



Tasmanian Masters Squash

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Ross's Rants and Raves

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AUSTRALIAN MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS DARWIN 2016

Individuals September 5-9
Teams September 12-16
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DARWIN 2016



As we approach the 2016 AMSA Tournament in Darwin, I am happy to say Tasmania has lodged 11 teams, 37 players. Some teams have 4 players due to injuries prior to playing. We also have 11 now playing partners in the teams week with 2 non players first week.

Along with those flying into Darwin we have 4 caravans doing the trip with leisurely wander up to Darwin and a holiday after, totalling 10 weeks away from home.

We welcome Sue Morgan ex Tasmania who now lives in Queensland, Darren Cowan and Darren Appleby and Tony Smith from Parsons with their partners. Tim Melsom from Kingston and Tim's WA mate Owen Martin. Cameron Smith and wife Tracey are also travelling for the first time.

A welcome BBQ will be held at Parap Village Units on the Sunday 11th September 5-7pm, hosted jointly by KAM Joinery (Simon Ottway) and the TMSA. Food will be supplied, bring your own plates/knives/forks and of course your own drinks.

Those who are purchasing team shirts:- they will be sent direct to the accommodation at Parap during the first week.

Badges are available from Annie Baker at the welcome BBQ @ \$4 ea.

Simon Ottway has booked a fishing trip with a local charter company for some break-away from squash time on Sunday 18th September (hope we get back in time for some who are flying out in the wee hours).

Continued over

Ross's Rants and Raves cont.

Our TMSA July tournament was a great weekend along with a brilliant Fri get together with Cugini Pizza's supplied by D.J. Motors (Hans). A full report of the tournament from Garry Hulme (Vice President) follows.

The TMSA has purchased and installed a wall mount TV- new convection microwave, and a back-up refrigerator which helps out at tournaments and general club room usage.

We also helped fund Grace Pattison (Devonport) who was selected to represent Australia at the world Junior Squash Championships held in Poland. Grace is

seed No 1 u/17 girls in Australia.

A special thankyou to Cheryl for all her work on Monday nights pennant and getting the results in and her email out.



Ross Barnden, President



PROPOSED TEAMS FOR DARWIN

TAS 01

Tim Melsom
Owen Martin
Darren Cowan

TAS 02

Graeme Bradfield
Gaye Mitchell
Simon Bamford

TAS 03

Tony Lawrie
Tony Smith
Darren Appleby

TAS 04

Simon Ottway/Cam Phillips
Eddie Carmichael
John Jeffrey

TAS 05

George Kovacs
Cheryl Unsworth
Andrew O'Brien

TAS 06

Garry Hulme
Wendy Ashley
Kim Hancock

TAS 07

Elizabeth Hickey
Judy Fox
Anne Baker

TAS 08

Cameron Smith
Jan Watson
Jenny Brown

TAS 09

Glenis Stephens
Sue Carmichael
Jane O'Brien

TAS 10

Julie Smith-Kingston
Elaine Boxhall
Helen Hay
Ross Barnden (Res)

TAS 11

Anne Collins
Sue Morgan
Karen Clifford
David McDonald

TAS 12

Sandra Fogarty
combined with NT
or other state

Teams selected may change due to rankings, decisions made by Australian Masters Selection committee.

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Tasmanian Masters Championships 1-3 July 2016

The Championships attracted 54 entrants from Tasmania, Victoria, NSW and WA. This was slightly down on last year's numbers but enabled a competition of eight divisions, all of which were hotly contested.

Masters Squash members ran a tight tournament under Tournament Director Mike Brown's direction. After the Friday evening matches contestants and friends enjoyed an opening supper and brief opening remarks from Ross Barnden, a President who knows better than to spend too long between Masters players and Pizza & Beer.

Throughout Saturday some excellent Squash was played as the Divisions sorted out finalists' positions for Sunday. The ladies (yes, I know, but I can't recall seeing a bloke there) ran a superb kiosk while the gentlemen (some things never change) ran the bar. Sandra and her apprentice organised the matches and our Tournament Director kept the results and consequent schedule ticking over.

On Saturday evening the competitors adhered to their Masters' pre-final regimen of no booze, no dancing and no sex, to ensure

everyone was on their best form for Sunday. Anyway, that's what I was told.

Strangely on Sunday, despite their abstemious behaviour, some folks looked decidedly ragged when they appeared. Those 6.00 a.m. church services can be a bugger.

The finals produced the usual excellent standard of matches across the divisions and the winners received excellent trophies of rare and endangered native timber boxes.

Congratulations to all participants; players, organisers, Eastside Squash Centre, sponsors and the champions, runners up and plate winners.



Garry Hulme
Vice President

Photos of all winners presented by major sponsors Globes (Elaine Boxhall left), and KAM Joinery (Simon Ottway right).



Division 1 Winner: Michael Brown
Runner up: Michael Fatouros (Vic)



Division 2/3 Winner: Tim Melsom
Runner up: Ross Francis (Vic)
Plate: David Pentecost



Division 2/3
Winner: Gaye Mitchell
Runner up: Chris Rowlands (Vic)
Plate: Barry Teague



Division 4
Winner: George Kovacs
Runner up: John Jeffrey
Plate: Cameron Phillips



Division 5
Winner: Michelle Hedge (NSW)
Runner up: Geoff Morely (Vic)
Plate: Garry Hulme



Division 6
Winner: Glenn Tremayne
Runner up: Liz Hickey



Division 7
Winner: Lynette Woodyard
Runner up: Julie Smith-Kingston



Division 8
Winner: Ted Waters
Runner up: Elaine Boxhall

2016 Tasmanian Masters Championships Sponsors

A successful tournament cannot be run without the generous ongoing support of all our sponsors. Whether it be monetary, voucher or product donation they all provide us squash masters with incentive to turn up and win our matches or enter our raffles in the hope of obtaining some of these magnificent gifts.

Upon registration everyone was offered drugs (not the banned substances but the healthy choices) compliments of Swisse (Nat Belbin, representative) organised by Judy Fox. There were boxes of products to choose from including, superfoods, multi-vitamins to liver detox (these could come in handy to many masters, which I will not name and shame).

After the Friday night matches were completed we were rewarded with **delicious pizzas from Cugini's** - compliments of Hans Kerkvliet of DJ Motors.

The dinner dance was a hoot with the **theme being "RIO"**. Some very interesting costumes emerged from very shoddy Olympians to colourful Rio outfits and a few Zika Viruses. Our band Ebeneza Good had everyone up on the floor within minutes. The more cordial that was consumed the better we danced. Im not sure where Garry Hulme got his information from but there was copious amounts of alcohol, frivolity and as far the sex goes, well do we really want to even imagine that at our age (well that is what our children would say). **Its all good fun and that's what masters is all about plus a bit of squash.**

Our caterer on the night was Anthony **Cummins (Judy Fox's little brother)**. He cooked us up an excellent roast meal with all the trimmings (his services volunteered). Our squash volunteers made up some tasty treats for dessert.

The raffles on the evening were jam packed with beauty products and vitamins (Ethical Nutrients/Swisse/Martin & Pleasants) were supplied by Terry White Pharmacy (compliments Judy Fox).

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2016 SQUASH CALENDAR

AUSTRALIAN MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Darwin September 5-16

VICTORIAN MASTERS TOURNAMENT

Ballarat November 18-20

Thank to everyone who has contributed to this newsletter, I couldn't do it without the support of my fellow squashies. If anyone has a contribution to the next newsletter, ideas, jokes, stories, milestones, photos, anything that will make it more interesting reading, please email Annie Baker - quirkyannie33@gmail.com