



VIC PARK SQUASH INC.

Cnr Kent St & Gloucester St, East Victoria Park WA 6101

ANNUAL REPORT 2019

- Social interaction amongst the community
 - An environment for health and fitness
 - Promote the game of squash to all age groups and abilities
- Organise and administer the general operations of the club for the benefit of all members
- Promote teamwork and encourage sportsmanship amongst the members

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2019 COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT

- Lisa Christou

SECRETARY

- Rebecca (Bec) Barendrecht

TREASURER

- Sam Nichols

JUNIOR COORDINATOR

- Sue Hillier

CLUB CAPTAINS

- Alison Coburn & Lachlan McVey

SATURDAY SOCIAL COORDINATOR

- Roger Schmidlin

GENERAL COMMITTEE

- Shirley Collins
- Katherine Tonkin
- Wayne Bonner
- Sam Hendy-Taylor

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

What a great year it has been. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Club President for the past twelve months.

Our club is thriving with our extremely popular Saturday morning social squash, Monday night in-house and the increased numbers in our juniors. We have also had increased presence at the metro and country tournaments which is great to see.

There has been some uncertainty between the governing bodies of WA squash and Squash Australia but Vic Park Squash is staying strong and is unaffected by these issues. This is due primarily to the awesome committee members we currently have.

I would like to extend my gratitude and appreciation to this hardworking committee. As you are all aware, these are all volunteer positions and everyone puts in a huge amount of work behind the scenes to keep this club running. Huge thanks to Bec, Sam N, Sue, Alison, Lachie, Roger, Shirley, Sam H-T, Kat, and Wayne.

2019 saw the introduction of the Inaugural Vic Park Presentation Night where we could celebrate and reward all our club achievements for the year. It was fantastic to see so many members support the event and I hope this continues as a club tradition for years to come. We also introduced the new annual award "Min Ford Fairest and Best Award". This award will be presented to someone whom the committee determines displays consistently great sportsmanship, always performs to the best of their ability, is well liked and respected by everyone at the club and is a fantastic ambassador for the sport. All of these characteristics were of course embodied by none better than the award's namesake, Min Ford. The 2019 recipient was Roger Schmidlin. Congratulations Roger!

Other achievements, highlights, and points of note throughout the year:

- We have had new uniforms designed this year. These look fantastic and we have had some great feedback from our club members and other clubs in WA.
- We have run the "off the beaten track squash workshop" for our club members. If we have interest from members these will be an ongoing event.
- We have organised Junior Open Days to encourage new participants to the sport.
- There has been a new pennant competition on a Thursday night which has been trialled by WA squash. The feedback from this seems to be positive.
- Behind the scenes we have been also been representing the members at meetings with WA squash regarding this new pennant competition, the updated constitution, the fee increase and the ongoing politics between WA squash and Squash Australia.

I would like to finish by thanking all the members of Vic Park squash club. I love playing at the club and socialising with all of you. We have so many friendly faces and people willing to help out and that's what makes it such a great little community.

Lisa Christou
President

CLUB CAPTAINS' REPORT

We have had a very successful 2019 with a lot of teams making the preliminary or grand finals each season. Congratulations and thank you to everyone for a great year and thank you for all your support.

PENNANTS

The first season of 2019 we saw two teams win their autumn pennant divisions:

Div 2 Tuesday winners

Travers Knopp
Jack Hillier
Rob Johnson

Ladies Div 1 winners

Rochelle Ford
Samantha Crane
Rita Balwdin-Wright
Monique Ford

Two teams also won the 2019 winter pennant season:

State Grade winners

Lachie McVey
Dylan Tasker
Abel Jin

Div 1 winners

Jack Hillier
Brent Scheer
Zoe Petrovansky
Kyle Roach
Travers Knopp

1 teams won the 2019 spring pennant season:

Div 1 winners

Jack Hillier
Lachie McVey
Brent Scheer
Sue Hillier
Travers Knopp
Rob Johnston

MONDAY IN-HOUSE

The Monday night in-house competition is still thriving and has provided some very competitive squash. It's great to see so many new players join the in-house. The winners for 2019 were:

Autumn 2019

Brent Scheer
Luis Mariano
Michelle Cornish
Ellen Clark
Alison Coburn

Winter 2019

Jack Hillier
Raymond Bell
Glenn Gould
Bec Barendrecht
Alison Coburn

Spring 2019

Lachie McVey
Emma Cornish
Kat Tonkin
Medhi Babaei
Dennis Vincent

MOST IMPROVED FOR 2019

Ladies - Michelle Cornish
Mens - Mike Cann

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

A big thank you to Sue Hillier for organising the Club Championships this year.



Results:

Mens Open

Winner: Abel Jin

Runner up: Brent Scheer

Ladies Open

Winner: Sue Hillier

Runner: up Lisa Christou

Mens Div 2

Winner: Mike Cann

Runner up: Lou Cotter

Ladies Div 2

Winner: Kat Tonkin

Runner up: Michelle Cornish

Ladies Div 3

Winner: Monique Ford

Runner up: Lisa Nichols

Once again, thanks for all your support. Good luck for the year ahead everyone.

Alison Coburn & Lachie McVey

Club Captains

JUNIOR COORDINATOR REPORT

Vic Park juniors had another successful year in 2019 and an increase in the number of juniors attending our junior club practice.

From our State Juniors in the major tournaments of the year:

Junior Australian Trans-Tasman Team in NZ & World Juniors in Kuala Lumpur– Greg Chan and Abel Jin represented Australia in the Trans-Tasman and also represented Australia at the 2019 World Junior Championships. Greg continues to stay in Carrara, Qld to further his squash.

Abel was a member of the 2019 winning State Grade Side.



Australian Junior Team 2019 – Greg and Abel

July - WA State Junior Champs – Abel won the 2019 State Junior Championships for the second year.

July WA State Junior Teams – Central Champs came fifth overall (a combination team with Cambridge jnr) Vic Park Members of that team were – Luke Scott, Andreas Christou, and Jasmin Legge

State Team Selection – Abel and Pascale were selected in the WA State Team to travel to Singapore in December but declined due to year 12 studies.

Vic Park Junior Club Championships:

Junior Boys

Winner - Joseph Mahon

Runner up - Luke Scott

Junior Girls

Winner - Jasmine Legge

Runner up - Joey Scott



Our Wednesday juniors had a great time this year with an increase of numbers having 24 juniors attending in Term 4. This increase was due to the inflatable court program going to the primary schools in the Vic Park area. Vic Park also ran a Junior Open Day to encourage juniors and their parents to come and have a try. This was run with the help of Lisa Christou, Sue Hillier and Abel Jin.

It was great to see the effort the players made each week and to see their game improve. Several juniors entered some tournaments throughout the year, expanding their knowledge of the game.

Special thanks to the players who helped coach each week:

- Lisa Christou
- Katy Scott
- Kay Uchiyama

Juniors will still run Wednesdays from 4:30pm to 6pm, if you would like to come down and help please let me know as we could use an extra person on court.

Congratulations to all juniors in our club who try to display good sportsmanship and have a laugh at training.



Sue Hillier
Vic Park Squash Junior Coordinator
Talent Development Squash Coach

SATURDAY SOCIAL SQUASH REPORT

Our Saturday Social Squash event is running consistently very well. We have a good mix of Male/Female and Beginners to Advanced players. In order to cope with the large amount of people, we have extended the hours from 9am - 11:30am for all 4 courts. We also play music during our session to make it a bit more relaxed. Feel free to bring your own music and be DJ for the day.

We have an average of 15 people turning up every Saturday to have a social hit. Our peak was 26 people. We had a high influx of new people this year. Most people come through recommendation through another member or via our website on the internet.

We also modernised our equipment. You can now pay with your credit card. No more worries anymore carrying cash with you. Another improvement is having online registration for new members. No more printing and scanning documents to become member of the club.

I cannot do this all by myself. I had Yasser and Mehdi helping me this year to cover for me when I am away. Thanks for your support. It is always nice to know that people help out when needed.

We make a little bit of profit that we feed back to the club's bank account. We are looking forward for another great year of social squash and like to encourage as many people as possible to join us.



Roger Schmidlin
Saturday Social Squash Coordinator

SOCIAL REPORT

With a constant show of support from our members, we were able to run a few social events this year. We try to organise events where all members can socialise away from the courts, as we have various members playing on Monday nights, through to Saturday morning Squash that may never have the chance to meet each other, except at organised social events.

This year we started off with mini golf in Cannington, followed by nibbles and drinks at the Waverly Brewhouse. Luckily this event was indoors, as the weather outside was atrocious. Just as the party got started, with certain people dancing on chairs, we had to move on and save ourselves for the squash season ahead.



Next on the social calendar was our Inaugural Presentation Night. The committee is really keen to make our Presentation Night the main event on the calendar each season, and we decided to upscale the night by holding it at the Royal Perth Golf Club last year.

This was where a lot of our social funds were spent, so we were weary and relieved to get a good attendance to ensure this event could be held more formally, and be given the support it needed. The Club Champs were played during the week, with the finals being played Saturday, and then the Presentations for our Club were held that night. Pennants, Monday In-house, Saturday Morning, and notable achievements throughout the squash season were all acknowledged here, culminating in a new and prestigious trophy called the "Min Ford Best & Fairest Award".

Finally, to ease ourselves into the festive season, we held an End of Year Xmas Function at the Vic Park Hotel, which was just an excuse to meet up for some drinks and nibbles before everyone's social calendar's became overloaded for the end of year festivities.

If any of our members have ideas on what they'd like to see organised for the year ahead, please let one of your committee members know, and we'll do our best to bring it to fruition. Thanks for supporting our events this years, and we hope it continues, bigger and better this year too.



Kat Tonkin/Wayne Bonner
Social Events Coordinators

TREASURER'S REPORT

I am pleased to report that the club is in good shape financially with the club finishing 2019 with a record amount of cash in the club bank accounts. Highlights during the year include:

- Record revenues as a result of increased participation which allowed increased spending on junior squash initiatives, bigger and more frequent club subsidised social events for our members, tablets for scoring and allowed the purchase of additional club branded uniforms and towels for our members.
- Opening of a new fee free club bank account with the Commonwealth bank which has resulted in elimination of bank fees being incurred and improved payment visibility and flexibility. The old account with ANZ will be closed in 2020.
- Introduction of a new square payment terminal to allow cashless payments for Saturday social squash.

In terms of the financial performance of the club during the 2019 year the accounts show the following:

- Revenue was up significantly primarily due to a full year contribution of 5 person teams for the in-house competition compared to only 1 season during 2018.
- During 2018 junior participation was down significantly so it was decided to conduct additional promotion of our junior program at the start of 2019 including advertising on Facebook, this additional promotion combined with the efforts of the committee resulted in additional junior participation during 2019 and a more than doubling of revenues from our junior program compared to 2018.
- Record participation at Saturday social squash due to the excellent work being done by Roger to attract new players and members to our club.
- Profits were roughly in line with the prior year due to additional expenditure on bigger and more frequent social events, new uniforms and towels and additional equipment including scoring tablets.

Unfortunately due to the financial position of WA squash they decided to increase their membership fees for the 2020 year from \$50 to \$70 which the club has decided to pass on to our members. This decision was not taken lightly, however due to the strong financial position of the club we had the capacity to reduce both pennants fees and junior fees for the 2020 year which will benefit many of our members. This means that a member who plays at least 2 seasons of pennants during the year will pay slightly less than they would have done previously.

The club has more than sufficient resources to cover its financial commitments for the 2020 year and there exists the financial capacity for the club to subsidise new events / activities and or further reduce club fees for the benefit of all club members in the future.

Sam Nichols
Treasurer

FINANCIAL REPORTS

PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

REVENUE	2019	2018
Social Membership Fees	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,355.00
Club Membership Fees	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 6,789.50
Juniors Membership & Coaching Fees	\$ 4,839.75	\$ 1,905.00
In House / Pennants / Social Comps	\$ 17,058.00	\$ 7,034.95
Social Functions	\$ 2,035.00	\$ 1,300.00
Sponsorship / Donations	\$ -	\$ 350.00
Uniforms / Shirt Sales	\$ 2,659.90	\$ 190.00
Saturday Social	\$ 1,142.33	\$ 550.00
Bank Interest	\$ 7.09	\$ 10.27
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 30,542.07	\$ 19,484.72

EXPENSES	2019	2018
Bank Fees	\$ 80.00	\$ 108.10
WA Squash Registration Fees	\$ 5,976.00	\$ 5,832.00
LLC / Junior Program	\$ 2,931.50	\$ 2,477.00
Squash Equipment	\$ 1,047.00	\$ -
Squash Consumables	\$ 490.26	\$ 555.00
Website Hosting Fees	\$ 110.35	\$ 82.65
Prizes Pennants, In House & Summer Comps	\$ 5,826.45	\$ 3,058.25
Function Expenses / AGM	\$ 6,419.60	\$ 2,692.73
Sponsorship	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Uniforms	\$ 3,925.76	\$ 1,369.83
Club Expenses	\$ 285.26	\$ 285.45
Refunds To Members	\$ 160.00	\$ 100.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 27,552.18	\$ 16,861.01

NET PROFIT	\$ 2,989.89	\$ 2,623.71
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2019 figures are based on the calendar year.

Saturday social reflects the net amount banked during the year.

Revenues & expenses were allocated to the category where they most closely fit for example if a member paid both a junior fee and a member fee together in a single payment then this would be grouped under club membership fees rather than junior fees as the club member fee was the larger amount.

2018 figures are as per the 2018 AGM report.

LIFE MEMBERS

1992	Kevin O'Meara
1994	Pam Harling
1995	John Dyer
2000	Andrew Peek
2001	Steven Winch
2006	Graham Johnson
2008	Sue Hillier
2011	Renaë Dalton
2012	Min Ford