

July 2016 Newsletter

Bunning's Sausage Sizzle – Saturday 30th of July



From 9am to 4pm on Saturday the 30th of July, Southern Table Tennis will be running the sausage sizzle at Bunning's Noarlunga. This is a great opportunity for us to promote table tennis while also being able to raise some funds. We are looking for people who can assist on the day even if it is for just 1 hour. A roster has been prepared and is available in the canteen for people to add their names for whatever period they can help out. Please consider taking part in this activity so that the workload is

shared by many people for a couple of hours rather than a few giving up their whole Saturday.

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Veterans Tournament



Southern will be hosting the City of Onkaparinga Veterans Tournament on Sunday the 21st of August 2016. We would like to see as many Southern competition players as possible taking part as it is great opportunity to play people from other clubs. You only need to be over 30 to qualify as a veteran. The entry form is available at the stadium and can be downloaded from our website. Entries are due by Friday the 12th of August 2016.

<http://www.southerntabletennis.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/City-of-Onkaparinga-2016-Vets-Entry-Form-v3.doc>

Spring Competition – Introduction of a bye

For the 2016 spring competition we are going to trial having 7 teams in each division which will result in there being a bye in the draw. The reason for doing this is that we have been struggling to organise suitable fill in players for the competition and we will now be able to use players on the bye as fill in players. This will also mean that the spring season will go for 16 weeks and you will get at least 2 extra nights of play and potentially 4 extra nights if you are required to play while on the bye. The season will commence on Wednesday the 31st of August 2016 and conclude on Thursday the 15th of December 2016. The entry forms will be out shortly.

Players Tournament Results



The player's tournament was held on Sunday the 3rd of July. Steve HART won the Men's Championship singles for a record tenth time while Anna TWARTZ won the Ladies Championship singles for her first time.

Men's Singles -	Steve HART def. Nick LAAN
Ladies Singles -	Anna TWARTZ (round robin)
Doubles -	S HART/C PICKERING def. L LAWRIE/J POOLE
Junior Singles -	Daniel LAWRIE def. Abe TWARTZ
Veterans Singles -	Marcel STORKEN def. Lynda LAWRIE
Div. 2 Singles -	Gerad HARRINGTON (round robin)
Div. 3 Singles -	Mark O'NEIL (round robin)
Div. 4 Singles -	Liam STORKEN (round robin)
Div. 5 Singles -	Mitchell SANDS def. Ronan GALLAGHER

Congratulations to all the winners and finalist. It was a good fun day and very busy for some people with a couple of players being involved in 14 matches over the 5 hours. The number of entries was slightly lower than we have had over recent seasons so we will be reviewing moving the tournament back to Wednesday and Thursday nights. We will also be looking into how we can include regular social players and fill in players for future tournaments. I would like to thank Don LUGG for coming out and running the sausage sizzle and Bev and Brian JAMES for collating the entries and devising the draws.

Congratulations Cynthia LANGLEY



Cynthia was recently awarded an Order of Australia Medal for her 50 years of dedication to the sport of Table Tennis. She was featured in articles in the Advertiser and Southern times which outlined how she started at Brighton Table Tennis club, has represented South Australia many times over 50 years and is still actively involved in event management for Table Tennis South Australia. Cynthia has made a tremendous contribution to Table Tennis in South Australia and this is a deserved honour.

Active Ageing Australia “5 for 10” Program

Active Australia recently ran a come and try day at Wilfred Taylor Reserve involving multiple sporting groups. As a result of this come and try day we have had around 8 people participate in our Tuesday and Friday morning social sessions where they pay \$10 to come out for 5 sessions. As a result the Tuesday and Friday morning social sessions are starting to look pretty full with all the tables being used over the last couple of weeks. This is great for our club and helps create a much better atmosphere for these sessions. We look forward to working with Active Ageing Australia to get more people involved in playing table tennis.



Hugo HILDE

It is with great sadness that we advise of the passing of Hugo HILDE on the 30th of June 2016 aged 80 years. Hugo was a regular player in our competitions and also participated in our Tuesday and Friday morning social sessions. He was a great character who loved his table tennis and would always make himself available to help out when called upon. We offer our sincerest condolences to his family.