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A photograph of two men in dark suits and ties, smiling and holding wooden tennis rackets. The man on the left has grey hair and is wearing a blue and yellow striped tie. The man on the right is bald with glasses and is wearing a patterned tie. They are standing outdoors against a blue sky with some clouds. The background shows a blurred landscape with trees and a building.

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Squash Star Makes Commonwealth Games Team

Kooyong's Melody Francis has been selected to represent Australia at the upcoming Commonwealth Games to be held in Delhi in October.

The 21 year old AIS and VIS Scholarship holder has been working her way up the rankings over the past few years and is now at a career high of 55 in the world.

Her recent results in events across Australia, including four semi final appearances and a loss in the final of the Black Knight Perth Open, indicate she is able to compete with some of the best players in the world.

All five losses have come against her fellow Commonwealth Games team members in a sure sign that she is in elite company.

Melody is ecstatic with her selection having previously represented her country at the World University Games and was the number one in the Australian Junior Women's Team.

'I'm really excited about the Games, there is no bigger event in the squash world and to be given such a great opportunity is wonderful.'

'I'm really looking forward to the great atmosphere, the competition and the chance to participate in a real opening ceremony,' she said.

The Australian team to travel to Delhi in October also includes Australian squash legend David Palmer who will seek to add his first gold medal to a haul that

currently stands at one silver medal and four bronze medals.

The other men in the team are Stewart Boswell, Ryan Cuskelly, Aaron Frankcomb and Cameron Pilley.

The women's team will be headed by world number nine Kasey Brown and also includes Lisa Camilleri, Amanda Pittock and Donna Urquhart.

Members should proudly support our two time Club Champion as she represents her Club and country on the world stage.

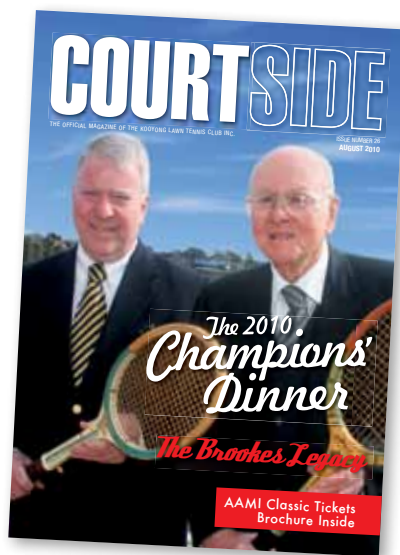
This is a fantastic moment in Melody's young career and an experience she is sure to cherish for years to come.



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A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

Accompanying this edition is a commemorative copy of Courtside, which profiles the facilities and opportunities for Members following the building project.

Perhaps the most pleasing part of the project has been the feedback and warm acceptance of those new facilities and opportunities, which so splendidly compliment the magnificent sports at Kooyong, including tennis and squash.

Around the grounds we are well advanced in annual maintenance programs and have completed laser leveling and laying turf on courts 1 to 5. We look forward to this section returning later in the year in optimum condition.

Significant work has taken place around the en tout cas courts with a major upgrade of lighting resulting in significant improvement in the conditions for night time players.

As we pass the half way mark of the year, we focus attention on busy times to come and Members are encouraged to consider our function rooms for any special event upcoming. Please contact our functions department to discuss those needs.

We are into preparation for the upcoming AAMI Classic in January 2011. Announcements are expected soon regarding the line up and once again, the cream of world tennis will grace the courts of Kooyong and provide a magnificent spectacle.

Competition tennis remains strong and as the pennant season draws to finals, we look forward to the revamped State Grade Season, to be known as Premier League, commencing in the coming months.

Elsewhere our junior players continue to achieve great things and we look forward to seeing their continued success as we move into the summer months and the tennis activities pick up on home soil.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Future

As we close out the remaining tasks from our renovations and enjoy the upgraded Clubhouse facilities, the Committee has once again turned its attention to the future.

One of the Kooyong Committee's key focuses in the short and medium term as part of our strategic plan is to ensure the Club is in a strong financial position to manage the debt in relation to the Clubhouse development. Additionally, we also seek to continue to improve the facility with a focus on court refurbishment and upgrades while ensuring we have sufficient fiscal resources to fully explore a wide range of opportunities for the Members. The 2010-2011 subscriptions were based on ensuring the future of our great Club.

The Club is extremely well positioned to take advantage of opportunities going forward and prudent financial management underpins decisions designed to ensure we are able to capitalise on opportunities as they arise for the benefit of Members. A commitment to ongoing improvement of facilities is imperative.

We consider it important that the Club not only maintains existing services and facilities but that we identify and deliver ongoing upgrades, improvements and expanded services.

Around the tennis courts there is considerable attention being paid to ensure that our courts are maintained in optimum condition. The laser levelling and returfing, which has provided significant improvement to court conditions in recent years, is continuing during the winter closure. Courts 1 – 5 have already been stripped of old turf, levelled with new soil and returfed with legend couch.

Elsewhere, our annual maintenance program for the remaining grass courts, including baseline replacements, is well underway. We look forward to suitable weather conditions to encourage these courts to recover well during spring so we can again enjoy that special privilege that Kooyong's grass courts offer.

Work has also been done on the porous courts and a programmed upgrade of lighting for courts has now been completed. Light conditions on the courts have been significantly improved following this work.

Reciprocal Clubs

Whilst the Club facilities at Glenferrie Road are a major attraction to current and potential Members, the Committee is seeking ways to deliver additional benefits through reciprocal rights internationally, interstate and locally.

Relationships struck with Sandringham Yacht Club, the VRC and Portsea Golf Club are providing further benefits to Kooyong Members. Further opportunities are currently being explored and we look forward to providing details of other club affiliations and benefits which can be enjoyed in the future.

New Executive Chef

I am pleased to welcome Chris Goulding, formerly of Lynch's and O'Connell's, to the position of Executive Chef.

Chris has a reputation for good food and meeting the needs of discerning diners. He will undoubtedly provide some new and exciting changes in Member dining opportunities and functions, which will further enhance the upgraded dining facilities available.

New Premier League Competition

Kooyong also remains committed to competing at the highest level of local tennis and the newly named Premier League will begin in October and will feature a men's and women's team from Kooyong.

This competition is sure to attract the best tennis players due to its short season and new format and we encourage Members to support our teams.

AAMI Classic Tickets

Members are also encouraged to take up the opportunity to again enjoy the AAMI Classic when international tennis returns to Kooyong in January 2011.

We are sure to see another world-class line up at this wonderful event held on centre court so make sure you take advantage of advance booking opportunities for Members

Chris Brown
CEO - Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club

Ian Hill
President - Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club.



It was fantastic to see the newly refurbished Kooyong Room all dressed up for the 2010 Champions' Dinner in May.

Celebrating the sporting achievements of our Members in a beautiful new Clubhouse made the night even more momentous and it started with the recognition of a wonderful servant of the Club.

Bert Armstrong, the doyen of squash, has been a huge part of Kooyong's squash club since he joined the Club in 1987.

He has been Chairman of the Squash Committee and also served on the Club's Council for many years.

His passion and drive to see the Club succeed has seen Kooyong win many of the A1 titles on offer in the Club Circuit competition over the last ten years.

Add to that his passion for history and memorabilia and you have a person that loves Kooyong and all that it offers.

His service was recognised with the Distinguished Member Award and Bert accepted the award with great pride and humility and a glass of red.

The night then moved into the presentations of our Club Championships winners in both squash and tennis.

Mark Ikin continues to write himself into the history books of this club after winning his sixth Men's Open Squash title in 2010, while former world champion Sarah Fitz-Gerald won her second Women's Open Squash title.

In the tennis Club Championships it's Jay Salter who has set a record that will take some beating.



The 2010. Champions' Dinner

Jay accepted his ninth Men's Open Singles title and his record on the grass courts at Kooyong is nothing short of sensational and he continues to set the standard at the Club.

Jay also celebrated another Men's Open Doubles title after partnering with David Bidmeade again.

It was also great to see Lisa D'Amelio add her name to the honour boards here at the Club when she accepted the Ladies Open Singles trophy.

Lisa then received her trophy, along with Laura Rabinovich, for the Ladies Open Doubles title.

Sandy Vo was also on hand to receive her trophy for the Open Mixed Doubles title while her partner, Matt Carroll, enjoyed a holiday in America.

Another highlight was the reception given to the Club's two reigning State Grade winning teams.

Most of the players were in attendance on the night and the fact we hold both titles for the first time in the Club's history made it a significant achievement.

The night was topped off with the inspirational Tommy Hafey giving the audience a glimpse into the way he sees both football and the world.

The former Richmond player and legendary coach wasn't afraid to give his opinion on anything from the football industry through to the youth of today and he had everyone captivated.

It was a great way to finish a wonderful night of celebrations in the new Clubhouse and we can look forward to many more to come.



The Brookes Legacy

One of Kooyong most generous benefactors, Roger Brookes, was officially recognised by the club at the 50-year Members Dinner in July.

It was a true family affair as Kooyong Foundation Chairman Peter Quinn announced that Roger had been appointed Patron of the Sir Norman Brookes Society, the Foundation offshoot that is named after Roger's famous great uncle.

Peter referred to Roger's on-going support for the club over the past 10 years. "Roger has been a strong supporter of the Kooyong Foundation since its inception and played an important role in the formation of the Norman Brookes Society.

"His financial support has helped us develop the collections and displays that are evident around the new clubhouse."

As well as funding the purchase of historical tennis material, which is helping to develop the Australian Tennis Museum at Kooyong, Roger has also been looking towards the future by supporting the Foundation's program of John Fitzgerald scholarships for young players.

"Roger and our other donors are enabling the Foundation to offer Kooyong membership, coaching and other assistance to promising young players who might otherwise be struggling to develop their game to its full potential," Peter said.

The Brookes name has a rich link through the history of Australian tennis and of Kooyong itself. Born in St Kilda in 1877, Norman Brookes was a brilliant all-round sportsman who excelled in tennis and became

Australia's first Wimbledon champion, as well as leading successful Davis Cup challenges against Britain and the U.S.

After his celebrated career ended, he turned his attention to administration and was president of the LTAV for 28 years. In 1919 he was a key figure behind the decision to buy 17 ½ acres of flood-prone land in Glenferrie Road, the site that was to become Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club.

Since that time one or other member of the Brookes family has had some connection with Kooyong.

Roger Brookes, a retired businessman, admits he did not inherit his great uncle's talent for the game, although he enjoyed playing occasionally and even recalls the distinct pleasure of a game of doubles against the great man. How did he go? Roger smiles: "I was a very bad player. Norman said, 'He's got a wicked slice.' I think it was a backhanded compliment."

The Brookes family trace their Australian heritage back to William, who was 18 when he migrated from Britain in 1852 and made his way to the Bendigo goldfields as a bullock driver. He soon left the bullocks to others and began shrewdly investing in the mines, amassing a considerable fortune.

Roger's grandfather, Herbert Brookes, was 10 years older than Norman and helped to coach the talented youngster in tennis. Roger's father, Wilfred, was a wartime fighter pilot who was decorated for his bravery in combat against the Japanese in New Guinea.

Wilfred had a highly successful business career and Roger, an accountant, was involved with the development of Australia's natural gas and aluminium industries.

Today, in retirement, he enjoys his close association with Kooyong, his other philanthropic work and watching great tennis matches, live or on TV. His lifetime has taken in virtually the history of the game – from his "match" with Australia's father of tennis, Great Uncle Norman, to viewing Frank Sedgman, Colin Long and Adrian Quist at South Yarra, then Becker, Connors and Graf, through to Agassi, Federer and Hewitt.

Peter Quinn says: "Roger may not have his name on any trophies at Kooyong but through his generosity he is leaving his own personal stamp on the club's history."

[The Australian Museum of Tennis at Kooyong has been registered with the Australian Tax Office, and in turn with the Cultural Gifts Program of the Commonwealth Government. Members and others who would like to donate memorabilia or sporting artefacts and trophies to the collection can receive a tax deduction for the value of their gifts.

The Club and the Foundation are actively encouraging gifts of this nature and anyone seeking further information about the program and the tax deductibility can contact Foundation Chairman Peter Quinn, Kooyong CEO, Chris Brown, or other Foundation Board members. The Foundation also welcomes cash donations, large and small, for its projects and these, too, can qualify for tax deductions.

Foundation Chairman Peter Quinn with the Patron of the Sir Norman Brookes Society, Roger Brookes



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50 year members inducted



The 50 Year Members' Dinner is always a highly anticipated event on Kooyong's social calendar and this year was no exception as 16 Members were inducted.

The Club also recognised the four inductees from 2009, a year in which the redevelopment took centre stage, including Pat Melville, Tony Smith, Robert Wilson and John Evans.

The 2010 group included some of Australia's past tennis champions, tennis administrators and also includes a family connection to a Melbourne Cup winner as well as some Members that have served the Club in many capacities.

This year's inductees were Margaret King, Elizabeth Cotton, Caroline Hill, Margaret Kelly, Angela Smith, Bruce McMullin, Ken Dixon, Tony Broughton, Bruce Jackson, Will Coghlan, Murray Arnott, Tony Avery, Brendan Ellis, Mark Bowden, Peter Meredith and Tony Ryan.

Like so many before them, this group of Members has enjoyed this great Club over a long period of time and has seen it change and develop over the years.

Some were great tennis players and others just loved their tennis but they all enjoyed the Club for what it added to their lives and continue to enjoy it now.

Will Coghlan is a great example of how generations of families continue to take advantage of what the Club has to offer as he continues to watch his son, Matthew, and great niece, Belinda, represent Kooyong at the highest level.

Will's tennis resume is as impressive as it gets and includes 10 State Grade titles, 3 Victorian Hardcourt Championships, an Australian Junior

Championship and even a win over the great John Newcombe and Tony Roche in doubles.

Tony Ryan is another who dedicated his life to tennis and boasts a decorated playing career and a devotion to the sport like few others.

Like Will, Tony has 10 State Grade titles to his name and also won 3 Singles and 4 Doubles Victorian Hardcourt Championships but also served the sport as an LTAV Councillor, Victorian Selector, LTAV Vice President, a Davis Cup Selector, a Director of Tennis Australia and is now a Life Member.

Tony's dedication to the sport over many years is a credit to his passion for tennis across the country.

We sadly note that Tony passed away on Friday the 20th of August. The Club offers Judy and her family sincere condolences for their tragic loss.

Caroline Hill's passion for the Club continues to shine through as she remains active within the Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary. She was also a big part of the Social Committee for many years and her work was recognised in 2006 when she received the Distinguished Member Award.

And not many of us can say we've been involved with a Melbourne Cup winner but it was interesting to hear about Margaret King's family owning the 1965 Cup winner, Light Fingers.

As you can see, the Club has inducted another large group of loyal and proud Members and we hope they enjoy the friends they've made and this magnificent Club for years to come.



The latest inductees to the 50 year member category at Kooyong. Top left: Darren James, Will Coghlan and Ian Hill. Top right: Caroline Hill with her son and President, Ian Hill.

Kooyong Pair Win World Titles

Kooyong's Glenn Busby has again reached the pinnacle of Seniors tennis by winning the World 50's Singles Championship while Paul Kleverlaan has won the 40+ Doubles title in San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

After injuring his calf in the World Team Event, Glenn was in a race to be fit for the individual World Championships and luckily made it to the starting line for the first round.

After struggling through his first round match 7/5 6/4 against a top Columbian player, Glenn got off to a great start against his Israeli opponent in the second round to win 6/0 7/5 after being 5/2 down in the second set.

Glenn then faced a Mexican who had knocked out the 8th seed in the previous round but comfortably won his quarterfinal 6/1 6/2.

The semi final was a different story as Glenn faced an American who had already won two World Championship titles and was in his first year the 50's age category.

After losing the first set 6/4 and being a break down in the second set, Glenn

rallied to keep himself in the match by winning the set 6/4.

Glenn found himself down again in the third set but again found that little bit extra to take the set and the match 4/6 6/4 6/2 for a very satisfying win.

The final was a bit easier as Glenn faced off against the equal number one in the world, Belgium's Pierre Godfried, and he jumped out to a quick lead and took the first set 6/2.

In the second set Glenn produced some scintillating tennis to have his opponent on the ropes before Godfried retired from the match. This is the third time Godfried has retired against Glenn so he definitely has his measure.

In the 40+ Doubles, former State Grade player Paul Kleverlaan and his partner, Chris O'Mara, survived a huge battle in the quarterfinals against the top seeds and eventually went on to win the World Championship.

The pair knocked out the third seeds in the semi final and the second seeds in the final for a well-deserved victory.

Congratulations to both Glenn and Paul on these wonderful achievements.



Archives & Research Centre



Kooyong. Victorian Schoolboys and Schoolgirls Championships. December, 1959.

Hopman aged 13 (Janet Hemming); photos of Gerald Patterson & Jack Hawkes, the American Davis Cup team of R N Williams, Bill Tilden, V Richards and Bill Johnston, the 1954 Challenge Round Davis Cup teams, and the winning Australian Bonne Bell Cup team with Jim Entink, Cleveland 1972 (Nancy Entink); Dunlop Maxply tennis racquet initialled LAH (Hoad) (Jonathan Ramsden) and a photo of the 1935 Schoolboys and Schoolgirls Championships at Kooyong (Jack Best front row with Keith Lipshut).

Norman Marshall
Club Archivist

The club's archival collection has been enhanced by the following donations: Souvenir of the Draw for the 1946 Davis Cup Challenge Round (John Clark); 1949 Wimbledon photos of Gussie Moran, Gardnar Mulloy, Ted Schroeder and Miss P A O'Connell (who lost to Australian Joyce Fitch in the first round)

(Barbara Morrison); photo of Anthony Wilding serving to Norman Brookes in the 1914 Wimbledon final and "Hints on Tennis by Frank Sedgman" (John Dean) as well as "The Book of Tennis Lists" by John Newcombe (Bob Williams).

The Club also received a photo of Nell

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The first crop of Kooyong Fitzgerald Scholarship recipients are already making their mark on the Australian tennis stage.

Several of the youngsters who joined the program at Kooyong this year have achieved good results at the Optus Winter Nationals in Brisbane in early July.

Melbourne boy Chase Ferguson teamed with Kevin Shu from NSW to win the 12s doubles title, while Caleb Boland from Lysterfield reached the quarter finals of the singles and the semi finals of the doubles in the same age group.

Two of the Kooyong girls, Brigitte Beck, from Point Cook, and Annabelle Andrinopoulos, from Oakleigh, were among the top players in the 14s section. Brigitte made the semis of the singles and the quarters of the doubles, with Annabelle getting to the doubles semis.

In the same age group, Brighton youngster Marc Polmans made round 16 of the singles and a quarter final of the doubles.

Some of the older Kooyong juniors also had fine results in the Under 18 ITF events in Queensland in July:



Kooyong's Chase Ferguson won the 12's doubles title at the Optus Winter Nationals.

QUEENSLAND JUNIOR ITF SHAW PARK INTERNATIONAL, 11 - 17 JULY

- Belinda Woolcock** - Semi Final Singles
- Molly Polak** - Quarter Final Singles
- Stefani Stojic** - Semi Final Doubles
- Lorenzo Alforque** - Semi Final Doubles

DBSN GROUP QUEENSLAND JUNIOR ITF INTERNATIONAL, 18 - 25 JULY

- Molly Polak** - Semi Final Singles, Quarter Final Doubles
- Belinda Woolcock** - Quarter Final Doubles
- Stefani Stojic** - Quarter Final Doubles
- Lorenzo Alforque** - Quarter Final Doubles



Moonga Road Gate

Members would have noticed that a gate has been installed across the roadway behind courts 41 to 43.

This road is secured by the Kooyong security system and the Club membership card provides access to the road and northwest car park.

A card reader is located on the bollard, located on the driver's side just before the gate.

This gate secures the surrounding area between St. Kevins and Kooyong and in future will overcome the need to secure the gates below the railway.

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COMMEMORATIVE EDITION

Members should have received a copy of the Commemorative edition of Courtside with the August Courtside.

This issue celebrates the completion of the Beyond 2010 project and outlines all the services and facilities available to Members.

Kooyong is now a world-class facility and tennis is just part of what we can offer you as part of your membership.

Please take your time to familiarise yourself with all the activities and opportunities available at this wonderful Club and if you have any questions about something you would like to get involved in just contact the Club on 9822 3333.



ANNUAL REPORT

As previously advised, the Club will change the way the Annual Report is made available to Members.

In future, the Annual Report will be available electronically on the Club's website in October.

This will provide production cost savings and support the Club's strategic initiative relating to environmental sustainability.

You may still receive a printed copy, if you choose.

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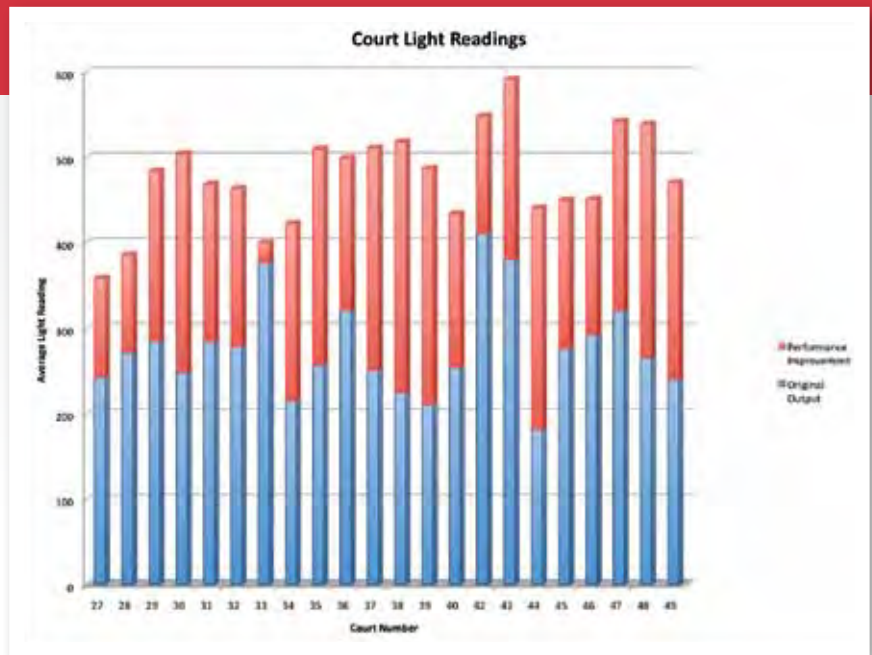
Court Lights

To improve court conditions at night, a review of court lights took place with our lighting consultant and a major program was implemented to upgrade all of the court lights.

The result has been a significant improvement as shown in the following chart.

The information in blue shows the light intensity prior to the change and the red reflects the increase in light intensity achieved by the work undertaken.

Further work will be undertaken and regular readings will be taken and changes made as required with a view to maintaining appropriate light levels.



Grass Court Maintenance



An important aspect of our annual maintenance program for grass courts in recent years has been our commitment to laser leveling and returfing.

The improvement in court conditions as a result has been considerable and the courts have played much better throughout the season and longer into each year.

This season work has been undertaken to laser level and returf courts 1 to 5.

At the end of this year, there will be only one remaining section of courts to complete the work and it is expected that courts 6 to 9 will be returfed in 2011.

The general maintenance work for grass courts this season is also well advanced.

Grounds staff have prepared base lines for turf replacement as required and weed control and fertilization programs are well advanced.

We look forward to good spring weather to encourage the new growth ahead of our season opening in November.

Visitors

Members must comply with all Rules and Regulations when bringing visitors to the Club.

That responsibility extends to the behavior of guests at the Club, signing in and payment of fees and compliance with regulations including dress code requirements.

Members may bring visitors to

participate in sporting activities, up to the maximum number of visits permitted.

On all occasions visitors must be signed in prior to play and the appropriate fees paid.

During play, visitor slips must be displayed so that staff can identify that payment has been made.

All visitors in the Clubhouse must be signed in upon arrival.

The gymnasium and swimming pool are non-visitor areas. Under no circumstances are visitors permitted in either area.

Any breaches will result in follow up action, which could have serious consequences.

Further information regarding Rules and Regulations is available on the club website or from reception.

POOL ETIQUETTE

Members are reminded of the need to consider other swimmers when using the pool.

Members must shower prior to entering the pool and observe all signs.

The following guidelines apply when swimming

- Select a lane based on speed signage
- Keep to the left of the lane while swimming
- Wait until the end of the lane to pass a swimmer in front of you
- Check both directions before moving across any lanes
- Stand in the corners of the lane to allow other swimmers to continue swimming laps

NOTICE TO PARENTS

Children in the Swimming Pool

There have been several complaints recently about the behavior of children using the swimming pool.

A concerning incident recently required the pool to be closed following a weekend swim session for children.

Privileges are extended to members to bring their children to swim at designated times and it is a requirement that appropriate control be exercised at all times.

Parents are reminded that the following conditions apply for children in the pool:

- Children are only permitted during nominated times
- Parents must remain with children at all times
- Parents must exercise control over the activities of children when they are using the pool
- Children must not be permitted to run around the swimming pool
- Children must be respectful of members who may be using the pool during their swimming period
- Children must not impact on the swimming activity of other members

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PORTSEA GOLF CLUB UPDATE

Portsea Golf Club, with whom Kooyong has a reciprocal arrangement, has recently announced the sale of 4 of the 5 blocks of land in its Stage 1 release.

The Club has announced the release of a further 2 blocks as Stage 2.

Michael Power, Portsea's Redevelopment Manager, has advised that the Club is now moving into the Design Development Phase of its Project to develop a new clubhouse situated on the highest point on the course.

The new clubhouse will have sweeping views across Port Phillip Bay and Bass Strait. It will naturally cater for golf operations but will have extensive entertainment facilities to cater for weddings, parties and conferences along with 24 accommodation units.

Portsea is intending to move into the construction phase in the first half of 2011 subject to some further land sales.

Leading agent Kay & Burton has landed two of the recent sales with the other two sales made by the Club itself.

The identity of the purchasers is under wraps, however, Kay & Burton's Liz Jensen reveals that we can look forward to seeing some 'serious Portsea homes appearing there in the near future'.

The blocks are currently on what is unused grassland on the perimeter of the course adjacent to the first hole and fronting the fashionable Relph Avenue.

Portsea Golf Club President, Keith Coghlan said, 'I see the recent progress with the redevelopment as an important step in furthering the excellent relationship with Kooyong and enhancing the facilities on offer to the Portsea and Kooyong memberships'.



Royal Lake Club, Malaysia

Reciprocal Clubs

The Royal Lake Club has been acknowledged as the most active and established club in Malaysia with a membership of over 8,900.

Founded on August 16, 1890, the Royal Lake Club is centrally located in Kuala Lumpur amidst the lush and green Lake Gardens. Today, as envisioned by the former Prime Minister and Past President, the late Tun Abdul Razak, the Royal Lake Club is Malaysia's premier club.

As one of the oldest and leading social clubs, the Royal Lake Club has always played an eminent role in setting standards and in maintaining its own strict code of excellence.

Its membership reflects this and it is not surprising that both the membership

and the evolution of the Club have been closely associated with the progress of the society in Malaysia.

The Club has always been a fantastic venue for the private and public sectors to meet and develop lasting ties. As noted by the former Prime Minister and Patron, YAB Dato Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, not least among the Club's achievements has been its successful transition from an exclusive colonial institution into an open multi-racial club in keeping with the changing environment of an independent multi-racial Malaysia.

Its central location makes it the most convenient place to meet, and the Club's dining and recreation centres are always well patronised by members and guests.

There club has several food and

beverage options available to members including the Batek Bar, Bunga Raya Restaurant, Buttery, Garden Café and Orchid as well as the Poolsode Terrace.

The sporting facilities range from the tennis courts, artificial turf and hardcourts, squash courts, swimming pools, gymnasium, billiards room and through to the multi purpose hall that holds badminton, Tae Kwon Do and other activities.

Please contact KLTC prior to your departure from Melbourne to make arrangements for a letter of introduction for any clubs you intend to visit.

This enables us to advise the reciprocal club of your visit in advance to ensure they are prepared for your arrival. We can also provide you with an information sheet detailing the club's facilities and services.

victoria racing club

reciprocal arrangement

The Club is pleased to announce a new reciprocal partnership with the Victoria Racing Club (VRC).

As part of this reciprocal partnership, Kooyong Members will have access to the exclusive Members' Enclosure at VRC race meetings held at Flemington throughout the year. In addition, Members may also introduce up to four guests.

Kooyong Members and their guests must pay racecourse admission and then proceed to the Raceday and Ticketing Office to obtain Members' Enclosure ticketing.

Upon presentation of your membership card, Kooyong Members can obtain one complimentary Members' Enclosure pass. Guest passes must be purchased.

VRC Members' dress regulations apply. For further information visit www.vrc.net.au

Race meetings available to Kooyong Members

Racing Rewards Raceday Saturday 7 August 2010

Western Health Community Raceday Saturday 11 December 2010

Christmas Raceday Saturday 18 December 2010

New Year's Raceday Saturday 1 January 2011

Chester Manifold Stakes Day Saturday 15 January 2011

Summer Heroes Raceday Saturday 22 January 2011

Coolmore Lightning Stakes Day Saturday 19 February 2011

Community Raceday Saturday 16 April 2011

Anzac Day (featuring VRC St Leger) Monday 25 April 2011

Flemington Green Fields Raceday Saturday 7 May 2011

Andrew Ramsden Stakes Day Saturday 21 May 2011

Queen's Birthday Raceday Saturday 11 June 2011

David Bourke Provincial Plate Day Saturday 25 June 2011

Flemington Finals Day Saturday 9 July 2011

Flemington Winter Raceday Saturday 23 July 2011





NEW EXECUTIVE CHEF

CHRIS GOULDING

Respected Chef Chris Goulding joined Kooyong to take up the position of Executive Chef from the 12th of July.

Chris cut his teeth as an apprentice at the famed Marchetti's Latin and went on to work at Italy 1 and Lynch's before partnering in his own restaurant, Mei Melo.

In recent times he has headed up the team at the highly regarded O'Connell's Hotel.

Chris has a reputation for good food and meeting the needs of discerning diners.

He says his style leans towards the classics, but is uncomplicated.

'I want diners to have true food on the plate. It is important to understand diners' needs and enhance a good menu with quality, fresh ingredients,' he said.

'I'm excited about the challenge and diversity at Kooyong and look forward to delivering food which compliments the wonderful clubhouse and dining areas'.

We welcome Chris in his new position and look forward to seeing his influence on the food and beverage area of the Club.

Thai Green Curry

- 2 Shallots
- 80g green curry paste
- 4 cans coconut cream (Mae ploy brand)
- 4 x 150g swordfish
- 100g Oyster Mushrooms
- 3 heads garlic
- 2 lime leaves
- 50g palm sugar, grated
- 50g fish sauce
- 100g Snow peas
- 100g peas

Roast the shallots and garlic until soft and golden, under aluminium foil if necessary. Squeeze the flesh from the garlic and puree together with the shallots and curry paste.

Place a large stainless steel pan over moderate heat, cook the curry paste for several minutes until fragrant along with the lime leaf.

Gradually add the coconut cream, small amount at a time. Once all the cream is added, stir in the palm sugar and fish sauce. Bring to the boil, taste and check seasoning.

Lightly poach the fish in the sauce, add the vegetables and simmer until the fish is cooked. Serve with steamed rice and coriander.



THE CITY CLUB

Wine Challenge

THE CITY CLUB WINE CHALLENGE IS A FUN EVENT TO FOSTER INTER-CLUB RELATIONSHIPS BY GIVING MEMBERS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ENTERTAINING AND EDUCATIONAL WINE TRIVIA COMPLEMENTED BY A THREE-COURSE DINNER.

Teams of 6-8 will taste 2 brackets of wines (4 whites and 4 reds, local and international). Points will be awarded for accurately identifying variety, region, vintage and producer.

The winning team will receive prizes and the accolades of their colleagues and competitors.

The winning Club will hold the University House Cup for one year, and have the right to host the City Club Wine Challenge.

Palate training sessions will take place in preparation for the event.

To register your interest please contact Patrice Renaudin on 9822 3333 or patrice@kooyongltd.asn.au.

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TENNIS VICTORIA'S NEW PREMIER LEAGUE

OCTOBER WILL SEE THE BEGINNING OF TENNIS VICTORIA'S NEW ELITE LEVEL TENNIS COMPETITION, THE PREMIER LEAGUE.

After winning the final men's and women's State Grade titles up for grabs last year, the Club will now look to field a strong team for the inaugural Premier League season.

The new competition will see several

changes to the traditional format that should make for a short and exciting season.

The biggest initiatives include the change of date to October/November, the addition of two players to each side to make it six per team, a five match season to be played over four weeks and the option to use an on court coach on match days.

The change of date and reduction to six teams allows for some of the touring players to return later in the year and will

help boost the depth of the competition.

The match day format has also changed with three best of two sets doubles rubbers with a 10-point match tie-break at one set all being played first and the six singles rubbers following in order of merit.

Kooyong has lodged teams in both the men's and women's competitions and we now wait for acceptance from Tennis Victoria.

Men's Preview

Paul Arber



Richard Fromberg



Jay Salter



This new competition and its format should get great support from some of Victoria's best tennis talent and may even see players from overseas featuring in several sides.

Kooyong's depth will be the key to its season and with Jay Salter set to lead the new team into action we should be in the running when the business end of the season comes around.

With Richard Fromberg, Lee Pearson, Paul Arber and Jay at the top of the order the team should be able to compete with most sides going around but add in David Bidmeade, Rob Phillips, Daniel Byrnes, Matthew Coghlan, Anthony Zafiris, Matthew Carroll and Andrew Whittington and you have a side that bats extremely deep.

Doubles could prove to be a huge influence on matches in this format and that is an enormous strength of this side.

The challenges will come from MCC and Grace Park but the Liston Tennis Club might prove to be one of the strongest teams in this competition this year.

After their first season back in the State Grade competition last year, Liston is likely to feature some big names including the Statham twins from New Zealand, Michael Staniak and former Kooyong scholarship holder Andrew Gregory but it will be interesting to see how they gel as a side.

Geelong has also indicated they are likely to apply for a team in the new competition so it will be interesting to see how their line up looks in the coming weeks.

This is an exciting time for tennis in Victoria and hopefully the new format lives up to expectations.

Women's Preview

The Club will look to field an extremely strong side for the upcoming Premier League season and depending on the availability of players should be aiming to win another pennant.

On paper this side is extremely impressive and the girls would be hoping to finish on top of the ladder to gain the advantage of moving straight into the grand final.

Sandy Vo will captain the side and she will have some of Victoria's brightest talent at her disposal.

From Viktorija Rajicic, Ewa Radzikowska, Belinda Woolcock and Molly Polak down to Lisa D'Amelio, Sandy Vo, Stefani Stojic, Laura McNamara, Karen Kleverlaan and Bryanna Fisers you have an extremely strong line up for both singles and doubles.

Royal South Yarra's depth in women's tennis should see it compete with the best sides in the new competition and should be there when the whips are cracking in November.

The composition of some of the other teams is a bit of a mystery at the moment but with many girls returning from European summers you would expect some tough competition.

Let's hope the new competition gets off to a flying start and can continue to build into the future.

Ewa Radzikowska



Karen Kleverlaan



Women's

Pennant Round Up



From left: Brigitte Beck, Ashleigh Capannolo, Laura Rabinovich and Sandy Vo

Women's tennis at the club continues to strengthen across the board and is highlighted by three teams finishing in the top four of the two Grade 1 sections.

Sandy Vo's Grade 1 side has been in fantastic form throughout the season and finished on top of the ladder.

With Molly Polak, Sandy, Bryanna Fisers, Rebecca Leahy and Sophie Vickers on board they have a strong side but add Brigitte Beck and Annabelle Andrinopoulos to the mix and you have an elite team.

Most of these girls would be hoping to play in the new Premier League competition in October so you can understand why they've been so dominant.

They will play Royal South Yarra No 1 in the semi final and should have the edge over a team they know extremely well.

Most of these girls clashed in last year's State Grade final and hopefully the Kooyong girls can repeat the result in 2010.

Catherine Louis' Grade 1 side finished second on the ladder and will go into their semi final with MCC full of confidence.

With Catherine, Laura McNamara, Jessie Tamber, Ashleigh Capannolo, Laura Rabinovich and Anna Judd, you can see a great blend of youth and experience that will take some beating.

Laura McNamara has been in great form and is another player to watch later in the year.

The last of the three Grade 1 sides to make the top four is Hannah Arnold's team and they have a star in the making at number one, Belinda Woolcock, and a very experienced star of the competition, Karen Kleverlaan, keeping this team in great shape.

A win in the semi final will open up a huge opportunity for this team to go all the way as long as they continue their strong singles form.

Their biggest threat will come from Sandy Vo's star studded line up but anything is possible in finals.

In Grade 2, Kate Francis' team is on the verge of another finals campaign and with Romy Stephens and Briony McKenzie playing well they could give their opponents a real scare.

Despite missing Taylor Capannolo they should still acquit themselves well in the semi final.

Renee Sheary's Grade 3 side is another team with high expectations going into the finals. This talented young team has shown throughout the season that they can compete with their older and more experienced opponents and could

produce some fantastic results for the club.

Katerine Valos and Destanee Aiava have set an amazing standard for this team and should prove to be very tough to beat for any opponent.

The great thing about this team is its depth and with Renee Sheary, Jade Sheary, Sara Kyriazopoulos, Tijana Trifunovich and Daphne Mantzanidis all competing for spots you know they'll be tough to beat at any position.

Tennis Victoria Pennants are tough to win at any level but there is enough talent in these sides to suggest at least one might make its way back to the club in the next few weeks.

It's been another strong Tennis Victoria Pennant season for the men's teams at Kooyong.

There have been some fantastic performances over the course of a long winter season and the rewards will be seen during August as our teams attempt to win their respective pennant flags.

Matthew Carroll's Grade 1 team looks to be in great shape as they move into the semi final stages with a strong line up for both singles and doubles.

Matthew Coghlan, Anthony Zafiris, Matthew Carroll and Mitch Burman should prove to be a tough quartet to get past in the top grade but there's some big challengers to defeat to win the flag.

Caulfield Rec looks to be the biggest threat since they boast Kooyong's State Grade star Jay Salter and also Lewis Miles.

Another team to keep an eye on is MCC who boast several 2009 State Grade players and have taken all before them in Sunday's Grade 1 section while Mt Eliza is a very experienced and talented line up and could beat anyone on their day.

This is obviously a tough grade to win but Matthew Carroll's boys will give it a real shake leading into the new Premier League competition that starts in October.

Another team that has been in great form is Joel Wickman's Grade 3 side. These boys have found a way to win all season and are sure to test any team in this grade.

Joel Wickman, Aaryn Nania and Peter Ikosidekas have been in great form but will need to continue that into the finals if they are to progress through their own section.

In Grade 5, Kooyong's two teams have both had wonderful seasons and both have the firepower to do some damage in the finals.

Martin Cassidy's team is in great shape and with Martin Warwick qualified for finals they could be a dark horse to win the grade.

Damian Mescher's team has been tough to beat all season especially with Michael Jeffrey firing on all cylinders at number one but they're in a very competitive section so they have plenty of work to do.

The Seniors teams have been in great form all season and most should make the finals.

Cam Dickinson's Grade 1 side are in the running to make the grand final but need to win their last few matches to sneak into the top two while in Grade 2 David Cox's

and Graeme Heath's teams are battling it out for fourth spot on the ladder.

In Grade 4 Seniors, Don Heath's team sit on top of the ladder and must be favourites to win the pennant. This side will be keen to move back up to Grade 3 next season.

The Club also has the top two sides in Grade 6 Seniors with Michael Bolger's team cruising through the season and looking to be the team to beat but Doug Bell's team will be keen to knock them off in the finals.

Let's hope we see several pennant flags on display at the bar at the end of another successful season.



Anthony Zafiris and Matthew Carroll (above) have been in great form again this season.

Men's Pennant Round Up

junior competition news



The Club has just come off another successful junior competition season where more than half of our teams played finals in the Bayside Regional Tennis Association Junior Competition.

On Saturday morning the Club fielded 5 teams across the two sections and four of these teams finished in the top four.

In Section 1, Januz Zecevic's team finished clearly on top of the ladder and won through to the grand final by defeating Erin Ronge's Section 1 side. In the grand final Januz's team met another Kooyong side, this time it was Harry Atkins' team, and they won an extremely close match to take out the pennant.

In Section 2, Rachel Main's team had a wonderful season and finished in the top two of a five-team section to make the grand final but unfortunately they lost to Carmelite on the day.

On Sunday morning Kooyong fielded 12 teams in the 19-section competition and six of our teams made it through to the finals.

Charlie Atkins' Section 2 team finished the season on top of the ladder and won their semi final to move into the grand final but unfortunately lost to St Joan of Arc. Martin Kaminsky's Section 2 side also made the finals in this section but also found the talented St Joan of Arc side too good on the day.

In Section 3, Hugh Davenport's team won their semi final to move into the grand final but also lost in a close match by 4 rubbers to 2.

Lachlan Chan's Section 7 team made it through to the semi finals but unfortunately lost to a better team on the day and Laura Hallam's Section 12 side suffered the same fate in their semi final.

In Section 9, Sarah Shellard's team made it through their semi final but after a rain delay on the original date they were unfortunately beaten in the grand final.

Congratulations to all of our teams on another fantastic season and we look forward to more results like these at the end of the current season.



Victorian team in the Australian Seniors Tennis Teams Championship, Gold Coast, January 2010

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PENNANT PROFILES



NAME: ASHLEIGH CAPANNOLO

AGE: 15 GRADE: 1 PENNANT PLAY L/H OR R/H: RH

AUSTRALIAN RANKING:

135 NATIONALLY OR 10TH IN MY BIRTH YEAR

TENNIS ACHIEVEMENTS:

I have competed in many 12's, 14's, 16's and Open Tournaments. I have won 1 Open Tournament in singles and in the recent 14's winter nationals in April this year that were held in Brisbane I came 3rd. I lost to the girl that won the overall tournament. In many of the junior events I have made finals and I have won a few of them. I represented Victoria in the Bruce Cup in 2007. For the past few years I was part of the Victorian State Squad. In the Kooyong Club Championships in 2010 I won the A Grade singles.

MOST ADMIRE SPORTSPERSON/WHY?

An inspiring sportsperson to me is Lance Armstrong. He had cancer and got over it and now is still doing very well in his cycling. After pulling through his cancer he came back and won the Tour de France and is still cycling today in that event and many others.

GREATEST INFLUENCE ON TENNIS CAREER/WHY?

The people that have influenced me are my parents. When I was younger my dad used to always take me down for a hit at the local tennis club with my sister. My mum also drives me to all my tennis tournaments and trainings during the week. My sister and I also encourage each other to strive and do the best we can.

GREATEST SPORTING MOMENT WITNESSED?

When I was at the Australian Open 2010 being a ball kid, I got to watch the Women's and Men's singles finals courtside. It was amazing watching these players up close.

WHAT GOALS HAVE YOU SET FOR YOURSELF IN TENNIS?

My goal is to play tennis at an elite level and potentially travel the world on tour.

HOW IS YOUR PENNANT TEAM GOING?

My Grade one pennant team is now in the section finals. We have been going very well. I really enjoy playing pennant in the team and love going on Saturday mornings to play and have fun.

IF YOU WEREN'T A TENNIS PLAYER WHAT WOULD YOU BE?

If I weren't a tennis player I would probably be doing athletics and cross-country because I love running and I do these sports for school at the moment. Like my sister, I also played basketball and when we were younger we had to choose between basketball and tennis because we couldn't do all the training sessions for both.

WHAT DO YOU DO OUTSIDE OF TENNIS?

Outside of tennis I catch up with my friends, go to school, relax at home and spend time with my family and my dog,

HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU SPEND DEVELOPING YOUR TENNIS EACH WEEK?

I spend around 12-13 hours of tennis training a week.

SACRIFICES REQUIRED TO PLAY TENNIS AT A HIGH LEVEL?

During my school holidays I spend most of the time playing tennis tournaments. I have to manage school work and catching up with friends.



NAME: TAYLOR CAPANNOLO

AGE: 15 GRADE: 2 PENNANT PLAY L/H OR R/H: RH

AUSTRALIAN RANKING:

379 NATIONALLY

TENNIS ACHIEVEMENTS:

I have competed in many 12's, 14's, 16's and Open Tournaments. I have been a finalist in many 12's and 14's singles and doubles and won a few junior events. I captained the Grade 4 pennant team in 2009 and my team won the Grand Final. In 2010 I played in the Grade 2 pennant team for Kooyong and we made the section finals. I have also competed in many 12's and 14's Optus national events. In 2009 I was invited to train as part of the Victorian State Squad.

MOST ADMIRE SPORTSPERSON/WHY?

I admire Roger Federer. I love watching him play as he has so much variety in his game and is so composed on court. I think that he is a great mentor and influence for all of us.

GREATEST INFLUENCE ON TENNIS CAREER/WHY?

The people that have influenced me are my parents. When I was younger my dad used to always take me for a hit with my sister at my local tennis club. They have always supported me and dad has spent a lot of time hitting with me over the years. They give me a lot of positive encouragement. Also my sister and I help encourage each other to strive and do the best we can.

GREATEST SPORTING MOMENT WITNESSED?

When I was a ball kid in the Australian Open 2010 Women's final I got to ball kid Serena Williams and Justine Henin and I was able to watch these players play up close. It was an amazing experience.

WHAT GOALS HAVE YOU SET FOR YOURSELF IN TENNIS?

My goal is to compete at an elite level of tennis and potentially travel the world.

HOW IS YOUR PENNANT TEAM GOING?

My Grade 2 pennant team went really well as we made it to the section pennant finals this season. I really enjoyed playing with my team as I got along great with all everyone.

IF YOU WEREN'T A TENNIS PLAYER WHAT WOULD YOU BE?

I am passionate about my sport and would definitely be competing in another sport at an elite level. I used to play basketball a lot and would have played this but I chose tennis over basketball. If I didn't play tennis I would probably be playing basketball. I also enjoy soccer and athletics, which I sometimes play for school.

WHAT DO YOU DO OUTSIDE OF TENNIS?

Outside of tennis I read books, catch up with my friends, go to school, relax at home and spend time with my family and dog.

HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU SPEND DEVELOPING YOUR TENNIS EACH WEEK?

I spend around 12-13 hours training for tennis a week.

SACRIFICES REQUIRED TO PLAY TENNIS AT A HIGH LEVEL?

During the school holidays I play tennis tournaments and I am involved in training most nights after school. I have to balance school work, social friendships and tennis because tennis takes up so much time. However, I have learnt to be organised and plan ahead which is a good skill to have in life.

Kooyong International Tennis Academy

It has been an exciting first half of 2010 at the Kooyong International Tennis Academy (KITA). A number of new programs have started which have received a great response from our members. Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to helping cater for all your tennis needs into the future.

● KITA Is Focused On

1. Providing a team-training environment where players and coaches train together and motivate each other to achieve their individual and group goals.
2. Teaching tennis as a sport played from the ground up, emphasising good footwork, balance, and general fitness.
3. Providing opportunities for more days on court during the week to improve skills that depend on repeated practice.
4. Promoting tennis as a sport for the whole family crossing traditional age and gender boundaries.

● Kita Monday & Friday Night Squads

These have been restructured to provide a team-training pathway from 5 year-old beginners through to nationally ranked juniors. A variety of programs are on offer between 4pm and 7pm.

● Kita Monday And Friday Night Inhouse Competitions (4.15Pm-6Pm)

This is our in-house match-play clinic for our young members 9-12 y/o who have not played competition tennis yet, or who have just started out and want to develop confidence and experience in competition format. Run by John McInnes who has a wealth of tennis knowledge and experience and is a great opportunity for young players to learn strategies and tactics.

● Kita Tennis Bootcamps

The Bootcamps have been pumping in the early hours of the morning, running 6.30am-8am Tuesday & Thursday mornings. This is for players of all ages and competition standards.

For advanced/elite players, drills are designed to improve your footwork patterns, speed, power, agility, and endurance while using your core to keep balanced.

Intermediate and recreational players will find great tennis and fitness benefits too. It's a dynamic, safe and social way to workout instead of churning out the km's on the treadmill. This is a High-Intensity, High-Energy, High-Repetition Tennis Workout.

● Kita Midday Tennis Bootcamp

Running from 12Noon-1pm Tuesday & Thursday get out of the house or office and onto the court!

Run by Greg Wikman (BaApp Sci Sports Sci Level 2 TA coach), this midday bootcamp has become a great addition to our daytime services and is becoming popular with our adult members. It gives you a 60-minute cardio and full body workout while hitting 1000's of balls. This caters for all ages and standards.

● Kita Monday And Wednesday Ladies Clinics

Limited places are available for Monday 9.30-11.30 and Wednesday 9.30-11.00. This is a great place to start for beginners to gain skills and confidence before beginning competition. It's also a great structure for competition players looking to improve their game and doubles tactics/strategies. It's a good social environment to meet others to form teams and friendships within the club.

● Kita Holiday Clinics

The next school holidays will see us further develop our program where we will cater for specialised programs. We will have specialist coaches with programs that have been developed for the young 4-6 year olds.

We will also run our really popular normal program for older ages and also provide a program for advanced players, who are really looking to train hard in the morning and work on their match play in the afternoon. Matches will be videoed and game analysis will take place relevant to strategies and appropriate tactics.

● Kita Advanced Tennis Program

The Kooyong Advanced Tennis Program is a daytime training program for post junior tennis players who have finished school and would like to keep developing their tennis in a professional training environment. Out of this program 2 players have already been placed into Colleges in the USA.

Our goal is to be able to cater for the needs of our KLTC Members so please contact the office on 98246860 and we look forward to assisting you with all your tennis needs.

Coaching Tip

So often you hear parents and players saying after a lost match, "I should have won it, my strokes looked so much better, I hit the ball much better" and yet they lost.

So what went wrong? So often players go on court without a plan, all good players during the warm up will be able to pick out weaknesses in their opponents and then decide how they will use their strengths to exploit these weaknesses.

Often players get beaten by playing their strengths against their opponents strengths, and if the opponent is stronger in this area they lose. Many times a player needs to use their weaker shots to exploit an opponent, by using different angles, spin or height to get to their opponent off balance and then be able to use their strength to put their opponent away.

A player's best match is when they are playing badly and can find a way to win, then you know they're a good player. A good player is also a good thinker and analyst. It's easy to win when you are playing well. So look for your opponent's weaknesses and develop a plan, any plan is better than none.

Stick with it if it is working and be prepared to change it if it's not working. Keep thinking!

tip



Midweek Ladies Report

The Bayside Midweek Ladies competition recently played their finals series for the February to June season with 2 pennants won by our teams.

On Tuesday mornings, Jane Lennon's Section 2 finished first and went on to win their grand final against Dendy Park No 2.

The team, pictured right, was playing its first season of competition together and have now moved up into Section 1.

On Thursday mornings, Kris Tulloch's Section A team finished the February to June season in 5th position on the ladder while Anne Saville's Section 1 team finished 3rd and lost their semi final against East Malvern No 1.

In Section 2, Sarah Cudlipp's team finished in 6th place while Gillian Rickett's Section 3 team finished on top of the ladder and went on to win another grand final, this time against Black Rock.

Nancy Bassett's team, also in Section 3, finished the season in 6th place on the ladder.



From left: The Bayside Section 2 winning side of Di Synott, Georgie Strugnell, Jane Lennon, Kate Wraith-Bell, Sally Gorton and Janine Ross

Cate Robinson's Section 4 side had a successful season but lost the final after finishing 3rd on the ladder and Anne Fitzpatrick's Section 5 team finished 2nd and lost their semi final against Black Rock.

On Tuesday mornings in the MEMRLTA winter season the Club has three teams currently competing and two of those are in the A1 Section.

Rosie Kovacs' side is currently sitting in 5th position on the ladder while Bridget Laird's team is in 7th spot at this stage of the season.

To round out our teams Sandra Daly's A3 side is in 9th spot on the ladder.

Congratulations to our two Bayside Regional Tennis Association teams on their recent pennant wins and good luck to all our teams for the remainder of the season.

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billiards and snooker report

By Alistair Macindoe

Our A-Grade team finished in second last place in the inter-club snooker competition, winning exactly one third of the frames contested. As in previous years, a lack of firepower has been evident. Our prospects in the billiards are much brighter.

Upcoming Events – All Welcome

On Friday 3rd September a social night of snooker will be held against the Sandringham Club here at Kooyong, while on Friday 1st October our opponents will be Royal South Yarra Tennis Club (at RSY).

These nights are great fun. If you would like to play, please send an email to me at alistairmacindoe@yahoo.com.au.

Then on Friday 12th November the 2010 Handicap Snooker Tournament will be held at the Club starting at 7pm. Entry is free.

Please enter by putting your name down in the Billiards Room, or by sending an email to me. Players of lesser ability will be given big handicaps, so that everyone has a chance to win.

David Cosgriff Wins Club Snooker Championships

David Cosgriff (pictured) won the Club Snooker championship in a canter, being far too strong for all his competitors. He won the Final 3-0 against Ian Dale.

Technical Tip Of The Month

Try to keep the left arm (for right-handed players) straight. This helps you stay still on the shot, and gives the best view of the shot.

Quote Of The Month

“Playing snooker gives you firm hands and helps to build up character. It is the ideal recreation for dedicated nuns.”

Archbishop Luigi Barbarito (1922 -), papal emissary.

Crèche

The Kooyong Crèche provides a happy, safe and nurturing environment for children whilst parents make the most of the Club's facilities. For more details or to arrange a tour, please contact the Pro-Shop.

Crèche Session Times & Fees

The crèche operates during school terms, from 9.15am to 12.00pm on Mondays to Thursdays and from 9.15am to 12.15pm on Fridays. The annual family registration fee for 2010 is \$65, with a session fee of \$10 per child.

Recent, Social & Fundraising Events

Sex and the City 2 Movie Night
Tuesday 8th June

At our first movie night for the year, held at the Palace Cinema Balwyn, we had 38 people who attended.

Those in attendance, mainly crèche mums and their family and friends, enjoyed drinks in the foyer upstairs before seeing Carrie, Miranda, Samantha and Charlotte in *Sex and the City 2*.

The night was a fun one and was a successful fundraiser too!

Diary Dates

Please diarise the social and fundraising events still to come for this year:

Parents' Dinner and Billiards
Friday 6th August

Dinner followed by drinks and billiards – it will be cold outside so let's forget the tennis and enjoy a 2-course dinner and drinks followed by more drinks and maybe some billiards.

Ladies Tennis Night
Friday 10th September

Tennis followed by dinner – leave the kids with dad, have fun on the courts and enjoy dinner with the girls.

Mixed Doubles Tennis Night
Friday 22nd October

Tennis followed by dinner – leave the kids with a babysitter, play some mixed doubles and then enjoy drinks and dinner.

Crèche Committee AGM
Wednesday 26th October

If you're interested in joining the committee, please come along.

Kooyong Children's Christmas Party
Sunday 28th November

An annual tradition – a wonderful party to celebrate Christmas for the children of Kooyong Members (not just Crèche children) and their non-member friends, suitable for children 6 years and under.

Samantha Wood *President*

Pennant Update

It's been a busy time on the squash courts at Kooyong recently and four premierships in the autumn pennant season is a fantastic result for the Club.

Not only did the Club win another A1 pennant but it also followed it up with victory in A2, D3 and F Troop.

The undefeated D3 team had an amazing age range from 13 years to 60 years of age!

The spring pennant season has just started and the Club now has two A1 teams after the revamping of this section by Club Circuit. The increase in the number of teams in this section creates an opportunity for more players to attain a regular A Grade standard.

Brad Souter is a welcome addition to our Club and will strengthen our top teams.

Rankings Rise

The National and World rankings of our young players continue to improve with Melody Francis now ranked 4 nationally and 55 in the world.

Melody has also been selected to represent Australia at the upcoming Commonwealth Games to be held in India. This is a fantastic honour and an outstanding achievement.

Sarah Cardwell is up to number 7 in Australia and 80 in the world while Selena Shaikh is ranked 15 in the country and 135 in the world.

In the men's rankings, Josh Cardwell is now ranked 18th in Australia and 155 in the world.

Squash Events

The Club has also recently been in regular dialogue with VicSquash and in the future we will host the Metropolitan Junior Championships and hopefully the Australian Squash Hall of Fame Dinner in early 2011.

It was also great to see the New Caledonian squash team training at Kooyong prior to the state championships recently. Jeremy Sneddon organised the visit and anyone visiting New Caledonia in the future would be welcomed by their grateful squad.

SQUASH NEWS



From left: Sabrina Sobhy, former world champion Sarah Fitz-Gerald and World Junior Squash Champion Amanda Sobhy recently practiced at Kooyong with several other world squash stars

American Squash Champion

It was also great to see quite a few highly ranked ladies on the courts at Kooyong in August in the lead up to the Australian Championships in Canberra.

Amongst them was the current World Junior Champion, America's Amanda Sobhy, who came to hone her skills alongside resident Kooyong and world squash legends, Vicki Cardwell and Sarah Fitz-Gerald.

Amanda, just 17 years of age, is the first American to win a World Squash title and it was great to see her practicing on our courts.

Court Maintenance

Our four courts were refurbished between pennant seasons but within days some inappropriate shoes and buffer strips on rackets have caused unsightly damage to newly sanded floors and freshly painted walls.

Members are reminded that they must wear the correct footwear on the courts at all times.

Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary

The **Royal Children's Hospital** Melbourne



As we reach the halfway mark of 2010, the Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary Committee is busily organizing our activities for the remainder of the year.

Coming up on the 23rd of August is the second Card Day for all our enthusiastic Bridge and Solo players and their friends.

This event will be followed up by the 'Musani Couture' Spring Fashion and Hat Parade on Monday the 27th of September.

We will invite all of our Members and their friends to come along and enjoy

a two-course lunch and beverages, perhaps even purchasing your outfit for the upcoming racing season.

Please check the notice board in the Clubhouse for invitations together with a reply slip for this big event.

We will conclude our fundraising for the year with a Sunday Lunch on the 5th of December in the new Kooyong Room.

I would advise early bookings for this Christmas event to avoid disappointment.

I have included a photograph below of our small but very active committee for 2010 and I welcome any Members willing to join our happy group.

Committee Members include:

President – Marie Devereux,

Vice President – Yvonne Daniel,

Secretary – Caroline Hill,

Assistant Secretary – Joan Layet,

Treasurer – Carmel Quinn, Dorothy Anderson, Ann Marie Coghlan, Denise Cosgriff, Jen Floyd, Marj Galvin, Pam Hoyle, Christine Johnson, Edna Lavelle, Thais Mear, Marie Wright.

Marie Devereux
President



Bridge at Play

Leeron Branicki has decided to step down from her role as President after more than six years. The Club presented Leeron with a silver necklace and bracelet as a token of its appreciation for her tremendous contribution.

During her tenure as President, Leeron's remarkable drive and commitment has seen the introduction of the Kooyong Bridge Congress which showcases our Club to the wider Bridge Community; the broader participation of our Members at other clubs congresses and competitions such as the recent teams event against Royal South Yarra Bridge Club where Kooyong was able to win back the trophy; and generally lifting the standard and standing of the Club overall.

Wendy Johnson has been appointed acting President until elections are held at the next AGM scheduled for October 19.

Diana Wilson and Anthea Gedge won

the Annual Club Pairs Championship for the Jim Borin Trophy, which is run over a three-week period.

Two of our Members, Moira Righetti and Kaylene Duncan had a memorable experience partnering Bobby Richman (The highest master point player in Australia) and George Gaspar (International Bridge Player) respectively.

Our Director, Cathie Lackman, is representing Victoria at the National Championships in the teams event held in Tasmania this month.

There are two duplicate sessions of bridge per week: Monday afternoon players are asked to be seated by 12.20pm for a 12.30pm start. Tuesday evening players are asked to be seated by 7.20pm for a 7.30pm start. Bridge sessions are open to all Members of KLTC. If you need a partner, please ring Elizabeth Neal on 95824548.

On every third Monday of the month, Jeff Fust runs 'Improvers' bridge lessons at Kooyong. These lessons start at 9.30am. Participants are to be seated by 9.20am. The cost is \$15.00. Details of the subject for the lesson are on the notice board and are emailed to all bridge club members.

Our next interclub teams event will be on Tuesday 10th August when the MCC Bridge Club visit for dinner and bridge.

We are holding a KLTC reunion on Tuesday 7th September from 5pm to 6pm for past and present Members of the bridge club to meet for drinks and nibbles. It will be an opportunity to view some memorabilia and catch up with Members from past years.

Full details of events are listed on the noticeboard and the Bridge Club website www.kooyonglta.asn.au. Press 'Bridge' in the left hand column or ring Wendy Johnson on 9819 1764.



Winners of the Borin Trophy were Diana Wilson and Anthea Gedge

THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE



Our May Mixed Doubles Round Robin was yet another sell-out and was, from all accounts, an outstanding day on the grass, rounded off in usual style with a quiet tipple or two and some delicious canapés from the kitchen.

Many thanks must go to our volunteer Court Captains on the day and Committee members for their efforts. As requested by popular demand that night, we've investigated hosting another Round Robin in July/August but sadly courts are not available due to the Club's Pennant commitments during the winter months.

We are, however, tirelessly battling on with our social calendar and in spite of other unforeseen hiccups with some of our planned events.

Our JJ Memorial Round Robin will be on Sunday afternoon October 10th and we have an event scheduled at the Club for Saturday 11th December (details yet to be confirmed).

We'll keep you informed of other exciting future events as soon as we have them finalised.

On that note, be the first to know of our upcoming events by making sure your email address is registered with reception. Also let them know if you have any bright ideas for new social events. We'd love to hear from you.

The Social Committee Annual General

Meeting will be held on the 18th November at the Clubhouse and is open to all members to attend. Nominations will be sought late October and fresh faces are always welcome.

On a personal note, we have just returned from holidays in Europe during which we enjoyed a lovely summer evening on the terrace at Rome's Nuovo Tennis Parioli Club.

We were lucky to meet the Club President who kindly arranged for a guided tour of their new clubhouse, gym, games rooms, courts and football pitches before he rushed off to play football with Parioli's team, bursting with World Cup fervour.

If you plan to travel it's well worth investigating KLTC's International Reciprocal Clubs and contacting our Reception before you leave for a Letter of Introduction. (nb. remember to pack your KLTC membership card too)

We should be very proud of our Club; it's truly world class!

Look forward to seeing you soon.

Natalie Postma
President

Wine & FOOD

SOCIETY

Our second Function for this year was held at Church St Enoteca on Wednesday 12th May, a return to a venue that had proved very popular 18 months ago and we were not disappointed.

Thirty-nine members and their guests attended and Graham Schmidt and Christine Johnson consulted with their function staff finalising the menu and Christine purchased the wines. It is always fortunate when a restaurant allows us to purchase our own wines in return for a set corkage figure!

The meal was excellent with the Blue Eye Trevalla impeccably presented, not always easy with a fish dish for quite a large number. The wines were very well matched and I noticed that the De Bortoli Noble One Botrytis Semillon was a particular hit with a number of the gentlemen present!

After many years of generous service to the WFS Susan Young resigned from the Committee after the Winemaker's Dinner and Cindi Damian joined the Society and the Committee.

The Committee made a decision to open the "French Night" on 16th July in the Kooyong Room to as many Kooyong Tennis Club Members as possible and Cindi's graphic design skills came to the fore with the striking and effective advertising brochure.

As a result of that and hard work from the Committee we actually had to close the booking before the cut-off date. One hundred and thirty-nine people attended and the vibe as people arrived was palpable – guests arriving up to 20 minutes before the doors actually opened.

The wandering piano accordionist, the French tunes, the scenes of France on the big screens and the Eiffel Tower table decorations all helped to set the mood.

Many of the Kooyong Committee Members, including President Ian Hill and his wife Amy, and our CEO, Chris

Brown, and his wife Cathy attended together with members of the Social Committee and the Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary Committee.

There were nearly 50 new faces present and a number of new members joined the Society before the evening was over! The redecorated Kooyong Room provided quite a stunning venue.



The meal was beautiful with the standout course possibly being the soup, a cream of celeriac with garlic-sautéed langoustine. The Function Chef, David Johnson, served the main course in the room with three of his staff and the new Executive Chef, Chris Goulding, and explained various aspects of the menu including how the smoking of the fillet of beef using specially selected wood was done in the new kitchen. The flavour was a new and delightful experience for many of us.

Patrice had sourced consistently high quality French wines to match and spoke most interestingly about the regions of France they had come from and how the French wine market operated in different ways in those regions.

He also spoke about the differences in the French and Australian preferences

for particular styles of wine, which the guests found most interesting.

I would like to again thank all the staff at Kooyong who assisted us so generously from the functions staff through to the administration.

Our calendar for the remainder of the year is as follows:

Wednesday September 29th

Function at "The Society" Restaurant in the city (Capacity about 45)

Friday November 26th

Christmas Function in the Racquet Club (probably Black Tie)

AGM & Elections

First or second week in December.

Membership or information enquiries should be directed to either:

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Mary Hoban
President



GIRL POWER

at Kooyong

HEALTHCLUBNEWS

Gymnasiums, and particularly their weight rooms, have often had an infamous reputation for being an asylum for big blokes who like to lift big lumps of steel.

'How much can you Bench Press?' 'Well I can do more!' Quite often, these ancient competitive instincts result in a war being waged between the human male that pits the primordial elements of their nature against one another in a battle for the throne: Bragging rights on the bench!

Marg completed a half marathon on the Gold Coast. Well done Marg!

Complimenting the Pilates regime is the new Abs class – Strong to the core. This class has been promoted and conducted by Hannah Savige, the most recent member of our fitness team.

Hannah's enthusiastic nature has ensured that the complimentary program that ran to promote the new class was extremely popular and had the new lifestyle studio packed to the rafters!

Training at the Victorian Weight Lifting Stadium, Hannah is a qualified aerobics,

fraternity, we must also introduce our new personal trainers to the Club.

In April, Vicki Frost joined us at the Club and has made an instant impression as a passionate and experienced professional. Vicki has a wealth of experience in health and fitness, having trained specifically for a variety of sports including body sculpting.

Vicki's experience ensures that she understands the needs of our female members and can empathise with them regarding resistance training. Vicki ensures that all her clients retain good



The Kooyong Health Club is a far cry from the bowels of an underground gymnasium; we have a fantastic facility encompassing both a spacious weights area, and cardiovascular vicinity that promotes your complete fitness needs.

The Group Exercise and Personal Training staff here support the fantastic amenities provided at the Club. Gone are the days where you only fitted in if you knew your way around a weights room.

Today our gymnasiums are thriving on Girl Power!

And the Health Club would like you to become acquainted with the girls that power our Gym. The female fitness professionals at the Health Club are eager to help you with your health and fitness needs.

Marg Scotti, our resident Pilates instructor, has worked at the Club for some time now and has developed a positive and beneficial class for all the group exercise enthusiasts. Recently,

boxing, Muay Thai, dance and Pilate's instructor, and is currently completing her Certificate IV and Diploma in Fitness.

Hannah is also extremely passionate about working with clients who need rehabilitative assistance, and will also be a qualified Zumba instructor on the 24th of August.

Kooyong also welcomes Robyn Matheson to the Group Exercise Team as an Aqua Aerobics Instructor. Robyn conducts the 9:30am Friday class at the Club.

She has been heavily involved in aquatic sports her entire life, beginning her lifesaving career as a child and continuing to promote the critical issue of water safety through her services at the Edithvale Lifesaving Club.

Robyn has been an Aqua Aerobics Instructor for the past 4 years, and strongly reiterates her passion to motivate people to get into the water.

Whilst the group exercise has welcomed some valuable new members to its

technique and posture, and focuses on incorporating core stability into her training sessions.

Joining Vicki Frost to help fly the Girl Power flag at Kooyong is Sam Regan. Sam is an extremely gregarious, friendly and passionate trainer who promotes her sessions with positive encouragement whilst emphasising good posture.

Sam is exceedingly dedicated to fitness; training four days a week with weights, whilst swimming, undertaking boxing sessions, body attack and spin classes, and yoga. Sam's goal for 2011 is to complete a half marathon.

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diary dates

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*for all KLTC members aged 18-40ish

SEPTEMBER

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- 5th Father's Day Buffet
- 7th Bridge Club Reunion
- 25th Young Members Grand Final Day at Kooyong
- 27th Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary Spring Luncheon & Fashion Parade
- 29th Wine & Food Society Function at 'The Society' Restaurant

OCTOBER

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- 10th Social Committee JJ Memorial Tennis Round Robin
- 12th Bridge Club vs RACV & Dinner
- 14th Inter Club Wine Challenge
- 25th New Members' Night
- 28th KLTC Annual General Meeting

NOVEMBER

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- Tennis Legends' Luncheon
- 13th Grass Court Opening Day
- 14th Bridge Club Sunday Congress
- 15th Bridge Club Day & Lunch
- 18th Social Committee AGM
- 26th Wine & Food Society Christmas Function in The Racquet Club
- 28th Junior Tennis Round Robin & Presentation Night

KLTC Young Members



**2010
GRAND
FINAL**

COST: \$25 DATE: SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER
TIME: 1PM PLACE: THE KOOYONG ROOM

- FOOTY FOOD SERVED - BIG SCREEN TV'S TO WATCH THE GRAND FINAL
- DRINKS AT MEMBER'S BAR PRICES - RAFFLE & FREE GIVEAWAYS

BRING YOUR FRIENDS, MAKE NEW FRIENDS, BUT REMEMBER, LIKE ALL Y.M FUNCTIONS... TICKETS ARE LIMITED. RSVP WITH PAYMENT IS ESSENTIAL. BOOKING FORMS CAN BE COLLECTED FROM RECEPTION OR DOWNLOADED FROM THE KLTC WEBSITE.

THE RACQUET CLUB



New Executive Chef Chris Goulding is bringing exciting changes to dining at Kooyong.

You are invited to enjoy his new Racquet Club menu selections. The comfortable surrounds, great food and an excellent wine list promise a great dining experience.

Open for lunch and dinner seven days a week.

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