

Seniors Week – Perpetual Shield 2010



Fifty players competed in the Redland City Council Seniors Week Tennis Tournament last Sunday at our RLTA courts. This tournament is held every year as part of seniors Week in the Redlands and is open to players over the age of 50. The competition was held in perfect weather conditions and resulted in probably the closest results ever since the running of the contest.

After four sets, Val Watkins ended up a clear ladies winner with 24 games, but there were three other ladies all with 22 games, and up until the final set that Val played, it appeared likely that we could have had 4 ladies all with equal games. There was no clear winner from the men, with Keith Harmon and Wayne Bourne both on 23 games and Wallace Ormsby only trailing by one game.

It was then necessary for the first time to have an extra doubles match played to decide the winner of the men's section. Wayne triumphed in this thrilling and close final set by winning five games to Keith's three.

Val Watkins and Wayne Bourne were presented with the Perpetual Shield together with a personal trophy and other prizes by the Redland City Council Mayor, Cr. Melva Hobson, who paid tribute to the 50 fit seniors who took part in this annual event.



Cr Melva Hobson with Val Watkins & Wayne Bourne

Bruce Maclean thanked the many Redland businesses who donated prizes to the event again this year. These were Grandview Hotel, Tamarind Thai Restaurant, CC Cafe and Deli, Indique Indian Restaurant, Hogs Breath Cafe Victoria Point, Fasta Pasta Victoria Point, Yahoo Seafood Restaurant, Thai Inlay Restaurant, Haveli Indian Restaurant, Toscani's Restaurant, Sushi Point Restaurant, Sharks Sporting Club, Dan Murphy's, Efendi's Turkish Restaurant and Platinum Thai restaurant. He said that the contribution of these local businesses with their prizes totalling almost \$600 helped to make the tournament a great success.