

# TENNIS TASMANIA

ANNUAL REPORT  
**2021-2022**





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## ABOUT TENNIS TASMANIA

### OUR PURPOSE

We believe playing tennis makes life better

### OUR VISION

To create a playful world through tennis

### OUR VALUES

- Imagination
- Excellence
- Collaboration
- Humility

### OUR STRATEGIC PILLARS

- Participation
- People
- Places
- Promotion

### OUR APPROACH

We work closely with our clubs, coaches, schools, government, and Tennis Australia to co-create thriving tennis communities that attract people to our sport.



### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<b>President</b>	Martin Turmine
<b>Vice-President</b>	Pip Leedham
<b>Directors</b>	Ally Bradley
	Robert Miller
	Nick Haddow
	Heidi Radcliff
	Tom Middleton <i>(from December 2021)</i>
	Tom Robertson
	Danny Clark <i>(until September 2021)</i>

### LIFE MEMBERS

Mr Mathew J H Driessen*	Mr Tony Ryan*
Mr William Fitzgerald	Mr Denis Tucker
Mrs Frances Hudson	Mr Max Byrne
Mr Ross Munro	Mr Andrew Youl
Mr C A S Page OBE*	Mr Phil Bowden

\* deceased

### OFFICE LOCATIONS

#### South (Head Office)

Domain Tennis Centre  
2 Davies Avenue  
Glebe 7000

#### North

Tennis World Launceston  
57 Racecourse Crescent  
Launceston 7250

#### North West

Burnie Tennis Club *(until April 2022)*  
2 Eastwood Drive  
Burnie 7320

# TEAM

## TENNIS TASMANIA

### STATEWIDE

<b>Darren Sturgess</b>	General Manager – Tennis Tasmania Tournament Director – Hobart International
<b>Simonne Allwright</b>	Tennis Operations Lead
<b>Mandy Pargeter</b>	Event Operations Lead (from March 2022)
<b>Nicky Ristrom</b>	Digital Marketing and Communications Officer
<b>Nikki Goddard</b>	Women and Girls Coordinator (from September 2021)
<b>Phoebe Davis</b>	Tennis Delivery Manager
<b>Dianne Mason</b>	Event Operations Coordinator (until February 2022)
<b>Fairlie Lamond</b>	Tennis Delivery Manager (until December 2021)

### SOUTH/EAST

<b>Michael Bulis</b>	Regional Tennis Manager
<b>Matthew Lamont</b>	Tennis Development Officer – Clubs
<b>Jordan Petryk</b>	Tennis Development Officer – Schools Sports Administration Trainee (until March 2022)
<b>Alyssa Hibberd</b>	School Development Coordinator (until October 2021)

### NORTH/NORTH WEST

<b>Simon Aufder-Heide</b>	Regional Tennis Manager
<b>Jake McKercher</b>	Tennis Development Officer – North (from May 2022)
<b>Pip Martin</b>	Tennis Development Officer – North West (from October 2021)
<b>Chris Chandler</b>	North West Head Coach (until April 2022)

### PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

<b>Raphael Durek</b>	National Development Squad Coach
<b>James Bolzonello</b>	Talent Operations Manager (from March 2022)
<b>Elly Furlis</b>	National Development Squad Physical Performance Coach (from October 2021)
<b>Trent Constance</b>	Talent Operations Manager (until January 2022)

### AFFILIATES

Australian Italian Club – Tennis	Hobart Out Tennis Club	Scottsdale Tennis Club
Beaconsfield Tennis Club	Kingston Tennis Club	Smithton Tennis Club
Bicheno Tennis Club	Latrobe Tennis Club	Sorell Tennis Club
Binalong Bay Tennis Club	Legana Tennis Club	Spring Bay Tennis Club Inc
Bridport Tennis Club	Lindisfarne Memorial Tennis Club	St Helens Tennis Club
Burnie Tennis Club	Longford Tennis Club	St Mary's Tennis Club
Campbell Town Tennis Club	New Norfolk Tennis Club	St Therese's Tennis Club
Cygnets Tennis Club	Newstead Tennis Club	Sunshine Tennis Club
Deloraine Tennis Club	New Town Tennis Club (until January 2022)	Taroona Tennis Club
Devonport Tennis Club	Nubeena Tennis Club	Tennis North (Associate Member)
Domain Tennis Club	Perth Tennis Club	Tennis World Launceston (Associate Member)
East Devonport Tennis Club	Port Sorell Tennis Club	Trevallyn Tennis Club
Evandale Tennis Club	Richmond Tennis Club	Ulverstone Tennis Club
Forth Tennis Club	Riverside Tennis Club	Whitemore Tennis Club
Geilston Bay Tennis Club	Rosebery Tennis Club	Wynyard Somerset Tennis Club
Glenorchy City Tennis Club	Rosny Park Tennis Club	





## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

### The Tennis Tasmania Board, as custodians of this great sport in the state, continued to work diligently over the last year, providing direction for the organisation.

As President I thank and acknowledge the commitment of our directors, Pip Leedham (Vice President), Ally Bradley, Tom Robertson, Tom Middleton, Nick Haddow and Heidi Radcliff.

A special mention to Danny Clark who completed five years of service to the Board, resigning in September. A further mention to Rob Miller who, after completing four years of service, has decided to not seek re-election. Danny and Rob have been active directors and provided insight to many areas from grassroots and pathways for juniors, to major infrastructure development. Thank you, Danny and Rob.

I want to thank Darren Sturgess and the Tennis Tasmania team for their ongoing dedication, in working closely with our affiliated clubs, coaches and players to ensure we have more people playing tennis more often.

I am also pleased to welcome Tennis North as an affiliate and acknowledge their work in offering competitive play opportunities for players in the north of the state, via their strong tennis leagues. I would also like to thank and acknowledge the contribution over the years of the New Town Catholic Tennis Club, who ceased their affiliation after their courts were closed for private development.

Good governance is critical for the effective operation of any modern-day board. Together with the Boards of Tennis Australia, and state and territory associations, Tennis Tasmania is committed to ongoing improvements in the governance of tennis. As President I have been participating on a national working group focusing on improving board governance.

As a result of this work, enhancements have been implemented for the operation of Tennis Tasmania's Board. These include the introduction of a nominations committee, that oversees a more rigorous process for the recruitment of member elected directors, and board appointed directors. Also, a risk and audit committee has been established to provide additional oversight. Additional initiatives include improved director induction processes, and board meeting planning and training for directors. The Board, through its working groups supports the work of Tennis Tasmania's team on projects such as the site development plan at the Domain Tennis Centre.

Early in 2022 the Board reviewed the progress against the current strategy for growing the sport of tennis across the state. While the results presented in this annual report acknowledge that a lot has been achieved, there is always more to be done. Appropriately a refocus of Tennis Tasmania's strategic priorities was determined by the Board. As an example, as we move into the new calendar year the Tennis Tasmania team are focusing on elevating competitive play opportunities and pathways and providing improved support to the coaching sector.

Martin Turmine  
President

## MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

### Over the last twelve months, the Tennis Tasmania team has continued to support tennis clubs, coaches and community as we have transitioned into more certain times.

Tennis revealed itself as a sport that could manoeuvre through some of the restrictions across the year given its inherent physical distancing during play. We, along with everyone across tennis, have put in place a lot of planning and practical measures, to enable the on and off court experiences to continue in safe, responsible ways.

Our state teams were able to take part in the Australian Teams Championships event, however the 2021 Bruce Cup and Pizzey Cup were cancelled. Our junior athletes took it in their stride and represented our state with pride.

A highlight for the year was Alicia Dale's win in the National Rafa Nadal event held in Melbourne at the Australian Open in January, after winning her state based event last year. We wish the best of luck to the Tasmanian representatives, Doug Sheppard and Balin Russell who recently won their state events to qualify for the 2023 national event.

In seniors, Stephen Dance once again represented at the highest level, travelling to Florida to compete as part of the Australian team. Joining Glen Busby (VIC) and Wayne Pascoe (NSW), Stephen and the team took out the ITF World Teams Championships 65+ Seniors title. Stephen is a regular participant on the seniors' circuit, proudly representing both Tasmania and Australia at events interstate and overseas.

Locally, the seniors tennis calendar included events state wide with host venues such as Domain, Cygnet and Riverside taking part. The calendar continues to offer an important mix of competitive tennis with valuable social offerings, and I thank all the people involved in the delivery of these enjoyable events. Congratulations are also extended to Jon Aufder-Heide for his commitment to supporting seniors tennis across Tasmania, and his recent election to the Tennis Seniors Australia Board.

Over the last 18 months there has been a nationally led review on competitive play across Australia. The review identified five key focus areas that needed improvement. These recommendations have started to be adopted, but there is still work to do. This will drive a concerted effort over coming years.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the associations conducting competitive leagues across Tasmania including, but

not limited to those delivered by AYC, Tennis North, and Tennis North West. Thank you also for the varied range of leagues that are provided by people, and coaches, at our clubs. The creation of such opportunities for people to play and compete is a considerable feat, and they form a significant contribution to the fabric of our sport.

Throughout our state we have a committed group of officials who play a vital role in our competitive landscape and in educating participants in the rules and etiquette of tennis. I am pleased to recognise Louise Widdowson and her outstanding achievements across the year, resulting in her being nominated as a finalist at the Australian Tennis Awards. In other achievements, Annie Francis gained international recognition via her ITF White Badge chair umpire qualification. Congratulations to Louise and Annie, along with all our officials supporting tennis locally and nationally.

Thank you to our 46 clubs and affiliates for their commitment to tennis across the year. Clubs, and the coaches based at many of these locations, are vital to opening tennis to the local community and allowing people to enjoy our sport. Strong inroads continue with the use of digital systems at club level which connect new people to the sport and improve the process of registering to play. I am pleased to report that uplift has continued again this year with 43 (+8 year on year) clubs with an active website, 39 (+8) clubs issuing memberships online, and 28 (+11) clubs taking online court bookings. This increase in the number of courts being available to book online, combined with a year-round digital promotion and marketing campaign, has seen our online court booking numbers across the state almost double year on year.

Club memberships have grown to 4,693 which is testament to the work of all our club volunteers. It is great to see a clear and increasing trend in the transition of casual players to active club members. Again, this is largely due to the dedicated efforts of volunteers who are committed to creating welcoming, safe, and inclusive club environments for all to experience and enjoy.

The volunteer energy was also rewarded in securing significant financial investment from government grants and other contributions. Over \$1 million was obtained and is currently being spent on a range of facility improvements including resurfacing, lighting, hitting walls, and fencing. The collaborative approach between clubs, Tennis Tasmania, councils, and community groups has been successful and augers well for future infrastructure planning.

On the coaching front, congratulations to the Carswell family celebrating 50 years of coaching tennis in Northern Tasmania. Thank you to David, Matt and Hayley for their lifelong connection to tennis, and for providing professional tennis coaching services over this significant period. A special mention to David Tunbridge for his decades of coaching in Hobart. He is now retired from full time coaching but is still staying involved



Alicia Dale

in a small capacity. Congratulations to Chris Chandler on five successful years based at Burnie Tennis Club now moving to Tennis World Launceston to take up a new opportunity. Thank you to Dickson Tennis who provided six years of tennis service in the south, before heading back to NSW. We welcome Sahil Sahil from Sydney who has started coaching services at Glenorchy City Tennis Club.

School participation is often the first opportunity for children to experience tennis so creating a fun and engaging program is important to a positive first connection with the sport. Delivery in school has once again risen with 25,021 school students across 149 schools experiencing tennis in schools.

Finally, I would like to thank the Tennis Tasmania team for all the work put in across the State. We also farewelled a few of our team members who have made a lasting impact on tennis in Tasmania. Alyssa Hibberd received a coaching role under a scholarship program in Melbourne. Fairlie Lamond and Trent Constance both returned home to tennis roles in Victoria to head up the Women and Girls program and Talent Operations respectively. Dianne Mason finished up her time in Event

Operations. We wish these members of the team all the best in the next stages of their career.

We also welcomed to the team Matt Lamont, Nikki Goddard, Mandy Pargeter, Jake McKercher, Jordan Petryk and Pip Martin. Congratulations also to the James Bolzonello who was appointed to the role of Talent Operations Manager, and to Elly Fourlis who was appointed to a Physical Performance role within the National Player Development team.

It has been a great year once again and I look forward to the outcomes we can achieve collectively over the next year.

Thank you!

Darren Sturgess  
General Manager

# TENNIS AUSTRALIA

## CEO REPORT

### A REMARKABLE YEAR

## It has truly been a remarkable year.

Together we rose from a pandemic to greater heights and some stunning outcomes.

It started in triumph with Ash Barty following in the footsteps of her long-time friend and mentor, Evonne Goolagong Cawley, to become the first Australian woman to win Wimbledon in 41 years. The world No.1 went onto claim the singles and doubles titles in Adelaide before becoming the first Aussie to win on home soil since 1978. A victory watched by more than 4.261 million Australian viewers... and unbeknownst to any of us, her final match. What a way to mark 100 years since women first competed in the Australasian Championships.

Dylan Alcott also soared. With victories in every Grand Slam quad wheelchair singles event and another gold medal at the Tokyo Paralympics, the much-loved Melburnian became the first man in tennis to win a Golden Slam. His achievements on and off the court were recognized in January when he was named Australian of the Year.

A 14-strong team of players represented Australia in Tokyo at the Olympic and Paralympic Games, where Ash teamed with John Peers to win bronze in mixed doubles, and Dylan and Heath Davidson combined superbly to claim the silver medal in doubles.

In January world-class tennis returned to Sydney, Adelaide, Melbourne and regional Victoria and the 157 Aussie players who competed did not disappoint with Thanasi Kokkinakis winning his maiden ATP title in front of a home crowd Adelaide.

John Peers took home the doubles crown in Sydney and Dylan Alcott claimed his final quad singles title at the Victorian Wheelchair Open before teaming up with Heath Davidson to win the doubles.

The Australian Open was one for the history books with Ash's win immediately followed by Thanasi Kokkinakis and Nick Kyrgios defeating fellow Aussies Matt Ebden and Max Purcell to claim the men's doubles title.

The new Competitive Play Framework also launched in January to make it easier for players to understand their level on the pathway and find competitive opportunities most suited to their standard. The number of endorsed events increased 70 per cent in the first six months to more than 300 with 11,934 players competing.

A new qualification criteria was introduced for National Junior Championships and more than 150 up-and-coming tennis players represented their state at the annual junior team competition with a further 131 players competing in Canberra in the Claycourt Nationals.

During the year, more than 5000 young players are in Talent Development programs around Australia with 40 players aged between 15 and 23 qualifying for the National Tennis Academy. Another 760 girls went to Female in Tennis development camps –getting quality coaching in sync with trends and tactics of the modern women's game.

The Australian player success inspired many of us onto the court during the year, participation growing 14 per cent to 1.514 million with a 20 per cent increase in the number of adults playing the sport. Our Schools Program celebrated being the number one delivered Sporting Schools program for the sixth year in a row.

Play.Tennis.com.au continues to be fundamental to the growing the game with traffic to the website increasing 605 per cent during January 2022 and more than 75 per cent of the Australian population able to book a court online within 15 kilometres of their homes.

Tennis Hot Shots had 634,473 kids participating while our Tennis in Schools program continues to be the No.1 requested and delivered sport as part of the Sporting Schools initiative. And another 40,000 kids across Australia enjoyed AO Holiday Programs delivered by 275 coaches at 450 venues during January.

Whether they are developing the next elite athlete, teaching a young kid to hold a racquet for the first time or out there on tour, the connection between a coach and their player is something that remains constant. It takes dedicated coaches to spark the passion for tennis and our 3200 coach members are the driving force behind the growth of our tennis programs.

Australian Francois Vogelsberger was awarded the International Tennis Federation's Wheelchair Tennis Coach of the Year. Vogelsberger was recognised for his work with Dylan Alcott and Heath Davidson, who were both top 10-ranked players in the quad wheelchair division. He also won the Australian Tennis Award for Coaching Excellence in Performance.

Tennis continues to deliver coach education courses facilitated by a qualified team. More than 600 coaches have enrolled in courses over the past 12 months. Another 630 tennis Coaches from 31 countries participated in the virtual Grand Slam Coaches Conference, featuring 49 world class presenters from 13 countries.

Coach Connect launches to engage, educate and connect, focused on the recruitment and retention of female coaches. 200+ participants have enrolled in mentoring, workshops and networks since its inception. And in May, the Women Leaders in Tennis program consisting of formal learning, networking and mentoring opportunities launched. The program has been developed to help build the confidence and competence of current and emerging leaders. We continued to foster safe, inclusive tennis venues that thrive in their respective communities. A national education and awareness campaign

called A Safer Game Plan launched in October 2021 and more than 400 staff members and 788 Club administrators, TA Coach Members and Officials attend a series of safeguarding children training workshops.

Since 2007, more than \$29 million has been invested into facility development as part of the National Court Rebate initiative, partnering with all levels of government and the local community to generate over \$430 million in investment over this period (excluding major event venues). This included helping more than 20 flood-affected venues are being supported with their clean-up efforts and to get them back up and running.

The HIT tool helps improve the experience and accessibility of reporting on the performance of tennis venues nationwide. Venue reporting information is now entered via online forms and submitted directly into the HIT platform, ensuring greater data accuracy and richer insights.

The community spirit of tennis continues to thrive largely due to the support and dedication of over 25,000 passionate volunteers. To complement their work, initiatives like the National Hitting Wall project and Women Leaders in Tennis program create opportunities within local communities to both support and encourage grassroots access to the sport, as well as to foster diverse community engagement.

An artistic initiative to showcase hitting walls around the country as part of a push to increase community participation in tennis. The national project sees walls redesigned by local artists in every state and territory. With more than 450 hitting walls at affiliated venues and clubs across Australia, and hundreds more in community parks and public settings, hitting against a wall is a great way for people of all ages to have fun, stay active and improve their tennis skills.

As the traditional game continues to grow, so too do new and emerging formats. More than 10,000 Australian Open fans got to experience Padel, POP and Beach Tennis in 2022. These formats offer exciting scope to broaden the reach of traditional tennis, and to engage both existing players as well as brand new participants.

We recognize the opportunity and responsibility we have to harness the power of tennis to champion equality, sustainability, mental health and wellbeing. Some of the initiatives introduced this past year include holding the first AO Pride Day which saw more than 140 LGBTQ+ players from around Australia compete in the AO Glam Slam presented by Ralph Lauren with the finals held on Kia Arena.

The inaugural AO First Nations Day was also held with a Koorie Heritage Cultural Walk from Birrarung Marr. Yolngu man, Baker Boy performed on Rod Laver Arena before the night session.

As we reflect on this remarkable 12 months and look to the future, we should be proud of all that we achieved during this



time. We made use of every moment spent off the court as a result of the pandemic to dive deeply into our coaching and competitive play ecosystems around Australia and start building plans for ongoing improvement.

Our engagement with coaches and the playing community throughout this process highlighted the importance of building stronger relationships, finding improved ways to connect, learning from each other's experiences and planning together for the future of our game. A future that looks brighter each day.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Craig Tiley".

Craig Tiley  
Tennis Australia CEO

BY THE NUMBERS

EVENTS AND LEAGUES



6

AUSTRALIAN MONEY TOURNAMENTS

10

JUNIOR TOURNAMENTS

21

UTR EVENTS (FORMERLY TOURNAMENTS)

1

State Level (Signature)

3

State Level (Premier)

7

Regional Level 4 (Junior/Open)

10

Local Level (Community)

310

TEAM TENNIS PARTICIPANTS

35

Red

108

Orange

131

Green

OFFICIALS



23

REGISTERED OFFICIALS

13

Male

10

Female

COACHES



47

COACH MEMBERS

33

Male

14

Female

31

QUALIFIED COACHES

27

Male

4

Female

15

TRAINEE COACHES

5

Male

10\*

Female

\*Influenced by the Women and Girls Funding

FACILITIES



47

Affiliates (includes New Town and Tennis North)

181

Courts at affiliated clubs

28

Clubs with online court hire

42 CLUBS WITH ACTIVE WEBSITES

36

Clubs with online membership

4,693

Registered club players

\$1,098,505

Investment into clubs' infrastructure

SCHOOLS



25,021

(up from 22,666) PARTICIPANTS

168

Average participants per school

17

Tennis Hot Shots coaches registered

124

(up from 101) Partner primary school participants

149

Partner schools

25

(up from 15) Partner senior school participants

19,844

Primary school participants

5,177

(up from 2,300)

Senior school participants



DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT

1,689

(up from 1,510)

FACEBOOK LIKES

40,343

(up from 30,230)

FACEBOOK REACH

619

(up from 533)

INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS



# PARTICIPATION REPORT

## In just one year, so much can happen.

On the international stage Stephen Dance won the ITF World Teams Championships 65+ Seniors title. Nationally, our state team players went up against the rest of the country in the Australian Teams Championships, and one of our top officials, Louise Widdowson, was nominated for an Australian Tennis Award.

Locally, there have been new leagues and events started across the state, opportunities for new and existing coaches to develop their skills, and a range of new Sporting Schools partners providing thousands of students with their first tennis experience. Further initiatives have been launched to encourage more people to play tennis, including new court access and hire solutions, allowing more people to play more often.

### PARTICIPATION HIGHLIGHTS

**20%**

AVERAGE INCREASE IN COURT HIRE REVENUE

**10%**

INCREASE IN SCHOOL PARTICIPATION NUMBERS

**65%**

OF AFFILIATED VENUES HAVE ONLINE COURT HIRE



### ABORIGINAL COME AND TRY DAY - TENNIS WORLD

On a sunny day in November 2021, Tennis Tasmania partnered with Trowunna Cultural Services to host a Come and Try Day for over 30 local Tasmanian Aboriginal children.

Starting with a traditional smoke ceremony and Welcome to Country, participants experienced a day of on and off court activities, including tennis coaching, team-based play, and having a social hit with family. To balance out the physical activities on court, there was a range of cultural experiences facilitated by Trowunna, including a mural painting on the hitting wall, for a more artistic outlet.

The day was a great success, demonstrating inclusion, a welcoming atmosphere and clear pathways for locals to get involved in tennis in the future.

'It doesn't matter if you win a point or not, you can keep rallying the next point and have fun!' - Zaide, 10, a participant on the day, when asked why he loved tennis

**Tennis clubs are the backbone of our sport, and the volunteers who run them are some of the most dedicated and hard-working members of the community.**

Over the past year the team at Tennis Tasmania has worked with dozens of individuals, and committees across the state and we acknowledge the time and effort put supporting tennis in their local community.

As we started to emerge from the COVID-19 restrictions, many clubs were looking to implement simple, contactless and online access to their courts. Interest and demand grew for our ClubSpark digital platform, resulting in a steep uptake of this affiliation benefit. This approach not only made booking

and access easier for the public, but reduced dependency on volunteers to facilitate both payment and gate access. Many clubs are now consistently benefiting from an increased online presence - including the ease of court hire, program bookings, and membership management.

This period saw the roll out of the Health Indicator of Tennis (HiT) tool. The HiT tool supports clubs to work with Tennis Tasmania and assess venue performance and measure its overall health across three main areas: facility condition, financial position and participation metrics. The insights gathered allow the club to form clear, and meaningful action plans in order to improve their tennis programming and long term viability.

Councils and the State Government were eager to rebound into the new normal, providing financial incentive to the community. Many clubs successfully leveraged the opportunity for facility improvements, by working closely with Tennis Tasmania on their grant submissions. The result of all the hard work saw the largest investment into tennis facilities across the state in many years, where we surpassed \$1 million.



**THREE KEY  
FOCUS AREAS  
FOR CLUBS IN  
THE PAST YEAR**

- 1. COURT ACCESS**
- 2. CLUBSPARK UTILISATION**
- 3. HiT TOOL ROLL OUT**



**COURT HIRE  
AND GATE  
ACCESS  
SOLUTIONS**

For those wanting to get out and exercise within COVID-19 restrictions, tennis was quickly recognised as a safe sport of choice for Tasmanians, due to the ability to play outdoors and maintain safe distances. To provide better access, and to capitalise on this enthusiasm, clubs worked with Tennis Tasmania to get onto the ClubSpark digital platform, and enable the online Court Hire function. This allowed for simple and easy online bookings and payments for both the community and club members.

The most innovative development in court access recently, has been the integration of a new smart padlock, with the ClubSpark platform. The 'Igloo Home' lock removes the need for volunteers to facilitate access to courts for bookings, instead allowing the player to use a unique code on arrival. This has provided an affordable solution to clubs to open up their courts for increased community use.

# SCHOOLS REPORT

Over the past 12 months, the strong foundation built with the school community has continued to develop around the state.

With the announced extension of the Sporting Schools program from the Federal Government, funding is now secure for the short term and more schools can apply.

The program goes from strength to strength across Tasmania with additional primary schools that want to get involved in the Tennis Hot Shots program, along with considerably more secondary schools delivering tennis in schools.

Sporting Schools funding combined with Tennis Tasmania support, has created opportunities for coaches to connect with over 120 schools, providing significant opportunity for improved playing pathways from school to club and competitive play. These pathways have led to increased numbers in school-based Team Tennis Leagues and tennis Gala Days.

The pandemic could not stop the celebration of the hard work and success achieved throughout the year, with a COVID Safe rollout of the annual Tennis Hot Shots Racquet Roadshow. Schools received hundreds of new Tennis Hot Shots racquets for their participating students, that were presented in assembly or handed out in class.

## TENNIS HOT SHOTS GALA DAYS

Tennis Hot Shots Gala Days are a great opportunity for schools within a region to come together for a day of tennis. All the organisation and equipment is provided by Tennis Tasmania, while schools bring the students and some helpers for supervision.

Eight events were run, including:

- Northern Midlands Primary Schools Sports Association (NMPSSA) 3/4 ANZ Tennis Hot Shot School Competition
- North West Primary School Sports Association (NWPSSA) 3/4 Expo Days
- North West Primary School Sports Association (NWPSSA) 5/6 Sports Days
- Northern Independent Junior School Sports Association (NIJSSA) 5/6 Summer Sport Roster
- Launceston State Schools Sports Association (LSSSA) 5/6 Summer Sport Roster
- Huon and Channel Schools Sports Association (HCSSA) 3/4 Cygnet Red Ball Gala Day
- Southern Catholic Schools Sports Association (SCSSA) Winter Carnival Domain
- East Coast Primary Schools Sports Association (ECPSSA) 3-6 East Coast Sports Gala Day



## TENNIS HOT SHOTS RACQUET ROADSHOW

Through their partnership with the Tennis Hot Shots program, ANZ has provided over 1,700 racquets to students in 51 different schools across the state, via the Racquet Roadshow initiative. As well as the Roadshow, ANZ provided grants to schools, to assist with their tennis programs. All of this could not have been possible without the support of Tennis Australia and ANZ.

## SURVEY RESULTS

**124**  
PRIMARY SCHOOLS

**25**  
SECONDARY SCHOOLS

**25,021**  
PARTICIPANTS

**98%**  
SURVEY RESPONSE RATE

## THE PATHWAY AT PLAY

Devonport Christian School recently had their whole school (K-6) participate in Sporting Schools for tennis. Using a combination of teacher and coach delivery, the program took place over four weeks. By the end students in years three to six were serving, scoring, and having great rallies on court.

At the end of the program students were invited to participate in a two day school holiday program at the local club – Devonport Tennis Club. There were 18 students from Devonport Christian School who registered, continuing their impressive on court improvement.

Since the completion of this holiday program nearly all these students have continued with coaching and regular play at the Devonport Tennis Club. This example encapsulates what Tennis Tasmania is working towards across the state with schools, clubs and coaches. Utilising local coaches to service schools with Sporting Schools funding, and linking back to a club where students can continue their tennis journey.

# COMPETITIVE PLAY



**Competitive Play looks very different to a year ago. A national review was conducted, and several findings have begun to be implemented across a new Competitive Play Pathway. Participation increased in many leagues, despite the disruption of the pandemic, as tennis resonated amongst the community as one of the only socially distanced sports available.**

Junior Team Tennis saw a healthy increase in all regions, with hundreds of kids getting to experience competitive match play, learning scoring and the basic skills of the sport, in a safe and inclusive environment. Those with a little more experience also had the chance to compete in the unique Rafa Nadal Tour event that returned after a two-year hiatus, as well as a number of other Australian Ranking and UTR events hosted around the state

The relaunch of the Southern Tennis League provided players aged 16 years and over with a chance to play in a singles roster in the south of the state, while Leagues around the state run by associations and committees, continue to grow, attracting a strong cohort of all abilities. AYC (South), Tennis North, and Tennis North West have continued to provide opportunities for their regions to play, adapting to current consumer needs.

## LEAGUES

There are a number of Open Leagues around the state that have continued to grow and perform well in the past year, with most being run by associations and committees, supported by Tennis Tasmania.

The development of Competitive Leagues (e.g. Team Tennis) has become the highlight of the junior tennis calendar over the past year, with new initiatives leading to fast growth in the south, and a consistently high percentage of players returning to each roster in the north. Each roster runs between four to six weeks and is played in teams of three or four participants, who are recruited from clubs or coaches around the state.

Juniors improve their playing skills, as well as develop their understanding of the rules, and expectations of players, under the supervision and support of coaches and staff. This opportunity provides them with the confidence to play further leagues and events. Parents are a pivotal part of the player pathway, and are encouraged to get involved by helping with scoring and supervising games.

## INDEPENDENT ROSTERS

### TENNIS NORTH (CRAIG BOYCE)

The Tennis North leagues continue to grow, now with over 200 players competing in Night and Midweek rosters. We had a slight decline in A and C Grade numbers, which was offset by a significant uplift in B Grade teams. What was also pleasing was the increase in younger female players playing in B Grade. Midweek Ladies teams were yet again incredibly strong with team numbers consistent compared with other years and we will potentially bring in a new Seniors division with rules to cater for those less able to cover a full court. We expect a steady rise in numbers when our next leagues commence in mid August 2022.

### TENNIS NORTH WEST (KIM ROBINSON)

Tennis North West has changed our Midweek Ladies league to an all gender offering. Two men are allowed to participate in our Division 2 teams, and one man can be included in our Division 1 league. We have been able to maintain both divisions with sufficient teams for a competitive roster in both divisions. In the upcoming new roster, we are introducing some changes to the rules to ensure the league is attractive to players. These changes include, the first six weeks being conducted at major centres, to encourage the social side of tennis, a 10 point tie breaker for the third set, and we may also introduce sudden death deuce to make the league more time friendly. It is also pleasing to see Port Sorell have returned to the Midweek competition.

### NORTH WEST TENNIS LEAGUE (SHAUN SUMMERS)

Our sixth annual North West Tennis League was again very competitive with increasing North West players across the coast competing over the summer 2021/22 season. We had 80 players compete with fill-ins included. Teams were represented from Wynyard/Somerset, Burnie, Penguin, Devonport, Port Sorell and Latrobe, across A Grade, A Reserve and B Grade Divisions. We intend to continue our expansion of the league to include East Devonport, Ulverstone and Smithton in future years.

### AYC TENNIS ASSOCIATION (CAMPBELL PALFREY)

The 2021/22 season was our 70th – which many thought unlikely a few seasons ago – and was a great success.

There was a significant increase in team numbers, which is attributed to the move to shorter rosters and the introduction of consistent nights of competition.

These initiatives have seen team numbers increase by approximately 60 per cent from the low of 29 teams at the start of 2020/21, as the league becomes more attractive to both new and past players of a broad age range.

There was also the successful return of an end of season dinner, which attracted 130 players and supporters.



# COMPETITIVE PLAY

## EVENT BREAKDOWN

Region	Number of Events
North	8
North West	3
South	16

## SUMMARY OF CHANGES TO EVENTS THROUGH COMPETITIVE PLAY FRAMEWORK

Over the last 18 months there has been a nationally led review into competitive play across Australia. The identification of five key areas of improvement were outcomes of the review.

- 1) Improved clarity around the pathway in tennis
- 2) Address the multiple rating and ranking formats
- 3) Implement consistent formats of play
- 4) Improve the culture of competitive play
- 5) Address the delivery of competitive play.

These long-term recommendations have slowly started to be implemented in Tasmania and will continue to be worked toward over the next few years. For further detail on the review and how it was conducted, please see the Tennis Tasmania website.

The focus in the short term has been around supporting and educating our local deliverers on the research, findings, developments, and recommendations for improving competitive play opportunities across Tasmania. Most notably, a move to the Universal Tennis Rating (UTR) – a primary rating that can be used across all forms of competitive play – has been the first step. This presents considerable change with the decommissioning of the Australian Ranking system, which only captured and utilised results in events. Players will be required to have a Competitive Player Profile (CPP) to enter events around the state and country, which is created by linking a UT account with a Tennis ID.

Work has commenced on improving the Tasmanian tennis pathway and calendar, as well as providing more competitive play opportunities at local, regional and state level. This will require the input and support of all our stakeholders across the state to provide the playing opportunities for all players.



## RAFA NADAL TOUR/ALICIA DALE

Tassie young gun Alicia Dale has sent a strong message to her competitors around the country, after winning the 14/u Rafa Nadal Tour – Australian Masters.

The Masters event consisted of players from all over the country who had won their respective age group at a Rafa Nadal Tour event, in the lead up to Masters. Every state and territory hosted a tour event in 2021 – except for the Northern Territory.

The Tassie instalment was held on the North West coast at Burnie Tennis Club, and had a focus on more than just winning matches. At each stage of the tour, signage was displayed and talks were held, instilling the values held at the Rafa Nadal Academy in Spain, of sportsmanship, commitment, fellowship and effort.

Alicia, and a number of other Tassie players, had the chance to go to the Australian Open, train with some of the best junior players from around the country and learn from coaches based at the Rafa Nadal Academy in Spain. She also had the opportunity to meet Rafa Nadal while in Melbourne, at the Masters event

# PLAYER DEVELOPMENT



Team Manager James Bolzonello, William Carswell, Lochie Sampson, Charlie Marsden and Hunter Richardson of Tasmania Under 11 Boys team pose for a photo during the Australian Team Championships 2022.

## National Development Squads (NDS) are run in all four school terms, for a select number of athletes.

In the past year players have competed regularly and consistently, improving their Universal Tennis Rating (UTR). We are seeing more players across the state moving up into the Zone Squads and Super 10s program, and many players starting to transition up into the NDS squad.

The NDS offers a combination of on and off court sessions, including strength and conditioning, run by a qualified professional. In the interest of holistic player development, squad members also have the chance to participate in facilitator led workshops with a focus on nutrition, the importance of understanding the anti-doping rules, cyber safety and more.

### NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SQUAD IN NUMBERS

# 29

**NUMBER OF ATHLETES INVOLVED ACROSS 3 SQUADS, 1 MATCH PLAY AND STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING**

**Each athlete has access to 2 squads, 1 match play and 2 strength and conditioning sessions**

### ZONE DEVELOPMENT SQUADS

Zone Development Squads are run state-wide, offering players a chance to train with Player Development appointed coaches, benefit from court time additional to their private sessions, as well as train in a high-level environment, with likeminded squad members from their own region.

Zone Development Squads are a vital step on the Player Pathway, providing a valuable program, and support to players striving to join the NDS. These programs - as with all run by Player Development - are developed with the whole athlete in mind, providing access to a range of workshops and off court sessions.

Despite the challenges of the pandemic, border closures and event cancellations, squads maintained healthy numbers, notably the North 11/u Squad, and North West Squads.

# 44

**NUMBER OF ATHLETES INVOLVED IN THE 4 SQUADS**

# 1

**NUMBER OF ON COURT SESSIONS PER WEEK**

# 7

**NUMBER OF ASSISTANT COACHES**

#### SOUTH

Simon Youl (2021)  
Catherine Krueger  
Tony Blom

#### NORTH/NORTH WEST

Chris Chandler  
Phillipa Martin  
Phoebe Davis  
Hayley MacKirdy  
James Bolzonello (2021)

### NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SQUADS

Alicia Dale	Iris Bouwmeester
Amelia Mitchell	Jack Akl
Andreas Tsiakis	Jonathan Eslake
Banjo Seeger	Lachie Browne
Ben Fergusson	Lochie Sampson
Charlie Hill	Lucas Akl
Charlie Marsden	Lucy Bouwmeester
Elise Mitchell	Ollie Hewitt
Ethan Little	Rupert Mullins
Ethan Wong	Sam Hewitt
George Anderson	Thomas Hann
George Goddard	Will Bird
George McTaggart	Zaviour Targett



## ZONE DEVELOPMENT SQUADS

Angus Hewitt	Hunter Richardson
Amelie Dooley	Imogen Ransley
Angelina Stanger	Jacob Able
Ava Marik	James Nuttall
Charlie d'Emden	Jasmine Ho
Chase Richardson	Lucas Dooley
Davin Tang	Marcus Wong
Declan Cocker	Niamh Carey
Doug Sheppard	Nicholas Wang
Eleanor Williams	Oscar Plaschke
Ellie Richardson	Ruby Seeger
Elliott Hughes	Ryan Bonny
Elsa Grant	Vaani Mangat
Emma Campbell	Will Baker
Eugenia Chow	William Carswell
Francesca Karpeles	Xavier Lowe
Hailey Zhang	Zac Sampson
Holly Triffett	Zoe Hanlon

## STATE TEAMS

11/U	13/U	15/U
Charlie Marsden	Banjo Seeger	Alicia Dale
Hunter Richardson	Britta Russell	Balin Russell
Lochie Sampson	Doug Sheppard	George Anderson*
William Carswell	Ethan Clemons	Jack Heathcote
	Oliver Carswell	Lachlan Browne
	Paige Jacobson	*Did not play
	Xanthe Hooper	

The State Teams provided a great opportunity for players to experience tennis at a highly competitive level. For some it was their first experience playing out of the state, in a team environment.

On court they tested their skills and learned where they need to improve to play at the next level. Off court, they watched and supported each other. The team competed hard and took a lot of lessons away from the trip. The 11/u and 13/u teams finished eighth and both the boys 15/u and the girls team – which was combined with players from the Northern Territory – finished seventh.

Moving forward the continued focus will be around developing a solid foundation of players, who are skilled enough to be chosen for these teams. This will be achieved through a combination of talent identification, and more competitive match play opportunities across Tasmania and interstate.

### PIZZEY CUP

→ Was not held due to COVID-19

### BRUCE CUP

→ Was not held due to COVID-19



Team Manager Raphael Durek, Lachlan Browne, Jack Heathcote, Balin Russell, Alicia Dale pose for a photo during the Australian Team Championships 2022

## PLACES REPORT

In the reporting period, Tennis Tasmania focused on providing support to clubs for grant applications, and investing a considerable amount of time in local, state, and federal government advocacy.

This advocacy is primarily about keeping tennis in a position to take advantage of funding opportunities, while being well prepared for future sport and recreation planning.

Post COVID-19 restrictions, local and state governments were determined to get people active, offering additional funding to support clubs. Tennis Tasmania worked with dozens of clubs to take advantage of these opportunities, moving forward with several projects including lighting, resurfacing, new energy efficient solutions, and upgrading club amenities. The increased availability of funding, and the work done by clubs and Tennis Tasmania, resulted in a significant increase in financial investment year on year.

Other key priorities include the ongoing effort to source funding for clubs, and work with them to upgrade and maintain their facilities, ensuring they are inviting, safe, accessible, and welcoming places for the community.

### COURT HIRE STATS

# 1,516

UNIQUE PARTICIPANTS

# 11,674

HOURS OF CASUAL HIRE

# \$40,303

REVENUE

# Sunday 10am

MOST POPULAR DAY/TIME

# 8,311

NUMBER OF ONLINE BOOKINGS  
MADE

Charlie Marsden





# PLACES REPORT

## LAUNCESTON TENNIS, COMMUNITY AND EVENTS CENTRE (LTCEC)

This important project requires funding from several key stakeholders at a particularly challenging time – when the economy is unstable, and the ripple effects of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to be felt. Escalations in key resource costs, combined with supply-chain shortages, and a highly competitive construction industry have caused delays and left very limited options, leading to pressure on the ability to complete the full

scope of the project. Work has continued with considerable time invested in reviewing project efficiencies, as well as advocacy of all tiers of government, to ensure this important community asset is built.

Tennis Tasmania remains committed to delivering the project for the region. The identified need for the build is clear, and we will maintain momentum, to fulfil our construction goals.

## SPORT AND RECREATION EQUIPMENT GRANTS PROGRAM 2021-2022

CLUB	LGA	BEING FOR	AMOUNT RECEIVED
Beaconsfield	West Tamar	Nets and posts	\$2,147
Devonport	Devonport	Pressure court cleaner	\$3,812
New Norfolk	Derwent Valley	Court lights	\$3,350
Taroona	Kingborough	Defibrillator	\$2,120
Tennis Tasmania	Statewide	Equipment/Teams	\$8,493
<b>TOTAL RECEIVED</b>			<b>\$19,922</b>

## IMPROVING THE PLAYING FIELD FUNDING 2021/22

CLUB	LGA REGION	PROJECT TYPE	GRANT RECEIVED	CLUB & OTHER	TOTAL PROJECT VALUE
Australian Italian Tennis Club	Meander Valley	Lighting	\$30,000	\$5,000	\$35,000
Domain Tennis Centre	City Of Hobart	Lighting	\$40,000	\$24,020	\$64,020
Legana Tennis Club	West Tamar	Facility Development	\$50,000	\$114,012	\$164,012
St Mary's Tennis Club	Break O'Day	Resurfacing	\$26,517	\$3,150	\$29,667
Taroona Tennis Club	Kingborough	Lighting	\$34,827	\$7,037	\$41,864
Trevallyn Tennis Club	City Of Launceston	Courts	\$40,501	\$28,000	\$68,501
Beaconsfield Tennis Club	West Tamar	Facility Development	\$50,000	\$46,500	\$96,500
<b>TOTAL FUNDING</b>			<b>\$271,845</b>	<b>\$227,719</b>	<b>\$499,564</b>

CLUB	LGA REGION	PROJECT TYPE	GRANT RECEIVED	CLUB AND OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS	TOTAL PROJECT VALUE
Sorell	Sorell	Courts	\$67,896	\$26,000	\$93,896
Kingston	Kingborough	Courts	\$220,000	\$76,520	\$296,520
Geilston Bay	Clarence	Fencing	\$52,400	\$40,000	\$92,400
Tennisworld	City Of Launceston	Courts	\$46,203	\$50,000	\$96,203
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			<b>\$386,499</b>	<b>\$192,520</b>	<b>\$579,019</b>

## FACILITY INVESTMENT SUMMARY

Total IPF grants received =	\$ 658,344
Total club and other contributions =	\$ 420,239
+ Equipment Grants Program =	\$ 19,922
<b>COMBINED INVESTMENT</b>	<b>\$1,098,505</b>

Source: IPL, club, TT/TA funding



## PEOPLE REPORT

### COACHING IN TASSIE

**Tennis coaches in Tasmania are the face of our sport. We value the passion, support, and knowledge that they share, and the positive impact they have on thousands of participants around the state.**

In recent months Tennis Tasmania delivered a Junior Development (JD) coaching course to 10 participants. Over eight intense weekends, participants were guided by various qualified staff members, covering topics and areas necessary for them to move from trainee coaches to a TA certified JD coach.

The Women and Girls funding has seen an increase in female participants completing coaching courses in Tasmania, thanks to the scholarships that have been made available. Currently in Tasmania there are four qualified female coaches and ten trainee coaches. Hobart's Alyssa Hibberd earned a National Academy Coaching role under a Women and Girls scholarship, that has taken her to Melbourne in a role for 12 months.

Tennis Tasmania worked with the Glenorchy City Tennis Club on the successful appointment of Sahil Sahil, providing resources to support the relocation and program implementation in Northern Hobart. Further support has been provided to the Burnie Tennis Club, with the successful appointment of Kelvin McClean who commences in July 2022. Tennis Tasmania remains committed to supporting the attraction of new coaches to clubs across the state.

The Cardio Tennis professional development workshops attracted 26 coaches who took up the opportunity to improve their understanding and delivery of the program.

### PEOPLE IN NUMBERS

**47 (33M/14F)**

#### QUALIFIED COACHES

**33** Qualified Coaches      **14** Trainee Coaches

**3**

#### COACHING COURSES HELD

**2x** Community Coaching Course      **1x** Junior Development Course

**29 (15M/14F)**

#### COACHING COURSE PARTICIPANTS

**19** Community Coaching Course      **10** Junior Development Course

**13 (value \$5,105)**

#### WOMEN IN COACHING SCHOLARSHIPS

## OFFICIATING IN TASSIE



TENNIS AUSTRALIA - SOF MEGAS  
**Officials play a crucial role in our sport, from a local level through to the Hobart International, Australia's lead-in event to the Australian Open.**

Their knowledge of the rules and regulations, along with the ongoing education and support role they play with junior competitors, parents and those new to tennis is a crucial component of their role.

We currently have 23 registered officials with a diverse range of representatives. Officials have performed roles as referees, supervisors, court monitors, chair and line umpires across the year. Thank you to all our officials for their contribution and support over the last year.

## OFFICIATING IN TASSIE



Annie Francis  
on return from  
Officiating  
School in  
Bendigo VIC

### ANNIE FRANCIS

Annie Francis, 28, is now part of an elite group of international tennis officials. Not only did she rise to the challenge – literally – and become a chair umpire, but she is also now qualified to chair umpire internationally, having earned a White Badge in Officiating from the International Tennis Federation (ITF). This is an achievement that only a handful of Tasmanians have managed.

*“There are plenty of ways to participate in tennis and Annie demonstrates this. She sets a fantastic example for people within our sport, in particular, young women and girls wanting to get involved.”* – Darren Sturgess, GM Tennis Tasmania

### ANNIE’S WORDS:

**“My journey with tennis officiating began 11 years ago as a line umpire. I quickly knew that I wanted to become a chair umpire, after being part of tournaments like Hobart International, and the Australian Open.**

I was accepted into the Chair Umpire academy in 2016, and after graduating I worked at more events and completed the necessary courses to work my way up to a National (Level A) Chair Umpire. I began working Australian Pro Tour events, as well as junior and local events.

I was honoured to be accepted into the ITF Officiating School in Bendigo this year. After five intense days, including practical and written exams, I was awarded my ITF White Badge in chair umpiring. Since then, I have done local events as well as travelled to the Northern Mariana Islands, US, to chair umpire at the Pacific Mini Games 2022. Gaining my White Badge certification has opened many doors for me, allowing me to travel and work at higher level events around the world.

**“The course was intense, I didn’t realise there was so much about tennis I didn’t already know after so many years on a court.”** – Annie

I have thoroughly enjoyed this pathway and it has given me many wonderful experiences both as an umpire but also to grow as a person. It has allowed me to meet many people along the way and it has been a very fun, rewarding and enjoyable part of my life. I look forward to using my White Badge as much as possible and working towards future goals.”

### OFFICIATING IN NUMBERS

# 23\*

 (13M/10F)

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS

**of which they  
are trained and  
qualified as:**

# 2

COURT MONITORS

# 12

COURT SUPERVISORS

# 2

CHAIR UMPIRES

# 3

REFEREES

# 17

LINES

*\* Officials often have multiple qualifications to perform a number of officiating roles*





## Tennis Tasmania, supported by Tennis Australia, appointed our first dedicated Women and Girls role in 2021.

The focus of the role is to implement initiatives for women and girls to lead, influence and play tennis across Tasmania. These initiatives focus on the increase in participation, competitive play and number of coaches. As well as driving community leadership programs, and networking events around Tasmania, the role serves to help reach gender equity within the sport through increasing access and opportunities for women and girls.

Tennis Tasmania celebrated International Women's Day 2022 by delivering complimentary Cardio Tennis sessions across the state. Women of all ages, backgrounds and abilities participated, for some it was their first opportunity to play tennis. Tasmanian coaches and players were also celebrated on Tennis Tasmania's social media accounts for International Women's Day, profiling players and administrators from around the state

**“The inaugural Women Leaders in Tennis program ... aims to give women a voice at all levels of tennis, and equal opportunities on and off the court.”**

In the past 12 months 10 Tasmanian women have completed the Community Coaching Course and three have completed the Junior Development Coaching Course. These numbers have grown significantly from previous years, thanks to the additional funding options available.

Phillipa Martin, who recently completed the Junior Development Course, received one of two Women in Sport Coaching Scholarships from Women's Sport and Recreation Tasmania, and the Tasmanian Institute of Sport. The scholarship, valued at \$5,000, will go towards advancing her coaching qualifications. This will be very impactful for those who are coached by her in schools and at the Devonport Tennis Club, where she is head coach.

## WOMEN LEADERS IN TENNIS

The inaugural Women Leaders in Tennis program started in June 2022, with coaches, club board or committee members, and volunteers from across the state taking part. This four month national program aims to give women a voice at all levels of tennis, and equal opportunities on and off the court. The program strengthens confidence, knowledge, leadership skills, and creates a sustainable and supportive network of women in tennis. The first Tasmanian intake comprised 11 women from Hobart, Launceston and Devonport. The program content includes of many aspects of leadership: leading self, leading others, and leading change.

## FUTURE PLANS

Tennis Tasmania plans to deliver a leadership program for teenage girls who are involved in tennis starting late 2022. There will also be networking opportunities throughout the year for women in tennis. We will also continue to deliver grassroots programs, including Girls Breakfasts at competitive events, and the Girls Day Out at various locations. The second Women Leaders in Tennis program will commence mid 2023.

# INVESTMENT IN TASMANIAN TENNIS

JULY 2021 TO JUNE 2022

A YEAR IN TASMANIA

## TOTAL INVESTMENT \$2.6m\*

### TECHNOLOGY, DIGITAL PROGRAMS AND PLATFORMS (11%)

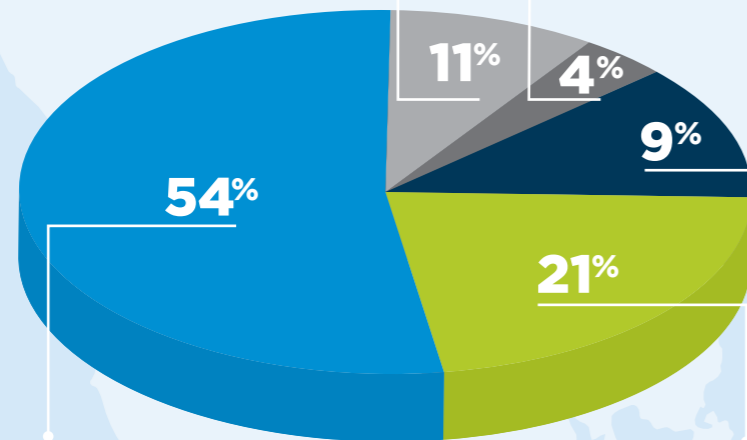
Costs for software and support for digital programs and platforms such as ClubSpark, League Manager and Tournament Planner.

### MEMBER SERVICES (4%)

Costs for customer support services provided to clubs, coaches and participants.

### MARKETING (9%)

Costs for marketing, digital, communication and promotional expenses.



### TENNIS DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY (54%)

Costs of tennis participation, programs, coaching development and education, tennis operations, events and leagues.

### ADMINISTRATION (21%)

Costs for administration services including areas of finance, legal, integrity, and people and culture, plus insurances and administration costs.

\* Total investment comprises direct local investment and a portion of indirect National support realised in Tasmania.

# \$1,098,505

INVESTED INTO CLUB INFRASTRUCTURE  
ACROSS THE STATE IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS

This amount is all local leveraged investment from clubs, councils, government, Tennis Australia and Tennis Tasmania.

## CLUBS, COACHES AND PLAYERS



# 47

COACH MEMBERS



# 46

AFFILIATES



# 4,693

REGISTERED  
PLAYERS

## TENNIS IS A SPORT FOR LIFE.

Tennis stands out as having one of the most evenly distributed age profiles, with participants ranging from 15-55+ years of age.

## TENNIS IS THE THIRD MOST POPULAR CLUB SPORT ACTIVITY

### HOW WE PLAY



# 64.2%

OF ADULT  
PARTICIPATION IS  
ORGANISED.

**45.1%**

of adult participation is organised through a club or association.

**35.9%**

of adult 15+ participation is non-organised.

**41%**

take part at least once per week.

### MOTIVATIONS

**57%**

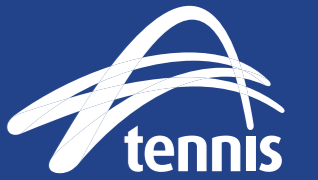
of participants play for fun/enjoyment.

**54%**

of participants play for social reasons.

**8%**

of participants play for performance/competition.



# TENNIS TASMANIA INCORPORATED

ABN 58 889 629 361  
**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2022**

## TENNIS TASMANIA INCORPORATED

### STATEMENT OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022	NOTE	2022	2021
Affiliation Fee Income	5	50,610	43,290
<b>Total revenue and other income</b>		<b>50,610</b>	<b>43,290</b>
Operational expenses		(40,488)	(36,450)
<b>Total expenses</b>		<b>(40,488)</b>	<b>(36,450)</b>
Net finance income	6	4	-
<b>Net finance income</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net surplus for the period</b>		<b>10,126</b>	<b>6,840</b>
<b>Retained earnings</b>			
Retained earnings at the beginning of the period		58,489	51,649
<b>Retained earnings at the end of the period</b>		<b>68,615</b>	<b>58,489</b>

## TENNIS TASMANIA INCORPORATED

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 30 JUNE 2022	NOTE	2022	2021
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	7	69,502	49,831
Trade receivables	8	125	9,524
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>69,627</b>	<b>59,355</b>
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>69,627</b>	<b>59,355</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	9	1,012	866
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>1,012</b>	<b>866</b>
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>1,012</b>	<b>866</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>68,615</b>	<b>58,489</b>
<b>Members' equity</b>			
Retained earnings		68,615	58,489
<b>Total members' equity</b>		<b>68,615</b>	<b>58,489</b>

# TENNIS TASMANIA INCORPORATED

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022	NOTE	2022	2021
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash receipts from customers		66,010	38,094
Cash paid to suppliers and employees		(46,344)	(40,236)
Interest received relating to bank deposits		5	-
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>19,671</b>	<b>(2,142)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		19,671	(2,142)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July		49,831	51,973
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>69,502</b>	<b>49,831</b>

# TENNIS TASMANIA INCORPORATED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. REPORTING ENTITY

Tennis Tasmania Incorporated ('the Association') is an Association domiciled in Australia. The Association is incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1964. The address of the Association's registered office is:

Tennis Tasmania Incorporated  
2 Davies Avenue  
Glebe TAS 7000

Tennis Tasmania is a not-for-profit entity and the principal activities of the Association during the course of the financial year were the promotion and development of the game of tennis in Tasmania.

### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

In preparing the financial report, the Directors have made an assessment of the ability of the Association to continue as a going concern, which contemplates the continuity of business operations in the ordinary course of business and at the amounts stated in the financial report. The Association incurred a net surplus of \$10,126 for the year ended 30 June 2022 and has a net current asset position \$68,615 at 30 June 2022.

On 23 August 2017, the Association entered into an Operational Agreement with Tennis Australia, effective 1 July 2017. The Association continued to offer services to tennis clubs and tennis bodies in Tasmania and as such the Association continued to collect the affiliation fees and Tennis Australia in conjunction with Tennis Tasmania delivered the participation and operational services in Tasmania.

On this basis, the directors have formed the opinion that the Association's financial statements should be prepared on the going concern basis.

The financial statements were approved by the Members of the Board on 3 August 2022.

#### (a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements are Tier 2 general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - *General Purpose Financial Statements - Simplified Disclosures For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Tier 2 Entities* and the Associations Incorporations Act 1964. These financial statements comply with Australian Accounting Standards - *General Purpose Financial Statements - Simplified Disclosures For-Profit and Not-For-Profit Tier 2 Entities*. In the opinion of the directors, the Association is not publicly accountable.

The financial statements are the first general purpose financial statements prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and AASB 1 First time Adoption of Australian Accounting Standards has been applied. In prior year the financial statements were general purpose financial statements prepared in accordance with Australian

Accounting Standards-Reduced Disclosure Requirements. There was no impact on the recognition and measurement of amount recognised in the statement of financial position, profit and loss and other comprehensive income and cash flow of the Association as a result of the change in the basis of preparation.

#### (b) Basis of measurement

The financial report has been prepared on the historical basis.

#### (c) Use of estimates and judgements

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

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

### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report are set out below. They have been consistently applied to all periods presented in these financial statements.

#### (a) Financial instruments

##### (i) Recognition, initial measurement of derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Association becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument, and are measured initially at fair value adjusted by transactions costs, except for those carried at fair value through profit or loss, which are measured initially at fair value. Subsequent measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities are described below.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and all substantial risks and rewards are transferred. A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

##### (ii) Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets

Except for those trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component and are measured at the transaction price, all financial assets are initially measured at fair value adjusted for transaction costs (where applicable).

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets other than those designated and effective as hedging instruments are classified into the following categories upon initial recognition:

- Amortised cost
- Fair value through profit or loss (FVPL)



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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Financial instruments (continued)

- Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance costs, finance income or other financial items, except for impairment of trade receivables, which is presented within other expenses.

- The Association's business model for managing the financial asset
- The contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance costs, finance income or other financial items, except for impairment of trade receivables, which is presented within other expenses.

#### (iii) Subsequent measurement of financial assets

Financial assets are measured at amortised cost if the assets meet the following conditions (and are not designated as FVPL):

- They are held within a business model whose objective is to hold the financial assets and collect its contractual cash flows
- The contractual terms of the financial assets give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding

After initial recognition, these are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Discounting is omitted where the effect of discounting is immaterial. The Association's cash and cash equivalents, trade and most other receivables fall into this category of financial instrument. The Association do not hold any financial assets at FVOCI.

#### (iv) Cash and cash equivalents

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

#### (v) Non-derivative financial liabilities

The Association has the following non-derivative financial liabilities: trade and other payables.

Such financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition these financial liabilities are measured at

amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Subsequently, financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method except for derivatives and financial liabilities designated at FVPL, which are carried subsequently at fair value with gains or losses recognised in profit or loss.

All interest-related charges and, if applicable, changes in an instrument's fair value that are reported in profit or loss are included within finance costs or finance income.

#### (b) Impairment

##### (i) Financial assets (including receivables)

The Association makes use of a simplified approach in accounting for trade and other receivables and records the loss allowance at the amount equal to the expected lifetime credit losses. In using this practical expedient, the Association uses its historical experience, external indicators and forward-looking information to calculate the expected credit losses using a provision matrix.

##### (ii) Non-financial assets

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

#### (c) Provisions

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

#### (d) Revenue and other income

##### (i) Sale of goods

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

##### (ii) Rendering of services

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

### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (e) Finance income

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

#### (f) Income tax

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

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

#### (g) Goods and services tax

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

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

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

#### (h) Significant accounting policies

The Association has initially adopted the following standard from 1 July 2021:

*AASB 1060 General Purpose Financial Statements - Simplified Disclosures for For-Profit and Not-For-Profit Tier 2 Entities*

The above standard did not have any impact on the amounts recognised in prior periods and are not expected to significantly affect the current or future periods.

No other new accounting standards, amendments to accounting standards and interpretations have been identified as those which may impact the Association in the period of initial adoption.

#### 4. DETERMINATION OF FAIR VALUES

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

##### Trade and other receivables

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

5. TOTAL REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME	2022	2021
Affiliation fees	50,610	43,290
<b>Total revenue and other income</b>	<b>50,610</b>	<b>43,290</b>
<b>6. FINANCE INCOME</b>		
Interest income	5	-
Finance costs	(1)	-
<b>Net finance income</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>7. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
Bank balances	69,502	49,831
<b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>69,502</b>	<b>49,831</b>

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8. TRADE RECEIVABLES	2022	2021
Trade receivables	125	9,524
<b>Total trade receivables</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>9,524</b>

### 9. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

Other payables and accrued expenses	1,012	866
<b>Total trade payables</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>866</b>

### 10. CAPITAL AND RESERVES

#### Members' equity

The Association is a body corporate incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1964. In the event of the Association being wound up the liability of members is determined by its rules.

### 11. OPERATING LEASES

#### Leases as lessee

Tennis Tasmania occupies a portion of the Domain Tennis Centre on a month to month lease. Under the operational agreement, Tennis Australia has contractually committed to make the monthly lease payments on behalf of Tennis Tasmania.

With respect to the Launceston Regional Tennis Centre, Tennis Tasmania's 20 year lease with the City of Launceston (which commenced in February 2011 and was to expire in February 2031) was transferred to Tennis Australia. During the financial year ended 30 June 2022, \$0 operating lease expense was recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income (2021: \$0).

12. RECONCILIATION OF CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2022	2021
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Surplus for the period	10,126	6,840
<b>Operating surplus/(deficit) before changes in working capital and provisions</b>	<b>10,126</b>	<b>6,840</b>
Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables	9,399	(9,524)
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	146	542
<b>Net cash from/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>19,671</b>	<b>(2,142)</b>

### 13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Association, being an Associate member of Tennis Australia Limited, receives shared services benefits from Tennis Australia Limited. These benefits include accounting, human resources, legal and information technology resources. These services are provided for nil consideration.

The names of each person holding the position of officer of the Association during the financial year were:

M. Turmine (President), P. Leedham (Vice President), A. Bradley, N. Haddow, T. Middleton, R. Miller, H. Radcliffe, T. Robertson and D. Sturgess.

### 14. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There have been no events subsequent to balance date which would have a material effect on the Association's financial statements.

## TENNIS TASMANIA INCORPORATED

### STATEMENT BY THE DIRECTORS

#### In the opinion of the Board of Tennis Tasmania Incorporated ('the Association'):

(a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 43 to 51, are in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 1964, including:

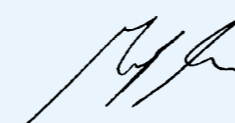
(i) giving a fair presentation of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2022 and of their performance, and

(ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Associations Incorporation Act 1964;

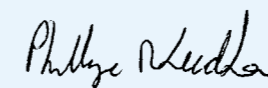
(b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Dated 18th day of August 2022.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:



Martin Turmine  
President



P. Leedham  
Vice President

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