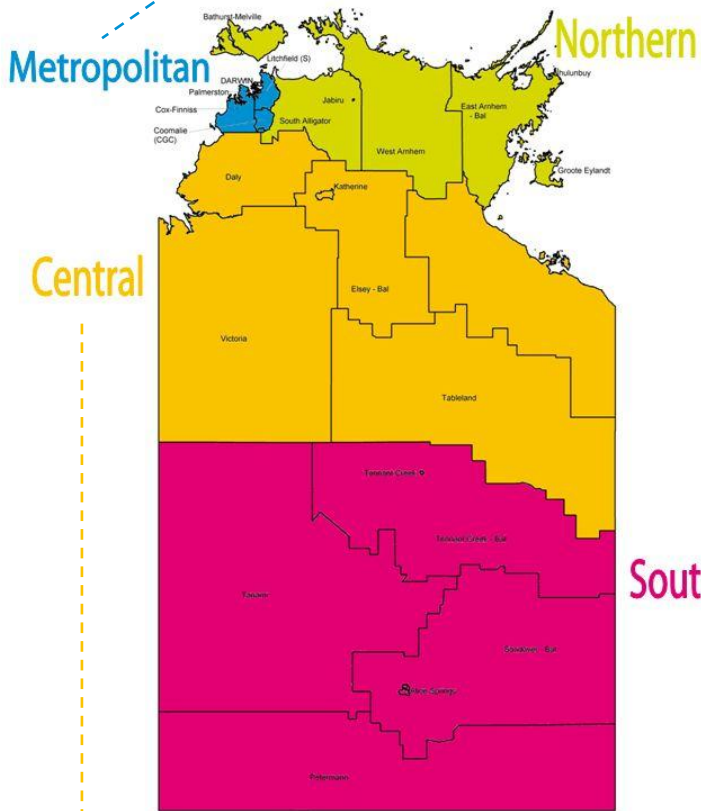
	Registered @ 31 Dec 2012	Registered @ 31 Dec 2011	% change
Metropolitan	1111	920	20.76% increase
Northern	525	505	3.96% increase
Central	67	73	8.22% decrease
Southern	616	230	167.82% increase
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2319</b>	<b>1,728</b>	<b>34.20% increase</b>



# Community Tennis



## Northern Territory Tennis Regions



## Power and Water Regional Development Program



Tennis continues its very successful partnership with Power and Water which has provided substantial investment into regional tennis development outside of the metropolitan area. This partnership is gratefully acknowledged. The 2012-13 reporting period recognises the second year of a three year term.

The partnership is managed by identified program objectives.

At the beginning of 2012-13 both the Northern (Tennis Gove – Nicky Mayer) and Southern (Tennis Alice Springs – Matt Roberts) Memorandum of Understandings (MOU) were renegotiated with the respective Regional Development Officers.

The success of both these partnerships can be seen on Page 14 of this report in which 13.06% increase in participation was witnessed in the Northern Region, along with a 77.12% increase in the Southern Region. This is extraordinary work by both Nicky and Matt.



Tennis NT look forward to seeing the continued growth in these areas as Nicky and Matt continue their work visiting new communities to deliver the MLC Tennis Hot Shots program. With the transient nature of the Territory, the aim is now to train up local community members to deliver the program, in the hope that this will provide more stability for the sport in these communities.



In an endeavour to keep Katherine engaged in the Regional Development Program, Tennis NT has continued to visit the club to run training sessions with both their amazing volunteer coaches and with their school sport teams. It is hoped, in the coming year, Katherine will once again have a qualified coach to uphold the fantastic work the volunteers have done to keep the club and coaching sessions running.

*School Sport Skills Session hosted by the Katherine Tennis Club and delivered by Tennis NT Staff*

## INPEX Centre Managers Workshop

The annual two day Workshop is convened to provide a forum specifically for Northern Territory tennis centre managers. Thirteen participants gathered to network and share 'best practice' in early March 2013.

# INPEX



The primary theme of the INPEX Centre Managers Workshop was to define priorities and determine program structures for the next four year cycle. In line with [T 16](#) the Workshop had a particular focus on both participation and performance.

Of particular note were the discussions around participation initiatives such as Tennis in Schools, MLC Tennis Hot Shots and Coach Education, as well as performance based programs including Tournament Planning, Project Talent and Player Development tools. The results of these discussions form the basis for Tennis NT in pursuing outcomes for tennis in the Territory.

The contributions of the various attendees are a crucial element in Tennis NT's desire to ensure a united approach to the delivery of tennis.



## MLC Tennis Hot Shots

MLC Tennis Hot Shots (MLCTHS) 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 MLCTHS program continued to be great success. The program is greatly appreciated by the teachers and the students continue to enjoy and look forward to the opportunity to experience tennis at their school. One of the benefits of the program is that students, who may not get to play tennis, are able to experience the sport. The intention of this program is to connect students with tennis centres with the aim of having a smooth transition into club programs. Tennis NT's Community Tennis Officer facilitates the relationship and provides program expertise to ensure students receive quality tennis experiences.

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

In 2012-13 there were nine registered MLCTHS deliverers in the Northern Territory providing programs for 666 participants. The MLCTHS deliverers were:

<i>Metropolitan</i>	Erin Bormann; Pat Coburn; Matt Dudley; Sam Giess; Stephen Lewis-Driver; Dennis Scrutton, Ben Scott
<i>Northern</i>	Nicky Mayer
<i>Southern</i>	Matt Roberts



## Tennis in Schools

Tennis Australia's National Schools Partnership Program (NSPP) continued strongly this year, not only retaining its pilot schools, but gaining support from new schools.

With the continued support from Mathew Ryan (Nightcliff Primary School) and Adam Gulla (The Essington School Darwin) along with new partnerships forming with Jodie Austin (Nakara Primary School), Matthew Bramich (Gapuwiyak CEC), Steve Venour (Nhulunbuy Christian College), Jillian Neyland (OLSH: Traeger Campus) and Daryl Grahek (Casuarina St Primary), the Northern Territory showed a strong connection to schools throughout all its regions as part of the NSPP.

All schools that signed up to the program continued to receive an equipment pack and manual in order to aid them in running the sessions at their schools. 2013 also saw the introduction of the Playback Rebate, which was brought in to encourage schools to sign up as many of their students as possible to MLC Tennis Hot Shots. With every student the school signed up, they earned themselves \$2 to spend on new tennis equipment of their choice when they resigned with the NSPP in the 2013/14 financial year.

As part of the NSPPs ongoing professional development, two teachers were once again invited to attend the National Teachers Conference held at the Australian Open in January 2012. This year it was Jodie Austin from Nakara Primary School and Mathew Bramich from Gapuwiyak School that were lucky enough to be invited attend. They went, along with Mathew Ryan, who was invited down as a guest speaker for the conference, to discuss the journey Nightcliff Primary School had been through.



Australian tennis legend and *MLC Tennis Hot Shots Tennis in Schools Ambassador* John Fitzgerald made the trip to Darwin in order to officially open the three new *MLC Tennis Hot Shots* courts that were laid at Nightcliff Primary School on Thursday 26 July 2012. These courts were the first of their kind to appear in a school throughout the whole of Australia. This national first was achieved through the dedication of Nightcliff Primary School, along with help from Tennis Australia's National Court Rebate Scheme.

2012 also saw the inaugural MLCTHS Inter-Schools Challenge Cup take place between Nightcliff Primary School and The Essington School Darwin, two highly active NSPP schools. This competition took place after school over five weeks from October 10 – November 7, 2012, with play being held at both school venues on red ball courts. Finals were then played at the partner club of both schools, DTC Sports, with Nightcliff Primary School bringing home the glory – and the trophy – for 2012.

## Cardio Tennis



Cardio Tennis is a national initiative designed for people of all ages and abilities to participate in tennis in a fun, social, group tennis environment with a focus on fitness. It is more about getting a great, high-energy workout than pure tennis technique. The future growth of Cardio Tennis forms a key part of Tennis NT's strategic focus on participation.

In 2012-13 there were five registered Head Cardio Tennis coaches in the Northern Territory providing workouts for 115 participants. These coaches were:

**Metropolitan Northern** Erin Bormann; Matt Dudley; Sam Giess; Jamie Stefanato  
Nicky Mayer

## Indigenous Tennis Program

Northern Region Development Officer Nicky Mayer, continues to exceed expectations with her passion and drive to promote tennis to Indigenous children as part of the *Power and Water* Regional Development Program. In 2012-13 Nicky made seven school visits to Indigenous Communities. The continued popularity of Nicky's visit has given her the drive to continue visiting a number of these communities. In turn Nicky has built strong relationships with the communities. A permanent component of her visits includes up skilling community leaders in the delivery of tennis. Equipment is always left behind, providing the opportunity for these communities to continue playing tennis following this remarkable developmental work.

### *Learn Earn Legend! – Indigenous Come & Try Days – July 2012*

The initiative known as the "Learn Earn Legend!" hit the Top End again in July 2012, starting with the official launch in Darwin on July 24 with Evonne Goolagong-Cawley appearing at the Danila Dilba Health Service with some indigenous athletes. From there it was on to Palmerston on July 25 for a fantastic day of tennis fun, with indigenous students coming in from around the Darwin & Palmerston region to meet Evonne and also receive coaching from Ian Goolagong, the National Indigenous coach. Following this, Learn Earn Legend visited both Alice Springs and Gove on July 27 and July 30 respectively. As a follow on from this students that displayed enthusiasm and determination, amongst other attributes, were selected not only for scholarships, but also to attend national camps later in the year.



## *Combined State Indigenous Camp (SA, NT & WA) – November 2012*

Five Northern Territory athletes were selected to represent the Territory at a combined state camp in Adelaide in November 2012. They were: *Eytahnyia Scott-Jones* and *Zachary Scott-Jones* from Gove, Serena Adams and Natalie Roe from Darwin and Kylan Bishop from Alice Springs.



## *Goolagong National Development Camp – January 2013*

Five Northern Territory athletes were selected for the January Camp in 2013. They were: Kyle Hampton, Nathan Hawke, Stephanie Long, Natalie Roe and Tarlina Tipungwuti. The Camp is designed for talented indigenous youth, aged 10 to 21 years. The Camp was held in Melbourne during the first week of the Australian Open.

Tennis NT acknowledges Tennis Australia for their work in promoting Indigenous Tennis.

## **Disabilities Tennis Program**

As part of the Regional Development Program, Tennis Gove's Nicky Mayer continued to work with the Nhulunbuy High School Special Education Annexe.

Eight participants completed the program, scheduled in Term 3, 2012.

Whilst Tennis NT does not conduct a dedicated Disabilities Program; work has been done through the Tennis in Schools program with Namarluk School in Term 2, 2013 and future events are being planned for the second half of 2013 in conjunction with the Australian Paralympic Committee.



## **Project Talent = High Performance Tennis for 12 and Under Players**

Tennis Australia's Project Talent initiative was the driving force behind player development in the Territory during the reporting year. With a focus on 12 and under players and a philosophy of improving rather than replacing their club training environments Project Talent is an ideal fit for the Territories aspirational coaches and our remote geography. Tennis NT's Project Talent strategy includes:

### **Coaches**

During the reporting year Matt Roberts (Tennis Alice Springs) joined Matt Dudley (AWOF Sports) as recognised Tennis Australia Talent Development Coaches.

All affiliated clubs running coaching programs were visited by Tennis NT's Coach and Talent Development Manager. During these visits a collaborative approach to coach and program development is discussed with Tennis NT being the service provider for individual coach professional development and support.

### **Capture**

Territory coaches were recognised as having the 'eyes and intuition' to spot and develop talent. All athletes engaged in Project Talent Camps or the Video Analysis Program were identified by their club coaches as players of promise.

### **Camps**

Territory athletes accessed five local Project Talent Camp's during the reporting year. This included Club based camps at Palmerston, Gove and at AWO Sports and two Tennis NT camps in Darwin. Due to the timing of the Primary School Exchange the Alice Springs camp was cancelled. The planned camp at the Gardens tennis facility was postponed to the second half of the year. In total 67 athletes from across the Territory attended Project Talent Camps. Territory athletes were also able to access two interstate Project Talent Camps. .

AWOF Sports accepted Tennis NT invitation to participate in the Queensland Academy 12 and under Challenge. This involved AWO Sports coach Matt Dudley taking a team of four players to Brisbane in April to compete against fifteen other Queensland Coaching Academies.



In May *Peter Politis* (AWOF Sports) and *Thomas Van Haaren* (Tennis Alice Springs) participated in Tennis Australia's 10s National Project Talent Camp in Canberra.

Attending coaches included: Pat Coburn, Sam Giess, Nathan Ingram and *Matt Roberts* pictured.

Five Parent Information sessions covering Gove, Alice Springs, Palmerston and Darwin were held with topics ranging from Training and Tournament Scheduling, The Road Ahead, Compete and The Athlete Development Pathway. In all 49 parents attended these sessions.



## Competitions

Super 10s commenced in the Territory with trials being held in the Metropolitan, Northern and Southern Regions to select players and their coaches 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 7<sup>th</sup> while the girls' team finished 6<sup>th</sup>.



## National Academy Partnership

Tennis Australia continues to invest in Northern Territory player development through a formal Service Agreement with Tennis NT. The services captured in this Agreement are delivered by National Academy Manager SA, Rohan Fisher.

Rohan visited the Northern Territory twice this reporting period to work with players, consult with coaches and parents, and also provide services to identified players through the 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.

*Nicky Mayer (Girls' Coach) & Pat Coburn (Boys' Coach)*  
*Boys Team: Zachary Scott-Jones, Peter Politis, Thomas Van Haaren and Liam Franklin*  
*Girls Team: Stephanie Rayner, Jaimee Murphy, Eilis Kruger and Serena Adams*



## Northern Territory Institute of Sport (NTIS)

The NTIS is the NT Government's Centre of Sporting Excellence for the identification, development and support of the Territory's talented athletes and coaches.

The aim of the NTIS is to develop Northern Territory athletes into champions. The NTIS has three Key Performance Indicators (KPIs):

- Improved NTIS athlete performance and achievements
- NTIS athletes representing Australia
- NTIS athletes competing in National leagues or professional competitions

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In keeping with the NTIS objectives, the NTIS provides priority support to athletes, and their coaches, who demonstrate capacity to perform and achieve at the highest levels within their chosen sport.



The NT Government considers NTIS scholarships an investment in Territory sport, with the purpose of achieving NTIS KPIs. Therefore, the NT Government, through the NTIS, assumes primary program development and management authority for all supported programs.

To be recommended as an NTIS Scholarship holder tennis players must first meet specific performance criteria, and then be approved by Tennis NT's Selections Committee. NTIS tennis athletes who sit below National Academy Scholarship are responsible, with their private coaches, for the design and implementation of their individual training program.

In 2012-13 *Michael Shephard* was Tennis NT's only NTIS athlete.

## Video Analysis Program (VAP)

22 athletes were nominated by their coaches for VAP. This included thirteen Metropolitan Region athletes, two Northern Region athletes and seven Southern Region athletes. After the player was filmed a stakeholder meeting was held with the athlete, their parents, their private coach and representatives of Tennis NT. During the meeting discussions take place around the athletes training and tournament schedule, their video footage with agreed recommendations for future improvements and their developing game style and tactical focus..

Private coaches and athletes were left with a USBs containing stroke analysis and correction advice.

The program also provides an opportunity to develop the VAP athlete's private coach with a one-on-one professional development forum with the key stakeholders.



## Acknowledgements

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

I would also like to acknowledge the support of the Territory Coaches who have 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.

# Representative Teams



## 2012 Optus Australian Teams Championships

The Tennis NT Selections Committee selected four representative teams to compete at Melbourne Park as part of the *December Showdown*. The 14s Teams Championships were conducted 28 November to 2 December 2012 and the 12s Teams Championships were conducted 10 - 14 December 2012.

Overall the results were disappointing and a clear indication of the work needed to return the Northern Territory to a level of competitiveness.

### 14s Girls



L to R: Bonnie Usher, Natalie Roe  
Nicky Mayer (Coach), Nikki Milner  
10<sup>th</sup> out of 10 teams

### 14s Boys



L to R: Jesse Russell, Chase Ferguson  
Matthew Dudley (Coach), Ben Lye  
10<sup>th</sup> out of 10 teams



### 12s Girls



Serena Adams (pictured), Rosie Henderson  
Rebecca Rayner, Patrick Coburn (Coach)  
10<sup>th</sup> out of 10 teams

### 12s Boys



Joel Van Haaren (pictured), Michael Shephard  
Oscar Ferdinands, Matthew Roberts (Coach)  
9<sup>th</sup> out of 10 teams

# Representative Teams



## Bruce Cup

The Northern Territory competed in the School Sport Australia Bruce Cup from 13 - 20 October 2012 which was played in Perth, WA. The team finished seventh out of the eight teams participating. The Team was supported by *Manager* Leanne Usher from Alice Springs, and *Coach* Lachlan Berryman from Alice Springs.



*Northern Territory Bruce Cup Team with Alicia Molik*

Tennis NT has continued to work with School Sport NT to enable the delivery of effective tennis programs. Tennis NT has had active involvement in trials, skills sessions and scheduling of the Primary Schools Exchange.

This relationship will be of increased importance in 2013-14 with the Bruce Cup offering players with more ranking points than ever before.

## Bruce Cup Team

**NORTHERN TERRITORY**

Back Row (L-R): Robbie Dienelt, Valentina Floeck, Oscar Ferdinands  
Middle Row (L-R): Lachlan Berryman (Coach), Eythanyia Scott, Dartagnan Berryman, Bonnie Usher, Coen Hutt, Rebecca Rayner, Nicholas Carmichael, Leanne Usher (Manager)  
Front Row (L-R): Stephanie Rayner, Liam Franklin, Serena Adams, Michael Shepheard, Rosie Henderson

**2012 School Sport Australia Tennis Championships**  
Perth, WA

Photo by Winkipop Media

## Coach Education

The following courses were conducted in the Northern Territory during the reporting period:

Course	Region	Participants
Community Coaching Course	Southern	6
Community Coaching Course	Metropolitan	11
Intro to MLC Tennis Hot Shots	Northern	10
Community Play Workshop	Central	4
MLC Tennis Hot Shots Teachers Workshop	Southern	3
	Total Participants:	34



*Pictured: Pat Coburn and Amanda Kingdon at the Community Play Workshop at the Katherine Tennis Club.*

## Professional Development Workshops

Three workshops were conducted for coaches, translating into 37 Professional Development experiences. Engagement with coaches is a key priority for Tennis NT moving forward. Tennis NT acknowledges the pivotal role coaches play within the tennis community, therefore diverse support is offered primarily through the Coach and Talent Development Manager Position.

Seven individual coach site visits were conducted where coaches were observed by Tennis NT's Coach and Talent Development Manager working in their regular coaching environments. The observation is followed by either a formal or informal feedback as requested by the coach. The intention of the site visits is to improve the coaches' service delivery. They are conducted at the request of the coaches with feedback being provided in whatever format the coach requests.



*Professional Development Workshop with NTIS Strength and Conditioning Coordinator – Tim Rogers*

## 2013 Australian Grand Slam Coaches Conference

Six coaches from the Northern Territory tennis coaching fraternity travelled to the 2013 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.



*Nicky Mayer & Pat Coburn*

## 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 twelve. This group of coaches has additional professional development opportunities provided, with added benefits 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.

At the end of 2012-13 the Northern Territory had two Talent Development Coaches; AWOFF Sports' Head Coach Matt Dudley and Tennis Alice Springs' Head Coach Matt Roberts. They join a network of 140 nationally recognised Talent Development Coaches.



*Matt Dudley*



*Matt Roberts*

## People's Choice Metro League



The winning team *pictured* for the 2012 *People's Choice Metro League* competition was decided in September with DTC Sports 2 claiming the champion's pennant. The competition included four teams, an increase of 100% from the previous reporting period, due largely to the new facility in Palmerston.

Each of the four teams submitted a six person team to compete in the Metro League with an additional four person team contesting the Reserve League. The rules enabled players to move between Leagues' if required.

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

## People's Choice Metro League Midweek

Tennis NT conducted a seven week pilot modified competition in line with the *Asia Pacific Tennis League* (ATL) Rules and Regulations, after feedback from the 2012 *Metro League - Survey* that players were interested in more competitive opportunities. The pilot was conducted in the May – June period on Wednesday nights as a lead up to the 2013 Tournament season.

The Midweek competition was conducted at AWOFF Sports, Gardens Tennis and Tennis Palmerston on a rotating roster with seven teams of two players each.

## ALLIED PICKFORDS Senior Points Circuit

The *ALLIED PICKFORDS Senior Points Circuit* (SPC) comprises six 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 Man (sponsored by *Darwin Financial Services*) and winning Woman (sponsored by *KR Blacker & Associates*) at the end of the circuit. This bonus is awarded at the Annual Presentation Dinner. The SPC tournaments are:

### 2012 Gove Open Carnival

Ben Lye DTC & Caitlyn Mitchell GPTC

### 2012 HKTC Alice Springs Open

Justyn Levin VIC\* & Kataraina Hunia QLD\*

### 2013 Alice Springs Classic

Nicholas Whyte ASTA & Melanie Usher ASTA

### 2013 Schweppes AWOFF Sports Open

Daniel Parker TP & Madeleine Murray AWOFF

### 2013 SKYCITY Darwin Open

Darren Polkinghorne SA\* & Dianne Hollands NZL\*

### 2013 SKYCITY NT Open Championships

Kaden Hensel QLD\* & Isabella Holland QLD\*

200 players competed during the on this year's Circuit, with 119 Men and 81 Women.



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

# Competitions

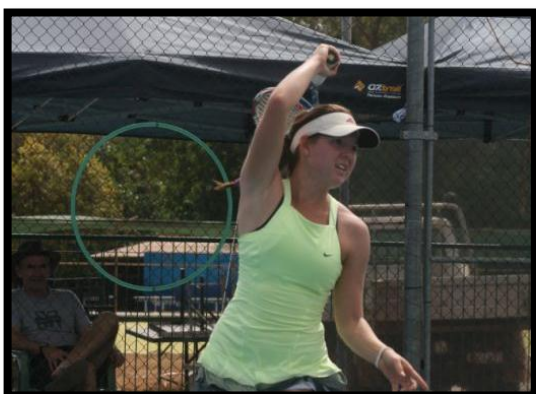


## Honour Roll

Men	1st		2nd		3rd	
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 Mclver	DTC	Adam Gromadzki	DTA



Women	1st		2nd		3rd	
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



2012-13 ALLIED PICKFORDS Senior Points Circuit  
Winners Caitlyn Mitchell GPTC & Daniel Parker TP

## Events Calendar

The Northern Territory had another busy tournament schedule with 1 Australian Pro Tour tournament, 6 Australian Money Tournaments, 9 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 45 competitors compete.

### 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; 1 Gold; 1 Silver; 1 Bronze and 2 White AMTs.

Of the 6 AMT tournaments, 12 events offered Australian Ranking Points and prize money. 200 competitors entered which is a decrease of 11.89% 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, 41 events offered Australian Ranking Points for both boys and girls across the three age groups. 778 competitors entered which was an increase of 34.83% over the previous reporting period.

### Medibank Junior Development Series (MJDS)

The MJDS has completed its first full reporting period in the Northern Territory with an outstanding 340 competitors across the 10 MJDS tournaments on offer.

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.





# Tournaments



## Competitor Analysis

The following table identifies the number of competitors at each level of tournament. A total of 1,363 Australian Ranking Points opportunities were accessed. This was an increase of 18.83% over the previous reporting period.

<i>Level</i>	<i>Pro Tour</i>	<i>AMT</i>	<i>JT</i>	<i>MJDS</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>
ATP	45				
Platinum		42			
Gold		40	158		
Silver		39	64		
Bronze		27	191		
White		52	365		
MJDS				340	
<i>Totals</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>778</i>	<i>340</i>	<i>1,363</i>



## Australian Pro Tour

Alice Springs welcomed the return of the Pro Tour for the third year. Both the tennis community and the local community embraced the opportunity to witness top class tennis, and also be courtside with current and future champions.

Countries represented at the *Alice Springs Tennis International* included Australia, Israel, Japan, New Zealand and the United States of America.

Northern Territory competitors were Matthew Campbell, Matthew Delsar, Luke Horsfall, Jake Johan, Douglas McClure, Andrew Schubert and Nicholas Whyte.

Tennis NT acknowledges the sponsorship of the Northern Territory Government through the Department of Natural Resources, Environment, The Arts and Sport, together with the significant investment of Tennis Australia.



*Pictured: Luke Saville, semi-finalist 2012 Alice Springs Tennis International*

Special thanks are extended to the small but hard working team of local volunteers and officials in Alice Springs. They included: Roger Ahwah, Lachlan Berryman, Gary Bigg, Kitty Brak, Mike Heyburn, Tony Jennison, Virginia Moore, Holly Petersen, Tarun Soni, Leanne Usher, Melanie 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 *Emu Runs Tours* for providing the courtesy bus for player transportation and Gary Bigg for loaning his personal vehicle to facilitate a range of Community Activations.

## Pro Tour Honour Roll

### *Darwin Tennis International*

2011  
2010  
2009

### *Men's Singles*

Isaac Frost AUS  
John Millman AUS  
Dayne Kelly AUS

### *Women's Singles*

Casey Dellacqua AUS  
Olivia Rogowska AUS  
Alicia Molik AUS

### *Alice Springs Tennis International*

2012  
2011  
2010  
2009\*

### *Men's Singles*

Matthew Barton AUS  
Michael Look AUS  
Colin Ebelthite AUS  
Jamie Baker GBR

### *Women's Singles*

Olivia Rogowska AUS  
Sacha Jones NZL  
Sacha Jones NZL

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



*2012 Alice Springs Tennis International: Finalist Sam Groth and Winner Matthew Barton*

## SKYCITY Darwin Open

Now in its fifth year under the directorship of Tennis NT, the SKYCITY Darwin Open AMT Gold and JT White attracted 63 entries across eight events, with representation from New Zealand, New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria, Western Australian and from across the Northern Territory. This was a decrease of 8.69% compared to last year.

Darren Polkinghorne SA won his third consecutive SKYCITY Darwin Open title, while New Zealander Dianne Hollands picked up her first title in her inaugural visit to the Top End. Polkinghorne secured his easiest finals win with a convincing 6-1 6-1 over Victorian Justyn Levin, while Hollands overcame Queenslander Jaimee Gilbertson in three set; 6-0 6-7 6-4.

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

*Referee*  
*Court Supervisor*  
*Chair Umpires*

Warren Martin  
Guy Andrew  
Mark Crawley (ACT) and David Gobbett (SA)



*2013 Winners Darren Polkinghorne & Dianne Hollands*

## Darwin Open Honour Roll

<i>Champions</i>	<i>Men's Singles</i>	<i>Women's Singles</i>
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 87<sup>th</sup> NT Open Championships, which was an AMT Platinum and JT Silver, attracted 106 entries across sixteen events. This was an impressive 43.24% increase compared to last year, with representation from New Zealand, New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria, Western Australia and from across the Northern Territory.

Two new NT Open Champions were crowned and their names etched into the Parap Cup (Men's Trophy) and Barden Trophy (Women's Trophy).

The Men's top four seeds progressed comfortably to the semi-finals, however both matches were lengthy encounters which saw the lower ranked seeds progressing to the final.

It was tournament third seed, Kaden Hensel QLD that prevailed in the final over a battle worn Matt Langley SA, who was still recovering from his marathon three setter the day prior. Hensel victorious 6-1 6-0.

The Women's draw saw the second and third seeds progress to the final after very different semi-finals. Isabella Holland QLD accounting for unseeded Michaela Haet NSW 6-2 6-2, while Jaimee Gilbertson QLD reversed the finals results from a week prior defeating Dianne Hollands NZL 7-6 2-6 6-2.

In the battle of the Queenslander it was Holland who showed her experience to get an early service break to lead 3-0, however Gilbertson fought back to level at three all. History would suggest that an extended battle was likely; unfortunately it did not prevail, with Holland running away with the set and the match 6-3 6-1.

Medibank Junior Development Series events were also conducted during the Championships with aspiring Red, Orange and Green Ball players given the opportunity to play in a modified environment whilst being able to witness some high class tennis action over the weekend.



2013 Winners Kaden Hensel & Isabella Holland

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, the City of Darwin.

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

- Referee Warren Martin
- Court Supervisor Guy Andrew
- Chair Umpires Nicholas Yip (NSW) and Russell Seeney (VIC)
- Lines Umpires Gary Bigg, Kay Fields, Virginia Moore and Leanne Usher
- Physio Rhys Janes

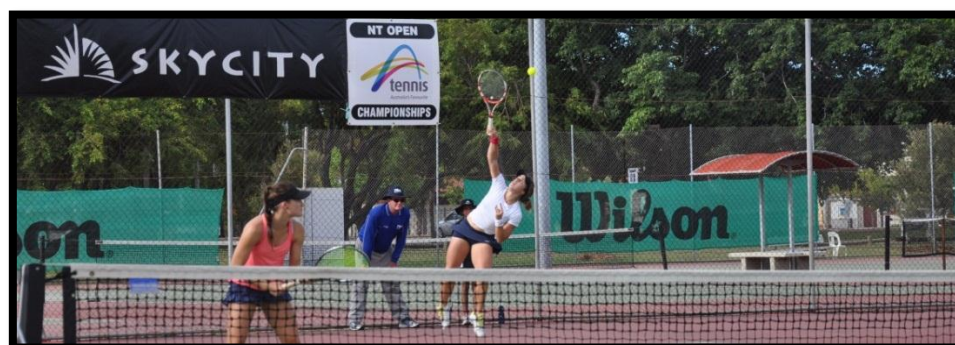


# Tournaments



## NT Open Honour Roll

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



## Medibank NT & Darwin Age Titles

The Medibank NT Age Titles JT Gold and Medibank Darwin Age Titles JT White were conducted back to back and attracted 273 competitors (a 8.33% increase compared to last year) with representation from New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria, Western Australia and from across the Northern Territory.



This is the second year the Northern Territory has conducting an Australian Ranking points JT Gold. This higher level tournament provided local juniors with a fantastic opportunity to test their skills against some of the better players from across the country.

Territory winners included: *Serena Adams (pictured right)*, Liam Franklin, *Rebecca Rayner (pictured left)*, Michael Shepherd and Bonnie Usher.

Medibank Junior Development Series events were also conducted during these tournaments. 51 beginners to intermediate players took part in a variety of events including: Red, 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.

Tennis NT acknowledges the generous support of Medibank, the naming rights sponsor of the NT Age Titles and Darwin Age Titles.

Tennis NT would also like to thank the group of dedicated volunteers and officials who helped make the Medibank NT Age Titles and Medibank Darwin Age Titles such a success.

*Referees*  
*Court Supervisors*  
*Venue*  
*Canteen*

Warren Martin and Guy Andrew  
Sue Bormann, Liz Kruger and Jenny Roe  
AWOF Sports and Gardens Tennis  
Ace Junior Tennis Supporters Club

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## Intra-Territory Travel Grant

59 Travel Grants totalling \$10,450.00 were 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.



## Officials Development

Three officials' courses were conducted during the reporting period. Disappointingly, there was a scheduled Line Umpires Course in the Metropolitan Region that had to be cancelled due to a lack of interest. This is of great concern if Tennis NT is seeking hosting rights for major events in the future.



However, it is noteworthy to comment on the remarkable team of officials in Alice Springs. The group continues to grow both in number and confidence as they take advantage of all courses offered.

Tennis NT acknowledges the mentoring and continued support of Tennis Australia's Officiating team and the members of Tennis Officials Australia.

Course	Region	Participants
Court Supervisors Refresher Course	Southern	11
Court Supervisors Course	Northern	9
Court Supervisors Course	Metropolitan	7

Alice Springs Officials, Kitty Brak and Virginia Moore, were invited to call lines at the World Tennis Challenge. Additionally Leanne Usher and Gary Bigg were selected to call lines at the Australian Open. These events provided great learning opportunities for all four officials.



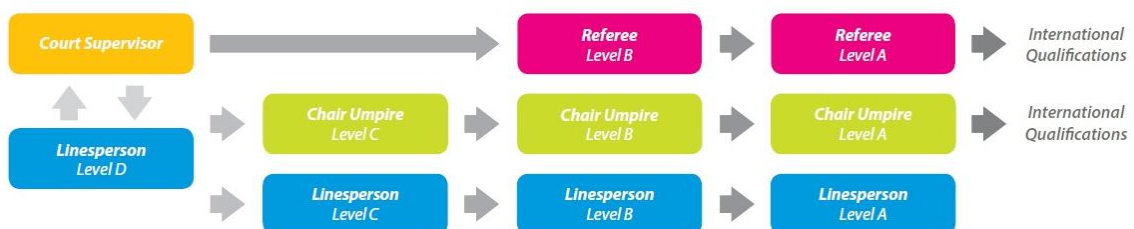
*Virginia Moore, Kitty Brak, Gary Bigg and Leanne Usher*



Leanne was also selected to call lines at the Australian Open Wildcard Play-off, as part of the cross-line development squad and also the Australian Open Series – Brisbane International.

Off the back of their official's success, Tennis NT invited Virginia, Gary and Leanne to Darwin for a Chair Umpire development squad at the SKYCITY NT Open Championships where they were assessed by Nicholas Yip (NSW) and Russell Seeney (VIC) during JT Silver matches.

*Leanne Usher and Gary Bigg at the 2013 Australian Open*



## [tennis.com.au/nt](http://tennis.com.au/nt)

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.

2012-13 saw a 10.87% increase in website 'hits' compared to the previous reporting period.

	2012-13	2011-12
Hits	12,935	11,666



## *Territory Tennis Talk (e-newsletter)*

Three e-newsletters, plus two special edition e-newsletters were circulated to an ever increasing database of Tennis NT registered players and interested interstate enthusiasts. On average 1,770 e-newsletters were delivered with an average 22.82% open rate.



## Tennis NT

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*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.





## Australian Open Trophy Tour



In November 2012, Club coach Nicky Mayer and the Gove Peninsula Tennis Club Committee were pleased to welcome the *Australian Open Trophy Tour* to Gove in what would be an amazing, whirlwind trip.

From the moment they arrived on Friday night, the *Norman Brookes Challenge Cup* (Men's trophy) and *Daphne Akhurst Memorial Cup* (Women's trophy) were the centre of attention, being whisked from the airport straight to the Bali Pavilion at The Arnhem Club, which was hosting a Black Tie Cocktail Night.

Approximately thirty guests were in attendance at the event which was considered a great night by all. Guests, including members of the Geelong Football club who were also at The Arnhem Club, were able to have their photos taken with the trophies and enjoy the vibrant atmosphere.

Continuing the fun on the Saturday morning, *Norman* and *Daphne*, accompanied by four junior members of the Gove Peninsula Tennis Club – Eytahnyia Scott-Jones, Zachary Scott-Jones, Jaylee Johnson & Jacob Meersbergen – visited some of the more scenic areas of Gove for some photo shoots.



trophies on the beach near the cause way with the boat club in the background.

Back into town and to the Mount Saunders lookout and the final destination was East Woody. The day finally ended with the club's presentation night where *Norman* and *Daphne* stood proudly on display and all members and guests could have their photo with them.

The morning started with a visit to the Pacific Aluminium mine site. The crew were granted special permission but first had to go through a quick induction before commencing the photo shoot. The trophies and the athletes were put in a loader and dump truck and other positions aiming for that right photo. From there they moved to the Laynhapuy Homeland Aviation hangar and had photos with a charter plane.

It was then out to the track with the long red dirt road in the back ground. Following this, the team moved onto the boat club where they set the



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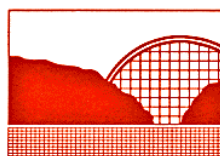
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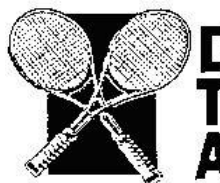
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Tennis  
Palmerston

## 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 last modified and adopted at Tennis NT's last Annual General Meeting held 3 November 2012 at SKYCITY Darwin.



*Tennis NT AGM at SKYCITY Darwin Conference Room*

29 people attended the 2012 AGM, including fifteen delegates with voting rights. Elections for the Vice-Chairman position and one Director position were held with Ross Connolly (Vice-Chairman) and Nicky Mayer (Director) both elected unopposed.

## Board of Directors

The Tennis NT Board comprises five Directors including a Chairman (President) and a Vice-Chairman (Vice-President). In accordance with the Constitution the election of positions is rotational to ensure continuity of corporate knowledge.

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.

		<i>Director</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>
<i>A</i> =	Number of meetings the Director held office during the reporting period	Warren Martin	6	6
		Ross Connolly	6	6
		Nicky Mayer	6	6
		David De Silva	6	5
		Sarah Andrews	6	3
<i>B</i> =	Number of meetings attended			

## INPEX 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 profiling expected changes that will impact the local delivery of the sport.

# INPEX

The primary theme for the 2012 Workshop was strategic planning and consultation off the back of Tennis Australia's presentation of *T 16* (targets and priorities) for 2012-2016 within both Participation and Performance.



Scott Draper and Rohan Fisher from Tennis Australia both travelled to Darwin to discuss the direction of Tennis Australia within the Participation space along with the various services being provided to the Northern Territory. Steve Rossingh from the Northern Territory Government also attended the Workshop and presented the findings of the Government's review of tennis in the Northern Territory.

The various points of discussion at the Workshop were aligned to *T 16* and the achievement of goals which are Northern Territory specific and nationally aligned.

Significantly the primary focus of the *T 16* strategy is to increase the number of people playing. It was agreed that with innovation, the right people and well managed facilities the Northern Territory could play its role in contributing to the delivery of the national targets.

The focus on participation includes an emphasis on the MLC Tennis Hot Shots program and Tennis in Schools, while on the performance side more intensive, individualised coach development is emphasised along with facilitating the establishment of each centre's own player development priorities designed to enhance their environment.

It was agreed operational implementation ideas would be sought from the Centre Managers' Workshop scheduled in March 2013.



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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 2013. 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 2013 and the results of its operations for the period then ended.



SUSANNE LEE, CPA  
DATED: 2/8/2013

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## Statement by the Board

### TENNIS NT INCORPORATED Year ended 30 June 2013

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 2013 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:

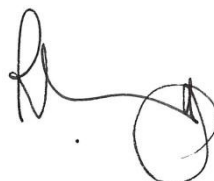
President	Warren Martin
Vice President	Ross Connolly
Director	Nicky Mayer
Director	David De Silva
Director	Sarah Andrews

- (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 profit of the association for the relevant financial period was: \$40,397.00

Signed at Darwin on 9 October 2013

*Warren Martin.*

**Chairman / President**



**Vice-Chairman / Vice-President**

# Financial Statements



## TENNIS NT INCORPORATED BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	30 June 2013 \$	30 June 2012 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash at Bank		71,809.15	58,921.38
Cash Management Account		101,013.67	105,000.00
Investment	2	600,000.00	550,000.00
Petty Cash		200.00	200.00
Prepaid Expenses	3	4,294.04	5,626.81
Receivables		44,233.80	27,456.30
GST Paid on Purchases		6,822.05	13,425.78
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>828,372.71</b>	<b>760,630.27</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Loan Receivable	4	15,000.00	15,000.00
Property, Plant and Equipment	5	47,676.93	54,407.84
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(33,031.52)	(25,989.24)
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<b>29,645.41</b>	<b>43,418.60</b>
<b>Total ASSETS</b>		<b>858,018.12</b>	<b>804,048.87</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade Creditors		27,549.18	16,400.30
Accrued Expenses		22,224.68	20,138.70
Income Received in Advance	6	10,988.66	12,700.00
Officials Development Fund	7	2,845.60	2,845.60
Feasibility Study - Territory Tennis Centre	8	31,798.56	35,948.56
TCA-NT Scholarship Fund	9	5,886.21	5,886.21
Staff Entitlements		23,601.96	16,914.80
GST Collected from Sales		14,445.40	14,933.83
<b>Total LIABILITIES</b>		<b>139,340.25</b>	<b>125,768.00</b>
<b>Net ASSETS</b>		<b>718,677.87</b>	<b>678,280.87</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained Profits at beginning of Period		678,280.87	654,037.30
Current Year Surplus/Deficit		40,397.00	24,243.57
<b>Total EQUITY</b>	10	<b>\$718,677.87</b>	<b>\$678,280.87</b>



# Financial Statements



## TENNIS NT INCORPORATED INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

<i>Income</i>		<b>30 June 2013</b>	<b>30 June 2012</b>
		<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Tennis Australia Grants</b>			
Administration	11	110,232.92	113,138.95
Athlete Development		17,109.09	7,421.94
Community Tennis	11	22,272.72	28,025.00
Events		19,265.27	14,101.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>168,880.00</b>	<b>162,686.89</b>
<b>Government Grants</b>			
Business Development		186,000.00	120,000.00
NT Institute of Sport		3,000.00	6,000.00
Indigenous Program		603.70	5,000.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>189,603.70</b>	<b>131,000.00</b>
<b>Administration</b>			
Affiliation and Registration	12	12,640.00	10,187.28
Insurance		4,653.34	5,786.00
Bank Income		32,751.36	41,166.52
Premises		20,500.00	3,000.00
Sundry Income		0.00	818.19
<b>Total</b>		<b>70,544.70</b>	<b>60,957.99</b>
<b>Athlete Development</b>			
Sponsorship		0.00	300.00
Squad Fees		2,282.90	2,697.73
National Teams Tour		8,968.00	6,454.33
<b>Total</b>		<b>11,250.90</b>	<b>9,452.06</b>
<b>Community Tennis</b>			
Presentation Dinner		8,018.20	5,550.02
Regional Development Program		10,000.00	10,114.73
Indigenous Program		0.00	2,000.00
Centre Managers Workshop		2,000.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>20,018.20</b>	<b>17,664.75</b>
<b>Operations and Events</b>			
Ball Sales		177.27	1,013.45
Competitor Sanction Fees		5,865.00	4,825.00
Intra-Territory Travel Grant		4,000.00	0.00
Metro League		4,000.00	527.27
Darwin and NT Age Titles		8,495.60	8,494.69
NT Open Championships		18,025.18	16,908.54
Darwin Open		8,211.45	8,668.05
Senior Points Circuit		5,600.00	4,000.00
Pro Tour		0.00	2,418.18
<b>Total</b>		<b>54,374.50</b>	<b>46,855.18</b>
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>514,572.00</b>	<b>\$428,616.87</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
<b>Athlete Development</b>			
Coach Development	13	0.00	13.42
National Teams Tour		18,196.14	15,133.44
Player Travel Grants		8,400.00	7,041.91
Program Expenses		9,312.03	5,971.72
<b>Total</b>		<b>35,908.17</b>	<b>28,160.49</b>

# Financial Statements



## TENNIS NT INCORPORATED INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

	30 June 2013	30 June 2012
	\$	\$
<b>Expenditure (continued)</b>		
<b>Community Tennis</b>		
Centre Managers Workshop	4,765.15	2,469.94
Presentation Dinner	8,709.38	8,257.27
Indigenous Tennis Program	603.70	6,936.73
Disabilities Program	0.00	700.00
Regional Development Program	15,070.33	14,539.75
Tennis in Schools	6,001.32	3,271.45
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,149.88</b>	<b>36,175.14</b>
<b>Operations and Events</b>		
Intra-Territory Travel Grant	10,450.00	8,250.00
Metro League	1,331.22	1,340.77
Darwin and NT Age Titles	9,357.59	7,450.33
NT Open Championships	21,193.93	18,390.67
Darwin Open	12,498.34	5,821.87
Senior Points Circuit	1,500.00	1,500.00
Pro Tour	3,423.17	7,341.20
Officials Development	1,805.95	1,800.00
Tournament Development	978.18	3,958.87
<b>Total</b>	<b>62,538.38</b>	<b>55,853.71</b>
<b>Staff</b>		
Salaries	196,322.23	164,503.30
Superannuation	16,460.97	14,217.35
Workers Compensation	3,506.71	1,631.15
Staff Amenities & Uniforms	309.34	235.86
Professional Development	2372.79	514.54
<b>Total</b>	<b>218,972.04</b>	<b>181,102.20</b>
<b>Administration</b>		
AGM	14	1,239.63
Audit Fees	1,818.18	2,000.00
Annual Industry Workshop	14	8,010.91
Bank Charges	631.74	501.63
Depreciation	9,854.78	10,015.01
Donations	4,687.50	0.00
Equipment	480.56	1,854.66
FBT	325.46	0.00
Insurance	3	6,492.60
Motor Vehicle	2,754.68	2,765.68
Marketing Costs	3,380.02	4,593.52
Petty Cash	1,581.22	164.27
Meetings	795.55	587.12
Postage	487.71	17.31
Premises	60,940.20	58,474.04
Printing and Stationery	2,723.57	1,882.54
Telephone	7,016.98	6,649.23
Travel	7,172.06	3,972.89
Bad & Doubtful Debts	195.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>120,588.35</b>	<b>103,081.76</b>
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>474,275.00</b>	<b>\$404,373.30</b>
<b>Net SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$40,397.00</b>	<b>\$24,243.57</b>

## **TENNIS NT INCORPORATED**

### **Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2013**

#### **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. The correct financial treatment for insurance was introduced in the previous financial year.

#### **Note 4**

##### **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. Under the Agreement loan payments will commence 18 June 2015.

#### **Note 5**

##### **Property, Plant and Equipment**

Umpires chairs were donated to the Alice Springs Tennis Association. The net book value of these is disclosed as a donation in the Profit and Loss.

## TENNIS NT INCORPORATED

### Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2013

#### Note 6

##### Income Received in Advance

\$1,700	DTC Sports Nationals Incentive Sponsorship (remainign from prior year-funds not spent)
\$6,962	Tennis Australia Grant for Medibank Junior Development Series
\$2,327	National Insurance Program receipts from Affiliates now allocated to the correct period in line with the treatment of the related cost.

#### Note 7

##### 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.

#### Note 8

##### 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.

#### Note 9

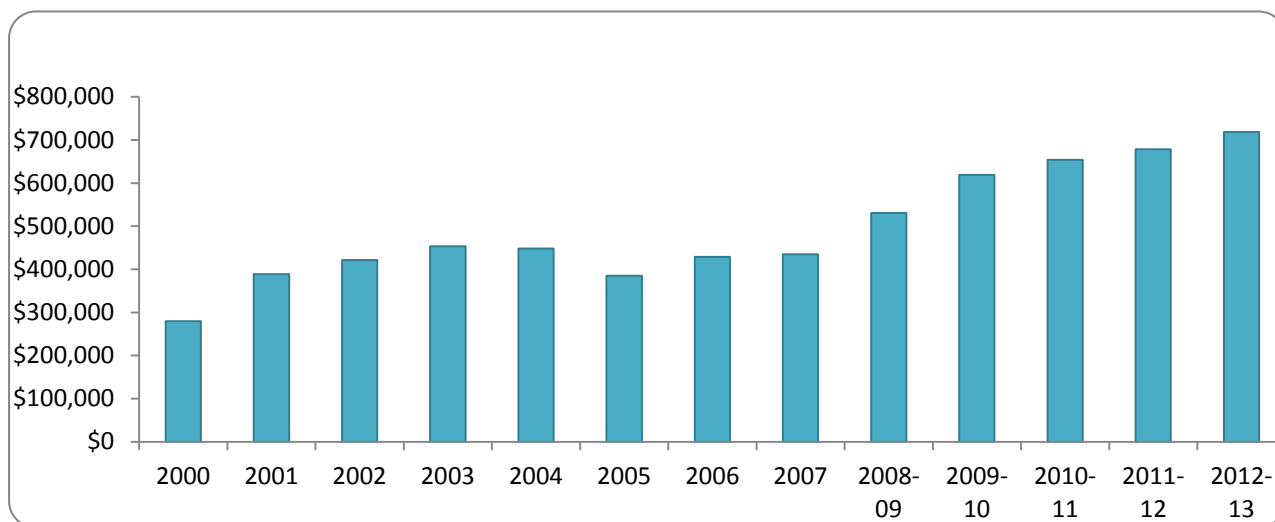
##### TCA-NT Scholarship Fund

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.

#### Note 10

##### Equity

The following graph demonstrates the trend from 2000 to the end of this reporting period.



#### Note 11

##### Tennis Australia Grants

Administration and Community Tennis Grants were re-coded to reflect the expenditure more accurately.

**Note 12**

**Affiliation and Registration**

	<b>2012-13</b>	<b>2011-12</b>
Alice Springs Tennis Association	2,600.00	2,600.00
Darwin Tennis Association	2,800.00	2,800.00
Coconut Grove (prev DTC Sports)	2,200.00	2,200.00
Gove Peninsula Tennis Club	1,300.00	1,300.00
Katherine Tennis Club	1,440.00	1,160.00
Tennis Palmerston	2,300.00	0.00
Tennis NT - Direct	0.00	127.28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,640.00</b>	<b>\$10,187.28</b>

**Note 13**

**Coach Development**

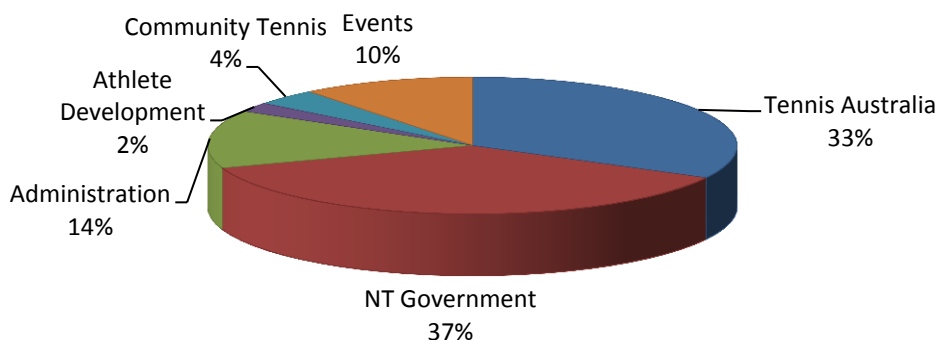
Coach Education Courses were all delivered by Tennis Australia.

**Note 14**

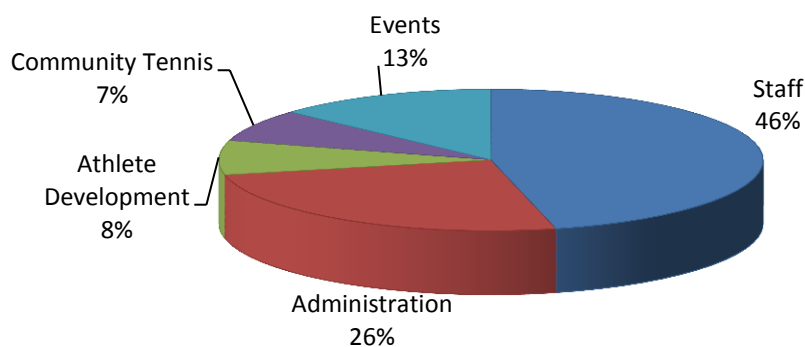
**AGM**

Travel expenses previously coded to the AGM were transferred to be an Annual Industry Workshop expense.

## 2012-13 Income



## 2012-13 Expenditure





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