

Thursday 10 March

Tennis Townsville elects a new club President

Tennis Townsville held its Annual General Meeting on Thursday, 3rd March where the Annual Report and Financial Statements for 2010 were presented. In addition, a new President, Vice-President and committee members were elected.

Vic Bayer announced at the Management meeting held on 8th February 2011 that he will not be standing for the position of President. Vic has been involved with Tennis Townsville Inc for over 15 years and was President for the last 10 years. Vic will continue to look after certain areas of Tennis Townsville and will remain an active member on the committee.

Vic Bayer did a tremendous job as President over the past 10 years and Tennis Townsville would not be where it is today without his support and passion for the club. His hard work was noticed by many members and the club is very grateful for his constant efforts with lifting the profile of tennis and ensuring everything was running smoothly.

Vic Bayer handed over the reins to former Vice-President, Peter Duncan. Having played tennis his whole life, Peter first became involved with Tennis committees and administration soon after he started university in 1976. He was first elected to the Greater Brisbane Hard-court Tennis Association GBHTA and then later elected as a representative to the Queensland Lawn Tennis Association QLTA.

Peter served on a number of committees during the time he was involved with the QLTA. He was involved with the Senior Tournament Committee which organised the "Stefan" Queensland Open Tournament in 1980 to 1982. Peter was also a ground member at the QLTA.

Peter is a Registered Professional Engineer in Queensland with qualifications in Civil and Structural Engineering specializing in Infrastructure Design as well as Project, Planning and Water Management. Peter moved to Townsville permanently in 2007, opening his own engineering consultancy (Duncan Projects Pty Ltd) and joining the Tennis Townsville Committee. Peter has assisted with tennis coaching, tournaments and working on the detail of the redevelopment of the Townville Centre. Peter has also been one of the committee's representatives to the Regional Assembly.

Peter is very excited to be taking on the role of President in Tennis Townsville's centennial year and said it was a privilege to have been voted in.



Former President, Vic Bayer (left) congratulating Peter Duncan on his new role

Michael Kern was elected into the role of Vice President. Michael has been a part of the committee since 2006. Together with Vic Bayer, Michael organized Friday night junior tennis fixtures. He was heavily also involved as the Junior Development Coordinator in establishing the Xstrata Junior Elite Tennis squad which ran for 3 years. At present Michael is busy organizing the 100 Year anniversary celebrations as the Event Coordinator. Having played tennis his whole life, Michael is very passionate about the club and the thrilling times ahead.

Tennis Townsville Management Committee of 2011:

Patron: The Mayor of Townsville City Council, Cnr Les Tyrell

President: Peter Duncan.

Vice-President: Michael Kern

Secretary: Left to Management Committee to fill.

Treasurer: Mary Anne Chappel. Mary Anne has been the treasurer for Tennis Townsville for the past 10 years.

Management Committee: Calum Kippin, Jessica Gautherot, Peter Coumbis, Wayne Hannah, Connie Navarro, Kane Rochford, Karolien Selen, Vic Bayer, Stephen Boon and Neil Moxon.

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Windmill Bricklaying **North Queensland Open Championships** 30 April - 2 May

Xstrata NEC **North Queensland Wheelchair Championships** 29 April - 1 May

Bernie Lanigan Optometrist **Tennis Townsville Championships** 25 - 26 June

Ergon Energy **North Queensland Junior Age Championships** 25 - 27 September

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