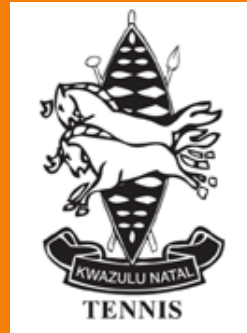


Welcome to the 9<sup>th</sup> edition of the KZN Tennis Newsletter. Owing the overflow of exciting news every quarter, turning newsletters into novels, we will now offer newsletters every 2 months. Again, much has happened since we last spoke :



Wilson U10 finalists of 2016 : Kaitlyn Ramduth winner, Anna Wise runner-up, Guy Vorwerk winner, Joseph Rey runner up. Well done little ones.



Middle managers play tennis

Kaitlyn Ramduth, and partner Anke Heynes won the Girls U12 doubles at the Eastern Cape TSA Series in Port Elizabeth, and again at the Gauteng North TSA Series held in Pretoria in 2016.



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## KZN Primary School Champions 2017 :

And on to Schools we go. February has been busy with district and inter-district trials taking place at Westridge and Kershaw Park.

### The U13 KZN teams for 2017 are :

#### Boys A

Calum Jestin, Josh Heath, Guy Vorwerk, Alex Styan, Karan Varyani, Senthen Reddy.

#### Girls A

Jaime Jones, Anna Wise, MaryLynn Cotton, Kaitlyn Ramduth, Sophia Hulett, Amahle Fihlela.

#### Boys B

Caleb Fyvie, Alex van Eeden, Murray Baker, Oliver Naude, Misharen Govender, Yusuf Patel

#### Girls B

Lindsay Engelen, Brook Veenstra, Aimee Hulett, Leanna Samouilhan, Aneliswe Ntuli, Shreya Barath.



As we are heading to the South Coast on 18<sup>th</sup> March for our UGU tournament, this happy district team made it into our newsletter !

## KZN High School Champions 2017 :

	U19 A BOYS	School	U19A GIRLS	School	U15A BOYS	School	U15A GIRLS	School
1	Kade Mindry	Kearsney	Maxine Bateman	St Johns	Luc Koenig	Kearsney	Kylie Misdorp	DGC
2	Thembo Makhanya	Westville	Tyla Carter	Crawford la Lucia	Haveshen Chetty	Curro Embury	Kiara Mackay	St Mary's
3	Nicholas Kershaw	Michaelhouse	Hannah Plagemann	Curro Hillcrest	Kallin Ramiah	Westville	Storm Veenstra	St Anne's
4	Jordan Theron	Northwood	Samantha Yeats	TWC	Sam Black	Hilton	Calista Muna	Wembley
5	Hayden Kesaris	Glenwood	Barakah Ayob	Westville	Thomas Rey	Clifton	Husna Kathrada	Westville
6	Ahmed Deedat	Clifton	Wendy Nzimande	Howick	Joshua Edgar	Curro Hillcrest	Cassidy Naiker	Curro Hillcrest
	U19 B BOYS	School	U19B GIRLS	School	U15 B Boys	School	U15 B Girls	School
1	Richard Hartman	Clifton	Courtney Fyvie	St John's	Jake Carter	Crawford LL	Ashleigh Starmer	TWC
2	Louis vd Westhuizen	Westville	Caitlyn Lloyd	DGC	Shail Chetty	Kearsney	Jade Harty	St Anne's
3	John Burchmore	St Charles	Emma Lloyd	DGC	Rueben de Bruyn	Grantleigh	Kate Strauss	St Mary's
4	Kaige Bertasso	Reddam Umhlanga	Amy Karlsen	St. John's	Ruben Viviers	Ferrum	Daniella Samouhilan	St Mary's
5	Kanishka Kapoor	Ashton	Ara Naidoo	DGC	Jamie Hean	Crawford LL	Sayuri Naidoo	Grantleigh
6	Abdul Karime	Westville	Sachni Govender	Crawford LL	Ncebo Ngema	Ferrum	Nonhlanhla Ngcobo	Mayville

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**Tennis made headlines in February thanks to the Department of Sport and Recreation acknowledging the ETA development programme, which yielded 1 U13 KZN player (on merit), 1 U15 Ethekewini District player (PDI) and 1 U15 KZN player (PDI). A total of 7 players were indentified as having talent in 2013 and to reach district and provincial level after only 3 years, is testament to the dedication and support of the ETA development portfolio members Emmanuel Ngema and Camilla Hartmann.**



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Introducing Ron Stirling who was born in 1950 in Broomhill, Glasgow, Scotland and played club, district, county (junior) and university level tennis. He has homes in Southbroom and Hampshire, England.

He arrived in South Africa in 1974 and almost immediately joined the then Tennis Umpires Association SA **as its youngest member** and rapidly progressed through its ranks, eventually attaining international certification from MIPTC (forerunner of the ATP) and the International Tennis Federation.

Over the years he has umpired ATP tours, 3 years of World Doubles Finals (Standard Bank Arena Jhb) in the 1990's, 2 SA Open Singles finals and 4 doubles finals. His favourite Davis Cup tie umpired was between Luxembourg and Madagascar.

Ron had a bizarre time during an ATP Challenger in Cape Town where a pre-planned court invasion by political demonstrators caused havoc on the courts for 17 min ! Ron's biggest concern was his ball kids and keeping them safe.

Ron has umpired a few notable champions including Borg, Curren, Connors, Lendl, Vilas, Kriek, Chris Evert to mention a few, and including our very own Tucker Vorster, Lloyd Harris and Natalie Grandin !

Do say hello when you see Ron umpiring at our KZN tournaments !



We're proud to have an umpire of such calibre in KZN !





	<b><u>U10 Girls</u></b>	-	<b><u>U10 Boys</u></b>
	<b><u>Singles</u></b>	-	<b><u>Singles</u></b>
Winner	Yenzokuhle Dladla	Winner	Thando Tshili
Runner up	Grace Koenig	Runner up	Finn Coningham
			<b><u>Doubles</u></b>
	<b><u>Doubles</u></b>	Winner	Nathwani/ Tshili
Winner	Uys / Wardlaw	Runner up	Ngwenya / Siyabonga
Runner up	Koenig / Rheeder		
			<b><u>U12 Boys Platinum</u></b>
	<b><u>U12 Girls</u></b>	-	<b><u>Singles</u></b>
	<b><u>Singles</u></b>	Winner	Guy Vorwerk
Winner	Anna Wise	Runner up	Caleb Fyvie
Runner up	Brooke Veenstra		<b><u>Doubles</u></b>
		Winner	Guy Vorwerk / Matthew Wilson
	<b><u>Doubles</u></b>	Runner up	Caleb Fyvie / Dylan Morgan
Winner	Anna Wise / Brooke Veenstra		<b><u>U12 Boys Gold</u></b>
Runner up	Shreya Barath / Erin Baird	-	<b><u>Singles</u></b>
		Winner	Wattthew Wilson
-	<b><u>U14 Girls Platinum</u></b>	Runner up	Caleb Cotton
	<b><u>Singles</u></b>		
Winner	Jaimie Jones	-	<b><u>U14 Boys Platinum</u></b>
Runner up	Kaitlyn Ramduth	-	<b><u>Singles</u></b>
		Winner	James Edley
	<b><u>Doubles</u></b>	Runner up	Alex Edley
Winner	Jamie Jones / Storm Veentsra		<b><u>Doubles</u></b>
Runner up	Cotton/ Engelen	Winner	Koenig / Edley
		Runner up	Edley / Sebire
-	<b><u>U14 Girls Gold</u></b>		<b><u>U14 Boys Gold</u></b>
	<b><u>Singles</u></b>	-	<b><u>Singles</u></b>
Winner	Lindsay Engelen	Winner	Ryan Lister James
Runner up	Sarah Sutton	Runner up	Swelihle Maphumulo

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Brian Clark



Erin, Brooke, Anna, Shreya



-	<b><u>U18 Girls</u></b>	-	<b><u>U16 Boys</u></b>
	<b><u>Singles</u></b>		<b><u>Singles</u></b>
Winner	Courtney Fyvie	Winner	Kade Mindry
Runner up	Tayla Carter	Runner up	Jahar Persad
			<b><u>Doubles</u></b>
	<b><u>Doubles</u></b>	Winner	Kade Mindry / Louis Van Der Westhuizen
Winner	Fyvie / Carter	Runner up	Jahar Persad/ Haveshan Chetty
Runner up	Misdorp / Mackay	-	<b><u>U16 Boys Gold</u></b>
		-	<b><u>Singles</u></b>
-	-	Winner	Ezra Pillay
-	-	Runner up	Tyrone Dicks
		-	<b><u>Open Men</u></b>
		-	<b><u>Singles</u></b>
-	-	Winner	Thembo Makanya
		Runner up	Rayne Roselt
			<b><u>Doubles</u></b>
		Winner	Darren Young / Rayne Roselt
		Runner up	Hayden Kesaris / Jack Coetzer
		-	<b><u>Open Men Gold</u></b>
		-	<b><u>Singles</u></b>
		Winner	Ahmed Deedat
		Runner up	Brain Clark

**We congratulate Lettica Venter and Bruce Young in being chosen to represent South Africa in the ITF Young Seniors World Team Champs tournament to be held in Cape Town 19-24 March 2017. A good few KZN players are also currently playing in the Nationals in Bloem. Watch this space for happy snaps and good results !**



**Have a wonderful March and April, visit us on Facebook and see you again beginning May for more exciting news. Kim.**

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