



News



Norm Cahill paid a visit to the club and met with the Saturday morning juniors

IMPORTANT DATES 2024

Sunday 17 November

AGM – from 10.00 am

Sunday 24 November

100+ Tournament – 9.00 am

Sunday 15 December

Christmas Drinks and New members Day

Follow us on social media

[Instagram@AlbertParkTennisClub](https://www.instagram.com/AlbertParkTennisClub)

Keep informed with latest news, announcements and alerts.

We're on the lookout for our very own APLTC social media broadcaster to help with our instagram page. If you're keen to get involved contact the club at apltconline@gmail.com

FOUND!

An item of jewellery was found on the tennis courts.

Please contact apltconline@gmail.com

with a description of the item and date you were at the club if you believe it may be yours.

Tennis Club legend Norman Cahill

I BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT IN THE HISTORY OF OUR CLUB TO ACKNOWLEDGE A FORMER MEMBER AND MOST SUCCESSFUL PLAYER: SOMEONE WHO TOOK HIS SKILLS AND LOVE OF THE GAME BEYOND ALBERT PARK LAWN TENNIS CLUB (APLTC) TO THE BIGGER STAGES OF STATE, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENTS.

Not only was Norm a successful tennis player in his youth, but he was also a well-respected and noted coach who has contributed much to the game over many years.

Norm was introduced to tennis through his parents who were residents of South Melbourne and active in the administration of APLTC in the 1940s and 50s.

In 1942, as a junior member aged 14 years, Norman Cahill was APLTC's Senior Men's Singles Champion. He held that title for seven consecutive years to 1949 when he surrendered the title to play at Wimbledon.

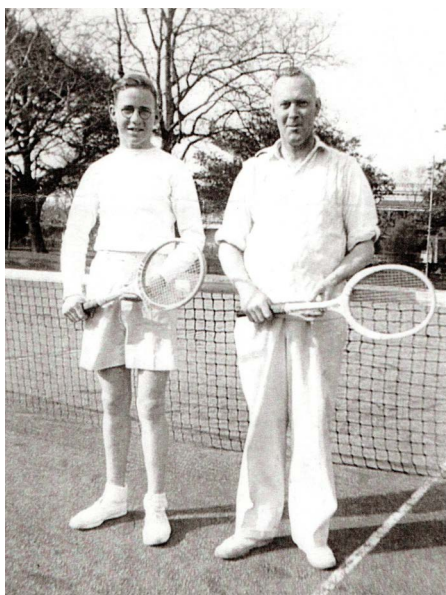
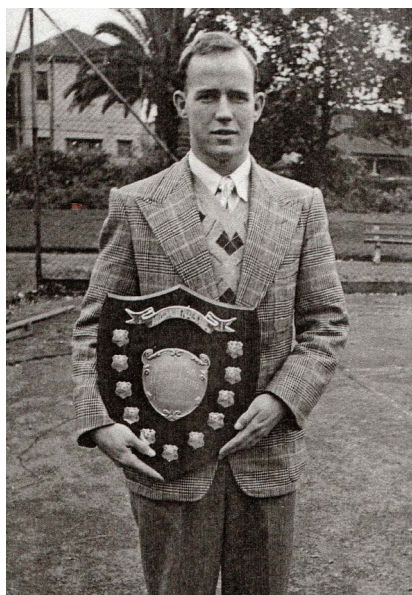
He was a Victorian Linton Cup player, played doubles and singles in National and State titles and holds Masters titles. He was sought after by other Clubs and was a regular A Grade player with Royal South Yarra. In his late 70's Norm won a singles gold medal at the World Masters Games and in 2006 was inducted into the Tennis Coaches Hall of Fame.

Norm was a student of the great Harry Hopman and competed against players like Ken Rosewall, Neil Fraser and Frank Sedgman.

Norm again, brought his passion of the game to APLTC in the early 1970s by taking up the coaching position.

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L-R: Club Champion 1942–1949; Norman with Les Leedsman (right). Les was also Club Champion for many years and Norm credits Les with helping him throughout Pennant Tennis; Norman with Ivy Putland, 'One of the best doubles partners one could ever wish for'.

Tennis Club legend Norman Cahill

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Norman introduced many late bloomers to the fun and fickleness of tennis in his Wednesday morning Senior coaching sessions. He also undertook the Saturday morning coaching of Juniors teaching the kids the skills, sportsmanship and etiquette of tennis.

Norm is an icon in the Tennis Coaching industry – coaching several State and National champions including Wimbledon Champion Ross Case. He is a level 3 National coach and was inducted into the TCAV Hall of fame in 2006 for his coaching and promotion of the game.

In 2011 Norm was recognised for his services to tennis when presented with the third-ever Tennis Coach Australia – Victoria Legend Award. The award is in recognition of his lifetime contribution to the game and to the success of the many young players he introduced to the game

Similarly, Norm's passion of tennis and endearment with which he holds this Club is evident in that he has always been a willing and gracious contributor often providing us with historical data, anecdotes, and knowledge of his playing and coaching days at Albert Park and also attending most of our significant timeline events.

In fact, while he was coach at the club, he would travel from North Eastern Victoria, to his weekly coaching classes combining his coaching commitments with visits to his elderly parents who still resided in South Melbourne.

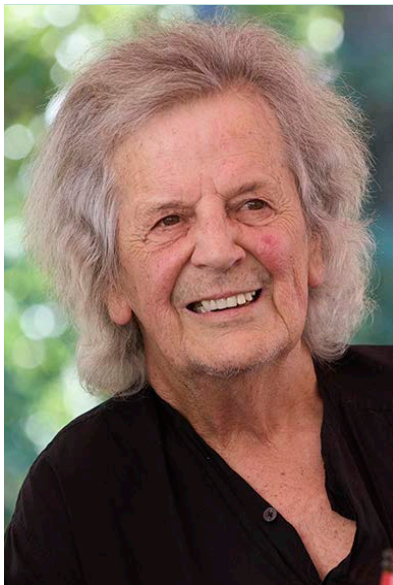
Norm instigated Ken Rosewall's successful visit to our Club in 2011.

Nicole Bruce-Smith, our resident coach, was coached by Norm as a junior and later was his assistant coach. His nephew Darren Cahill has obviously been inspired by Norm's passion for passing on knowledge to others. Norm highly recommended Nicole's appointment as Club coach. Nicole attributes her coaching and tennis skills to Norm and the impact he had on her coaching career. (The APLTC Junior Tennis Program, developed by Nicole received a City of Port Phillip Community Service award in 2009 in recognition of 20 years of continuous service to the community.)

– Joy Bandy

Norm has been awarded with a honorary (life) membership to APLTC.





Vale Arnie Barker

The club is mourning the death in October of Arnold Barker, aged 75.

'Arnie', as everyone called him, had been a member over five decades. He spent time on the committee, helped organised the club championships and was a two-time winner of the men's doubles – triumphing on the second occasion in a pair of distinctive blue-and-white striped shorts that would not have passed muster at Wimbledon.

Above all else, he was a wonderful club man: friendly, interested in everyone's news, and with a dry sense of humour. Health issues over the past few years made it impossible for him to play tennis but he was still a regular visitor, especially on Tuesday evenings. He would find his favourite seat, watch play and provide cutting commentary on proceedings.

Arnie will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

100+ Tournament

Welcome to the inaugural
**100+ Albert Park Tennis Club
Tournament.**

DETAILS ARE:

Kick off at 9am on **Sunday 24 November 2024.**

- Each player needs to be aged 55 and over – and combined age must be over 100.
- Double combinations will be chosen out of a hat.
- Matches will be a single set, with a tie breaker at 5 all.

Please confirm your entry with Rebecca Richardson by contacting: 0413 721 277



Member Update

Lucas Worrall recently moved to Spain to attend Rafa Nadal's Clinic: schooling and training for the next 12 months: Congratulations and good luck Lucas!

Court Upgrade

As you all know the court surface has been replaced and has undergone a settling in period. The maintenance team will soon be out to visit the courts to remove the excess sand.

We have allowed the courts a long period of time to settle in to ensure the sand is well entrenched in the fibres of the surface.

Our goal is to ensure we get longevity out of this surface and we will do that by exercising regular 3-6 monthly court maintenance by the repairers. **We also will continually remind all members to bag the courts post play.**

2024 AGM

We encourage all members to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Albert Park Lawn Tennis Club on **Sunday 17 November at 10.00am in the Clubhouse.**

You must be in attendance to vote for the Committee (all positions are spilled each year).

To nominate a member for the Committee, please fill in the [form attached](#) and email back to apltconline@gmail.com or post to ALPTC Inc, PO Box 127, Albert Park Vic 3206.

Nominations close on Wednesday 13 November.

Positions: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, 5 Committee members.





Albert Park Lawn Tennis Club

Notice of Annual General Meeting 2024

The Annual General Meeting of the Albert Park Lawn Tennis Club, Inc. will be held on:
Sunday 17 November at 10.00 am in the Clubhouse.

Please make a note to attend as we require a quorum to proceed.

Business:

- To receive the Minutes of the November 2023 AGM
- To pass amendments to the Club's rules
- Treasurer's report
- President's report
- Election of Office Bearers
- General Business

To nominate a member for Committee:

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The following member is nominated for:

Nominee:

Proposer: Signature:

Seconder: Signature:

Nominees Signature:

Date:

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