



# TENNIS WEST E-NEWS

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## All Australian Trio lead WA to 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

The Western Australian **Under 19 Pizzey Cup** tennis team has finished in third position at the **2009 Secondary Schools Tennis Championship**, the Pizzey Cup. The event was held in Hobart from May 2-9 and featured many of Australia's up and coming junior players. Three players in particular from the WA team performed exceptionally well, gaining **All Australian** selection. This honour is awarded to the top 10 performing boys and girls from the event.

These players were **Katy O'Shea**, **Sheridan Currie** and **Daniel Alameh**. Katy gained her third All Australian selection and played in the number one position for WA. Sheridan Currie, playing in her third Pizzey Cup and gained selection into the All Australian team for the first time and Daniel Alameh, playing in his second Pizzey Cup won the consolation event and also gained All Australian honours.



WA Team Coach Lee Jarvinen was pleased with the effort of all team members throughout the week. "This is the first time in seven years that WA has finished in the top 3 places. It is a credit to all the team members who played extremely well the entire week and in particular put in a great team effort to beat Queensland on the final day to wrap up third spot. It was nice for all the Year 12's who were playing in their final Pizzey Cup to finish on such a high note."

Western Australia also recorded wins against Tasmania and the ACT and narrowly went down to New South Wales and Victoria, who finished first and second respectively.

The WA team members (in playing order) were:

Matt Roso	Katy O'Shea
Daniel Alameh	Sheridan Currie
Robert Allan	Cristell Van Tonder
Mitchell Pleydell	Caitlin Cridland
Hayden Litis	Philippa Pienaar
Rhys Johnson	Georgia Prendergast
Sam Collins	Jesse Burrell
Josh Winterton	Sophie Allen Fisher

Lee Jarvinen, Tom Luttrell and Angela Luttrell (Team Managers)



**Congratulations to all involved!**

## E-NEWS QUIZ

1. Which doubles pair has won the most Grand Slam titles?

- a) Woodford & Woodbridge
- b) Newcombe & Roche
- c) McEnroe & Lery
- d) Black & Kratzman

2. Andy Roddick's fastest serve in 2004 reached what speed?

- a) 145mph
- b) 150mph
- c) 155mph
- d) 165mph

3. Who was Pete Sampras playing in the QF's at the Australian Open in 1995 when a member of the crowd yelled out "Do it for you coach" (causing Pete to break down and weep for his cancer-stricken coach)?

- a) Andre Agassi
- b) Jim Courier
- c) Pat Rafter
- d) Yevgeny Kafelnikov

4. In what tournament in 2008 was Federer seeded No. 2 for the first time in 4 years?

- a) Beijing
- b) US Open
- c) Cincinnati
- d) Toronto

5. Who was the youngest person to be ever seeded at Wimbledon?

### Answers:

- 1. B
- 2. C
- 3. B
- 4. D

5. Jennifer Capriati in 1990 was seeded 12 at just 14 yrs & 92 days

## Hold this Date.....Wednesday June 17, 2009

### Workshop Session – New Code of Behaviour – Tennis League and Tournaments

Tennis West requests that all Officials, Club Supervisors and Match Supervisors hold the date of **Wednesday 17 June** for a workshop session on the **new Code of Behaviour** that will be implemented from 1 July 2009.

Wayne Spencer, Chief of Officials, Tennis Australia, will be conducting the session and will run for approximately 2 hours.

Confirmation and more details to follow.

## State League Forum: The Outcome

### • State League Format

The 2009/10 Playing Dates – retain the same as 2008/09 – start on the last weekend of October. It was also agreed that the Blockbuster start to the season at the STC should continue and with the extra teams in the Men's Division the clay courts would need to be used. Detailed Calendar for all Tennis league to be presented at the June Council meeting.

### • Number of Teams

After strong debate it was agreed that there would be 8 teams in the Men's State League competition for 2009/10 and 2010/11. The 8 teams to be the 6 in the 2008/09 league (no team relegated), Reabold (winners of Division1) and 1 other team to be determined by an Expression of Interest process. The number of teams for the 2011/12 to be reviewed during the 2010/11 season.



Men's State League will align to the other competitions and have two full home and away rounds. The Women's competition will be 6 teams playing 3 complete rounds. Men will play 14 home and away games and women will play 15 home and away games. Women may need a double header to allow finals to be played at the same time as the men. Tennis League Committee to decide.

### • Promotion and Relegation

The issue of Promotion and Relegation was discussed, and it was agreed that the current policy would remain.

### • Expressions of Interest

It was agreed that the closing date for expressions of interest for teams nominating for State League would be **16 June** not the 22 July. This is to allow sufficient time to call for expressions of interest from clubs who would be interested in submitting a team for the available spot in the Men's Division.

### • 5<sup>th</sup> Player Rule

It was agreed the 5<sup>th</sup> player rule would continue

### • Use of ITN Ranking System

It was agreed that for State League only, ITN **rating points** would be used to establish player order of play. This will be trialed for 2009/10 and the Tennis League Committee will work out the details.

### • Behaviour – Zero Tolerance

The meeting was advised that the new Code of Behaviour has been introduced and the penalties for infringements would be strictly enforced.

### • Use of Referees



## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Unless you're willing to have a go, fail miserably, and have another go, success won't happen."  
- Phillip Adams

The meeting was advised there are insufficient referees available to use on Women's matches.

- **Start Times**

It was reinforced that the "start time" meant the start time of the match not the warm-up.

- **Player Awards**

It was agreed that two player awards should be continued for State league:

*Player of the Year*: for the best number one player in State League, determined by the most singles and rubbers won whilst playing at No.1 position in State League – excluding finals.

*Most Valuable Player*: for the top performing player based the player's singles and doubles results throughout the year excluding semis and finals.

- **Format for Finals**

It was agreed clubs and Tennis West should try and make Finals more of a "spectacle".

- **Change to By-Law 7**

The meeting was advised that By-Law 7 would be reviewed and included as part of the competition information for next season and the anomalies between the By-Law and the Handbook would be eliminated. These changes to be notified to Council in June and voted on in August.

- **General Business**

**Format of Play** discussion was held about whether other Tennis League competitions should change so that 1 & 3 play second, as in State League, but it was determined that no change would be made.

**New Balls** for all singles matches in non State League matches – it was recommended that clubs should provide new balls for all Open singles matches. This recommendation to be put to and decided by Council.

ITN's were discussed in relation to the consequences of Forfeited and "abandoned" matches. It was advised the limitation in the system was an ongoing debate with TA. There is no immediate remedy available. Tennis League Committee to follow up on this issue.



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## Working with Children Checks – Is yours current?

The Working with Children Check is a comprehensive criminal record check for certain people working with children in Western Australia.



Clubs are reminded to check coaches, volunteers and committee members who fall into the category of needing a working with children Check. Those people who did a WWC Check in the initial intake 3 years ago may need to renew their card, as they expire after 3 years

For more information on the WWC Check, visit the website [Working with Children Check](http://WorkingwithChildrenCheck)

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## Congratulations – Margaret River Tennis Club!

The first 25 clubs who returned their 2009 Annual Membership Return were placed into the draw to win an Australian Open Merchandise Pack. **Margaret River Tennis Club** were the lucky winners of the competition Congratulations, and thank you for returning your membership return so quickly!



## TENNIS TIP....

Weaknesses fall into three categories: technical, physical and mental. As the standard of tennis you play improves, you find that technical and physical weaknesses become gradually less significant than mental ones. Mental weaknesses are not easy to identify early in a match, but take note of what your opponent does on the first few pressure points. Technical and physical deficiencies can be exposed fairly early on, even during the knock-up. So use the knock-up to do a quick evaluation of your opponent's strengths and weaknesses.

## INTERESTING TENNIS FACT....

In 2006 the US Open was the first Grand Slam tournament to implement instant replay review of calls using Hawk Eye

## Meet WA's Rising Tennis Stars.....

### This Week: Storm Sanders

**Name:** Storm Sanders **DOB:** 11/08/1994 **Play:** Right Handed **Playing Tennis:** 8 years

**Coach:** Michael Robertson NHPA Head Coach

**Current Australian Junior Ranking:** 117

**Top 3 Achievements:** **1)** Won 2009 14/U Autumn National Championship - Singles and Doubles  
**2)** Won 2009 18/U WA Junior Open - Singles  
**3)** 2009 Nollamara Open Championship - Singles

**Hobbies:** Surfing, sport, reading, shopping, scrapbooking, beach, hanging out with friends

**Favourite Tennis Player:** Rafael Nadal

**Tennis Highlight so far: 2007** - Traveling to Europe on a 5 week tour through Hungary, Serbia and Slovenia - Being able to play against top 14/U Europeans on Clay

**Coaches Special Comments:** Storm will be the classical overnight success, ten years in the making! An athlete that will continue to develop and serves as an inspiration to both her peers and to the coaches she works with.

**Tennis Dream:** To play all Grand Slams and become one of the top 10 players in the world!



## Coming Soon: Volunteer of the Week.....

### Nominate Now!

If you know of a dedicated individual at your club who deserves some recognition, please email me with a brief profile and picture, so we can feature them in our next edition!  
[Click here to nominate](#)

*"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless"*

- Sherry Anderson



The EFLTC Grass courts and Clubhouse

## Club Profile: East Fremantle Lawn Tennis Club

The East Fremantle Lawn Tennis Club (EFLTC) is located on perhaps one of the most picturesque sites in Perth, with all 26 courts overlooking the Swan River. At the conclusion of play members are able to enjoy the vista of the Swan River and watch the passing boat parade and yacht racing from the northern patio of the Clubhouse.



The fabulous location of the clubhouse makes it a popular choice for weddings, birthday's anniversaries and other functions.

### *What the Club Offers....*

With 16 grass courts and 10 hard courts, including 4 under lights, the EFLTC is able to provide day and evening tennis 52 weeks of the year. The Club provides the opportunity for members to participate in organized social tennis all year on Saturdays and mid-week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The Club is friendly and family orientated, incorporating a Junior Club, children's playground, crèche service and bar.

### *What's happening at the Club....*

The EFLTC is proud to offer an active social program to members. Recent events have included Casey's Mystery Bus Tour, a Boat Trip on the Swan, and Restaurant Nights, to name a few. Club members also enjoy annual visits to tennis clubs in Margaret River in January, and Bunbury during Easter.

During the 2008/09 season 32 teams participated in the summer and winter pennants, with five teams winning their divisions.

### *Coaching*

Coaching at the Club has been run by the Marshall Tennis Academy for 51 years, with Scott Marshall now the resident coach. In that time, a number of juniors have graduated to play at a national level, Wimbledon and other Grand Slams, with a number receiving scholarships to USA universities. A pleasing aspect is the number of ex-pupils and members who have themselves become accredited coaches in WA.

Currently Marshall Tennis Academy conducts coaching for all ages and standards of play. Training sessions are held throughout the week for players from 5 years of age to adult.

### *Club Legends*

In August the EFLTC will celebrate its 103 Birthday! Throughout this time period a number of people have been long-term members or have served at the club for countless years. Most notable of the present members, is the Marshall family, with Arthur Marshall becoming the Club Professional in 1958 before handing over to his son Scott in 1995. Elder son Clarke is also a regular player. Current president Peter Field also joined the Club over 50 years ago in 1958!

### *The Future....*

The Club is working towards improving the playing condition of both the grass and hard courts; this involves the reconstruction of the five western hard courts, along with the installation of lights. This will ultimately build on the already superior quality of the club, and will complement the Club's overall goal of improving the range and quality of tennis opportunities available to members and the general public.

If you would like more information about the club, click [here](#)  
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Western View of the Club



Club members enjoying the day's play



EFLTC host Ladies Governors team match in November