

2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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OUR PURPOSE

- i) To encourage, promote, and administer the German Table Tennis Club.
- ii) To arrange and conduct table tennis training, practice and competitions.
- iii) To foster the development of the German community in South Australia.

OUR 2021 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

President:	Sef van den Nieuwelaar	
Vice President:	Michael Hemmes	
Secretary/Treasurer:	Tony Stacey	
Member:	Lyndal Ellis	

YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

TABLE TENNIS SOUTH AUSTRALIA (TTSA) Winter Pennant Teams

The Club entered a Division 1 Team comprising Paul Grant, Dale McDonald, Mathijs Strevels and Claire Pickering. It was a step up after the Team were champions in the 2019 Division 2 Competition.

Annual Club Championship - 2021 Club Champion, David Lowe



David defeated Paul Grant in the Final. A close match that was decided in the final game.

Kingston Beach Annual BBQ & Jenny Burford table tennis Competition

The COVID 19 pandemic caused the proposed annual event to be cancelled for the second year in a row.



Annual ChristmasDinner

The 2021 German Table Tennis Club Christmas dinner was held on Saturday 6th November 2021 at Bistro 277, former Eagles Footballers Club. The 35 attendees enjoyed the night.



Traditional End of Year

At the end of our final practice session for the year, an opportunity to wish members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year for 2021.

Following a shortened practice session, a complimentary meal was provided.



Inter Club Visits

A challenge with the Adelaide Table Tennis Club was held at Woodville, followed by a BBQ meal and socialisation.



Week ly practice sessions on Monday nights

The availability of six tables was well utilised to play singles and doubles practice matches. Following the restrictions applied due to COVID in the first few months of the year, Members attended each week in good numbers.



Club Sponsor

Owner of @TSM Consulting, Peter Nicolaci has been supporting grant seeking activities.

Established in 1988, @TSM Consulting works with both private organisations and local communities to assist in the realisation of their visionary projects.

Through consultation with government bodies, peak bodies, private enterprise and local communities, @TSM Consulting assists with project development and identification and achievement of potential funding streams, including grants and other fundraising activities.

New Club Home

All table tennis for the year was played at the Woodville premises.

The Club was represented on the Woodville Club Board to ensure maintenance of communication and cooperation. Together the Clubs enforced regularly updated COVID operational plans to allow table tennis to be played.

A liquor license application was gained by the Woodville District Table Tennis Club which allowed the German Table Tennis Club members to enjoy social activities after practice. Each Monday night, Sef or Michael organized the ordering and delivery of meals from Bistro Seven 22.

Clubroom Redevelopment

The Master Plan which documents the vision of Clubs aims to create a new multicultural community facility. It will support German culture promotion, cater for table tennis players and spectator needs and will be a new facility for social use by the local community. There are numerous health benefits and in particular table tennis is a sport that has no age limit. It will also offer accessible meeting facilities for other groups such as the German Bushwalking Group. The three components of the Master Plan are:

Project 1 - Modernise Clubrooms to create a Multicultural Community Facility (Critical Short Term)

This involves provision of a bistro facility with commercial kitchen, bar and dining meeting rooms. It is to be built by repurposing the northern annex of the existing building.







Project 2 – Upgrade Playing Area (Medium Term)

The table tennis playing floor covering needs to be able to meet Australian standards to ensure maximum use of its 12-table capacity. A specialised playing surface is needed. Seating for veteran players is also included in this project.

Project 3 – Master Plan Off Street Car Parking Expansion (Long Term Aspiration)

There is a plan to park motor vehicles off street.

There is a great opportunity to invest in this existing Charles Sturt Council asset to develop the site and create an environment which provides tangible sporting benefits and social benefits to the communities of both Woodville and the Adelaide Metropolitan Region.

Total cost of the whole Master Plan implementation is \$694,795 plus GST over several years however the critical short-term request for donations is \$10,000. You can, through the link below, help by donating through the Australian Sports Foundation and receive a tax deduction today!

www.asf.org.au/projects/german-table-tennis-club/

Club History

The table tennis group has been part of the South Australian German Association (SAADV) since 1958. Its loyal members have varied annually from a previously capped number of 20 to this year's 26. Numbers are slightly lower than last year's, but this was a result of the continuing uncertainty posed by the COVID pandemic. They have ranged from teenagers through to veterans and from beginners through to members with some past players ranked in Australia's top 100.

Club practice for many years was in the Friedrich Jahn Gymnasium on four tables, generally followed by a few drinks in the downstairs bar. Practice is now at Woodville on six permanently erected tables. Our Club is affiliated with Table Tennis SA and several our members compete in the winter pennant competitions, both for our Club and other table tennis clubs.

Our Club has each year organised many social activities BBQs, Annual beach BBQ, exchanges with other table tennis clubs and our Christmas Dinners being the social highlight of the year. All table tennis enthusiasts, whether beginner or advanced are invited to come and have trial games. The COVID 19 pandemic continued to impact on the sport. All persons entering the clubroom had to check in using the COVID app and wear masks unless playing or eating/drinking.

President's Report

As 2021 draws to a close, I am sitting down to reflect on the year that was.

The year started full of hope that the Covid pandemic was soon going to be under control and that nationwide vaccination would put a stop to lockdowns and other restrictions.

Whilst the impact on our club this year was not as severe as in 2020, this year still saw two cancellations of our regular Monday nights and saw the introduction of QR scanning before every practice. And as we now know, Covid is still here and even though vaccination levels are high, the threats of Covid entering our communities and our club are more real than ever.

Anyway, despite our club losing a few members at the end of 2020, we have had a boomer year from a membership point of view with no less than 6 new members. A big welcome to Strav, Rainer, Robert, Daniella, Grayham and Claire who all joined in the last year or so. Also 2022 is looking good with another couple of new regulars hopefully soon becoming members as well.

A year or so ago we also welcomed a good friend of mine, Randell Taylor in our club. Randell soon became a very popular member, always ready for a hit and chat. Sadly his stay with our club was tragically cut short when Randell lost his live on November 27 whilst riding his bicycle. He will be sadly missed.

From a sporting perspective, 2021 saw Dale, Paul, Claire and Brighton member Mathijs compete in Division 1 of the TTSA. We also saw Dave Lowe successfully defending his Club Champion title by defeating Paul Grant 12-10 in the fifth!

There was just the one exchange with another club this year. Early October we welcomed 12 members of the Adelaide table tennis club for a social hit and BBQ. The night was a great success and both clubs pledged to make this an annual or bi-annual event.

From a social perspective, this was definitely a very successful year. We unfortunately did have to cancel our annual Kingston Park BBQ but we did have a very successful Christmas dinner in November at Bistro Seven 22. Seven 22 has kindly partnered with us and now provides pick up meals upon request every Monday night for our members to enjoy at our new Stammtisch. Dieter has prepared and donated a new Stammtisch table sign.

We can now also enjoy a beer (or cider) or any beverage at our club as early in the year Woodville was granted a liquor license. As such our post-table tennis get togethers have become an integral part of our success in 2021 and I look forward to expanding on this newly formed tradition.

Speaking of expansion, 2022 and beyond are going to be very exciting with our club driving plans to fully refurbish a new canteen area for all members of the German club and Woodville to enjoy. We already secured a DWA grant of \$2,360 this year through which we set up our excellent new website (germanttc.com.au) and have strong commitments for much larger grants for 2022. More on this and other finance details in the Treasurers report.

Secretary & Treasurer's Report

This report covers the period from 1 January to 31 December 2021.

The COVID 19 pandemic restrictions once again curtailed many normal Club social activities – the regular BBQs and Beach BBQ.

The Club finances are a very healthy \$9,523 cash in the bank as at 31 December 2021. Conservative use of Club money has been maintained as the Club prepares for redevelopment of its new home premises at Woodville. In preparation for the proposed Clubroom upgrade, the Club has an operating account (\$4,994) and Building Fund Account (\$4,529), the latter including donations from the Australian Sports Foundation and individual donors.

The Club has a 5 year tenancy agreement. Work has advanced with Woodville Club to jointly design and implement redevelopment of the Clubrooms, a project to provide a modern, clean social area for all members and to update current playing standard facilities. The Club gained a City of Charles Sturt Local Member Discretionary grant of \$2,360 to enable creation of its website. <u>www.germanttc.com.au</u>

Club fees continued to be maintained at \$50 per member since 2015. An additional fee of \$20 per member was imposed by TTSA to ensure that all recreational table tennis players had an accident insurance cover. A user pay fee of \$5 per session was applied to nightly practice.

An innovation to be introduced in 2022 is the Square Point of Sale system which will replace the need to handle cash.

The Club has continued to maintain a friendly atmosphere with all members contribution in their own way to support ongoing Club operations.

Groundwork has been completed during 2021 to enable both German and Woodville table tennis clubs to pursue grant opportunities in support of the planned redevelopment.



Stammtisch Table Sign

Bigalske, Gus Bilogrevic, Strav Bonner, Lloyd Dashko, Alex Ellis, Lyndal Lamb, Regine Lamb, Robert Grant, Paul Hemmes, Michael Henn, Ulrich Jaremyn, Daniela Kosiol, Dieter Langhans, Geoff Lowe, David McDonald, Dale Mentzel, Patrick Nieuwelaar, van den Sef Nikelis, Martin Pickering, Claire Pottel, Rainer Smith, Robert Solly, Kevin Stacey, Tony Taylor, Grayham Taylor, Randell Zoumis, Daniel

Financial Statement 31/12/2021 German Table Tennis Club Incorporated

	2021	2020	2019
Income		\$	\$
Grants	2,360	1,000	
			- 750
Membership Fees Member contributions to social functions	1,130	1,375	
	-	-	1,887
Membership TT Insurance	340	-	-
BBQ/Dinner Drinks	1,978	198	1,571
Player registration contribution	280	75	1,085
Sponsorship	-	-	-
Table Tennis Table Sales	-	-	1,000
Uniform Sales	90	-	133
Woodville Venue Hire – Players	2,114	1,659	2,620
Total Income	8,292	4,307	9,046
Expenditure			
Annual Picnic expenses	-	-	384
BBQ & Dinner Drinks	1,200	153	1053
Christmas Function plus Dinner Expenses	291	103	1,610
Equipment (TT Barriers, Nets & Balls)	-	141	141
Equipment (Square POS & Cabinet)	471	-	-
Membership Refund	-	-	80
Player Registration	440	-	525
Stationery	5	25	4
Table Tennis SA Affiliation Fee	30	270	270
Table Tennis Club Visit Expenses	91	-	328
Table Tennis Winter Fees	200	-	445
Trophy Engraving	66	-	-
Uniform Purchases	-	1,029	277
Website	2,360	-	-
Woodville Venue Hire	1,404	1,105	2,620
Total Expenditure	6,558	2,826	7,737
Annual Surplus/(Deficit)	1,734	1,482	1,309
CASH AT BANK	Operating	Building Fund	TOTAL
Bank Statement 1 January 2021	2,184	5,072	
Income 1/01/2021 – 31/12/2021	8,292	-	
Australian Sports Foundation	-	494	
Donation	-	30	
Transfer to Operating	(1,076)	1,076	
Interest	-	9	_
	11,552	4,529	
Expenditure 1/01/2021 – 31/12/2021	6,558	-	
BANK Statement as at 31 December 2021	4,994	4,529	9,523