

## TENNIS ROCKHAMPTON LTD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2017

I am pleased to report that Tennis Rockhampton has had a successful year of consolidation and recovery.

Highlights include:

- Audited profit for the year to 30 June 2017 of \$12,257.94
- Glenn Vickery's success in strengthening the coaching business with an increase in numbers year on year of 30%.
- A major sponsorship with Lexus Rockhampton and our continued support and sponsorship from Red Rooster.
- The steady improvement in the Centre's administration. Paul Donovan has upgraded our inTennis software to a Cloud version, enabling online court hire, coaching enrolments, membership registration and payment of invoices. Thanks to Paul's efforts, we now have confidence that the Centre's administrative systems are set up properly and functioning well. The website has been improved and our Facebook presence enhanced.
- Glenn Vickery was appointed as Centre Manager from 1 June 2017, in addition to his Head Coach role. Paul finished as Acting Centre Manager at the end of May 2017 and now continues to assist Glenn for one day a week. Glenn has made a very successful start to what is a very challenging role and we are fortunate to have the services of such an experienced tennis professional. We look forward to his continued efforts to improve all aspects of the Centre.
- Dreece Hertrick has been appointed to a fulltime trainee position assisting Glenn commencing 3 July 2017 and is a valuable addition to the Centre. He is undertaking a Certificate 3 in Sports & Recreation Administration and we wish him well in his studies.
- The Centre hosted a number of very successful tournaments including our own Rockhampton Open/Age in March and the Queensland State Age Titles in September. The number of participants in the State Age increased by 70 compared to last year to approximately 360 players. In October, the Centre hosted both the JDS CQ finals and the JDS Queensland finals.
- The efforts of our volunteers in supporting the Centre. Glenn has been ably assisted by members of his family – Kim, Neil and Dawn. Yvonne Hertrick and our other tournament volunteers also make an invaluable contribution, donating many hours of their time and helping to make all our tournaments a success. Tanya Hindmarsh did a great job organising sponsors to cover the purchase of umbrellas for every court in the complex. We are very grateful to all of our volunteers.
- The continued support from the RTA and the RJTA is also much appreciated.
- Plans for the future include an automated entry system and more shade. We were unsuccessful in our grant applications for shade structures and solar power this year but we will try again next year.
- Glenn continues to try to improve adult participation, particularly at night. Monday night group coaching has been quite successful and he has recently launched Friday night Fast 4.

In conclusion, I would like to thank my fellow Board members for their contributions. It has been a steady year of consolidation and I look forward to further progress in the year ahead.