

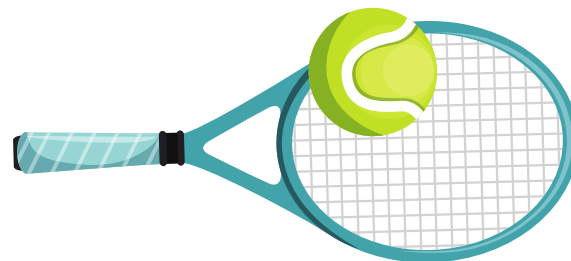
RTC NEWSLETTER



SPOTLIGHT: DAVID



After 40 years, David Herbener has recently retired from umpiring for Tennis Australia. David began his days as a ball boy from 1984 to 1989, at many local, national and international events. From 1989, David moved up as a Tennis Official, with his last match officiating the Australian Open this year. One of his highlights during this time involved being on court when serial pest Peter Hore invaded the court during the 2000 Australian Open Men's Final. Another time, in 2023, David officiated an Australian Open match until 4am.



JUNIOR FIXTURES

Friday Junior Fixtures have returned for Juniors - Green and Yellow Ball. It involves a mix of singles and doubles match play, developing our players experience in a tournament-like setting. Players are awarded points each week, with results posted weekly on the noticeboard. Get in touch to join!

DAVID'S ACHIEVEMENTS

- Officiated his first Australian Open in 1993
- Awarded Tennis Officials Australia Honour Badge, 2002
- Awarded Tennis Officials Australia Star Honour Badge, 2012
- Awarded Tennis Officials Australia 30-year Service Plaque, 2019
- Awarded Tennis Officials Australia Life Membership, 2021



Pictured L to R: Kim Kachel, Jane Prentice, David Herbener, Rhett McKinnon, Asitha Attygala

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Dear Valued Members,

Happy New Year, and welcome to 2024! We hope you all had a fantastic holiday season filled with joy and relaxation. As we dive into the new year, we're excited to share some updates and priorities for the centre we have been working on.

First and foremost, I want to thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to our community. Your passion for the sport is what drives us to continually enhance our facilities and services.

Due to my line of work, time off over the Christmas/New Year break is not possible however towards the end of January I was lucky enough to take time off and have opportunity to experience the thrill of the Australian Open in Melbourne with my family. The highlight of the trip was being in the arena for the 'Joker' vs 'Poppy' match. Seeing my children captivated by the thrill of the sport at this game was such a memorable moment - to also catch him in the lobby of our hotel on his way to training was a moment my boys will never forget.

Looking ahead, the next 18 months are filled with exciting projects aimed at elevating our tennis courts. Here are some of our key priorities:

- 1. Resurfacing of Hard Courts 1 & 2.**
- 2. Upgrade Air-Conditioning in the Club House: A comfortable clubhouse environment is essential. We're investing in upgrading our air conditioning to ensure your comfort.**
- 3. Grass Court Repairs: Maintaining the charm & quality of our grass courts is paramount. We're undertaking repairs & upgrades to uphold standards.**
- 4. Fence Adjustments for Pickleball Courts: Embracing the growing interest in pickleball, we're making necessary adjustments to accommodate the sport.**

Your feedback and support are invaluable as we move towards making these changes. Together, we are shaping the future of our centre and creating an environment where everyone can thrive and enjoy the sport we love.

Thank you for being a part of our tennis community. Here's to a year filled with memorable matches, personal bests, and shared victories.

Warm regards,
Mat Davey

President
Redcliffe Tennis Centre



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PARTNERING WITH SCHOOLS

This term we welcomed back many schools, including Grace Lutheran Primary School, Scarborough State School, Mueller College and Grace Lutheran College Rothwell. Redcliffe State High School has also joined us this Term! Later this term, RTC is hosting NISSA's gala day, involving schools such as Genesis Christian College and Prince of Peace.

COMING UP



Super League began Saturday 3rd February. Good luck to our Redcliffe teams!



Club Championships,
6th & 7th April



Next Committee Meeting:
Friday 1st March 6pm



SPOTLIGHT: OLIVER

Oliver Novic recently attended the Super 10s Australian Open Camp, with fellow standout players from across the country, down in Melbourne. Here, he was able to watch and play beside some of the best junior and open players in the world. The camp involved seven rounds of competition against players from each state and territory, with Oliver's team making it to the semi finals.

But, the camp wasn't all work and no play! All players had incredible Australian Open experiences, including a tour of the Rod Laver Arena, getting to hit on the Rod Laver and Margaret Court Arena, and participating in the coin tosses.

EASTER HOLIDAY CLINICS

Week 1: Tuesday 2nd April - Thursday 4th April

Week 2: Monday 8th April - Wednesday 10th April

**Registration links
via our website,
book in from
March 1st.**





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