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Men's 2025 Singles Club Champion Raphael Bleechmore with Runner Up Dean Stewart



Women's 2025 Singles Runner Up Felicity Ryan with Club Champion Sheree Gordon



From L-R: 2025 Men's Double Champions Leon and Bill Katelis with Runners Up Alan Attwood and Dean Stewart



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Mens Singles Final

Raphael Bleechmore vs Dean Stewart

7-6 1-6 6-4

In a tense and thrilling final, 25-year-old Raphael Bleechmore faced off against multiple former club champion Dean Stewart in a highly competitive match. The first set was closely contested, ultimately decided by a narrow 7-6 victory to Raph. Dean fought back fiercely in the second set, leveling the match with a 1-6 win.

The final set saw both players push their limits, with Raphael edging out Dean with a hard-fought 6-4 victory, securing his first club championship in an exciting and well-played encounter.

It is great to see the young guns coming through in the last couple of years with Raph's victory this year following on from Leon's win last year. The stage is set for a very competitive mens draw over the next few years with these two along with Lachie G, Kobe E and Lucas W set to feature prominently.



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Ladies Singles Final

Sheree Gordon vs Felicity Ryan

6-2 6-1

Sheree claimed the ladies' singles final with a 6-2, 6-1 win over Felicity, though the scoreline didn't reflect the contest's intensity. Many games went to multiple deuces, with long baseline rallies showcasing both players' determination and shot-making. Sheree's consistency under pressure proved decisive, as she repeatedly edged out the key points to hold serve and convert crucial breaks.

Felicity fought hard, producing well-placed winners and testing Sheree with deep returns. Despite the straight-sets result, the match featured plenty of competitive exchanges and high-quality tennis from both players.

It was a welcome sight indeed to stage a Ladies final – despite some injury scares in early rounds and scheduling issues we got there in the end. We want to build momentum on this in the coming years and hopefully see a consistent Ladies Single and Doubles final each year.



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Mens Doubles Final

Bill and Leon Katelis vs Dean Stewart and Alan Attwood

6-4 6-3

An exciting doubles final saw the father-and-son duo and defending champions, Bill and Leon take on Alan and Dean. Last year's finalists faced off again, adding extra anticipation and intensity to the match. The first set was closely contested, with both pairs exchanging powerful shots and strategic play. However, Bill and Leon managed to break serve at a crucial moment, securing a 6-4 advantage. In the second set, the father-son team maintained their momentum, capitalising on Leon's power play and Deans tiredness after a tough singles encounter, to take the set 6-3 and clinch the match.

No Womens Doubles Competition was held in 2025 due to lack of entrants. The club would like to rectify this in 2026: if you have suggestions as to how we can encourage participation, please contact members the Committee or email apltconline@gmail.com



100+ Tournament



Our inaugural 100+ competition finally went ahead on Sunday 4 May with 6 doubles pairs in a round robin format.

Mary Delahunty and Dean Stewart won the day, with Paul and Jane Leitinger as Runners Up.



Following the success of the 100+ event in May, we are holding another competition on **Sunday 14 September**

After feedback from Club members and participants of the event in May, we have modified the format slightly:

- Entrants must be 50+ years to enter.
- All doubles combinations will be drawn out of a hat on the day. (No need to find a partner!)
- Kick off at 9am on Sunday 14th September. (The event should finish about 1-2pm.)
- Match format will be determined on the day based on the number of entries.
- BBQ and presentation to follow.

THIS PROMISES TO BE A GREAT SOCIAL EVENT AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND PLAY WITH OTHER CLUB MEMBERS.

To enter and for organisational and catering purposes email apltconline@gmail.com

2025 AGM

We encourage all members to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Albert Park Lawn Tennis Club on **Sunday 16 November at 10 am in the Clubhouse.**

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

AS WE REQUIRE AN ATTENDANCE OF 40 CLUB MEMBERS FOR THE ELECTION TO BE ACCEPTED, YOUR ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT!

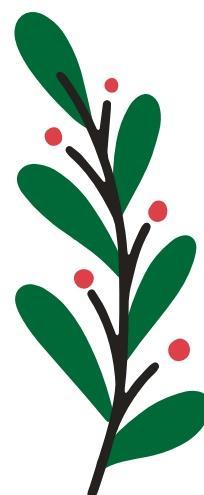
To nominate a member for the Committee, please fill in the [form attached](#) and email back to apltconline@gmail.com or post to ALPTC Inc, PO Box 127, Albert Park Vic 3206.

Nominations close on Wednesday 12 November.

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

SAVE THE DATE

Christmas Drinks and New Member Welcome
SUNDAY 14 DECEMBER





Tennis attire and court bagging

AS A COURTESY TO ALL MEMBERS, PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU DRESS APPROPRIATELY WHEN USING THE COURTS.

Playing shirtless is not acceptable or appropriate. Refrain from this as a courtesy to fellow members and the general public.

Appropriate footwear is a must to protect and preserve the surface of the courts. Tennis shoes should be non-marking and have a flat sole for best grip. Black soled shoes, boots and heels must not be worn on the tennis court as they can mark the surface.

Courts are to be bagged upon the completion of each session of play. This is important to ensure the sand particles are distributed evenly around the court surface to prevent wear and tear in the more used areas of the court along the baselines and near the net.

The club has invested a sizeable amount of money upgrading the courts. Our last court resurface lasted 5 years. As members we need to ensure we do everything possible to maintain the integrity of the court surface for at least 10 years.

Wearing appropriate footwear and bagging the courts is an absolute must!

Playing with non-members

Please ensure all visitors are registered and signed in by a member - **Senior or Junior**. The visitor registration book is located just inside the clubhouse.

PARENTS OF JUNIOR MEMBERS WITHOUT A MEMBERSHIP OF THEIR OWN **MUST SIGN IN AS A VISITOR.**

Senior visitors must also remember to pay \$10 in the receptacle next to the visitor handbook.

NOTE: Members found sharing their fob with non-members will have their membership cancelled

Regular club activities to get involved in:

Saturdays

From 8.00 am Junior Group Tennis Coaching with Nicole (\$6 per session. Membership not required.)

Sundays

From 8.30 am Social Mixed Doubles

Tuesdays

From 5.30 pm Men's Doubles (High standard)

Wednesdays

From 5.30 pm Social Mixed Doubles with BYO BBQ ingredients and drinks.

Thursdays

From 7.30 pm Casual Ladies Tennis (All skill levels) 4+ plays to go ahead each week. Join the [WhatsApp group](#)



For more information visit:

www.apltc.com.au/play-tennis





Albert Park Lawn Tennis Club

Notice of Annual General Meeting 2025

The Annual General Meeting of the Albert Park Lawn Tennis Club, Inc. will be held on:

Sunday 16 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 2024 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:

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

The following member is nominated for:

Nominee:

Proposer: Signature:

Seconder: Signature:

Nominees Signature:

Date:

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