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Table Talk

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Word from the President

Welcome to the 1st Table Talk for 2017!

I will start by saying the summer months have seen some new activities undertaken by TTSA with the introduction of a Summer Smash Hits program, Female Only Coaching Clinics as well as a Coach the Coaches forum. This edition of table talk includes some details on these fantastic activities.

From a Board perspective, we held our AGM on 5 March 2017 and we had representation from most of our affiliates, metro and country. As part of the AGM the board provides a snapshot on the key activities undertaken in 2016 – I encourage you to have a look at our website, to get a feel for the activity that your governing body does throughout the year. The link to the summary is here, I encourage all of our members to have a look: www.tabletennissa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/2016-Chairs-Report.pdf

Looking forward to the 2017 season - we kicked off the tournament season in February with record numbers participating which was fantastic and we will be having our premier winter competition commencing in May. In relation to the winter comp - we will be looking at hosting the grand finals for this event in a different way to make it more of an 'event' – so stay tuned.

We are also hosting the 2017 Australian Youth and Senior Championships in October which promises to be a great event!

So there are lots of things on the go for this season and we look forward to your continued support...also, if you haven't already, check out [TTSA's Facebook page](#) and make sure you keep up to date with all things TT.

Yours in Table Tennis , Paul

2017 Country Carnival - get your entries in now!

The 2017 Country Carnival will be held at the Murray Bridge Table Tennis Club, on the weekend of the 17th & 18th June.

Last year was a massive success with a great turn-out! Get your entries in now, so that you don't miss on this great event this year. Here are the details:

- EARLY BIRD ENTRIES CLOSE
Monday 15th May 2017
- ENTRIES CLOSE Monday
29th May 2017
- Venue: Murray Bridge Table Tennis Club, Showgrounds Hall, Old Princes Highway Murray Bridge East



2016 Country Carnival at Murray Bridge

Give your entry form to your Club's Country Carnival Co-ordinator (or Steve Wynniatt if no Co-ordinator appointed by your club). Individual or Bulk entries to Steve Wynniatt:

entriescsttc@gmail.com , A/H Ph: 041 332 1918

Every issue, the TTSA affiliated clubs are asked if there are any News Items, or past / upcoming events that they would like to see included in the next edition of Table Talk. Below are some of the news items received.

We're hoping to get more news items in future, as it's a great opportunity to spread the news about your club, or to promote upcoming events.

Alex Vanderklugt - Editor Table Talk

Southern Table Tennis Club

Rapid Fire Round Robin Tournament

In the vein of T20 cricket Southern Table Tennis will be running a fast paced singles tournament which guarantees entrants 9 best of 3 game matches in just over 3 hours. As players will be placed into round robin groups according to their ability it should be a great format for players of all standards.

We would especially like to see those that do not normally take part in tournaments to consider entering and have a go. The tournament will be run between 9.30am and 1pm on Saturday the 1st of April 2017 at Southern Table Tennis (no this not a April fool's joke). For the full details please visit www.southerntabletennis.org.au. Get in quick because places are limited.



Port Lincoln Table Tennis Association

Port Lincoln Table Tennis Association would like to announce the line up for the 2017 season of competitions.

To get the ball rolling, this year we are offering a FREE, 4 week (5th to the 26th of April), handicap competition. This is open to absolutely anyone who wants to join in for a bit of fun.

Following on from that, our normal A/B grade combined, winter competition, commences on the 5th of May and concludes in a grand final on the 20th September.

Also we would like to mention a major event on our local calendar, the "Port Lincoln Table Tennis Tournament" which will be held on 5th & 6th of August.

If anyone wants copies of our rego forms or more detail please visit our web site: www.pltta.com. Alternatively please contact the president: Jason Regan 0408 119 570 or the Secretary: Lance Barnett 0428 826 784



Southern Table Tennis 'Out & About'



Another busy weekend for Southern Table Tennis attending the Kangarilla Market, setting up the marquee, table and robot to keep all the kids amused (and some big kids).

The robot was kept busy for 4+ hours. Despite the occasional drenching rain, all was dry under the marquee. It's great to get out amongst the community with the robot always attracting the attention of the kids.



Smash Hit

This was a new initiative undertaken by TTSA in an attempt to gauge the interest of our new junior players to playing on a Saturday morning and cover the summer months when there is not a lot of opportunities. We appreciated that we were up against the larger Saturday sports but if you don't try, you'll never know.

The response was outstanding and we had 48 regular players and 7 "Fill Ins" playing over 10 weeks. The players also received coaching from state league coaches and players and the programme culminated in our finals days with keen competition.

Most of the players were still in their first year of playing, some in their first months so we had a wide range of abilities but ensured a level playing field and lots of fun and learning.



We catered for boys, girls and AWD and were fortunate to have a large group of volunteers with 100 years of experience, to guide the players through table tennis etiquette and umpiring.

Due to the success of this program, we are looking to establish this in "close knit clusters" throughout South Australia over the next 12 months.

By Keith Marsh - State Development Officer - South Australia

All female coaching training sessions

Well done to Brighton and the crew on creating the first female only TT training sessions.

Great initiative from TTSA and fantastic to see all of the ladies out in a female only environment.

Well done to new coach Claire Langley on running the event.

TTSA will be holding more of these female only sessions in the coming months....keep a look out for expression of interest.



Coach the Coaches Forum

TTSA held the inaugural Coach the Coaches forum on Sunday 26 February. This is a new initiative we are looking to develop whereby our coaches come together bi-annually and discuss:

- Coach/player related matters
- TTSA's athlete pathway
- Upskill and networking with each other
- current national coaching and playing trends
- TTSA coach development opportunities



The first one was a fantastic day with over 21 attendees

(above our goal) in attendance including some parents of our emerging athletes. We will be hosting the next one in August/September so stay tuned.....whilst it is focused on coaches, anyone is welcome!

By Paul Langley

Sporting Schools



Max & Dot running a lunch time tournament at Flaxmill Primary

The "Tops" table tennis program has been delivered to 43 primary schools in 2016 throughout South Australia.

This is a very good result due to the fantastic funding schools have received under the sporting schools programme. This has enabled them to purchase tables, bats and balls and receive expert coaching from the many "Tops" accredited coaches we have in this state.

A number of these schools now have tables being used daily and so the profile of our sport to the youth is great.

The programme is to be rolled out to secondary schools in 2017 and so this will be another huge opportunity to increase participation in the sport and help to grow the base membership of many clubs.

By Keith Marsh - State Development Officer - South Australia

Primary School Events

Each year we conduct a number of events for primary school students.

Our first event for 2017 is on Friday 12th May is a mixed teams' event. Each team consists of four persons with any number of boys or girls participating. The day consists of all teams taking part in a lightning carnival with each team playing at least 3 matches. The venues that we used in 2016 were Houghton, Murray Bridge and Brighton. We are willing to hold the day wherever there is a need.

Entries close Thursday 13th April. Entries can be found on the tabletennis SA webpage under "development". Alternatively they can also be obtained by contacting Bill Schenk at bschenk@tabletennis.org.au. By Bill Schenk

Cobdogla Primary School Visit

On Friday March 3rd former Olympian Paul Langley and his wife, State Champion, Claire Langley, came and taught students in years 3 to 7 skills involving the many aspects of table tennis. Each group had an hour training session which included learning how to hold the bat, perform a forehand, backhand and how to serve correctly. A small group of students were chosen to have an extra training session to improve their skills. The day ended in an exhibition match and some students got to play against Paul. When the match was over students asked questions and Paul presented the school with an Olympic table tennis training shirt. All students had a wonderful day and we were very lucky to have them come. By Cobdogla Primary School



This was the feedback from the school after the visit:

We loved having Paul and Claire here! The kids are still buzzing about their sessions. It was great to see so many students enjoying playing table tennis and learning new skills. There have been different students each day now playing on the tables which is great so their visit has certainly created a bigger interest in those that wouldn't normally play. Our local paper did visit but an article has not yet been published. I will certainly send you all a copy when it is in there. We had 60 students participating, 32 girls and 28 boys. Of these we had 8 CALD students and 2 with disabilities. Paul and Claire were so lovely and really great with the kids. Their sessions were very informative and also fun, what great mentors they are! We even had students calling in to the gym after school while we were packing up to say goodbye again, so they certainly created an impact!

We would definitely love to have Paul and Claire back sometime! Thank you so much for all your help in organising their visit. We will definitely keep in touch.

Caleb Crowden at the 2017 Australian Para National Championships

The 2017 National Para tournament was held in Mornington Peninsula Victoria. It was a one of a kind national tournament for myself as there was an abundance of athletes, many of whom were international players who ranked among the top in the world. It was an incredible opportunity to play off against them.

The highlight for me was the chance to play a Thailand player ranked 14th in the world for the U23's Gold medal. Many athletes including myself found this to be a great and successful tournament.

South Australia was extremely successful this year as it was represented by 6 athletes. Each of whom placed on the podium either in singles, doubles or team events, each winning multiple medals. We stood above the other states as we took home both of the major individual awards. Sam Von Einem was awarded the national para athlete of the year and Caleb Crowden was awarded the Jr Encouragement Award.

I was so proud to represent my state along side my incredible teammates, Connor Holdback, Sam von Einem, Yasir Hussaini, Amanda Tscharke and our two new state rookies, Toby Mills and Hayley Sands. A special thank you to our state coach David Lowe and team manager Karen Von Einem, we couldn't have done this without you and thanks Karen for getting us to our games on time.

Thanks to the entire team for making the 2017 nationals such a great one and I'm looking forward to competing with you next year. By Caleb Crowden



2017 Australian Para National Championships

The 2017 Para Nationals were held on the Mornington Peninsula in Victoria from 3-7 February 2017. South Australia was again well represented with another couple of new players taking part for the first time. Karen von Einem was the SA Team Manager with David Lowe the SA Team Coach.

The outstanding results from the SA players in the tournament were:

Sam von Einem

Open Men's Singles (standing) – Silver
 Class 11 Singles – Gold
 Class 11 Doubles – Gold
 Class 6-11 Teams – Gold
 Award – Best & Fairest Class 11 Player
 Award – Arthur Wilks Para Athlete of the Year
 Award – Special Presentation by TTA of Rio Paralympic Medal Memorabilia Board

Yasir Hussaini

Class 6 Singles – Silver
 Men's Open Doubles (standing) – Bronze
 Class 6-7 Teams - Silver

Connor Holdback

Class 6 Singles – Bronze
 Men's Open Doubles (standing) – Bronze
 Class 6-7 Teams - Silver

Amanda Tscharke

Womens Open Doubles (wheelchair) – Silver
 Mixed Open Doubles (wheelchair) – Bronze

Caleb Crowden

Mixed Open Doubles (wheelchair) – Bronze
 Men's Open Doubles (wheelchair) – Bronze
 U23 Junior Singles (wheelchair) Silver
 Award – Kevin Coombs Junior Encouragement

Toby Mills

Class 10 Singles – Bronze

Hayley Sands

Womens Open Doubles (wheelchair) – Bronze
 U23 Junior Singles (wheelchair) – Bronze
 Award – Best & Fairest U18 Player



Sam, Yasir, Connor and Amanda are all members of the TTA Paralympic Preparation Program Squad with Amanda being added after last year's Nationals and following this year's Nationals Caleb Crowden has also been added. Congratulations to Caleb who had a fantastic Nationals this year. These players next head to Fiji in April 2017 for the Oceania Regional Championships and we wish them all every success at this event. Toby Mills and Hayley Sands were the first timers for 2017 and had outstanding results. The group of players that attended the Nationals this year were an inspirational group whose enthusiasm and enjoyment for the event was infectious. Thank you to all the parents and helpers who also attended the tournament and made up the team support crew as this kind of assistance makes the event easier and more enjoyable for everyone.

By Karen von Einem, Team Manager



ITTF Rule change for 2017

The ITTF have made a change to the rules as follows:

3.5.1.3 Players may receive advice at any time except during rallies provided play is not thereby delayed.

So what does it mean? Well before this new rule came in, coaching was only allowed in-between games, while now it's allowed in-between points (and during the 2min warm-up period).

It's important to note that play must still be continuous, so advice must not disturb the flow of play. Note also that advice can only be given by authorized people, which for team games can be anyone authorized to be in the playing area, but for individual events can only be from one person, designated beforehand to the umpire. TTSA adopts this new rule for all their official tournaments and events, starting Jan 2017.

For more information, see the [SATTOC page on the TTSA Website](#).



SATTOC

What a great year for table tennis officiating in South Australia.

During the 2016 operating period, 657 officiating hours were undertaken by 16 active accredited officials to collectively ensure sanctioned tournaments had a referee and 3 umpires.

The highlight for the year being the magnificent achievements of Glenn Errington in winning the 'trifecta'. Glenn was awarded the Table Tennis Australia, 'Fran Keyhoe Official of the Year' for 2015, later in the year once again winning the TTSA 'Doug Luckraft Official of the Year', and to top it off, won the prestige KPMG South Australian Sports Award 'Official of the Year'. Congratulations Glenn on a fantastic year, a very busy year interstate officiating at many key Australian, Oceania and ITTF tour events.

Impressively, 5 SATTOC officials (Glenn, Wing, Eva, Lenore & Jurgen) attended the 2016 Australian Junior in Alice Springs. All not only enjoyed the opportunity to attend the event, but learnt from the experience.



In terms of accreditation, table tennis officiating welcomes new State Umpires Brad Faulkner and Marsha Guseva. Great to have some youth amongst the officiating ranks. Taking it up a peg, both Eva Krueger and Lenore Roder achieved National Umpire accreditation. Congratulations also to the 4 SATTOC officials who have gained pre-selection for the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

In 2016, Zermelo tournament software was used to run the majority of sanctioned tournaments. The introduction proved very successful, with Greg Bungey taking on a demanding support role as part of the transition process. Thanks Greg.

At the SATTOC AGM, Life Membership was bestowed on both Brian Howard and Barbara Tickner for both their service on Committee and to recognise the many years as active accredited officials.

Sadly officiating says farewell to Kathy Kunhegyesy who is retiring due to health reasons. Many thanks to the SA table tennis community in supporting official David Smith who lost his house, car and all personal possessions in a fire.

Maurice Quinn, Director SATTOC



2017 City of Adelaide Veterans Championships

Over 75/80

Mens Singles: A. Smiech d. J. Kracht -14, 8, 8 6
 Womens Singles: B. Bird d. C. Langley 5, 9, -11, 7:

Over 70

Mens Singles: R. Trzesinski d. D. McCloughry 10, 11, -9, 8
 Womens Singles: C. Langley d. B. Bird -10, -8, 11, 9, 5
 Mens Doubles: J. Kracht / A. Smiech d. M. Collins / D. McCloughry 3, 6, 1
 Womens Doubles: B. Bird / C. Langley d. D. Darwent / D. Tiller -8, -3, 7, 8, 5
 Mixed Doubles: R. Trzesinski/D. Darwent d. J. Kracht / B. Bird -9, 8, -9, 8, 9

Over 65

Mens Singles: G. McDougall d. R. Trzesinski -9, 12, 9, 3
 Womens Singles: C. Matthews d. D. Darwent 3, -9, 5, 13
 Mens Doubles: G. McDougall/D. Walsh d. D. McCloughry/L. Taylor 7, 8, 5
 Womens Doubles: C. Matthews / D. Darwent d. L. Short / D. Tiller 3, 5, 9
 Mixed Doubles: G. McDougall/L. Roder d. R. Trzesinski/C. Matthews 7, 8, 7

Over 60

Mens Singles: G. Abdilla d. G. McDougall 13, -10, 7, 7
 Womens Singles: A. Abbas d. C. Matthews 8, 5, 5
 Mens Doubles: G. Abdilla / G. McDougall d. G. Bungey / K.C. Tan 9, 9, 4

Over 50

Mens Singles: T. Walker d. G. Abdilla 8, -6, 9, -7, 7
 Mens Doubles: D. & K. Malyschko d G. Abdilla / T. Walker 5, -7, -7, 5, 10

O/30-O/50

Womens Doubles: Cl. Langley / A. Twartz d. T. Northeast / M. Nottle 10, 9, 8

Over 40

Mens Singles: P. Langley d. T. Walker 5, 5, 8
 Womens Singles: Cl. Langley d. M. Nottle -9, 4, 8, 4
 Mens Doubles: P. Langley/P. Glassenbury d. P. Golobokov / T. Walker 10, 8, -10, 7
 Mixed Doubles: P. & Cl. Langley d. D. Malyschko / M. Nottle 8, 7, 4

Over 30

Mens Singles: P. Glassenbury d. A. Joshi 3, 8, 4
 Womens Singles: M. Nottle d. T. Northeast 8, 4, -8, 10
 Mens Doubles: P. Langley / P. Glassenbury d. P. Du / R. Weaver 8, 4, 6
 Mixed Doubles: P. & Cl. Langley d. K. Neubauer / M. Nottle 4, 7, 8

G-Force renews sponsorship - supporting Table Tennis in SA

TTSA would like to recognise our continued relationship and sponsorship with G-Force Building and Consulting. Great to have one of the leading Adelaide companies supporting Table Tennis in SA!

Here are a few photos of a project that G-Force recently completed at Mitcham where they re-built the clients house from scratch including complete new floor plan layout, new roof structure, balcony and carport. The only things left of the original was the walls and staircase.

To see what else they do, check out the [G-Force Building and Consulting website](#), or contact the man himself, **Paul Glassenbury** on 0417812113.



2017 Brighton Open Veterans TT Championships

Over 75

Mens Singles: A. Smiech d. J. Kracht 6, 7, -9, 6
 Womens Singles: B. Bird d. H. Pannewig -5, 4, 8, 7
 Doubles: A. Smiech / J. Kracht d. B. Bird / H. Pannewig -8, 5, 16, 8.

Over 70

Mens Singles: A. Smiech d. Cuong Du 5, -10, -8, 9, 9
 Womens Singles: J. Coombes d. C. Langley 4, -8, -8, 10, 4
 Mens Doubles: A. Smiech / J. Kracht d. P. Fernandes / R. Trzesinski 8, 3, 7
 Womens Doubles: J. Coombes / D. Darwent d. B. Bird / C. Langley 9, 7, 9
 Mixed Doubles: J. Kracht / B. Bird d. R. Trzesinski / D. Darwent -13, 7, 11, 8

Over 65

Mens Singles: S.G. Ho d. D. McCloughry -11, -5, 9, 8, 6
 Mens Doubles: D. Walsh / G. McDougall d. D. McCloughry / G. Shaughnessy 9, 7, 10

Over 60

Mens Singles: O. Christensen (Norway) d. G. McDougall -14, -9, 8, 6, 10
 Womens Singles: A. Abbas d. C. Matthews 8, 7, 5
 Mens Doubles: D. Liang / O. Christensen d. D. Walsh / J. Coombe 3, 5, 7
 Womens Doubles: A. Abbas / L. Baker d. C. Matthews / L. Short 7, -9, 3, 9
 Mixed Doubles: K.C. Tan / A. Abbas d. G. Shaughnessy / J. Collier 6, 3, 5

Over 50

Mens Singles: S. Pandit d. T. Walker 9, 5, -1, 3
 Mens Doubles: K. & D. Malyschko d. M. Nottle / S. Jones 11, 4, 9
 Womens Doubles: L. Lawrie / A. Twartz d. M. Nottle / T. Northeast 6, -4, 8, 7

Over 40

Mens Singles: S. Pandit d. P. Langley 6, -9, 8, 12
 Womens Singles: Cl. Langley d. A. Twartz 7, 7, -7, 8
 Mens Doubles: P. Langley / S. Pandit d. T. Walker / P. Golobokov 4, 11, 8
 Mixed Doubles: P. & C. Langley d. T. Walker / A. Twartz 9, 3, 4

Over 30

Mens Singles: P. Glassenbury d. F. Ford -3, 8, 12, 9
 Womens Singles: A. Twartz d. T. Northeast 6, -10, 9, 12

O30/O40 Restricted Singles:

F. Ford d. R. Weaver 6, 3, 5

Mens Doubles:

P. Glassenbury / P. Langley d. G. Langhans / S. Bates 8, 2, -9, 4
 Mixed Doubles: P. & C. Langley d. K. Neubauer / M. Nottle 6, 4, -9, 9.

2017 City of Onkaparinga Junior Tournament

Under 18

Boys Singles: L. Luong d. D. Langley 3, -9, -9, 7, 13
 Girls Singles: M. Guseva d. H. Thai Trinh 6, 6, -7, 7
 Boys Doubles: L. Luong / D. Langley d. J. Gliessert / M. Stevels 10, 5, 5
 Mixed Doubles: D. Langley/H. Thai Trinh d. S. Chandrasena / J. Fung 5, 4, 7
 Restricted Singles: W. Wang d. S. Chandrasena 9, 11, 4

Under 15

Boys Singles: J. Gliessert d. W. Wang 8, -5, 11, -4, 7
 Girls Singles: H. Thai Trinh d. S. Du 4, 1, 7
 Boys Doubles: R. Nguyen / J. Truong d. N. Daff / J. Gliessert 5, 6, 7
 Girls Doubles: S. Chandrasena / H. Thai Trinh on countback from M. Chan / J. Fung
 Mixed Doubles: R. Nguyen/M. Thai Trinh d. M. Bedford / S. Du -9, 12, 8, 7
 Restricted Singles: W. Wang d. M. Bedford 9, 5, 9.

Under 13

Boys Singles: I. Lee d. W. Wang -6, 8, -9, 3, 8
 Girls Singles: M. Chan d. J. Nguyen 4, 5, 9
 Boys Doubles: S. Bellido / A. Freegard d. M. Duffield / P. Taneja 5, 6, 5
 Girls Doubles: M. Chan / J. Fung d. C. Kohler / J. Nguyen 4, 5, 3
 Restricted Singles: B. Wu d. A. Mudalige -9, 9, 9, 10

Under 11

Singles: B. Wu d. I. Lau 9, 4, 4

Smash Hit

Singles: T. Mitev d. B. Wu



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QUIZ - Test your Table Tennis Knowledge!

This fun section tests your knowledge of table tennis and you might learn something new along the way. We will choose different topics each edition, with the answers to each question revealed at the bottom right (don't cheat!).

- What's the new rule coming into effect in Australia from Jan 1st 2017?
 - Coaching will be allowed in-between points as long as it does not delay the game.
 - The point scoring system will revert back to 21 point games.
 - Serving two consecutive 'let' serves will result in losing the point.
 - Volleying the ball will become legal.
- Before Sam von Einem won a silver medal at the 2017 Rio Paralympics, Australia has not won any medals in Table Tennis since which year?
 - 1902
 - 1984
 - 2010
 - 2014
- Who has just become an Australian National Umpire?
 - Maurice Quinn
 - Scott Houston
 - William Henzel
 - Eva Kruger
- What or who is 'Zermello'?
 - The latest and new TTSA Sponsor
 - A new international rating system that TTSA will implement starting this year
 - A piece of software for loading results into the Ratings Central database
 - Our new coach from China, who will coach our high performance team
- How can you provide feedback about the new Winter Pennant changes?
 - You can't, TTSA does not accept feedback
 - Email TTSA at JunkMail@TTSA.org.au
 - Email the Match Director dlowe@tabletennissa.org.au



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Quiz answers: 1 a, 2 b, 3 d, 4 c, 5 c