



News

At the recent AGM in November, two committee members, Bruce Easton and Rebecca Richardson decided to resign from their position after 2 and 7 years respectively.

We would like to thank Bruce and Rebecca for their support and the time they have contributed to the club in their respective roles.

As a result, Sheree Gordon and Kevin Said have nominated to join the committee.

They join:

- Bill Katelis (President)
- Paul Robinson (Secretary)
- John Dunne (Vice President)
- James Arnold (Treasurer) and

Committee members:

- Sally Tisdall
- Melinda Rochford
- Brett Earle

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Meet our new Committee Members



Sheree Gordon

Sheree grew up playing tennis in Portland, Victoria, with the luxury of a local club consisting of 20 lawn courts. She has continued playing since and still plays in a mixed competition on weekends, along with the 'Thursday

Night Ladies' at APLTC. She moved to Albert Park nearly 20 years ago and joined the club, along with her family. Her two sons are also active tennis players, which makes for some very competitive family matches! Sheree is looking forward to helping the APLTC committee and contributing to this fantastic community club.



Kevin Said

"My family and I have lived in South Melbourne for the past 25 years, and we've been happily involved with APLTC for most of that time. You'll often find me on court on Tuesday nights or during the Sunday social hit-outs,

still chasing the glory of my finest tennis achievement: runner-up in the legendary 100+ Doubles Tournament. (It hasn't done much for my ranking – unsurprisingly!)

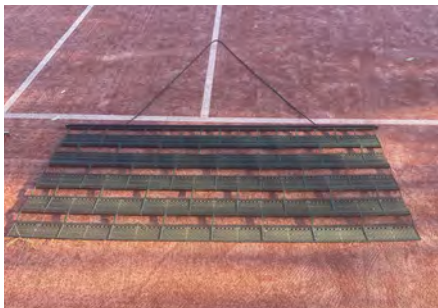
Off the court, I'm a finance professional by day, and in my spare time I coach my son's basketball team and sit on a handful of special-interest boards and committees. I'm really looking forward to contributing to the APLTC Committee and hoping my impact there will be a little more meaningful than my on-court prowess."



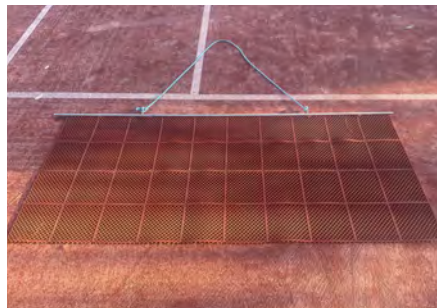
100+ Tournament

Our second 100+ competition for 2025, held on 14 September, was well attended, with a number of new players entering.

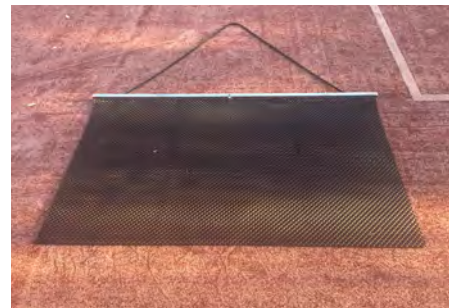
All doubles combinations were drawn at random. Mary Delahunty won the day for the second time partnered up with a new teammate, Brett Earle. Joy Bandy and Kevin Said were Runners Up.



Leaf litter collector: bag mat used for leaves and debris. Use before and after play



Medium and heavy mats: bag across entire court after play to gently distribute sand



Correct bagging of the tennis courts

The club has invested a sizeable amount of funds upgrading the courts. While we have increased the frequency of maintenance with our surface contractors, players must support the upkeep on a day-to-day basis.

As members we need to ensure we do everything possible to maintain the integrity of the court surface. Our last court resurface lasted only 5 years: the expected lifespan should be 10 years!

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. **DON'T ASSUME THE NEXT GROUP PLAYING WILL BAG THE COURT AFTER YOU!**

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

Expression of interest: Saturday Women's Competition

We are seeking interest from female members to join a Saturday women's team in the Bayside Regional Tennis competition. (This is in addition to our current midweek team.) If you interested in playing competition tennis on the weekend in 2026, please contact Joy Bandy: joybandy@iinet.net.au



Member Protection Officer Role – opportunity available

The Albert Park Lawn Tennis Club is committed to fostering a safe, inclusive, and respectful environment for all members. To enhance and improve our processes, we are seeking a club member to take on the role of Member Protection Information Officer.

The Member Protection Information Officer (MPIO) plays a vital role in supporting this commitment by acting as the first point of contact for any enquiries, concerns, or complaints related to harassment, abuse, or inappropriate behaviour.

Role Overview

The MPIO provides information, guidance, and moral support to individuals with concerns, ensuring that club policies and procedures are followed to resolve issues effectively.

For more information or if you would to take up this important role, please contact apltconline@gmail.com

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



New Security Cameras

A number of unfortunate incidents at the tennis club over the last couple of years has prompted the committee to enhance our security with the installation of two new cameras: one inside the club room and the other near the side gate.

We will be expanding this to a third camera to cover the west side of the courts as well. The court cameras can be accessed remotely by the committee, viewing at any time of the day. The footage remains available for one month as a record of any safety and security issues and is then removed to protect privacy.

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 or via PayID. Please state in the visitor book how you have made payment.



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

