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Tennis Valley Opens NEW Live Music Venue

On Friday October 8th the Tennis Valley Clubhouse will be launched as a new live music venue on the North Shore to be known as **Eastern Lounge**.

The plan is to hold regular monthly music shows as part of the Club's commitment to providing a social return to the local community. The launch of the venue will be a big event with lead up publicity in the North Shore Times and on local radio and a big crowd is expected on opening night. The line-up for the first event at **Eastern Lounge** will see local band **Mimesis** as the support act for new Tennis Valley member and winner of the Telstra Road to Tamworth talent quest, the beautiful **Aleyce Simmonds** and her band.

Mimesis will serve up a cocktail of contemporary pop and rock hits, performed with a twist of classical finesse. They are virtuoso musicians but also a whole lot of FUN!

Aleyce is a rare talent, just about to launch her debut album. A regular at music festivals throughout NSW, Aleyce has penned original tunes with renowned songwriters such as Rick Price, Rod McCormack and Graeme Connors and has a fantastic voice and on-stage appearance.



This is a great first line-up to launch Eastern Lounge at Tennis Valley. Put the date in your diary now – Friday October 8, 7:30pm for 8:00pm start. Bring your own food to have a 'picnic' inside the venue. Drinks will be available from the licensed bar.

Hope to see you there.

US Open meets Finals Day at Tennis Valley

This year the Finals of the U.S. Open take place at Flushing Meadows, New York coinciding precisely with the Finals of Tennis Valley's Open Division Club Championships. So to celebrate this unique aligning of the planets, we're painting the Club red, white and blue and embracing all things American for one special day only!

Come down to the Club from around 1:00pm to witness our best players do battle for the Mens and Ladies Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles Championship titles. At the same time, avail yourself of the finest American cuisine (from Chilli Dogs to Apple Pie!) and sip a Long Island Ice Tea or Manhattan from a Highball cocktail glass at the bar while the kids get their faces painted and play mini-tennis on the Kids Court.

This is a day you won't want to miss. No need to RSVP - just turn up on the day... and bring your family and friends too.

The tennis will sizzle as much as the hot dogs on the BBQ - a great day is guaranteed for all.

See you there... SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12 from 1:00pm

Tournament Dates: Sundays – 22 & 29 August,
Sat & Sun 4 & 5 September,
Sat & Sun 11 & 12 September

Finals: Sat & Sun 11 & 12 September

Alternative Finals: Sat & Sun 18 & 19 September

For more details: <http://tennisvalley.com.au/>



2009 Club Champion Chris O'Connell and Runner-up Scott Wagland

Social Jottings

- Angela Johnstone visited Fiji with her family - they occupied most of an island! Going barefoot all the time - even to dinner - was not good for Angela's feet so she had to slowly get back into the routine of wearing shoes all the time. Angela is filling her retirement hours with lots of new activities including Italian lessons. She is hoping not to have to use the skill very quickly as she would prefer to fit in more lessons. Her Bridge playing skills are also being refined so that means any spare time is becoming limited.
 - Sue Jones has spent time with her family in UK enjoying watching Wimbledon in daylight!
 - Katrina & Greg Narker took their son Lachlan to Sweden and Denmark to compete in a soccer tournament. Wonderful g'parents Kathie & Graeme kindly looked after the other 3 Narker children for 3 weeks. Lachlan was pleased to win a few matches to get to the round of 16 in the Gothia Cup in Gothenburg. They played teams from 60 countries after an opening ceremony with 60,000 spectators. They then played the Dana Cup in northern Denmark which also went well.
 - Kerrie Rymer has been through some difficult health scares but it has all worked out well with the final diagnosis showing her tumour was low grade, and requires no further treatment at this time. She hopes to be back on the court for Spring Comp. They have delayed their planned trip to the Kimberley but will now take a 3 week break travelling to Canada to catch up with Kit's daughter Krystal in Whistler, and to visit some of Kerrie's relatives.
 - Adrienne Bruce is back on court after the removal of a lump in her neck. She had many more stitches than originally thought so was restricted in total movements for several weeks.
 - Paul Anderson's knee has recovered enough to let him return to the tennis court for a few weeks before travelling overseas.
 - Dan Manesque's injury is also improving.
 - Dave Keogh was delighted to convince his son Brent to return to tennis after a 6 year absence, to play with him in the 5 week mini-comp.
 - Joye & Don Walsh flew to Adelaide & drove north to the Flinders Ranges before heading to William Creek where they took a flight over Lake Eyre seeing the water flow from Cooper's Creek into Lake Eyre for the first time in 20 years, and lots of birds. Don created a blog of the trip as they had so many funny and enjoyable experiences - including sleeping in part of what would normally be classed as a shipping container, and also a former opal mine in Coober Pedy! The outback was in greener condition than expected because of all the recent rains.
 - Joy Simpson is recovering after her knee operation. She hopes to be back on the court early next year with Erica Reading who also has had an injury – to her foot.
- Congratulations to Mark Harris who is very happy to announce his engagement to Melissa. They plan to marry later next year when they can organise a time to suit their families in Adelaide & overseas.
 - Haidene Maltz is pleased her shoulder has recovered enough to allow her back on court. Joye Walsh is still struggling with hers but hopes to play Spring Comp.
 - Renate Handel has proved to be a great organiser with the historical outing she planned for a group of friends to Windsor. Activities were planned from 9am until late in the afternoon. Ian Bowie added interest with his knowledge of the local constructions.
- The Staniforth family went to Canada in January where Paul, Matthew, Jordan & Mitchell had a great time skiing while Viccie lay on the lounge in pain after damaging her shoulder. Eating chocolates was no compensation to being able to take part in all the exciting activities on offer. Viccie is happier now she can return to her golf.
- Dennis Fryer returned from Melbourne where he delivered his TR6 to the Healey factory to sell for him. Anyone interested in a great bargain can check it out in the Sports Car magazines. Chloe Grace, his first grandchild is an absolute delight. Dennis is planning a round the world trip next year – he says he has been saving since his last trip in 1968!
- Robyn Crosbie is planning her next trip - a cruise from Darwin to Broome.
- Linda and Terry Warder are off to Goulburn for Scott's graduation from the NSW Police Academy. They plan to stay a night in Crookwell but are a little concerned at the idea of the minus 6 degree overnight temperature. Linda & Terry are in opposite teams in the mini-comp and Linda and Brendan Jack managed to scrape home with a 2-1 victory.
- Brendan & his wife Christine had a victory at the Port Macquarie Special mixed - beating his twin brother Kevin along the way.
- Helen Knight enjoyed her trip to Fiji - one early morning highlight was going jet skiing at dawn from her island - Sonaisali Is Resort to another little island. The only down fall was the colour of the sand – volcanic - meaning the water is therefore not crystal clear in that area. Helen's forced house renovations - due to a burst hot water tank - have almost finished. Helen woke up one morning and found herself sloshing through a very wet carpet. A new hot water system has been installed and the carpet replaced with tiles.
- Paul Jelfs has had a slow recovery from his hernia operation but is now back at work. Added to his discomfort was a discovery that his credit card numbers had been used after a recent trip to Darwin. He was frustrated by the lack of assistance from the bank, and the knowledge that he still had possession of the card! Hard to imagine how the numbers could be used by several different merchants with such a variety of signatures accepted - not even his correct name!