

SA State Interclub Competition
2020/21 Season



Round 1 at *Novar Gardens Pétanque Club* **26 July, 2020**

The new Interclub season started much the same as the last one finished. Not only was the venue the same, but once again we had remarkably nice weather, a huge turnout (99 players - another new record), great competition and a very convivial atmosphere, despite the COVID-Safe requirements.

Once again, this was helped along by the innovative and popular new timing regulation arrangement, which maximises playing time and minimises waiting time, while providing the relaxed ambience of untimed games without the frustrating delays and late finishes that often come with an untimed format. We thank PFA for allowing this arrangement to continue despite opposition from certain quarters.

On the premiership table, after one round, things also look a lot like they did at the end of last season. The top three clubs have all taken up where they left off, the same two clubs are closely vying for fourth position and the battle for sixth is once again very tight.

In terms of the individual honours, on the other hand, the day's results were more in keeping with previous seasons rather than the last. The winners, ESP's Alexi Alexi, Arwed Turon & Maurice Belz, had a relatively lean time of it last season -- by their own lofty standards -- picking up just one gold medal between them (compared to eight the year before). The silver medallists, Deb Rodda, Selina Dally & Wendy Bensen, also emulated a feat they achieved twice in the 2018/19 season. In the bronze medal position was the Adelaide Hills trio of Greg Anderson, Ross Coleman & Quentin Jones, their first appearance on the podium since 2017/18.

Finally, a big thank-you goes to the awesome Novar Gardens crew who once again kept things running like clockwork under difficult circumstances. Your friendly efficiency sets a standard the rest of us can aspire to. Well done.

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Eastern Suburbs (ESP)	54	54
Adelaide Hills (AHP)	36	36
Adelaide (CPA)	30	30
Prospect (PP)	24	24
Novar Gardens (NGP)	21	21
Feral Aussie Boulistes (FAB)	3	3
Gawler (GP)	3	3
Port Noarlunga (PNP)	-	-

Round 1 is also the time that individual awards are presented to the most successful players from the season just completed...

The 'Best Player' medal went to Selina Dally, who only played in four of the five rounds but never finished lower than 4th in any of them. Selina is a truly outstanding player and has been a consistent performer over many years. This award is thoroughly deserved.

*For the second year in a row, the award for 'Best Player of the Other Gender' went to a man, this time Maurice Belz -- another highly decorated player and out-and-out star. Maurice finished second overall (also from four rounds), trailing by a margin of just one point. Not **too** "lean" a season, then (only in terms of gold).*

The award for 'Best Veteran' (Over 60) went to Brian Tuckfield, from the Adelaide Hills club, largely on the strength of consecutive gold-medal-winning performances in Rounds 3 and 4. Brian also finished equal third, overall.

The 'Best New Player' was Bruce Lucas, who has quickly established himself as a key member of the new guard at Novar Gardens. Bruce was a clear winner in this category and his very consistent season included a podium finish in Round 2.

Congratulations to all the award winners.

For those that may be interested, the individual points table will be posted on the SAPL website.

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	Team	Club	Ch'ship points	Games
1 st	Alexi Alexi, Maurice Belz & Arwed Turon	ESP	30	5
2 nd	Selina Dally, Deb Rodda & Wendy Bensen	ESP	24	4
3 rd	Greg Anderson, Ross Coleman & Quentin Jones	AHP	21	4
4 th	Louis Oltarczy, Jean-Paul Bouyer & Tina Stockley	CPA	18	5
5 th	Tory McBride, Lionel Pujol & Craig Stewart	ESP	(18)	4
6 th	Brian Tuckfield, Ralph Foster & Anthony Pietsch	AHP	15	4
7 th	Neil Maslin, Rob Mawson & Robin Austin	AHP	(15)	3
8 th	Heike Whitehorn, John Whitehorn & Allan Sanderson	PP	15	3
9 th	Jonathan Giddings, Jean-Luc Gonnet & Bruce Lucas	NGP	12	2
10 th	Rada Pierre, Dominique Pierre & Alain Rousse	CPA	12	3
11 th	Jill Morrell, David Ellery & Thomas Shillabeer	AHP	(12)	3
12 th	Jenny Key, Allan Johnston & Wayne Twigden	CPA	(9)	3
13 th	Roland Peik, Miriam Peik & Iliano Puccini	NGP	9	3
14 th	Ernie Palmer, Tony Stojic & Adrian Clements	CPA	(9)	4
15 th	Anna Phillips, Richard Huntley & Kym Wilson	PP	9	3
16 th	Kenny May, Sue Matthews & Peter Matthews	NGP	(6)	4
17 th	Mike Read, Ashton Claridge & Mal Bedson	AHP	(6)	2
18 th	Sandy Tilburgs, Dee Greenslade & Kathy Gepp	ESP	(6)	4
19 th	Janet Jenkin, Michael Frodyma & Martin Verdonk	PP	(6)	2
20 th	Penny Lyons, Steve Hambour & Terry Hall	FAB	3	3
21 st	Glenis Head, David Willis & Colin Hill	GP	3	1
22 nd	Steve Cadman, Dave Watson & Richard Voskamp	PP	(3)	3
23 rd	John Hanlon, Marc Lionnet & Ray Drummond	ESP	(3)	1
24 th	Lianne Healey, Deb Coleman & Peter Davies	AHP	-	3
25 th	Susan Krieg, Rae Grierson & Ken Medhurst	FAB	-	1
26 th	Stan Wilson, Mark Reardon & Helen Hill	GP	-	1
27 th	Melissa Scott, Gavin Scott & Brett Williams	PP	-	1
28 th	Julie Sandercock, Clive Paine & Kel Waters	NGP	-	2
29 th	Axel Monneron, John Nowland & Paula Puleston	FAB	-	1
30 th	Annie Hambour, Carol Ward & Lance Campbell	FAB	-	1
31 st	Jan Parkinson, Sophie Williams & Ross Williams	PP	-	0
32 nd	Patricia Chilman, Anne Lucas & Murray Davis	NGP	-	0
33 rd	Barry Rogers, Julie Jolley & Deric Oehlers	NGP	-	0