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The King, the Prince and the President!

When the future King of England, HRH Prince William of Wales, came face-to-face with the king and queen of the courts at this year's Australian Open, our very own TW President, Dean Williams was lucky enough to rub shoulders with the Prince and royalty of the tennis-variety at a post-match cocktail event!



Tennis Australia President, Geoff Pollard with Prince William & Roger Federer

The Prince paid a post-match visit to world No.1 Serena Williams before heading on to Rod Laver Arena to take in some of Roger Federer's second round match against Victor Hanesco. And whilst many of the "Suits" were asked to vacate their seats for the Prince's arrival, Williams was one of the lucky few who was able to remain in the illustrious company of the Prince!



HRH's entrance onto court was greeted by a warm round of applause from the assembled fans, delaying play for a couple of minutes.

At the end of the match Federer addressed the Prince from courtside, saying: "welcome to tennis".

Volunteers Cocktail Party

Proudly sponsored by KPMG



The annual **Tennis West Volunteers' Cocktail Party** will be held again at State Tennis Centre on Friday 9 April, following on from the Final of the Junior Country Zone Challenge.

This event represents our thank you to you and your club for the contribution you make to tennis in WA. And this year there will be plenty of activities, games and prizes to keep you entertained all night!

Friday, 9 April 2010
The Open Deck,
State Tennis Centre, Burswood
5.00PM – 7.30PM



Drinks and cocktail food provided.
Your club is invited to send up to 4 people to the event.

Please RSVP to Elle Dignan on edignan@tennis.com.au or 6462 8303 to confirm who will attend from your club. Please see the invitation attached for more information.

2010-2011 Tennis West Competitions (Leagues & Tournaments) Calendar Restructure

An integral component of the proposed restructure to the Tennis West Competitions Calendar is a Presentation Evening in the Hopman Cup Room at the State Tennis Centre.

Tennis West invites to a maximum of three interested persons from each Club to this evening scheduled for **Wednesday March 24 at 7pm**. We suggest Club Coach, League Coordinator and Committee member attend.



The evening will showcase proposed changes to:

- **League** – including three x eight week seasons, promotion/relegation for all competitions in all divisions, Heat Rule
- **Tournaments** – including new Tournament Calendar, Summer Tournament Circuit (AMT and AR events), Player Points Races for singles and doubles, Seeding policy, ITN banded events, Heat Rule

Wimbledon & French Open Ballot now open

Tennis Australia receives a small allocation of tickets for the French Open and Wimbledon.

To ensure there is a fair and equitable distribution of these tickets, **a ballot is conducted each year by Tennis Australia to allocate these tickets**. As applications for tickets far exceeds supply there is no guarantee that applicants will receive tickets however every endeavour will be made to make an allotment to as many people as possible.



This is a special service provided to Australian Open, Coach and Officials Membership of Tennis Australia, Members of a State/Territory Association and to be eligible for the ballot you must be a current Member of a State/Territory Association. **To obtain your member number contact Elle Dignan at Tennis West on 6462 8303.**

The dates for French Open 2010 are Sunday 23 May-Sunday 6 June.
The dates for Wimbledon 2010 are Monday 21 June-Sunday 4 July.

How to apply

- 1) Applications to the French Open ballot will be accepted **from Monday 22 February** and must be received by **Friday 12 March 2010**.
- (2) Applications to Wimbledon will be accepted from **Monday 22 February** and must be received by **Friday 19 March 2010**.
- (3) Successful ballot applicants for French Open tickets will be advised in writing by Friday 26 March 2010.
- (4) Successful ballot applicants for Wimbledon tickets will be advised in writing by Friday 16 April 2010.

Ballot forms can be obtained online from the following website: www.tennis.com.au/ballots or alternately ballot forms can be obtained from the start date of the ballot by emailing aotickets@tennis.com.au or by calling the Tennis Australia ticketing department on (03) 9914 4000.

E- NEWS QUIZ

1. *What player, when asked about Tim Henman's chances of winning Wimbledon in 2005, made the following quote? "He needs the right players to lose, he needs to be scheduled at the right time, he needs to shut out the voices he doesn't need to hear. I had the single-minded focus that he is still trying to find."*

- a) John McEnroe
- b) Roger Federer
- c) Pete Sampras
- d) Lleyton Hewitt

2. *Who did John McEnroe defeat in the final to win his first Wimbledon singles title?*

- a) Jimmy Connors
- b) Bjorn Borg
- c) Chris Lewis
- d) Kevin Curren

3. *What company has provided every tennis ball for the Wimbledon Championship since 1902?*

- a) Wilson
- b) Penn
- c) Prince
- d) Slazenger

4. *Who was the only player to win the U.S. Open on three different surfaces, grass and clay at Forest Hills and hardcourt at Flushing Meadows?*

- a) Jimmy Connors
- b) John McEnroe
- c) Andre Agassi
- d) Ivan Lendl

5. *Which female professional tennis player won more French Open singles titles than anyone else?*

- a) Suzanne Lenglen
- b) Kate Gillou-Fenwick
- c) Chris Evert
- d) Justine Henin

Answers:

- 1. c
- 2. b
- 3. d
- 4. a
- 5. c

100 Club Quiz Night



When: Friday 26th March

Time: 6.30pm

Where: Hopman Cup Room,
State Tennis Centre, Victoria Park Drive Burswood.

Cost: \$10 a head.

BYO: Share plate of food for your table



Soft Drinks and Alcohol available for purchase from the State Tennis Centre Café.

Get a table of 5-8 together, or enter as an individual and we will find you a table!



All proceeds raised go towards the 100 Club

HURRY AND BOOK YOUR TABLE NOW – ONLY LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE!

To book your spot fill in the form attached to this newsletter or contact:

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Tennis Industry Awards Night

The Tennis West Tennis Industry Awards Night will be held on **Friday 7 May at the Government House Ballroom.**

Keep this date free on your calendar!

The awards criteria have recently been revised and will be sent out to clubs within the next fortnight.



Equipment Grants up for Grabs

The Woolworths Fresh Food Kids Community Grants program is the program through which we offer support to the local communities in which we operate.

This is an annual program that offers grants of up to \$5000 to community groups for initiatives, including equipment and uniforms, that help primary school aged children become healthier and more active. The criteria for the grants are:

- For a community project relating to health and wellbeing;
- For primary school aged children; and
- For activity that takes place outside the school curriculum.

For more information, and to apply, visit www.woolworths.com.au



For Sale – PieLINK Public Internet System

1 year old public internet (pieLINK) unit in excellent condition. Ideal as a service and benefit to club members or visitors to access emails and internet on site.

Asking price \$ 2900.00. (Annual license fees excluded as this is due to agent) please ring Sorrento Tennis Club on 94486591 for more information.



Treasure your Treasurer

The 2010 Westpac Community Treasurers' Awards close soon. The awards are designed to show appreciation of the immense contribution honorary treasurers make to their community groups, the community sector and to Australia. Entries will be judged on how well the treasurer fulfils the duties of ensuring good financial management, good financial governance and good financial outcomes.



The winner will receive \$5,000 for their club and an impressive trophy to recognise their achievements. In addition, every eligible nominee will receive a Certificate of Nomination. Nominations close on Friday 12 March 2010, with winners announced in April. Nominate your treasurer at www.ourcommunity.com.au/treasurersawards.

Lotterywest Equipment Broad Grant Types

General Equipment Grants aim to support organisations requiring new or upgraded equipment to support their services, activities or projects.



Proposals should clearly demonstrate:

- The need for the requested equipment
- The value or benefit the requested equipment will provide to the organisation and the clients of the organisation
- That there are no suitable alternative funding sources for the organisation to obtain the requested equipment and
- That any grant made would provide value for money

The types of equipment that have been previously supported include:

- Office furniture and telephone systems to support the administrative component of various community services
- Household equipment for youth accommodation houses
- Recreational training equipment such as machinery, equipment and tools for woodwork, leatherwork etc.
- Meeting room and creche equipment to help fit out a community facility such as a community centre or community hall
- Training equipment such as overhead projectors and data projectors and
- Furniture and equipment for open access facilities of employment services

For more information and to download an application form visit:

<http://www.lotterywest.wa.gov.au/grants/grant-opportunities>

Member Protection Information Officers Course

The Department of Sport and Recreation invites members of sporting and recreation organisations to the Member Protection Information Officer Course.



Department of
Sport and Recreation

The revised one day course provides members of sport and recreation organisations with an opportunity to increase their understanding of harassment, discrimination and how to create child safe environments and to learn practical skills to take on a Member Protection Information Officer (MPIO) role.

Updated One Day Course

Monday 12 April
8.30am - 4.30pm
Cost \$60 inc. GST
Department of Sport and Recreation, Conference Room
246 Vincent Street, Leederville
All food and drink provided

RSVP

Before 5pm 26 March 2010.

Further information

Melissa Luck – Programs and Services
Department of Sport and Recreation
Telephone 9492 9708 **Facsimile** 9492 9711
Email melissa.luck@dsr.wa.gov.au

12/U Mildura Nationals Results

Last fortnight Jack Lyttle claimed the National Championship in Mildura in both singles and doubles, whilst Anja Dokic won the Girls National Title. Both players have been members of the Perth National Academy for the past 12 months. Additionally 3 other WA players finished in the top 8 at this event.

National Events in Mildura have been very fruitful for WA athletes. Less than 12 months ago in Mildura Storm Sanders won the singles and doubles National Championship, and Daniel Alameh was a National finalist.

The National Junior Tour heads to QLD in March where we hope for further success.



National Champion – Jack Lyttle

Introduction to MLC Tennis Hotshots Coaching Course

An Introduction to MLC Tennis Hotshots Course (ex-OTC) will be held on **Sunday 7 March 2010**, 10.30am to 1.30pm at the State Tennis Centre, Burswood. Cost: \$55

To register contact Ryan Popovsky, Coach Development Coordinator – WA



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"All the so-called
"secrets of success"
will not work
unless you do."*

~Author
Unknown

Ebden's Shot at Davis Cup Glory

WA's **Matthew Ebden** has been named as a reserve in this weekend's **Davis Cup tie** against **Chinese Taipei** on Margaret Court Arena at Melbourne Park. Ebden has been the inform WA player of the year securing wins throughout a number of Australian Future events and battling his way through qualifying to make the Australian Open Main Draw. Ebden joins team members **Peter Luczak, Carsten Ball, Paul Hanley** and QLD young gun **Bernard Tomic** in the hunt for Davis Cup Glory. Australian Davis Cup captain **John Fitzgerald** and coach **Todd Woodbridge** are still yet to decide who will represent the Country in singles – with 2 spots up for grabs to be decided between Luczak, Ball and Tomic.



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The first two singles rubbers will kick the tie off on Friday, followed by the doubles combination on Saturday and finishing with the reverse singles on Sunday. Two of Chinese Taipei's top three players will not made the trip down under, strengthening the young aussie teams chances of making the next play off in May, where the winner will face either Japan or the Phillipines.

Visit <http://www.tennis.com.au/pages/default.aspx?id=4&pageld=14987> for all the latest Davis Cup News.

Sports FM – Promotional Opportunities

Sport FM 91.3 is offering sporting organisations an opportunity to publicise their sports and events on radio.



The radio station, with a reach across metropolitan WA, will provide the equipment and a desk operator and the sporting organisation can host their own show.

If any organisation would like further information please contact Irene May, Sports Producer on 0418 1941 53 or 9586 9316.

Regional Level 1 Sports Trainer Course

Have you got a first aid qualification and are looking to take the next step? Why not become a sports trainer?

Sports Medicine Australia (WA Branch) is running their first **Level 1 Sports Trainer Course** for 2010!



Learn skills in sports taping, treating common sports injuries and much more..... Get in quick before your winter sport begins!

Sports Medicine Australia are running a number of Level 1 Sports Trainer Courses in **Regional WA in March** before winter sports begin. These courses will be run in **Broome, Geraldton, Merredin and Mandurah**. Please find attached the flyers for these courses. Could you please disseminate this to any of your contacts that may be interested.

To register or find out more information visit www.smawa.asn.au

Metro Level 1 Sports Trainer Course & First Aid Course

Don't miss out on this opportunity to become a qualified **Sports First Aider** or **Level 1 Sports Trainer** before winter sports begin! Get in quick and register to confirm your place in either course online : www.smawa.asn.au

Sports First Aid

Based around a sporting environment, this Sports First Aid course will give participants the skills and knowledge required to manage common sporting injuries and illnesses. Ideal for coaches, parents athletes, managers or club officials, in fact anyone with an interest in first aid and keeping sport safe!



Date: Sunday 7th March 2010

Time: 8.30am – 5.30pm

Where: FJ Clarke Lecture Complex, Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital. Nedlands

Level 1 Sports Trainer Course

Have you got a First Aid qualification and looking to take that next step? This hands-on course is designed to give people the skills & knowledge required to work as a Sports Trainer, manage injuries & help athletes return to sport, safely.

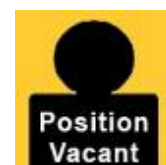
Date: Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th March 2010

Time: 8.30am – 5.30pm (both days)

Where: FJ Clarke Lecture Complex, Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital. Nedlands
M: 0434 655 620. E: rpopovsky@tennis.com.au

Tennis West Employment Opportunity: Community Tennis Officer (Full Time)

Tennis West seeks an enthusiastic, sports minded person with good administration skills and a tennis coaching qualification looking to gain full time employment.



This role is responsible for the coordination of services to all affiliated clubs and zones, through the delivery of Community Tennis programs, activities and events.

The role includes administration and on-court coaching in club visits, schools, events and community days. The role is based at the State Tennis Centre, with the position also requiring a large portion of travel and delivery of tennis throughout the State.

The successful applicant will work closely with the Community Tennis Team, including the Community Tennis Manager and Community Tennis Officer; therefore a team orientated approach is essential. Working in the sports industry requires passion and enthusiasm and often requires flexibility including weekend work.

For the **Position Description** and salary information please contact Brooke Koenig on bkoenig@tennis.com.au or 6462 8305.

Applications (CV and covering letter) closed on Friday 26th February 2010 at 5pm, however if you are interested in the position, please contact Brooke Koenig on the contact details above.

Are you looking for a new member for your Board?

The Australian Institute of Company Directors has launched **Directorship Opportunities**, a member service designed to promote available board positions to those seeking new or additional board appointments.



If your organisation is looking for a new Director for your Board, you can submit a description of the position, including industry experience, qualifications and specialist skills required. This will then be promoted online to a highly targeted audience

SPECIAL INTRODUCTORY OFFER: Organisations may list their available board positions **FREE** on **Directorship Opportunities** until May 2010.

For further information, please contact your WA Member Relations Team on 08 9320 1700 or visit www.companydirectors.com.au/directorshipopportunities

Wilson Ball Order Form

As the **official ball** of the **Australian Open** and **Australian Open Series**, **Wilson** would like to provide your club with the opportunity to play with the tennis ball used by the world's best players at these great events, **the Wilson Australian Open tennis ball**.



Underpinning Wilson's reputation as the #1 brand in tennis, the Australian Open ball provides optimal performance and durability, tailored to suit Australian conditions.

Based on the feedback provided by Australian tennis players, the Wilson Australian Open tennis ball is now available in two options:

1. A **Multi-surface** version which has been tailored to suit all Australian tennis court conditions and surfaces
2. A **Grass Court** version which has been specifically engineered to perform at the optimal level on Australian natural and synthetic grass courts.



To support your clubs decision to use the Wilson Australian Open tennis ball, Amer Sports are happy to announce that they have revised their pricing effective immediately.

The standard club price is \$22.00 + GST per dozen balls ordered. In addition they have added a BULK purchase price of \$20.00 + GST per dozen balls ordered for all orders comprising 60 dozen balls and over.

See attached order form for more information.

SunSmart Club Connect Funding \$200

SunSmart Club Connect Funding offers both metro and country tennis clubs **\$200** in funding to increase club membership by conducting a club activity or event such as:

- Club Tournament
- Corporate Tennis Day / Come and Try Day
- Mini Tennis Competition
- Any other club membership initiatives



The Sunsmart message must be presented throughout the event through the use of signage, participants wearing **hats** and using **sunscreen**.

If you would like further information on the Sunsmart Club Connect Clinics, please call Elle Dignan at Tennis West on 6462 8303.

Community Inclusion Project (Disability)

The Community Inclusion Project aims to assist community sport and recreation organisations to increase their capacity to further embrace the participation of people with a disability. This will be achieved through engaging, supporting and facilitating partnerships between organisations and people with a disability. Families and carers, disability service providers, local government and other relevant support networks will also be involved in the project.



We recognise that the pivotal relationship is between local sport, recreation providers and people with a disability.

The Community Inclusion Project Manager's focus will be to identify and build on current and new sport and recreation opportunities. Local clubs will be supported to raise their awareness and capacity to include people with a disability. This will be achieved by facilitating local networks and relationships to develop and implement strategies to increase participation of people with a disability.

The project will encourage collaboration between community based specialist organisations, local government, carer support groups, Department of Sport and Recreation's - Club Development Network (CDO), Disability Services Commission's - Local Area Coordination (LAC) network, and other affiliated connections.

The Community Inclusion Project will work in a specific metropolitan and regional area with the aim of utilising an engagement approach that could be replicated or adapted into other areas. The project looks forward to creating a culture within organisations that actively embraces people with a disability into the ethos of the pleasure and benefits of increased physical activity. As we invite your input and ideas, please contact Claudia Ferrante on 0439 975 997 or email claudiaferrante@wasportsfed.asn.au for further information on this project.

INTERESTING TENNIS FACT

Most racquets are strung with synthetic materials such as nylon or even titanium. Top players prefer to use 'gut' strings which are made from the dried stomach lining of animals such as a cow or sheep!

NEW: 100 Club

Club Junior Nomination Form

Download now to receive a \$100 subsidy for your Club's Nominated Junior!

Clubs that have taken out a membership of the 100 Club may nominate a junior from their club to receive a \$100 subsidy towards his/her junior fees (and other benefits as detailed below).

The Club Junior application forms are now available on the Tennis West website: www.tennis.com.au/wa → Player Development → The 100 Club.

These juniors do not have to have ranking points, or be a member of an Academy, they just need to demonstrate commitment and potential.



As well as receiving the \$100 Subsidy, your club will also be entitled to:

- Nominate a further 3 promising juniors who will be invited to attend, with your main nominee, a number of specially arranged 100 Club functions organized for up-and-coming juniors.
- Invite your nominated juniors to attend a Tennis Camp at Tennis West.
- A number of official Tennis Australia publications will be sent to your Club to be made available to these juniors or held at your Club for use by the broader junior or Club Members
- A 100 Club Poster will be prepared for display on club notice boards.

Clubs that have taken out a 100 Club Membership and are eligible to receive a \$100 subsidy for a nominated junior are:

Alexander Park Tennis Club, Australind Tennis Club, Bayswater Tennis Club, Belmont Park Tennis Club, Blue Gum Park Tennis Club, City Beach Tennis Club, Corinthian Park Tennis Club, Dalkeith Tennis Club (3 x Memberships), East Fremantle Tennis Club, Hensman Park Tennis Club, Melville-Palmyra Tennis Club, Mount Lawley Tennis Club, Nedlands Tennis Club, North Beach Tennis Club (2 x Memberships), Reabold Tennis Club, Safety Bay Tennis Club, South Mandurah Tennis Club and Wembley Downs Tennis Club (2 x Memberships)

DALKEITH TENNIS CLUB, WHO HAVE 3 MEMBERSHIPS WITH THE 100 CLUB, HAVE ALREADY NOMINATED 3 OF THEIR PROMISING JUNIORS:

- 1. GENEVIEVE M^CCLOSKEY**
- 2. ETHAN GILL**
- 3. BEN WEBSTER**

All three players are a part of their club's Academy and are currently training for the 12/U National Competition in 2010 .

Tennis West welcomes Genevieve, Ethan and Ben to the 100 Club, and wishes them every success with their tennis.

If you would like more information, or would like to sign your club up to the 100 Club, please contact Elle Dignan at Tennis West on 6462 8303 or visit the Tennis West website.

Sports Sponsorships

Major Project Sponsorships - Over \$5,000

These sponsorships are generally available to organisations seeking support for an annual program of activities, those operating on a state-wide basis and those wishing to conduct major events with large audience reach. Applications can cover one or both of the following areas:



- **Active Participation Sponsorships** – available for projects involving organised sport or physical recreation initiatives that support the longer-term direction of an organisation and have increased physical activity as the primary focus.
- **Promotional Sponsorships** - Available for sport and active recreation activities that do not directly result in an increase in physical activity but have the potential to raise awareness and increase positive attitudes towards a health issue.

There are three funding rounds for over \$5,000 sponsorships and applications must be submitted according to the following closing dates:

March 31: Applications for projects starting in August, September, October or November.

July 31: Applications for projects starting in December, January, February or March.

November 30: Applications for projects starting in April, May, June or July.

[Guidelines and Application Form](#)  (296kb)

\$5,000 or Less Sponsorships

Sponsorships are available to organisations seeking support for a program or event involving organised sport or physical recreation initiatives that have increasing physical activity as the primary focus. Applications must be received by Healthway a minimum of three calendar months prior to the commencement of the project.

[Assessment Criteria](#)  (104kb) and [Guidelines & Application Form](#)  (464kb)

Healthy Club Sponsorship Program

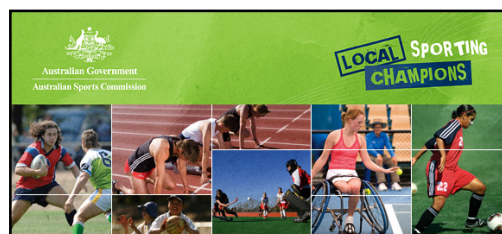
For clubs interested in applying for Healthy Club sponsorship, the winter round will be advertised in January 2010. For more information about the Healthy Club Sponsorship Program, please click the link below:

[Healthy Club Guidelines](#)  (238kb)

Local Sporting Champions

Junior coaches and officials can now apply for their share of \$1.6 million sports grant!

Young coaches and officials can now apply for their share of the Australian Sports Commission's annual \$1.6 million Local Sporting Champions grants — an Australian Government initiative to support junior sport.



Previously only available to young athletes, the Local Sporting Champions grants eligibility criteria has been broadened to recognise the importance of supporting young coaches and officials — crucial to Australia's sporting grass roots.

'Sporting competitions and achievements would not be possible without our young

coaches and officials and these grants are one way the Australian Sports Commission is recognising their commitment and dedication to their chosen sporting field,' said Judy Flanagan, ASC Director of Community Sport.

The grants of \$500 per individual and \$3000 per team are available to help meet costs such as travel, equipment, uniforms, and accommodation. To be eligible to apply, applicants must be aged between 12-18 years and travelling more than 250km to participate as an athlete, coach, umpire or referee in upcoming state or national level sporting competitions.

'I encourage our young coaches and officials participating in state and national level competitions to go to the ASC web site to fill in an application form. There is nothing to lose and a lot to gain, so why not give it a go?' Judy Flanagan said.

The grants support young people participating, coaching or officiating in official state or national sporting competitions and are administered by the ASC in association with Local Members of Parliament.

Applications for the 2009/10 grant cycle are now open, so if you know someone eligible get them to apply now!

For further information including application forms and eligibility criteria please visit www.ausport.gov.au/champions.