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TOURNAMENTS COMING UP:

2005 ITF Seniors World Cup Competitions - PERTH - 27 March to 2 April
ITF World Individual Championships - PERTH - 3 to 9 April

2005 ITF Super Seniors World Cup Competitions - TURKEY - 17-22 October
ITF World Individual Championships - TURKEY - 23-30 October

Entry forms not yet available.

2005 QUEENSLAND TEAMS FOR NEWCASTLE - 11 to 15 APRIL

Nomination forms for Queensland teams are now available. If you have not received yours, contact Coral on 3349 4339; Fax: 3420 5754 or E-mail: tvq@winshop.com.au

ENTRIES CLOSE ON 31 DECEMBER, 2004

UNIFORMS. For new team players, an Order Form will be sent to you in the New Year.

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS. Forms will be available early December and will close on Monday 14 February, 2005.

TENNIS QUEENSLAND AWARDS NIGHT for 2004.

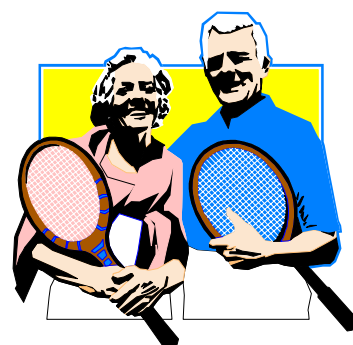
We are pleased to announce that Helen Dorricott of Gold Coast has been awarded the **TQ Veteran of the Year for 2004**. Her achievements in 2004 include:

- * Finalist in Teams event for Women 35/45 at Australian Vets Championships;
- * Winner of 40+ Womens Singles at the same tournament;
- * Winner 35/40 Womens Singles at 2004 Queensland Vets Championships;
- * Member of winning team in ITF World Vets Cup Competition (Young Cup for Women 40+).

Helen could not compete in the World Individual Championships due to an injury suffered during the Teams event. A worthy recipient of this award, congratulations Helen.

TVQ also nominated Gail Bates for **TQ Administrator of the Year for 2004** and were delighted when she was announced as the winner. Gail's reputation as a Tournament Director is well deserved and the smooth running of the 2004 Australian Tennis Vets Championships was due to her knowledge of planning before the event as well as the actual conduct of the tournament. Because of her success as a Tournament Director, Gail has been responsible for the increased participation in the Queensland Vets Titles. Congratulations, Gail.

 **Tennis Queensland**





2004 ITF WORLD CUP COMPETITIONS - PHILADELPHIA USA - SEPTEMBER

<u>MEN</u>	No. of Teams	FINISHED	WON BY
AUSTRIA CUP (55+)	17	equal 3rd	SPAIN
VON CRAMM CUP (60+)	19	4th	USA
BRITANNIA CUP (65+)	22	2nd	USA
CRAWFORD CUP (70+)	11	equal 4th	USA
GRANT CUP (75+)	10	equal 5th	USA
MULLOY CUP (80+)	10	2nd	USA

WOMEN

CONNOLLY CUP (55+)	10	FIRST	AUSTRALIA
Team: Carol Campling (C), Liz Allan & Kerry Ballard NSW - 2nd time Aust. has won.			
MARBLE CUP (60+)	14	2nd	GREAT BRITAIN
(Lynne Nette (VIC) defeated World No 1, Heide Orth (Germany) 1/6 7/6 6/2)			
GODFREY CUP (65+)	9	2nd	FRANCE
GIBSON CUP (70+)	10	FIRST	AUSTRALIA
Team: Margaret Robinson (C)(WA), Lorice Forbes & Ann Fotheringham (VIC) & Peg Hoysted (NSW). (This was Australia's first victory in this esteemed event)			
QUEEN'S CUP (75+)	4	3rd	USA

2004 WORLD SUPER-SENIORS INDIVIDUALS RESULTS - PHILADELPHIA USA - SEPTEMBER

WINNERS

55 WOMENS DOUBLES **Liz Allan & Kerry Ballard (NSW) def Carol Campling (NSW) & Frances Taylor (GBR) 6/3 6/4**
60 MENS CONS. SINGLES **Don McIndoe (NSW) def Don Long (USA) w/o**

RUNNERS-UP

60 MENS SINGLES Jimmy Parker (USA) def **Bruce Burns (NSW) 1/6 6/3 6/4**
65 MENS SINGLES Eugene Scott (USA) def **Peter Froelich (QLD) 5/7 6/3 6/3**
55 WOMENS SINGLES Anne Guerrant (USA) def **Carol Campling (NSW) 6/2 6/2**
70 WOMENS SINGLES Yvonne van Nostrand (USA) def **Margaret Robinson (WA) 7/5 6/4**
65 WOMENS DOUBLES Janine Liefbrig & Audrey van Coller (RSA) def **Nola Collins (QLD) & Lesley Heumiller (NSW) 2/6 6/0 6/3**
70 WOMENS DOUBLES Mary Boswell & Belmar Gunderson (USA) def **Lorice Forbes (VIC) & Peg Hoysted (NSW) 6/4 6/3**

Full details can be seen on website - www.92computing.com

2006 SENIORS & SUPER SENIORS WORLD TEAMS & INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The ITF have advised that Seniors events—35-55 age groups—will be held in Durban, South Africa towards the end of April.

The Super Seniors events—60-85 age groups for men and 60-75 age groups for women—



For all those golfers out there:

A golfer's stray shot landed on an anthill. He took a swing at the ball and missed, killing dozens of ants. On his second attempt, he missed again, killing even more ants.

"Follow me!" cried one ant to his companions, "if we can get on to the ball, we'll be safe."

FAMOUS QUOTES

Sir Donald Bradman on cricket:

We did it wearing all white, without the help of a psychiatrist and without anyone having his hair permed.

Dean Martin:

You're not drunk if you can lie on the floor without holding on.

Charlton Heston:

A TV host asked my wife: "Have you ever considered divorce?"

She replied, "Divorce - never; murder - often."



TRAVEL NEWS

NEW ZEALAND VISIT

TVA have advised that the social tour of New Zealand players to visit Australia next year has been deferred due to the busy tournament calendar. It is now proposed that a tour be organized for September/October, 2006. The duration of the tour is about two weeks and any Divisions or Clubs interested in hosting all or part of this visit should contact TVA.

TENNIS & SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF AMERICA

Departs 19 March 2005 - for 19 days - Cost \$4,700 (Twin Share)
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Players of all grades welcome—also non-playing friends.

For more information and invitation form, contact RON TURNER Ph: 03 9886 0068

Fax: 03 9886 0131; E-mail: motivate@bigpond.com

WIMBLEDON - ENGLAND - ITALY - GREECE - SINGAPORE

June 18 - July 13, 2005 26 Fantastic Days Tour Cost \$8450

For all information, contact LORETTA FUNNELL Ph: 02 9756 4888 (W);
Mob: 0414 962 958 or 02 9629 5118 (H).

WALKING THE MILFORD TRACK, NZ IN 2006

Some interest has been expressed among Australian vets members in forming our own group to walk the Milford Track, immediately following the end of the Individual Championships in Christchurch in 2006. Likely to be Sunday 22 to Thursday 26 January.

The tour extends over 5 days, although the walk itself takes 3 days. Day 1 is travelling from Queenstown to the starting point and then the fifth day is a cruise on the Sound and returning by coach to Queenstown.

Participants would need to be fit enough to undertake daily hikes of 16kms, 15kms and 21kms. There are numerous stops en route for sightseeing, photos and refreshments spread over full days. You only carry whatever you need en route, other baggage is transported for you.

At this early stage costs are an estimate but would include transport into and out of Walk, cruise on the Sound, accommodation in Queenstown prior to and at the end of the tour. Multi-share lodge accommodation would be about \$2050, double or twin-share with own facilities would be about \$2450. A substantial deposit would be required

mid-year 2005. If there is sufficient interest, a representative would be able to provide full details during the Australian Championships in Newcastle next April. Travel arrangements would be made by an accredited agent.

In the first instance please contact Alison Ide by email: idea@netspeed.com.au - by fax on 02 6230 4997 or phone 02 6249 7976.

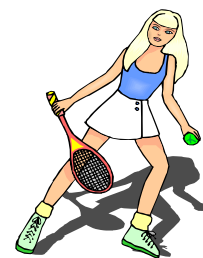
OBITUARY

With regret we advise of the death of Don Pike of South Australia who passed away on 31 August at the age of 71 years. Don had been in ill health for a number of years. He will be remembered with some affection as a man who loved a debate and could really play tennis. Don represented Australia in ITF Cup Competitions in 1994, 1995 and 1998. Our condolences are offered to his wife Andree and family.

ILLNESS

Alan Browning's (ACT) bout with ill health continues with his recently suffering a stroke. A very popular player at vets tournaments, he was selected to play for Australia in ITF's Bitsy Grant Cup Competition last year. Alan was selected again in 2004 but had to withdraw. We extend to Alan our best wishes for his recovery.

Ward Hillier (VIC) is in hospital slowly recovering from a serious illness and we wish him well in his fight back to recovery. A popular player in local tournaments, Ward has represented Australia overseas on four occasions in recent years.



AGM of TVQ - held at Nambour Tennis Centre- 23 October, 2004

Management Committee elected at the above meeting is as follows:

PRESIDENT	Alan Hocking
VICE-PRESIDENT	Bruce Hallt
SECRETARY	Coral Vickers
TREASURER	To be advised

Plus representatives of all Clubs.

Our Treasurer Peter Hurwood declined to stand again. President Alan thanked him for his dedication as Treasurer especially during the recent Australian Tennis Vets Championships in January, which was a very busy time.

ELECTION OF SELECTORS

From the nominations received for both Queensland & Australian selectors, votes were counted and the results are:

OLD SELECTORS

MALE	Kerry Cullinan
	Neville Langford
	Wally Teis
FEMALE	Norma Godbolt-McGhie
	Joy Rigter
	Donna Walker

AUST. SELECTORS

MALE	Neville Langford
FEMALE	Nola Collins

The names of our nominees for Australian selectors will be forwarded to TENNS Vets Australia.

JOTTINGS FROM OUR WORLD TRAVELLER—BILL ROGERS OF TOOWOOMBA.

(With thanks to his wife, Joan for the following news.)

Bill and I recently returned after our four –month round-the-world trip. For tennis, of course! What else? As glamorous as it sounds, being away for that length of time, on a very tight budget, is quite demanding.

Bill celebrated his 90th birthday in Berlin and then we headed for Austria. He won the Austrian Singles Championship for 90+ and also his singles match in the Bill Talbert Cup. This Cup is for 85+ and Bill has been invited to play on the USA team of 12 against a team from Europe for the past 6 years. He was leading 5/1 in his first match of the European Championships when he pulled a muscle and wisely withdrew. I feared he would have withdrawal symptoms, but he was well-behaved and after two weeks off the court, he was perfectly recovered.

We then flew to US and spent 2 months in a friend’s spare homes. Fortunately both had tennis courts and plenty of opponents, although they were much younger. However, Bill acquitted himself well and remained in good shape.

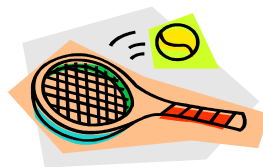
He played a tournament in Asheville, North Carolina and in the USTA Clay Championships in Pinehurst and in the USTA Grass Championships in Boston. He won seconds and thirds in all singles and doubles. He actually wasn’t playing his best in any of them.

That changed in the World Championships in Philadelphia. He had a good week’s practice on clay, which was the advertised surface for the 90’s. He had a first round bye and a second round default, before he met Gardnar Mulloy in the semis. Gar had already had 2 matches. On the eve of the match, Bill was informed it would be on grass, which was a disappointment. They started play at noon and finished three and a half hours later. There were so many deuces that the spectators gave up counting. Gar won the first set 7/6, Bill won the second 7/5 and then they were required to play a 10-point super tie break. Gar won that 10-6! I haven’t ever witnessed such a standing ovation. During the match as spectators wandered around, they’d stop and ask what age group it was. Ninety. NINETY ?? They all stayed to watch. It was tremendously exciting and Bill played superbly and also learned a lot from the experience. He feels he can beat the best of them now. Next day, Gar disposed of the other semi final winner 6/2/ 6/3 in less than an hour.

HOWEVER Bill and his American partner did bring home the World Doubles Title, beating Gar and his American partner 7/6 7/5. This was particularly satisfying for Bill, considering Gar’s expertise in doubles.

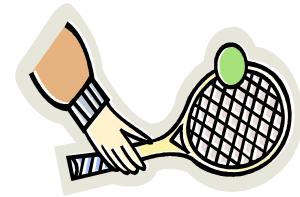
Bill has been invited to play again in an all-expenses paid tournament for 90’s in Palm Springs, California in April. We hope to go there and arrive home in time for the Australian Individuals, where he’ll have to play against the kids in the 80’s.

Life is never dull here! Good tennis and best wishes from Joan Rogers.



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).



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QUEENSLAND PLAYERS ON SICK LIST

Alan Hocking—leg

Joy Rigter—elbow

Finn Rasmussen—heart

John Walker—hip

Nev Langford - still having tests

We wish them all a speedy recovery and hope to see them on the court again soon.

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TOURNAMENT RESULTS - TOOWOOMBA - 2/3 OCTOBER, 2004

	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Runners-up</u>
<u>MEN</u>		
35 MS	Guido Schouteten	Peter Proost
40 MS	Paul Mooney	Garth Dix
50 MS	Ken Stokes	Ray West
65 MS	Ed Tonkin	Stuart McLay
35 MD	Peter Proost & Guido Schouteten	Robert Kentish & Kev Bianchi
40 MD	Kev Bianchi & Noel Jensen	Andy Lehman & Ken Natalier
50 MD	Robert Kentish & Merv Bidgood	Ken Stokes & Geoff Legge
55 MD	Ivor Reynolds & Wally Teis	Dennis Biggs & Stan Cuthbert
60 MD (A)	Don Anderson & Kevin Anderson	Bruce Hallt & Gary Bourne
(B)	Warwick Power & Leo Dingle	Col Arnell & John Kirkpatrick
65 MD	Don Anderson & Arch Shaw	Peter Newman & Ray Blacker
<u>WOMEN</u>		
35 LD	Ros Evans & Roberta Klatt	Tammy Evans & Vicki Jones
40 LD	Roberta Klatt & Ros Evans	Debbie Woodrow & Chris Goetz
45 LD	Daphne Moni & Carolyn Seed	Ann Cosgrove & Jenny Griggs
50 LD	Daphne Moni & Carolyn Seed	Donna Walker & Val Balnave
65 LD	Esme Tobin & Joy Rigter	Marge Dighton & Joy Dingle
70 LD	Esme Tobin & Joy Dingle	Norma Fallon & Jessie Evans
40 XD	Wally Teis & Ros Evans	Merv Bidgood & Jenny Thompson
45 XD	Kevin Bianchi & Roberta Klatt	Kevin Hogan & Vicki Jones
50 XD	Ken Stokes & Coral Vickers	Dennis Biggs & Marg Daniell
55 XD	Ivor Reynolds & Donna Walker	Geoff Legge & Helen Richardson
65 XD	Arch Shaw & Joy Rigter	Gary Bourne & Marge Dighton
90 COMB.XD	Merv Bidgood & Jenny Thompson	Wally Teis & Karen Pearce
100 COMB.XD	Bruce Hallt & Carolyn Seed	Ross & Lois Baverstock
110 COMB.XD	Geoff Legge & Helen Richardson	Bob Martin & Merle Anderson
130 COMB.XD	Gary Bourne & Marge Dighton	Alan Johnson & Pam Roberts



JUST FOR FUN

The customer was furious when his steak came to the table because it was too rare.

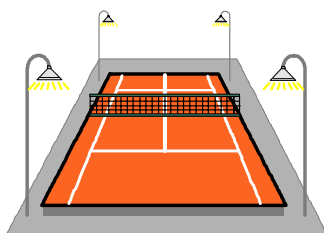
“Waiter!” he barked “didn’t you hear me say - WELL DONE!”

“I can’t thank you enough, sir” said the waiter, “I hardly ever get compliments.”

A couple dining at a restaurant ordered steak. As the waitress placed their plates on the table, they noticed the strange way she was holding them.

“You’ve got your thumbs on our steaks!” complained the wife.

“You don’t want them to slip off the plates a second time, do you?” the waitress replied.



MAL ANDERSON JUNIOR TENNIS FOUNDATION

Please support junior tennis in regional Queensland and help develop our future champions by donating to the Mal Anderson Junior Tennis Foundation today.

What is the Mal Anderson Junior Tennis Foundation?

The Mal Anderson Junior Tennis Foundation has been specifically designed to assist juniors living in regional areas of Queensland to realize their tennis dreams.

The majority of Queensland's great tennis champions have hailed from regional areas - players such as Roy Emerson, Pat Rafter, Mal Anderson, Daphne Seeney and of course, arguably the greatest player of all time, Rod Laver.

The Foundation has been established to ensure this tradition of producing fine talent is continued for years to come.

The Foundation will seek to locate young talent and assist these players to achieve their goals. Initially this will be achieved in three ways:

1. Assist in bringing players from regional Queensland to Brisbane to attend specialized training camps and tournaments.
2. Assist in bringing coaches and players from regional Queensland to participate in major junior events such as the Rod Laver Queensland Junior Tennis Championships.
3. Provide scholarships for young regional players.

How do I donate?

The Australian Sports foundation Ltd was established by the Federal Government to assist organisations to raise funds through public & corporate donations for the development of sport in Australia. The Mal Anderson Junior Tennis Foundation has been registered as a project with the Australian Sports Foundation Ltd (ASF) to enable donations to be eligible for tax deductibility. Donations of \$2 or over can be made by either businesses or individuals. Forms can be obtained from Tennis Queensland (TQ) or from Secretary, Coral - Ph: 3349 4339.

Completed forms and payment should be returned to TQ. Upon receipt, TQ will send an acknowledgment of your donation. The ASF will then issues an official receipt for taxation purposes.

Tell me about Mal Anderson.

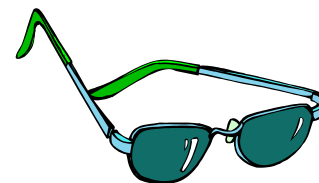
While he might move a little more slowly these days, Mal "Country" Anderson hasn't lost any of the enthusiasm or passion he has for the game of tennis—an enthusiasm and passion that began when he first picked up a tennis racquet on his property in Theodore aged just 12.

A champion both on and off the tennis court, nobody has contributed more to Queensland tennis over the past 50 years. For those privileged enough to have spent time with him, Mal's wealth of tennis knowledge and devotion to assisting players in remote areas of Queensland can be easily seen. In fact, you would be hard pressed to find a town or city in Queensland that hasn't benefited from a visit from Mal, either to support local tournaments or conduct tennis coaching clinics.

In a nutshell, Mal's on court career saw him represent Australia in Davis Cup tennis in five years, win the US Open Singles in 1957 and play in three other Grand Slam singles finals. Mal captured three Grand Slam doubles titles, one mixed and two men's doubles, including an amazing win at the age of 37, at the 1973 Australian Open with John Newcombe. Mal reached a career high singles ranking of No. 2 in the world in 1957-58, was awarded an MBE in 1973 and received worldwide recognition through his induction to both the International and Australian Tennis Halls of Fame.

If you have any enquiries, please contact Tennis Queensland on 07 3871 8555.

The Executive of Tennis Vets Queensland wish all its members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Don't forget to send your nomination for Newcastle before 31 December, 2004.



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