



Annual Report

Clubs

2018/2019

Tennis Nelson Mandela Bay, Sub Committee: Clubs

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Leagues

Winter League 2018

The Winter League saw a slight decline in entrants with 36 teams entering 7 leagues.

Congratulations to our winter league winners:

- Premier A: **Wembley A**
- Premier B: **Jeffreys Bay**
- Lady's 1: **Victoria Park (*)**
- Lady's 2: **Jeffreys Bay A (*)**
- Men's 1: **Westview A**
- Men's 2: **Wembley**
- Men's Doubles: **Addo**

** 2017 Winners*

Summer League 2019

The Summer League was well supported with 37 teams entering 6 leagues. Congratulations to our summer league winners:

- Premier A: **Wembley B**
- Premier B: **Despatch**
- Mixed 1: **Kenton B**
- Mixed 2: **Westview B**
- Mixed 3: **Westview**
- Men's Doubles: **Wembley**

Congratulations to all the winning teams and their respective clubs.

We would like to express our gratitude to Roberto Almanza for collecting and collating the scores! As always, a fine job! Furthermore, TNMB would like to thank Victoria Park in association with PE Lawn Tennis Club for hosting the annual league prize giving.

Tournaments

Our clubs once again hosted their annual tournaments last year. TNMB would like to thank the host clubs for their effort as well as the participating members for their support.

- Sunridge Park: Men's Doubles
- Wembley: Men's & Lady's Doubles
- Walmer: Mixed Doubles Challenge
- PE Club: Movember Mixed Doubles
- Blue Water Bay: Doubles

TNMB would like to encourage the clubs to continue hosting tournaments as an alternative form of competitive amateur tennis and would like to encourage all the clubs to host at least 1 open tournament per year.

TNMB Affiliation

Affiliation Obligation

Clubs are reminded of the TNMB Affiliation fees are to be paid by March of each year.

- R70.00 per member

Paid-Up Clubs

- Walmer
- Victoria Park
- Wembley
- Westview
- Oval
- Despatch
- PE Club
- Sunridge Park
- Gelvan Eagles
- Summerwood



Growthpoint National Club Championships

Introduction

The Growthpoint “Top Guns” National Championship is a national club tennis event for men and women played in 14 tennis regions of South Africa, with each region hosting a local event between September and November. The winning club team from each of these local events will then qualify for the national final, to be played at a central venue, in February. The tournament is played in a team format with two gentlemen and two ladies playing a men’s doubles, ladies doubles, and a single mixed doubles match on a tie basis.

The regional event for the former Eastern Province was hosted by Tennis Nelson Mandela Bay (TNMB) as the representing regional body for the area. TNMB is an affiliate of Tennis Eastern Cape.

This is the second year of the National Championships which saw a slight format variation. An A and B Section has been introduced. TNMB named their sections the “Top” and “Pop” guns respectively.

Entrants

Qualifying clubs from the following regions were invited to enter their Top & Pop Guns:

Nelson Mandela Bay, Ndlambe, Makana, Blue Crane Route, Inxuba Yethemba, Dr Beyers Naudé, Sundays River Valley, Kouga, Kou-Kamma.

A total of ten entries were received from the following clubs:

Westview, Wembley, Victoria Park, Sunridge Park, Cradock, and Oval.

Format

The teams were seeded and divided into 3 sections:

Top Guns A, Top Guns B, and Pop Guns.

All sections play ties against each other in a round robin format within their section. The winner of each section is determined by points scored as per the rules of the tournament. The winner

of Top Guns A plays a final match against the winner of Top Guns B. The winner of this final wins the tournament and the title of regional Top Gun.

The Pop Gun winner is determined on points alone with no play off.

Organisation

Tennis Nelson Mandela Bay is pleased to report that this tournament was successfully hosted without incident or delay. The order of play was well timed with the tournament concluding within the anticipated time. We would like to commend Dave Emslie for planning the tournament flow extremely well, resulting in a successful outcome.

TNMB would like to thank Ridwahan Dawood and Ephraim Motsiane for the outstanding support on behalf of TSA. All arrangements were completed timeously to allow the tournament to go ahead without incident.

Furthermore, we would like to thank Growthpoint Properties for their substantial sponsorship of this championship. It grants our clubs a fantastic platform to showcase their top players and take home some winnings as a healthy boost to the winning clubs. Thank you!

The organisers would also like to thank Ron Endley and his team from the PELTC for the use of their tennis facilities and for the outstanding support the tournament received from PELTC.

Result

Top Guns Winner: Cradock Tennis Club*

Top Guns Runner Up: Sunridge Park Tennis Club*

Pop Guns Winner: Wembley Tennis Club*

Pop Guns Runner Up: Westview Tennis Club*

Tournament Final:

Cradock won the toss and elected to play the men's doubles tie first, followed by the mixed doubles, and finally lady's doubles.

Ricky and Robbie De Klerk from Cradock beat Craig White and Ashley Hobson from Wembley 4-1; 4-0 in their men's tie.

The mixed doubles saw Ricky de Klerk and Nandi Norval face Craig White and Megan Kempson. Ricky and Nandi one through in the match tiebreaker: 4-0; 1-4; 10-0

With the match being won by Cradock the lady's doubles match was not played.

TNMB Top Guns 2018: Cradock Tennis Club!

Ricky de Klerk, Robert de Klerk, Nandi Norval, Carin Janse van Rensburg

TNMB Pop Guns 2018: Wembley Tennis Club!

Leslie Young, Rocco Prinsloo, Paula Murray, Heather Barnes-Webb

* Round Robin Results:

TOP GUNS A			TOP GUNS B			POP GUNS		
Pos	Team	Points	Pos	Team	Points	Pos	Team	Points
1	Cradock	13	1	Sunridge	16	1	Wembley	22
2	VP A	9	2	Wembley	6	2	Westview	15
3	Westview	2	3	VP B	2	3	Oval	9
4	-	0	4	-	0	4	PELTC	7

Conclusion

The tournament proved to be a resounding success once again with all the participants praising the initiative and the overall tournament organisation. Despite struggling with entries this year, participating clubs were no less enthusiastic! We will certainly endeavour to grow our regional tournament, we believe that we can draw far more entries and will gear our local league participation to drive eligibility for more entrants to the championships.

Tennis Nelson Mandela Bay would like to congratulate Tennis South Africa along with Growthpoint Properties on a very successful initiative and would like to wish you a very successful National Final to conclude this championship.

Finally, we would like to thank all our participants for entering this tournament and producing top class tennis for us to enjoy. Congratulations to Cradock for winning through to nationals second year in a row, TNMB will be right behind you for nationals and wish you a very successful campaign on behalf of our region!

We look forward to seeing all our players back next year, with more teams to challenge!

In Closing

Tennis Nelson Mandela Bay is pleased to report that Club tennis is healthy with regular social being played by most clubs throughout the year. With 2 leagues per year and several Club hosted tournaments, tennis clubs continue to provide opportunities for tennis to be played.

We would like to thank the respective Club committees for their commitment to keeping club tennis alive and well!

Garth Löest

Chair: Sub Committee, Clubs, TNMB