
BRISBANE SENIORS TENNIS CLUB INC.
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HOPE YOU ARE ALL ENJOYING THE TENNIS SO FAR THIS YEAR.

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2009 Australian Tennis Seniors Championships in Adelaide – Queensland had 22 teams – 14 men and 8 women. Three teams won and 5 teams finished second. Our overall position in Australian Teams Trophy was a creditable 4th, with less than 2 points between top four states. New South Wales was the winning state.

Winning teams were: Mens 60/1 Division 2 (Dennis Biggs, Luke Bond, Stan Cuthbert & Ed Vincenzi, Mike Fogarty; **Mens 75/1 Division 1** (Alan Hocking, Graham Brown, Adrian Alle, Kerry Burke, Claude Wenzel; **Mens 75/1 Division 2** (Snow Hall, Les Hodson, John Wakely, Neville Halligan.

Runners-up teams were: Women 40/1 Division 1 (Karen Pearce, Kym Ireland, Charmaine Nixon, Janelle Spittle, Mel Singleton, June Welford; **Women 50/1** (Jan Johns, Roslyn Hand, Wendy Gilchrist, Di Swan, Janneale Bylett, **Women 60/2** (Julianne Daniel, Lyn Stamper, May Muggleton, Margaret Ross, Alison Naumann, Pat O’Gorman.

2010 Championships at the Gold Coast. Opening Ceremony, Saturday 9 January, Team events commence Sunday 10 January. Individual Events commence: Sunday 17 January. Accommodation: A list of possible venues is available at www.tennisseniors.org.au/qld Plans are underway to conduct this event. Nominations will be called in June for Queensland players to participate in Qld teams. We will also need volunteers to assist in running the tournament. We are calling for any players who will not be playing to consider offering their services, even if it is only for a few hours, to ensure the successful conduct of these Championships. Contact Coral Vickers if you can help on 3349 4339.

2009 Queensland Tournament dates are:

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| MARCH 27-29 | <i>GYMPIE Contact Warren Arnell 0418 715 148</i> |
| APRIL 17-19 | <i>SUNSHINE COAST Contact Jim Adam 0422 126 033</i> |
| MAY 2-4 | <i>GOLD COAST Contact Anne Maree Lawlor 07 5526 5255</i> |
| MAY 23-24 | <i>DAWSON CALLIDE VALLEY Contact Clarice White 0423 196 450</i> |
| JUNE 6-8 | <i>BUNDABERG Contact Alan Searle 0419 744 934</i> |
| JULY 3-6 | <i>ITF 2009 Tennis Seniors Championships Gold Coast Contact Gail Bates/ Coral Vickers 0409 639 124</i> |
| JULY 11/12 | <i>ROCKHAMPTON Contact Cameron James 0417 824 967</i> |
| JULY 18/19 | <i>GLADSTONE Contact Andrew Bauer 07 4972 2772</i> |
| AUGUST 9/10 | <i>PINE RIVERS Contact Desley Bischoff 0409 476 733</i> |
| AUGUST 29-30 | <i>MURGON Contact Diane Zelinski 0407 097 109</i> |
| SEPT 18-21 | <i>ITF 2009 TSQ Sunshine Coast Seniors Championships Tewantin Contact Gail Bates/Coral Vickers 0409 639 124</i> |
| OCTOBER 2-4 | <i>TOOWOOMBA Contact Alison Naumann 07 4634 2842</i> |

Neville Halligan – Profile – a member of the Early Birds Team in Division 2.

Date of Birth: 2 May, 1922, **Place of Birth:** Brisbane, Australia

Age started playing tennis: 6 **Well done Neville.**

Current Ranking: 2 in the ITF Seniors Over 85 Category.

Most recent achievement/s: Won his first singles title in **the men's 85+** when he overcame Robert Sherman (USA) in a three-set marathon at the ITF Seniors and Super-Seniors World Individual Championships in **October, 2008**; In the ITF Super Seniors Gardnar Mulloy Cup Neville with Doug Corbett, Ward Hillier and Neale Hook defeated the USA to win the men's 80+ gold medal; **Player of the Year at the 2008 Australian Tennis Seniors Awards; Senior Player of the Year at the 2009 Tennis Queensland Annual Awards. Neville was also awarded an OAM in the latest Australian Day awards** for his services to tennis both as a player and administrator.

Career highlights: Reached the final round of the USTA National Men's 70 & 85 Clay Court Championships, September 2008; the USTA National Men's 85 Grass Court Championships, August-September 2008; the 25th International Austrian Championships, June 2008 and the British Open Veterans' Clay Court Championships, May 2008.

Queensland players to represent Australia include Wendy Gilchrist in the Connolly Cup 55+, Chris O'Mara & Michael Russell in the Trabert Cup 40+, Mike Ford and John Burness (res) in the Perry Cup 50+, and Max Bates (res) in the Austrian Cup 55+. These events will be played in Spain from 27 April to May 2. Jan Johns in the Marble Cup 60+, Joy Righter in Gibson Cup 70+, Ian Macdonald in Crawford Cup 70+, Graham Brown, Alan Hocking and Adrian Alle (res) in the Grant Cup 75+, and Neville Halligan in the Mulloy Cup 80+. These events will be played in Perth from 2 to 7 November 2009.

Yours in tennis

JULIANNE
Secretary