

Bundaberg Table Tennis Association

September 2020 Newsletter



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**HI EVERYONE
PLEASE READ ON:**

WE'RE BACK INTO SCHOOL HOLIDAYS, BUT OUR ACTIVITIES STILL GO ON AFTER A VERY BUSY LAST FEW WEEKS, SO

Important Dates:

Sept 24- 28	Qld Veterans Championships (Tvl)
Sept 27	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
Oct 1-4	Qld Junior Championships (Bris)
Oct 3	Special Olympics tournament (Bbg)
Oct 17 & 18	Gold Coast Open
Nov 7	Eric Cree Shield v Rocky (TBC)
Nov 13,14, 15	Bundaberg Closed Championships

LOCAL CONDITIONS OF PLAY

As we progress through what are hopefully the final stages of the COVID 19 pandemic, **please continue to follow when playing here until further notice:**

All players and visitors must register and use the sanitiser immediately on their arrival at the Centre

Each player and the umpire is to use the sanitiser spray when they come onto the court The table, and umpire chair and table should be wiped at thend of play

Hands are **NOT to be wiped on the tables**

Players / umpire should not shake hands at the end of the match.

Social distancing of 1.5 metres is still in place

For the safety and health of all concerned, please follow these requirements.

SPINNEROOS



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Spinneroos gives kids a great first experience with table tennis!



8 weeks of fun!
Program includes a kit bag, t-shirt, bat and balls!

Starts Wednesday 14 October
Finishes Wednesday 2 December

Find out more and book now!
Spinneroos.com.au

Spinneroos is Table Tennis Australia's new introductory program for children aged between 6 – 10 years. Over an 8 week period of one hour sessions, players participate in a wide variety of fun activities that are designed to increase their coordination skills and learn the basics of Table Tennis. The cost of the program is \$120.00 which includes a personalised shirt, a bat, balls and a carry bag, as well as receiving membership of the club. Parents have to register their child/ren with TTA by going to Spinneroos.com.au . Our program will be held on Wednesday afternoons between 4.00 – 5.00 pm starting on Wednesday 14 October and finishing on December 2. More information can be obtained by contacting me at the club. If you know of any families that may be interested please pass let them know, or go to our Facebook page or club website.

CLUB CLEANER POSITION

Expressions of interest are being sought for the position of General Cleaner of the Club Facilities.

For specific details or more information, contact the Club President, Peter Marris, via email at pete@proavia.com.au .

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE

A fundraising sausage sizzle will be run by the club at Bunnings tomorrow (Sept 17). These are

always an excellent way of raising important funds for the club so please support if possible.

BUNDABERG OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2020  Bundaberg Open Championships, held on September 5 & 6, resulted in 75 players competing. This included a busload of juniors from Townsville for the second year in a row, a wonderful addition to the tournament for their entries into almost all available events, and their excellent play, sportsmanship and cooperation. Players also came from Mackay, Rockhampton, Sunshine Coast, Brisbane and Wynnum. While the visiting players took most of the major events, Bundaberg players had their share of success. Lorraine Fourro won five titles, mainly in the Veterans events, as did husband John who won all four of the events he entered. Their son, Brett, claimed the Under 1500 Rating Singles and Doubles, the latter with Lorraine. Natasha Jefferson and Kane Chantarat each won two singles, Natasha the Womens U1100 and Womens U900, Kane the U1300 and U1100 Singles, both against some very strong opposition. Tahia Zia won the Girls Under 15 Singles in a round robin, after losing her first match then surviving a couple of other thrillers. Matthew Udal played very well to win the U900 Singles, Kody Owttrim and Diwansha Kumaranathunga tasted success for the first time at an Open tournament by winning the Boys U13 and Boys Under 11 Singles respectively. Delece McDonald and Phil Freeman were the winners of the U1100 Doubles from Natasha and Tahia. A lot of local players were also runners-up in events.

Many thanks to all the club members who contributed their time before, during and after the tournament in all of the many roles are

required to ensure tournaments such as the Bundy Open are run successfully.

Congratulations go to Natasha who has been named as the winner of the annual Bundaberg Best Player award for her outstanding play against many difficult opponents throughout the tournament.



QUEENSLAND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

The **Queensland Juniors** will be held from **Thursday 1 – Sunday 4 October**. This year, we have a much smaller team than has been the case for the last twenty years with quite a few players deciding not to compete. However, we still have some very strong chances in all of the age groups.

The teams are:

Under 18 Boys Anushka Mudalige & Andrew Udal; Braydon Chapman & Kaine Ryan

Under 18 Girls Natasha Jefferson & Tahia Zia; Aimee Westerman nominated for a Presidents team

Under 15 Boys Vinuka De Silva, Kane Chantarat & Matthew Udal

Under 11 Boys Diwansha Kumaranathunga nominated for a Presidents team

Under 11 Girls Sithuki De Silva nominated for a Presidents teams

Good luck to all players.

BUNDABERG SPECIAL OLYMPICS TOURNAMENT

This event will be held on **Saturday 3 October**, starting at **10.00 am** with registrations from 9.45 am. It's expected to finish about **2.00 pm**. As well as local players, others will be coming from clubs in the Brisbane and S-E Qld area.

Some **club volunteers** are needed to assist with umpiring matches, in the canteen and with keeping up the sanitising requirements. If you are available, even if only for a couple of hours, please contact me as soon as possible.

OTHER TOURNAMENTS

A good number of Bundy players travelled to Rockhampton for the first Open tournament since the resumption of competition. **Lorraine Fourro** won two titles, the Over 40 and Over 50 Womens Singles, while **John Fourro** won the Mens Over 50 Singles and **Peter Spratley** the Over 60 Singles. They as well as **Rashed Aziz** were runners-up in a variety of events.

WINTER & TERM 3 JUNIOR SEASONS

Three excellent finals were played to complete the Term 3 Junior season. In **Division One, Angles (Anushka Mudalige and Amelia Tu)** won the **John and Daph Heiner Shield** after defeating We Got This (Kane Chantarat and Aimee Westerman) 3-2 in which there were a couple of outstanding matches.



Div 1 finalists Aimee, Kane, Anushka & Amelia with Peter Marris

Will Power (Will Stehbens and Will Martin) also won 3-2 against Obama (Faisal Aziz and Zander Ephraims) to claim the **Division Two** title.



Div 2 Finalists Zander, Faisal, Will M, Will S with Peter

Stiga (Diwansha Kumaranathunga and Emily Owttrim) won **Division Three** from Noble (Riley Clarke and Sithuki Hewamadduma) 3-1 after several very close results.



Div 3 Finalists Riley, Sithuki, Diwansha & Emily with Peter

Congratulations to the winning teams and also to Anushka, Faisal and Diwansha for winning the Best Average medals.

The Winter season finals were played on Wednesday night after the semis were held on Monday. The Division One premierships went to BP (Brett Fourro & Pieter Poldervaart) who defeated Rat Pigs (Anushka Mudalige & Braydon Chapman) 3-1.



Div 1 Premiers Brett & Pieter with Peter

Division Two went to Vision (Kane Chantarat & Vinuka De Silva) who defeated Hand Sanitisers (Matthew udal & Kye Meuli) 3-2.



Div 2 Premiers Kane & Vinuka with Peter

In easily the closest final, Division Three was won by Bundy Sushi (David Chan, Aimee Westerman, John Jackson who filled in for Lleyton Peterson) by 37 points after they drew 6-all and 22 games all with Spin Doctors (Peter Marris, Cathy Rivers, Jaxon Briggs) after both teams had had very close wins in the semi-finals.



Div 3 Premiers John, Aimee & David

SPRING & TERM 4 JUNIOR SEASONS

Nominations for the Spring season will close on **Sunday 4 October**, with the season scheduled to start on the following Tuesday and Wednesday nights. It is hoped that the Tuesday night Division Three competition will attract enough players, new and current, so it can be reinstated. If you know anyone who may be interested in playing, please get them to ring or email the Centre, and / or come out for a hit on a Sunday afternoon or Friday morning during the school holidays.

Information about the Spring season has been posted on our **Facebook** page. If possible, please Like it and pass it on to family and friends so we can spread the word far and wide.

The Term 4 Junior season will start on Friday 9 October with nominations closing the day before. Again, more players are wanted so please encourage them to contact the club.

FAIR PLAY VOUCHERS



Applications close October 7.

This very popular program enables families to apply for vouchers valued at up to **\$150.00** which can be used by juniors to pay for club membership and playing fees. Google Fair Play vouchers for more information and how to apply.

2021 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Table Tennis Australia have released the dates and venues for all National Championships in 2021, and it's VERY good news for our Juniors and Para players in particular.

The combined **Senior / Youth / Junior / Para Championships** will be held at the **Caloundra Indoor Stadium** between **July 2 – 11**. This is where the Australian Veterans Championships were held a few years ago.

The **Australian Veterans** will be in Darwin at the **NT Netball Stadium** from **October 9 – 16**.

COACHING SESSIONS

Monday Juniors **4.30 – 6.00 p.m.**
Monday Adults (By prior arrangement)
7.00 – 9.00 p.m.
 Tuesday Juniors **4.30 – 6.00 p.m.**
 Thursday ParaTT/Special Olympics **4.30 – 6.00 p.m.**
 Friday Juniors **7.00 - 9.00 p.m.**

CLUB SHIRTS

Orders for the **new club shirts** are being taken – cost is **\$40.00**. These shirts are light, cool, comfortable and quick drying. To place an order, please see me.

There are quite a few of the previous type still available but these have been reduced to **\$20.00** – an absolute bargain as they are also a very good, long-lasting, quality shirt. Examples are on display upstairs.

Some club jackets are also available. These are lightweight, very comfortable and warm. They are also reduced to **\$20.00**.

FIRST IN, BEST DRESSED LITERALLY.

CONTAINERS FOR CASH

WANTED

Soft drink, water, fruit juice, beer and spirits cans, bottles, tetra packs to be recycled.

We receive **10 cents** for every eligible container so please deposit your “empties” in the bins in the foyer.

Many thanks to those who have contributed.

EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

Please get advice through the club first. In particular, many of the bats available in some local stores are either not legal for competition or are poor quality.

2020 - 21 Committee

President: Peter Marris
 Vice President: Nikki Udal
 Secretary: Rhonda Dawson
 Treasurer: Cathy Rivers
 Committee Members: Rod Stehbins, Trevor Barrett, Michele Brockhurst, Rashed Aziz
 Patron: Pauline Langford
 Grading Committee: Steve Ricketts, Dave Delpratt, Nikki Udal, Rod Stehbins
 Development Officer: Dave Delpratt
 Publicity / Records: Dave Delpratt

All members are welcome to attend and speak at our monthly Committee meetings. Meetings are normally held on the 2nd Monday of the month, starting **7.30 p.m.**

Next Committee meeting Mon. 12 October

MEMBERSHIP & PLAYING FEES

PLEASE NOTE

ALL players who play in any club fixtures or regularly come to Social sessions and / or coaching sessions are expected to pay membership fees so that they are covered by insurance.

2020 Membership Fees

Adult Club / Tournament	\$50.00*
Adult / Student concession	\$50.00*
(* Special discount for new fixture players joining this season will be registered to the end of 2020)	
Adult Social	\$50.00
Junior	\$50.00*

2020 Playing Fees (Including GST)

Subject to change

Fixture Fees

Adult	\$12.00
Junior	\$ 9.00

Social Fees

Adult	\$ 6.00
Junior	\$ 5.00
Adult Non-Member	\$ 10.00
Junior Non-Member	\$ 7.00

Coaching

Adult	\$ 8.00
Junior Squad	\$ 7.00
Friday Junior	\$ 5.00

Weekly Pass

Adult	\$23.00
Junior	\$23.00

Family Social Fee

Members	\$16.00
Non-members	\$20.00

10 Week Pass (Available during school terms)

(Adults and Juniors)	\$200.00
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OUR MAJOR SPONSORS



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BUNDABERG OPEN PICS
(Courtesy Steve Ricketts)



Mens Open Singles champion, Matthew Pettett



Womens Open Singles champion, Matilda Alexandersson



Peter Spratley & Lorraine Fourro



Ben Edwards & Casey John



Faisal Aziz



Former Bundaberg player, Hayden Green

TERM 3 JUNIOR FINALS PICS



Aimee Westerman



Will Stehens



Zander Ephraims



Diwansha Kumaranathunga

Dave Delpratt