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### TOURNAMENTS COMING UP:

July 23-24	GLADSTONE	R/R
	Contact: Yvonne Fallon	07 4978 4267
August 6-7	LONGREACH	R/R
	Contact: Gwen Gennings	07 4658 1554
August 13-14	PINE RIVERS	R/R
	Contact: Paul Fleming	07 3886 2612
August 27-28	MURGON	R/R
	Contact: Gregg Vivash	07 4168 4651
September 24-25	TOOWOOMBA	R/R
	Contact: Alison Naumann	07 4634 2842
October 21-23	SUNSHINE COAST	R/R
	Contact: Jim Adam	07 5444 7896

### 2005 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS AT MANAVGAT, TURKEY

**Super Seniors** (Men 55+ to 80+ & Ladies 55+ to 75+)

ITF World Cup Competitions	- 17-22 October
ITF World Individual Championships	- 23-30 October

### RESULTS 2005 AUSTRALIAN TENNIS VETS CHAMPIONSHIPS NEWCASTLE - 11 to 22 APRIL

My apologies to these teams that were Runners-up in their Sections but were not included in the last newsletter:

MEN 60 Section 3	MEN 75/80
<u>QLD 3</u>	<u>QLD</u>
Des Campbell (Capt)	Adrian Alle (Capt)
Keith Buhr	Leo Dingle
Ross Clark	Nev Halligan
Peter Marshall	Neale Hook
Laurie Wyvill	John Roper
	John Wakely
	Richard Wilson

Sorry fellas—must have been gremlins in the computer again.

### COME TO THE 2006 AUSTRALIAN TENNIS VETS CHAMPIONSHIPS IN NEW ZEALAND

**CHRISTCHURCH - 8 TO 20 JANUARY.**

We have been informed by Tennis Vets Australia that there are 49 natural grass courts at the four nominated clubs and that probably the age groups 55 & over will be played on synthetic grass or real grass surfaces. Depending on the number of team entries, it may be possible that the younger age groups will play some of their matches on synthetic or real grass surfaces.

Nomination forms for the teams event will be forwarded to members and will **close on 30 September.**

Tennis Vets Australia have negotiated a deal with Qantas on airfares to Christchurch and members are encouraged to take advantage of these special rates.

Go to [www.tennisvets.org.au](http://www.tennisvets.org.au) and click on Upcoming Events and there is a direct link to Qantas for on-line bookings.



## **RESULTS—GOLD COAST VETERANS TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

**30 APRIL TO 2 MAY**

35 MS	Div 1	Stephen Williams	Greg Watson
	Div 2	John Birrell	Craig Sanders
40MS	Div 1	Craig Hill	Yan Sugiyanto
	Div 2	Craig Sanders	Craig Barnett
45 MS	Div 1	Max Bates	Kevin Bianchi
	Div 2	Minato Nakamura	Ted Kim
50 MS	Div 1	John Burness	Denis Mc Keown
	Div 2	Shane Ferguson	Christopher O'Brien
55MS	Div 1	Ken Wollschlager	Ray West
	Div 2	Geoff Legge	Rick Rylands
	Div 3	Jeffrey Linden	George Nance
60 MS	Div 1	John Decker	Lee Taylor
	Div 2	Max Turner	Ross Baverstock
65 MS		Kevin Crump	Derek Schroder
70 MS		Tony Russo	Claude Wenzel
75 MS		Richard Wilson	Nev Halligan
35 MD		James Holyman/Greg Watson	Peter & Stephen Williams
45 MD	Div 1	Kevin Bianchi/Noel Jensen	Scott Sommerville/Steve Whitecross
	Div 2	Keith Kropp/Craig Ross	Dallas Bruhl/Neil Higgins
50 MD	Div 1	Denis McKeown/Phil Waight	John Burness/Wayne Hawker
	Div 2	Clem Apted/Alan Lynch	Paul Donovan/Mike Evans
55 MD	Div 1	Terry Bourke/John Wade	Max Bates/Ray West
	Div 2	Trevor Shaw/John S Walker	John Wells/Errol Zelinski
	Div 3	Clem Apted/Alan Lynch	Gary Marsh/Graham Walker
60 MD	Div 1	John Decker/Neville Hay	John Byrne/Dennis Draper
	Div 2	Gary Johns/John S Walker	Malcolm Campbell/Bill Walsh
	Div 3	Colin Spring/Laurie Wyvill	Graham Jones/Ken Searson
65MD	Div 1	Don Anderson/Ed Tonkin	Kevin Crump/Peter Froelich
	Div 2	Graham Jones/Ken Searson	Don Booth/Peter Hurwood
70 MD	Div 1	Arch Shaw/Brian Wigney	Don Anderson/Alan Hocking
	Div 2	Reg Payne/Ian Raines	Vilmos Pinter/Arthur Wilson
75 MD		Leo Dingle/Richard Wilson	Nev Halligan/Des White
35 WS		Mi Ran Kim	Katherine Squire
40 WS		Mi Ran Kim	Ros Evans
45 WS		Marilyn Davis	Jennifer Downes
60 WS		Nola Collins	Jill Williams
65 WS		Nola Collins	Jill Williams
35 WD		Bronwyn Draper/Sharon Hoole	Roberta Klatt/Helen Lewis
40 WD		Ros Evans/Roberta Klatt	Rozanne Burley/Tracey Howard
45 WD	Div 1	Tracey Howard/Geraldine Ross	Julie Brodie/Andrea Hollindale
	Div 2	Vivienne Gayford/Liona Wulf	Julianne Daniel/Carol McKnoulty
50 WD	Div 1	Jan Johns/Daphne Moni	Marie Brown/Elviry Schroder
	Div 2	Sumiko Iwata/Sumiko Wada	Vivienne Gayford/Liona Wulf
55 WD	Div 1	Margaret Hamson/Jan Johns	Robyn Smylie/Kaye Wyvill
	Div 2	Michiyo Shimizu/Yoko Shiota	Sumiko Iwata/Sumiko Wada
60 WD		Val Balnave/Donna Walker	Bronwyn Draper/Jill Taylor
70 WD		Betty Crabb/June Goold	Joy Dingle/Esme Tobin
35 XD	Div 1	Matthew & Sharon Hoole	James Holyman/Jane Brownrigg
	Div 2	John Birrell/Katherine Squire	Tony Devine/Tracey Berrell
40 XD	Div 1	Peter Froelich/Mi Ran Kim	Len Gibbs/Ros Evans
	Div 2	Gary Williamson/Desley Bischoff	Neil Higgins/Julianne Daniel
45 XD	Div 1	Kevin Bianchi/Roberta Klatt	Craig Ross/Tracey Howard
	Div 2	Terry Coxall/Lyn Beckett	Col & Val Willett
50 XD	Div 1	Scott Sommerville/Bronwyn Draper	Dennis Biggs/Margaret Daniell
	Div 2	Rick Rylands/Caroline Seed	Paul Fleming/Gail Williamson
	Div 3	Alan Lynch/Robyn Smylie	Errol Zelinski/Lois Baverstock
	Div 4	Colin Spring/Sumiko Iwata	Col & Val Willett
55 XD	Div 1	Derek & Elviry Schroder	John Byrne/Bronwyn Draper
	Div 2	Geoff Legge/Shirley Wilkinson	Alan Lynch/Helen Bourne
	Div 3	Errol Zelinski/Carol Shaw	Laurie Wyvill/Robyn Smylie
	Div 4	Clem Apted/Sue Payne	Ken Shepherd/Sumiko Wada
60 XD	Div 1	David Huntley/Donna Walker	Lee Taylor/Kaye Wyvill
	Div 2	Ken Shepherd/Sumiko Wada	Robert Murray/Michiyo Shimizu
65 XD		Don Anderson/Noelene Schubert	Arch Shaw/Joy Rigter



### **2006 TOUR**

#### **AMERICA & EUROPE**

Ron & Noreen Turner invite you to join them on a fabulous tennis tour to America & Europe departing 1 April for 22 days

TOUR COST - \$6,350 per person

Day 1—Fly to Los Angeles for tennis & sight-seeing

Day 8—Fly to Prague for more sight-seeing in Prague, Vienna, Salzburg, Munich to Frankfurt (more tennis)

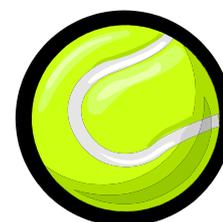
Day 20—Full day tour and cruise on Rhine

Day 21— Fly home to Australia

A copy of the itinerary can be obtained by ringing Coral on 3349 4339.

Bookings are limited to 25 persons for this memorable tour, so please book EARLY to ensure your place.

For Application Form & Information, contact Ron Turner:  
Ph: 03 9886 0068  
E-mail: [motivate@bigpond.com](mailto:motivate@bigpond.com)



**GOLD COAST RESULTS Cont'd:**

70 XD	Div 1	Graham Brown/Esme Tobin	Peter & Shirley Whitaker
	Div 2	Bruce Twidale/June Goold	Walter Ohl/Betty Crabb
90 Comb	MD/1	Mike Brodie/Kerry Cullinan	Noel Jensen/Robert Kentish
	MD/2	Mike Evans/Paul Zillfleisch	Keith Kropp/Craig Ross
110Comb	MD/1	John Decker/Neville Hay	Dennis Biggs/Geoff Legge
	MD/2	John Wells/Errol Zelinski	Alan Parker/John Wickham
120Comb	MD/1	Arch Shaw/Ian Somers	Stewart Cameron/Bruce Rehn
	MD/2	Kevin Bradley/Henrik von Hellens	Gary Johns/John S Walker
	MD/3	Gary Marsh/Graham Walker	Ron Evans/Robert Tindale
130Comb	MD/1	Terry Bourke/Peter Froelich	Don Booth/Peter Hurwood
	MD/2	Graham Jones/Ken Searson	Reg Payne/Colin Power
140Comb	MD	Graham Brown/Nev Langford	Don Anderson/Tony Russo
150Comb	MD	Nev Halligan/Des White	Leo Dingle/Richard Wilson
90 Comb	WD	Roberta Klatt/Eira Sanders	Tracey Howard/Geraldine Ross
100Comb	WD	Ros Evans/Jan Johns	Margaret Hamson/Mi Ran Kim
110Comb	WD/1	Daphne Moni/Caroline Seed	May Muggleton/Margaret Ross
	WD/2	Vivienne Gayford/Liona Wulf	Gerry Murphy/Robyn Smylie
120Comb	WD	Val Balnave/Donna Walker	Michiyo Shimizu/Yoko Shiota
140Comb	WD	Betty Crabb/Margaret Muller	Joy Dingle/Shirley Whitaker

All Combined Mixed Doubles were abandoned due to wet weather.

**TOOWOOMBA TOURNAMENT 24-25 SEPTEMBER.**

This year the Holy Name Tennis Club in Toowoomba have donated a special trophy in memory of Keith Dighton who sadly passed away after a serious illness. In 1966 on the initiative of Keith and Duncan Thompson, the first Veterans tournament was played in Toowoomba on October 15-16. It could be considered as the beginning of the veterans tennis movement in Australia.

This trophy will be presented to the winner of the Over 40 Mixed Doubles event this year. Each year a different event will be chosen and the winners of that event will have their name engraved on the trophy.



Left to Right: Mick Fogarty (Holy Name Tennis Club), Wendy Gallagher (Keith's daughter) & Rob Kentish (Vice-President of Toowoomba Veterans Club).



**TO ALL CLUBS**

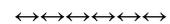
The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Tennis Veterans Queensland will be held during the Toowoomba tournament on Saturday 24 September.

All positions on the Management Committee become vacant and we are calling for nominations for Executive positions and for representatives from Clubs.

Any two members may nominate any other member for a particular position on the Committee. Nominations must be in writing, signed by the person nominated and his or her nominators and must reach the Secretary no later than Wednesday, 7 September, 2005.

Nominations are also called for the positions of Australian Selector—1 man & 1 woman and for Queensland Selector—3 man & 3 women. If you are interested in becoming a Selector, or if any Club wishes to nominate a member as a Selector, please apply in writing to Secretary by Wednesday 7 September, 2005.

Selectors will be appointed by Management Committee from the nominees received.



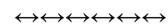
**CONDOLENCES**

We would like to offer our sympathies to Nola Morgan and her family for the sad loss of Henry Morgan.

Henry represented Queensland in teams every year from 1974 and also travelled to all the country tournaments as well with a great deal of success.

He also captained a fixture team in Brisbane called Morgan's Pirates. That wasn't because he looked like a pirate—he looked more like Santa Claus with his snow white hair and beard.

Farewell to a popular figure in Qld Veterans tennis.



**TOURNAMENT RESULTS—DAWSON CALLIDE VALLEY VETERANS—  
21 & 22 MAY.**

The Dawson Callide Valley Veterans Tennis Association held its Open Vets tournament on 20 & 21 May with a total of 87 players. Rockhampton, Bundaberg and Gladstone had strong contingents with players also travelling from Brisbane, Allora, Murgon, Monto, Rolleston and the Sunshine Coast. There were also two inter-state players and 27 of our local vets.

Our best wishes go to President, Stewart Anderson and Patron Edna Hindle who were unable to be with us this year and were sorely missed.

On Saturday night, at the dinner at Settlers, Alan Searle and Jessie Evans were crowned King and Queen of the Vets and Greg Stewart was crowned Court Jester. Greg arrived resplendent in his court jester hat for the Sunday morning session.

Helen Ambrey received the prize for the youngest player while John Teakle was the oldest player by 25 days. Good to see the locals keeping the flag flying at both ends of the competition. Jenny Thompson (Rockhampton) was the only player to win each of the four sessions.

<u>RESULTS</u>	Winner	Runner-up
40 MD	Merv & Brian Bidgood	Paul Donovan/Cameron James
50 MD A	Des Campbell/Barry Pettit	Murray Irvine/Richard Moffat
B	Col Willett/Allan Clifford	Heath Hansen/Ken Atkinson
65MD	Des White/Des Daniel	Warwick Power/George Lewis
35 LD	Jenny Thompson/Ros Melton	Yvonne Fallon/Ann Leinster
45 LD	Lauren Caught/Rhonda Lassig	Allison Close/Laraine Campbell
55 LD	Bub Bean/Lyn Bampton	Barbara Ball/Peggy Sack
SPECIAL LD	Mary Hawkins/Jessie Evans	Thea Loeskow/Dawn Clay
35 XD A	Jenny Thompson/Merv Bidgood	Helan Ambrey/Cameron James
B	Carol Shaw/Brian Kunst	Betty Seeney/Greg Stewart
45 XD	Hilda Latcham/Viv Fiedler	Rhonda Lassig/Alan Searle
50 XD A	Kay Giles/Keith Johnson	Val & Col Willett
B	Jan Street/Trevor Power	Jeannie Cox/Barry Bainbridge
55 XD	Lyn Bampton/Bill Sharrock	Barbara Ball/Denis Latcham
60 XD	Clarice White/Allan Clifford	Dot Kapernick/Des Daniel
65 XD	Bub Bean/Don Kerr	Jessie Evans/Warwick Power
90 COMB MD	Dominic Doblo/Dale Houston	Merv & Brian Bidgood
100 COMB MD	Brian & Don Kunst	Greg Stewart/Alan Searle
120 COMB MD	Richard Moffat/Murray Irvine	Bill Sharrock/Allen Samuelsson
130 COMB MD	Denis Latcham/John Teakle	Des White/Des Daniel
90 COMB LD A	Jenny Thompson/Val Black	Lyn Atkinson/Helen Ambrey
B	Janet Dahl/Jeannie Cox	Winsome Horne/Dot Kapernick
100 COMB LD	Ros Melton/Lyn Bampton	Barbara Ball/Peggy Sack
120 COMB LD	Jessie Evans/Dawn Clay	Bub Bean/Clarice White
90 COMB XD	Jenny Thompson/Merv Bidgood	Lyn Bampton/Neil Gaskell
100 COMB XD	Allison Close/Keith Johnson	Val & Col Willett
110 COMB XD	Barbara Ball/Denis Latcham	Skinny Hogg/Allan Gabel
120 COMB XD	Clarice White/Allan Clifford	Val Bell/Pat Hayes
130 COMB XD	Bub Bean/Allen Samuelsson	Jessie Evans/Heath Hansen

**HISTORY OF VETS TENNIS IN AUSTRALIA**

It is just two years since John Percival Young, Patron and Life Member of Tennis Vets Australia, died on 12 July, 2003. John developed the concept of veterans tennis in Australia and at the inaugural Annual General Meeting on the 13 May, 1970, he was elected our first National President.

Our current President Rob Ockerby has spoken for some time on the importance of developing and publishing a "History of Vets Tennis in Australia". A worthy project before much of our rich history is lost. TVA have asked for support from Queensland in nominating a member who would be interested in becoming an "Historian" for our Division/State. This person need not be computer-literate (but it would help), but would need to be INTERESTED in compiling information from earlier years...particularly in respect to your Division's/State's history from the 70's. We would be pleased to hear from anybody who may like to fill this role.

Contact Coral on 3349 4339.



**EDITOR'S NOTE**

If you have news or comments to share with your fellow veterans, please send to Coral for inclusion in the newsletter. Articles or Photos from tournaments or Clubs would be most welcome—either by post, fax or Email (see details on Front Page of newsletter).



**NEWSLETTERS**

Newsletters have been sent to all those who are currently on the mailing list. A copy of the current newsletter as well as some previous newsletters can be viewed on our website: [www.tennisvets.org.au/qld](http://www.tennisvets.org.au/qld).

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**Vic Braden on Tennis**

My theory is that if you buy an ice-cream cone and make it to your mouth, you can play tennis. If you stick it on your forehead, your chances are less.

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## BUNDABERG TOURNAMENT - 11-13 JUNE

The 137 participants in Bundaberg's June long week-end tournament were favoured with great weather and fine playing facilities. All except two events were played at the two main venues at Drinan and Rotary Parks. Tennis of a very good standard was witnessed in many events. The Bundaberg Club is grateful for the support of many regular visitors and we were pleased to welcome a significant number making their first appearance at this popular tournament.

Lee Taylor prevailed in the Vince Cheshire Memorial Singles event—his victory over Col Gibbons, the 2004 winner, ensuring the title went to another talented winner.

### RESULTS

	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Runner-up</u>
35 MS	Dennis Luketic	Greg Stewart
55 MS	Lee Taylor	Ken Wollschlager
60 MS	(Vince Cheshire Memorial) Lee Taylor	Col Gibbons
35 LS	Karen Pearce	Nola Collins
35 MD	Tony Devine/Rod Shepherdson	Ken Wollschlager/Merv Bidgood
40 MD	Tony Devine/Rod Shepherdson	Michael Bandholz/Brian Kunst
45 MD B	Bob Johnston/Joe Nilon	Nev Sauer/Marco Mark
50 MD A	Col Gibbons/Len Gibbs B Brian Muller/Barry Bainbridge	Merv Bidgood/Bob Gibson Leo Dingle/Jim Cosgrove
55 MD	Len Gibbs/Noel Cheshire	Geoff Legge/Alan Lynch
60 MD	Dennis Biggs/Stan Cuthbert	Don Anderson/Alan Hocking
65 MD	Alan Hocking/Don Anderson	Des Daniel/Garth Wenck
70 MD	Warwick Power/Alan Searle	Kerry Burke/Des White
35 LD	Ros Evans/Di Irvine	Nola Collins/Roberta Klatt
40 LD	Roberta Klatt/Ros Evans	Di Zelinski/Di Irvine
50 LD A	Donna Walker/Daphne Moni B Gail Williamson/Judy Cross	Judith Pound/Shirley Wilkinson Judy Mason/Pat Bidgood
55 LD A	Beryl Wollschlager/Helen Richardson B Lyn Collins/Cathy Maertens	Lois Baverstock/Shirley Wilkinson Glenva Rozynski/Judy Mason
60 LD	Pat O'Gorman/Pam Roberts	Judy Hick/Kaye Wyvill
65 LD	Betty Searle/Joy Dingle	Marj Muller/Pam Roberts
70 LD	Norma Fallon/Joy Dingle	Joyce Heidke/Joan Horvath
35 XD A	Tony Devine/Ros Evans B Marco Mark/Judy Cross	Merv Bidgood/Jenny Thompson Noel Toscano/Stephanie Johnstone
40 XD A	Ken Stokes/Roberta Klatt B Greg Stewart/Betty Seeney	Len Gibbs/Di Zelinski Noel Toscano/Stephanie Johnstone
45 XD	Ken Stokes/Roberta Klatt	Michael Bandholz/Di Irvine
50 XD A	Noel Cheshire/Robyn Smylie B Barry Bainbridge/Ann Eisenmenger	Bob Gibson/Helen Bourne Mike Rennie/Heather Moyle
55 XD A	Noel Cheshire/Daphne Moni B John Blaydon/Robyn Wilson	Geoff Legge/Donna Walker Ron Ostwald/Lyn Collins
60 XD A	Lee Taylor/Donna Walker B John Blaydon/Robyn Wilson	Dennis Biggs/Pat O'Gorman Pat Hayes/Dot Kapernick
65 XD A	Don Anderson/Nola Collins B Don Kunst/Joan Horvath	Gary Bourne/Pat O'Gorman Herb Olsen/Tess Robson
70 XD	Kerry & June Burke	Leo & Joy Dingle
Special D	Brian Kunst/Karen Pearce	John Kratzmann/Dennis Luketic
90 MD	Rod Shepherdson/Barry Bainbridge	Ken Stokes/Ron Rehbein
100MD A	Merv Bidgood/Murray Irvine B John Coxon/Ken Atkinson	Alan Lynch/Geoff Legge Jim Cosgrove/Leo Dingle
120 MD	Noel Cheshire/Ian Lorensen	Stan Cuthbert/Dennis Biggs
130 MD	Alan Hocking/Don Anderson	Alan Johnson/Gary Bourne
140 MD	John Walker/Claude Wenzel	Des Daniel/Des White
90 LD	Ros Evans/Donna Walker	Dawn Shepherdson/Di Zelinski
100 LD	Carol Shaw/Hilda Latcham	Betty Seeney/Barbara Ball
120 LD	Nola Collins/Di Irvine	Marj Muller/Helen Richardson
130 LD	June Burke/Kaye Wyvill	Pam Roberts/Pat O'Gorman
90 XD	Merv Bidgood/Jenny Thompson	Brian Kunst/Dawn Clay
100 XD A	Lee Taylor/Ros Evans B Barry Bainbridge/Judy Mason	Geoff Legge/Karen Christoff Mike Rennie/Heather Moyle
130 XD	Brian & Marj Muller	Kerry & June Burke



### JUST FOR FUN

“That’s it! I’m finished with golf,” said the first player.

“Tough round?” asked the second.

“I’ll say. Went through three balls on the first hole.”

“Don’t worry mate. Anyone can lose a ball in the rough.”

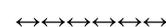
“Who lost them? I wore them out.”



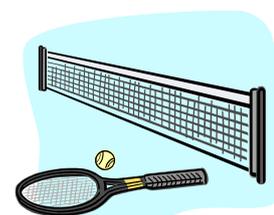
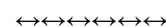
On a late evening tour of a medieval English castle, a young woman confessed to the elderly guide that she was rather nervous about encountering a ghost.

“Madam,” he said, “in all my years here, I have never seen a ghost.”

Relieved, the woman asked him how long he had been there. “Three hundred years,” he solemnly replied.



Heard about the latest diet craze from overseas? You eat whatever you want whenever you want. You don’t lose any weight, but it’s really easy to stick to.



## 2005 OLD VETS TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS 24-27 JUNE

### RESULTS

35+ MS Ian Malpass (QLD) leading Glen Philp (QLD) 5/2  
40+ MS Craig Hill (NSW) v Davis Smith (QLD)  
45+ MS Mike Ford (QLD) leading Takamichi Hirooka (JAPAN) 2/1  
50+ MS John Burness (NSW) leading Ken Stokes (QLD) 3/2

#### Leo Butler Trophy

55+ MS Max Bates (QLD) leading Ed Tucker (QLD) 4/2

Finals of the above events were abandoned due to rain

	Winner	Runner-up
60+ MS	Lee Taylor (QLD)	George Collins (QLD) 1/6 7/5 4/1 ret
65+ MS	Peter Froelich (QLD)	Derek Schroder (QLD) 6/4 1/6 6/1
70+ MS	Max Byrne (TAS)	Hugh Bloink (VIC) 6/4 6/1
75+ MS	Adrian Alle (QLD)	Don Cosgrove (NSW) 6/2 6/0
80+ MS	Richard Wilson (QLD)	John Pearce (NSW) 4/6 6/3 6/4

#### 40/45/50/55 LADIES SINGLES

Kerri Douglas (VIC) Helen Dorricott (QLD) 7/5 6/2

#### 60/65/70 LADIES SINGLES

Dawn Martin (QLD) Marilyn Davis (QLD) 7/6 4/0 ret

35+ MD Phil Salter(NSW)/Chris O'Mara (QLD) def  
Don Cameron (QLD)/Peter Lewis (QLD)  
45+ MD Max Bates(QLD)/Mike Ford (QLD) def  
Kevin Bianchi (QLD)/Kevin Smith (QLD)  
55+ MD Terry Bourke (QLD)/John Wade (QLD) def  
Ian Gallagher (QLD)/Wally Teis (QLD)  
65+ MD Kevin Crump (QLD)/Peter Froelich (QLD) def  
Max Byrne (TAS)/Nev Langford (QLD)  
75+ MD Adrian Alle (QLD)/Don Cosgrove (NSW) def  
Andrew Eszes (QLD)/Ian Salmon (QLD)  
35+ LD Ros Evans (QLD)/Roberta Klatt (QLD) def  
Mi Ran Kim (QLD)/Yuko Yap (JAPAN)  
40+ LD Helen Dorricott (QLD)/Kerrie Douglas (VIC) def  
Ros Evans (QLD)/Mi Ran Kim (QLD)  
45+ LD Julie Brodie (QLD)/Lyn Beckett (QLD) def  
Julie Elsley (QLD)/Alison Fanning (QLD)  
50+ LD Jan Johns (QLD)/Daphne Moni (QLD) def  
Elviry Schroder (QLD)/Marie Brown (QLD)  
55+ LD Lyn Wayte (NSW)/Margaret Wayte (NSW) def  
Jan Johns (QLD)/Daphne Moni (QLD)  
60+ LD Lyn Wayte (NSW)/Margaret Wayte (NSW) def  
Nola Collins (QLD)/Marilyn Davis (QLD)  
65+ LD Nola Collins (QLD)/Jill Taylor (QLD) def  
Norma Godbolt-McGhie (QLD)/Noelene Schubert (QLD)  
70+ LD Val Byrne (TAS)/Esme Tobin (QLD) def  
Betty Crabb (QLD)/June Goold (QLD)  
40+ MD Mal Brown (NSW)/Craig Hill (NSW)/  
Don Cameron (QLD)/Peter Lewis (QLD)  
50+ MD John Burness (NSW)/Wayne Hawker (QLD) v  
Denis Mc Keown (QLD)/Phil Waight (QLD)  
Final abandoned due to rain  
60+ MD Terry Bourke (QLD)/Brian Dew (SA) def  
Murray French (VIC)/Lee Taylor (QLD)  
70+ MD Hugh Bloink (VIC)/Arch Shaw (QLD) leading 3/0  
v Max Byrne (TAS)/Nev Langford (QLD)  
Final abandoned due to rain  
80+ MD Nev Halligan (QLD)/Richard Wilson (QLD) def  
Neale Hook (QLD)/John Pearce (NSW)

Combined Mens & Ladies Doubles and all Mixed Doubles events were cancelled due to rain.

## VETERAN OF THE YEAR 2005

### Coral Vickers

The winner of this year's award was announced at the presentation ceremony during the Queensland Titles held on Gold Coast.

Coral Vickers has been secretary of Tennis Vets Queensland since 2001 and has had a long association with the veteran's movement both as a player and administrator.

Her contribution to veteran's tennis over many years as a player, committee member and holder of an executive position is well known to Queensland members and to the wider field of veteran tennis players in other states and territories.

In recent years, Coral has again stepped forward to take up an executive position and in this her contribution has been outstanding. Communication to members is regular and informative and the regular newsletter is of a very high standard.

Her contribution to the Australian Championships in 2004 hosted by Queensland, the Annual Queensland Championships and the co-ordination of teams and uniforms for the Australian championships on a yearly basis are typical of her work ethic and her interest in the whole field of veteran's tennis.

As a player Coral participates on the court with great dignity and fine sportsmanship. She visits many of the regional tournaments and is highly regarded for this interest in areas around the State, plus of course her regular participation in the annual Australian Teams events.

In addition to being on the executive of Tennis Veterans Queensland Coral is President of the Brisbane Metropolitan mid week ladies association and a representative to Tennis Queensland regional assembly.

Coral's contribution to tennis in Queensland is outstanding and we are very fortunate in having such a dedicated and thorough secretary and administrator to handle the affairs of our organization on a voluntary basis over so many years.

Alan Hocking

President



## ROCKHAMPTON TOURNAMENT - 9-10 JULY

Tennis Veterans Rockhampton held their annual open championships on the weekend and hosted players from Brisbane, Hervey Bay, Gladstone, Biloela and Baralaba. Local competitors strongly supported the events also.

Merv Bidgood and Jenny Thompson were undefeated, winning two mixed events and Merv winning two mens doubles with brother Brian and Jenny winning two ladies doubles with Val Bell and Roz Melton.

### FULL RESULTS

	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Runners-up</u>
40 MD	M & B Bidgood	D Houston & D Doblo
45 MD	D Donaldson & M Dillon	A Hick & O Smith
60 MD	D Campbell & A Samuelsson	J Blyadon & B Johnson
40 LD	J Thompson & R Melton	Y Fallon & A Leinster
50 LD	L Bampton & B Bean	V Bell & A Close
40 XD	M Bidgood & J Thompson	R Williams & Y Fallon
45 XD	M Fallon & A Leinster	D Donaldson & H Latcham
55 XD	D & M Osborne	A Samuelsson & K Souter
Comb 90 MD	M & B Bidgood	D Houston & D Doblo
Comb 110 MD	D Osborne & A Hick	K Wollschlager & B Latcham
Comb 130 MD	J Blyadon & B Johnson	D Campbell & W Power
Comb 90 LD	J Thompson & V Bell	A Close & R Melton
Comb 110 LD	L Bampton & B Bean	K Souter & B Wollschlager
Comb 90 XD	M Bidgood & J Thompson	C James & K Giles
Comb 110 XD	K Wollschlager & L Bampton	B Bidgood & B Bean

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

#### TRAVEL TO CHRISTCHURCH, NZ

John Schluter (President of SA Vets) has obtained some interesting quotes for holiday travel in New Zealand next January. The material offers options of air fares to Christchurch, "Britz" Motorhome hire, car hire and two fly drive alternatives...of either a 7 day tour of the South Island or a 13 day tour of the South & North islands.

If you are interested, you should contact Damien Mc Connell, a wholesale travel agent located in Melbourne. The organization is Tick-it Pacific Tours, 318 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, Vic 3000. He can be contacted on:

Phone: 03 9654 6155; Fax: 03 9654 3858 or Email: <mailto:damien@tick-it.com.au>

For an information package re the above, ring Coral on 3349 4339.

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#### TENNIS IN FIJI

The inaugural Air Pacific Fiji Open Seniors Tournament is to be played from 13 to 18 September, 2005. The venue is the Denarau Golf and Racquet Club, Denarau Island, Fiji which is about 20 minutes drive from the Nadi International Airport. Hotel accommodation or beachfront villas are available.

For all enquiries regarding the tournament, you should contact Rupeni Seruitukana at the Tennis Club on:

Phone: +679 675 9710; Fax: +679 675 0484; Email: [info@denaragolf.com.fj](mailto:info@denaragolf.com.fj) or their webpage: [www.denaragolf.com.fj](http://www.denaragolf.com.fj)

For an entry form and information package on this tournament, ring Coral 3349 4339.

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## ITF WORLD RANKINGS

These Queensland players have been listed in the top 20 of the ITF World Rankings as follows:

### MEN

Glen Philp—No 10 in 35+

Max Bates—No 5 in 55+

Peter Froelich—No 9 in 65+

Neville Halligan—No 12 in 80+

Dick Wilson—No 15 in 80+

### WOMEN

Helen Dorricott—No 16 in 40+

On behalf of Tennis Vets Queensland, we congratulate them on their achievements.

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**2006 Queensland Tennis Vets Championships** will be held from 30 June to 3 July next year.

Singles matches will be played every morning of the four days. Combined Ladies & Mens Doubles will be played on Friday afternoon—Ladies & Mens Doubles of all age groups on Saturday & Sunday afternoons—Mixed Doubles on Monday afternoon.

We would like to increase the participation of more ladies in the Singles events as this will ensure that we retain our ITF Category. This will also help the ladies to receive valuable singles practice if they wish to nominate for overseas teams. There are not enough tournaments able to offer singles events.





**OBITUARY.** One of Australia's oldest and most respected veteran tennis players, BILL ROGERS passed away at Toowoomba on 29 May, 2005 aged 90 years and 11 months. In April, Bill captained the Rest of the World team of 90 year-olds who played a US team in Palm Springs, California. At the time of his passing, he was scheduled to be in Austria, where he had entered the Austrian and European Championships and where he had been chosen to play in the Bill Talbert Cup.

Bill unhesitatingly called himself Australian, but always prized his Welsh heritage. Bill was born in Wales the seventh of ten children. His childhood was filled with simple pleasures of living in the country—walking or running was the only form of transport—crunching through snow to sing carols outside friends' homes at Christmas with his siblings. Bill always believed that the most beautiful musical instrument is the human voice and led to his lifelong interest in singing.

In 1927 Bill arrived in Australia with his family, aged 13 and immediately became a working man. It was during this time that he had an accident with a horse which resulted in his having one leg shorter than the other and led to many problems with his back and legs for the rest of his life. At age 18, Bill bought a milk run and a horse and cart and later his brothers joined him to form the Rogers Bros who became the largest milk vendors in Queensland. Because they sang on their rounds—anything from opera to scales to oratorio—all Toowoomba-ites knew them as The Singing Milkmen.

It was inevitable that Bill and his siblings should become very active in the musical life of the city. They were members of the Toowoomba Choral Society and many church choirs. They performed in charity concerts all over the Downs on most week-ends. It was not unusual for the family to provide the entire program.

By 1947, he and his brothers had grain farms on the Downs. Bill and wife, Joan, whom he married in 1959 set up their farm at Macalister and raised their children, Peter, John, Margaret, David and Evan. At first, there was no phone, no electricity and no all-weather road. Bill toiled hard and one of his off-season jobs was to spread 1200 tons of gravel by shovel to raise the house surrounds above flood level. His capacity for hard physical work was legendary, even up to his death and remarkable for such a slightly built man.

He retired from farming in 1974 to take up tennis seriously. He built his own court by breaking up over 100 tons of ant-bed with a shovel and spreading it evenly. He enjoyed coaching dozens of local children, always with great patience. His first overseas tournament was in 1991. Bill represented Australia in a number of Veterans' teams, won many European and other ITF Singles and Doubles Championships. In 2001, he was ranked No 1 in the World in the ITF Rankings for Men 85 years .

Bill enjoyed the camaraderie of international tournaments and appreciated the numerous friendships he made. In the past 15 years, he made 18 overseas trips, several lasting 4 months. Last year at a party in USA, Bill was asked to sing. A guest who was a Professor of Music exclaimed: "This 90 year-old shows such skill and agility on the tennis court and also has such a pure, sweet voice AND perfect pitch."

His contemporaries spoke of his humility, integrity and sportsmanship and of the keen competitor who was a true gentleman on and off the court. Many remember him as much for his singing as his enthusiastic tennis.

Bill's Christian faith was simple and uncomplicated. In keeping with the music in his soul, he often spoke of the need to keep in tune with God. His Thanksgiving Service gave full expression to this music. St Luke's Church was filled with the Welsh hymns he loved so dearly. Toowoomba Choral Society sang Schubert's Psalm 23, which Bill and Joan had enjoyed singing with them so often. The service concluded with a stirring rendition of the Welsh National Anthem, sung by massed male voices.

Old age never caught up with him. He died the free, youthful spirit he always was, agile in mind and body. He was rosy-cheeked to the end and his heart and lungs did not fail him, but his time of departure had come.

Many thanks to Joan Rogers for these wonderful memories of a truly remarkable gentleman who will be remembered by all whose life he has touched.