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# New President



The Board of the Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club wishes to advise Members of the election of Peter Carew as President.

Peter was elected unanimously at the December Board meeting to succeed Ian Hill who has stepped down after more than 8 years.

"I am honoured to accept the role of President of our prestigious club and I look forward to continuing the work of the Board to ensure Kooyong remains both the spiritual home of Australian tennis and one of the great clubs of the world".

"In accepting the position I wish to acknowledge the significant contribution made by Ian Hill as President that has seen unprecedented growth in Members' opportunities and facilities", Peter said.

Peter joined Kooyong in 1987 and has been a Committee Member since 2007 and Vice President since 2012.

He is married to Lisa, has three children, Rachel, Danielle and Alexander, and all are Kooyong Members.

RIGHT: Kooyong's past Presidents, (back) Peter Quinn, Ian Hill, Terry Fraser and Joe Devereux, welcomed new President, Peter Carew (front centre) at the Priceline Classic in January



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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is an honour and privilege to become the President of the Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club and to be able to work with the Board and the staff at Kooyong. It was somewhat a baptism of fire with the first official duty hosting the lunch on the first rained out day of the Priceline Classic.

I would like to thank on behalf of all members of Kooyong, Ian Hill for his leadership and unflagging enthusiasm for all things Kooyong in his eight years as President. Ian presided over the renovation and extension of the clubhouse that has left us with a magnificent social environment that we are so proud to call the "Spiritual Home of Australian Tennis". Certainly members of other tennis Clubs around the world that come here recognise Kooyong as one of the best sporting venues in the world. Ian was thanked and roasted by his friends and colleagues at Kooyong at a lunch referred to as the "feather dusters lunch".

You will all be aware that the recent AGM saw our Rules amended to comply with recent amendments to the Unincorporated Associations Act and we have a transition to reduce the Board from 12 elected members to 7 with the Board able to add two more members to the Board as need requires. The Board with Brian Capp as Vice President and Joe Dicks as Treasurer are looking forward to the challenges ahead and the Board hope to unveil the master plan for Kooyong for the years ahead in the near future.

## AUSTRALIAN OPEN

Kooyong Foundation Scholarship holder Marc Polmans added to the incredible double victories of Omar Jasika at the US Open by winning the Junior Australian Open Doubles title with partner Jake Delaney in January. Marc has been a member of the Club for the past five years and to see him win a Grand Slam title is fantastic and we wish him well for 2015.

The Club's other Australian Open highlights can be seen further into the magazine.

## PRICELINE PHARMACY CLASSIC

This year's Kooyong Classic, now sponsored by Priceline Pharmacy, was another great spectacle of world class tennis despite the rain interrupted first day and slightly changed format to suit the circumstances.

Plans are well under way for the 2016 event and as a long-time supporter I can genuinely suggest to those who have not enjoyed the event that it is an absolute treat to be so close to the action in your own Club. It is also a great corporate environment that promotes the enjoyment of tennis and socialising with work colleagues.

Next year promises to be bigger and better. We look forward to another wonderful event in 2016 and will update you on the changes in store throughout the year.

## INTERNATIONAL CLUB/WIMBLEDON VISIT

The Club hosted some dignitaries from both the International Club and the All England Lawn Tennis Club in January.

Out here to enjoy the Australian Open, they all enjoyed a hit on the grass courts followed by lunch in the clubhouse.

## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to our newest Club Champion, Annabelle Andrinopoulos, who won her first Ladies Open Singles title when she defeated Katerina Valos in the final!

David Bidmeade repeated his efforts from 2011 when he won the rare triple crown by winning the Men's Open Singles, Men's Open Doubles and the Open Mixed Doubles events including playing five consecutive matches on the final day.

David's third Open Singles title, defeating the valiant James Sheppard, moves him in line with Wayne Cowley and Trevor Little on three singles championships at the Club.

In the squash, Mike Corren won his first title at the Club after defeating defending champion Sam Eitemai in the Open final and congratulations also to Sarah Cardwell on winning her second Open title after she defeated Selena Shaikh.

Congratulations to the nearly 600 members who played across all of the grades of these two great Club events!

**Peter Carew**  
President

## A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

We are only a short way into 2015 but much has happened already this year.

A new club President, another great Kooyong Classic tournament completed, Grand Slam success for Marc Polmans at the Australian Open and good results for other Kooyong players, and our men in the ATL finals at Melbourne Park.

On our grass courts there was great competition across the weeks of the club championships with a repeat win for David Bidmeade and a first time win for Annabelle Andrinopoulos, while Sarah Cardwell took out her second squash title and Mike Corren won for the first time.

While all that was happening there were also several Member events including a Young Members party during the tournament, another very successful RCH Auxiliary tennis day on the grass courts, Social Committee tennis and jazz functions and the first of the Wine & Food Society dinners for the year.

Around the grounds, the grass courts continue to offer Members great playing conditions late into the season, while work on the en tout cas courts late in 2014 and the rebuild of courts 32 & 33 are showing excellent results ahead of the busy winter months.

The clubhouse continues to be a hive of activity also. The gym, studio and pool are all popular, while the dining and function areas of the Club continue to provide great opportunities for Members to enjoy with family and friends.

It has been indeed a busy start to the year, but we look forward to enjoying many more events in the months ahead.

**Chris Brown**  
CEO



# MORE GRAND SLAM SUCCESS

**The recent victories by Omar Jasika and Marc Polmans mean that Kooyong Foundation players currently hold three of the eight Grand Slam junior titles.**

Foundation Chairman, Peter Quinn, congratulated Marc on becoming a Grand Slam champion. "Marc has worked extremely hard at developing his game and is now enjoying the reward for his efforts," Peter said. "Omar, too, is a committed and determined young player with great potential. I'd like to think that both these young men have benefited

not only from the coaching and other help they have received but also from the warm and friendly atmosphere at Kooyong."

Kooyong President Peter Carew was equally delighted with Marc's victory and the club's unprecedented achievement of claiming three Grand Slams. "Kooyong deserves its title as the 'Spiritual Home of Australian Tennis'," he said. "Our club doesn't simply provide for the needs of its members but takes a positive role in promoting the development of young players."

Marc and Jake Delaney looked long odds to win the doubles final at Melbourne Park when they crashed to a 0/6 result in the first set against Hubert Hurkacz of Poland and Alex Molcan from Slovakia.

However, they came out firing in the second set, teaming together like a well-oiled doubles combination, to claim the set comfortably at 6/2.



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## KOOYONG DESERVES ITS TITLE AS THE SPIRITUAL HOME OF AUSTRALIAN TENNIS.

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– KOOYONG PRESIDENT PETER CAREW

The result was decided in an exciting Super Tiebreak with the Aussie boys showing coolness under pressure to triumph 10/8.

Although they had played together on occasions in the past, Marc and Jake, from NSW, came together in unusual circumstances for the Australian Open. Marc was expecting to play with South Korean Duck Hee Lee, with whom he had reached the quarters at the US Open, but on the eve of the tournament Lee told him he was playing with a fellow countryman.

Marc seemed stuck but quickly sought out his mate Jake.

“I messaged Jake on Facebook asking if he had a doubles partner and he said, ‘No, let’s play,’ so it was great to play with another Aussie guy,” Marc explained.

“We somehow drew the No.1 seeds in the first round, so we thought, ‘Let’s play one match and see how it goes.’

“We scraped through the super (tiebreak) and somehow just kept it rolling from there.

“Jake and I worked really well as a team under pressure and it was just great fun to play with him and win a junior Grand Slam doubles.

“It is, obviously, a great thing and to do it in Australia in front of my friends and family was a great moment.”

Jake said the pair had plenty of experience playing together in the under 12 and under 14 ranks, team well together and maintain a positive attitude even when things aren’t going their way on court. He was full of praise for Marc’s court craft. “He’s the doubles specialist, I’m happy to always play with him. I don’t think there are too many better doubles players out there than him. He’s got some pretty unreal hands at the net.

“Some other guys I’ve played with, you sort of get down and the teamwork just sort of stops, that doesn’t really happen with Marc.”

The title capped off a great tournament for 17-year-old Marc from East Brighton. Earlier in the week he had fought through to the quarter final of the singles, finally bowing out to the Number One seed and ultimate champion Roman Safiullin, whose big serve troubled all opponents.

The Foundation also saw a number of its players progress through the early rounds of the Open. Brilliant youngster Destanee Aiava, still just 14, won two rounds of the girls singles before losing to the 17-year-old fourth seed, Aliona Bolsova Zadoinov from Spain.

Destanee, who is rated one of Australia’s brightest hopes for the future, makes a habit of playing against much older opposition. Kooyong members might recall her astonishing performance a couple of years back when at the age of 12 she reached the open women’s singles final of the Club Championships.

Kooyong’s Andrew Whittington and John Peers were others to shine at Melbourne Park. Andrew made the third round of the men’s doubles with Alex Bolt, backing up his quarterfinal run from last year. They went down 7/6 7/6.



John also reached the third round of the doubles with Scot Jamie Murray before they went down after winning the first set against the number four seeds.

John also made the quarterfinals of the mixed doubles with Casey Delacqua, losing to the top seeds.

Both Peter Carew and Peter Quinn thanked Kooyong Members and friends for their ongoing support for the Foundation. Since it was founded 13 years ago the Foundation has raised more than \$1 million, assisted more than 300 junior players and has helped to secure much of the memorabilia that is now such an integral part of the new clubhouse.

In January the Club and Foundation were recognised by Tennis Victoria for their outstanding contribution to the sport, in particular the assistance given to Omar Jasika. At a function attended by representatives of 350 tennis clubs, the US Junior Open title holder presented Peter Carew with a framed photograph of himself on his way to victory at Flushing Meadow. He also thanked Kooyong for its role in launching his career.

The picture can be viewed in the Foundation display case on the right side as you enter the clubhouse via the members’ entrance.





**2015 PRICELINE PHARMACY CLASSIC**

# VERDASCO WINS SECOND CLASSIC TITLE

Fernando Verdasco won his second Priceline Pharmacy Kooyong Classic title to join Michael Chang, Andre Agassi and Andy Roddick as multiple winners of this event.





The opening set of the final was an absolute thriller as both men fought out every point and pushed the set to a tiebreak which Verdasco squeaked through 7-3, before Dolgoplov conceded the match due to a right knee injury.

A Kooyong Classic champion in 2010, Verdasco said he was delighted to win a second title at the historic club. "I love playing here and for me it's great coming back every year," said the world No.33. "Alex is a good friend and I have good relationship with him and you never want something like what happened today. I don't want to win the tournament like this of course and I just wish him to recover and to be able to play next week. I'm feeling good after my week here which is the most important thing for me and hopefully I will play a good Australian Open."

In the play-off for third and fourth place, Richard Gasquet saw off 2014 champion and world No.5 Kei Nishikori in straight sets 7-6 7-6 and said his win over the world No.5 had bolstered his confidence. "I'm feeling good. I practice well this week - playing three matches in the row - so I think I'm in good form, so we will see what will happen at the Australian Open, but I think I'm ready to play well there," said Gasquet.

It was a slightly different event to past years with a full day's play being abandoned due to rain on the Tuesday. This forced the change in format which saw the two dominant winners from Wednesday move through to the final while the other two winners played off for third and fourth. With this in mind, Wednesday's schedule kicked off with Kei Nishikori taking on Australian Open Wildcard Playoff winner Jordan Thompson and the young Australian continued from where he left off at the Kooyong Classic in 2014 by serving it up to the big guns.

Nishikori took out a tight first set before Thompson responded by winning the second set and then pushing Nishikori all the way to the third set tiebreaker where he finally got over the line 6/4 3/6 7/6.

Verdasco then came out firing against Frenchman Gilles Simon and quickly raced out to a 6/2 lead before Simon began to fight back but it was to no avail as Verdasco won the second set in a tiebreaker.

In the third match on court, Dolgoplov took on Serbia's Filip Krajinovic and quickly showed his class as he won in straight sets 6/4 6/3 while Richard Gasquet then battled it out with Spain's Feliciano Lopez.

This match could have gone either way but it was Gasquet that came out in front in the first set tiebreak before Lopez took the second set 6/3.

Gasquet then turned it up a notch in the final set to win 7/6 3/6 6/2 and move into the playoff for third and fourth.

With the finalists decided, Thursday's schedule included three fantastic matches as Gilles Simon got past Filip Krajinovic 6/4 6/3 before Australia's Jordan Thompson upset Feliciano Lopez 7/6 6/3.

The crowd was then treated to an exhibition match between America's John Isner and James Ward from the UK and it was the young Brit who came out on top 3/6 7/6 6/2.

**We look forward to another great Priceline Pharmacy Classic in 2016!**



Thai Airways Competition winner Fiona Chandler



# ANDRINOPOULOS WINS FIRST TITLE & BIDMEADE MAKES IT THREE

The Club Championships again proved to be a highlight on the Club's sporting calendar as more than 470 members battled heat, rain and even court surface changes for the chance to hold aloft the trophy in their respective grade at the upcoming Champions' Dinner.

Some familiar names rose to the top while we were also guaranteed a first time winner from the Ladies Open Singles final.

Annabelle Andrinopoulos and Katerina Valos played off for the title and both came into the final via starkly different paths with Andrinopoulos fighting past Isabelle Gemmel and Binasa Beslagic in three sets while Valos found a smoother path into the final after defeating Molly Polak in two tight sets in a quarterfinal and Samyuktha Rajagopalan in straight sets in the semi final.

The final was always going to be a tough match as both girls knew each other well but it was Andrinopoulos who had her nose in front throughout.

After breaking at 4 all to take the first set 6/4, Andrinopoulos continued to go for her shots and pushed hard to finish the match in straight sets which she was able to do by winning the second set 6/3 to claim her first Open Singles title at the Club.

It was a proud moment for the long time Kooyong Foundation Scholarship holder who has recently agreed to go to the University of Colorado in August alongside fellow Scholarship holder Brigitte Beck.

In the Men's Open Singles final, David Bidmeade was looking to win his third title in five years while also hoping to add a second triple crown to his list of titles at the Club.

In his way was a returning junior star in James Sheppard, who had surprised a few on his way to the final but never looked out of place, and showed he'll be a great asset to the Club in the upcoming Pennant season.

Sheppard made his way past another returning player in Mitch Burman before defeating Codey Gunn in straight sets and Daniel Nickels in three sets to reach the final.

Bidmeade's tough semi final with Matthew Nickels seemed to steel him for a big final and he showed all of his experience in the final to defeat the gallant Sheppard 6/2 6/3 to win his third singles title and join the likes of Trevor Little and Wayne Cowley on the same number.

In the Men's Open Doubles, Bidmeade and Andrew Coelho lived up to their top seeding to defeat the Nickels brothers, Daniel and Matthew, in a close final 6/3 6/4 and to bring Bidmeade's match count to four for the day with the Mixed Doubles still to come.

The Ladies Open Doubles final was a glimpse of the future as Samyuktha Rajagopalan and Stephanie Serafidis tried to usurp the title from the experienced duo of Laura Langmead and Kate Antosik.

The title holders were slow to get going as the younger pair took the first set in impressive fashion 6/2 but from there the tables turned as Langmead and Antosik asserted their authority on the match to win a third straight doubles title together 2/6 6/2 6/2.

In the Open Mixed Doubles, David Bidmeade his second triple crown, after also completing the feat in 2011, with a tough straight sets win with long time partner Molly Polak over Mitch Burman and Laura Rabinovich 6/3 6/4.

The Polak and Bidmeade partnership has been a fruitful one over the years having now won their fourth title together in the past five years while that made it six Mixed Doubles titles overall for Bidmeade.

The under 21's events were again keenly contested and it was great to see Katerina Valos get her hands on the silverware after again defeating Samyuktha Rajagopalan in straight sets 6/2 6/2.





The dominant performance topped off a very successful event for the now 18 year old and she looks to be set for a big year.

In the Boy's Under21 Singles it was Jeremy Taylor who took out the title after defeating Luka Cancar in the final 6/4 6/0.

Cancar had a great win over Men's Open finalist James Sheppard in the semi final but Taylor showed his huge potential with a dominant win and a great performance across his various events during the Club Championships.

Other highlights included the wins of Elizabeth Peers and Ian Anderson in the Over 50's Singles events while some of the junior events were again keenly contested and some fantastic tennis was on show by the next generation of stars at the Club.

A full list of winners and finalists can be seen over the page. Congratulations to all the winners but thanks to all of our members that took part in another fantastic event!

*From top left: Under 21 winner Jeremy Taylor, three time Open winner David Bidmeade, Open Doubles Champions David Bidmeade & Andrew Coelho, first time Open champion Annabelle Andrinopoulos*





# 2015 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS WINNERS

## Event 1. Men's Open Singles

Winner: David Bidmeade 6/2 6/3  
Runner Up: James Sheppard

## Event 2. Men's Open Doubles

Winner: David Bidmeade/  
Andrew Coelho 6/3 6/4  
Runner Up: Matthew Nickels/Daniel Nickels

## Event 3. Ladies Open Singles

Winner: Annabelle Andrinopoulos 6/4 6/3  
Runner Up: Katerina Valos

## Event 4. Ladies Open Doubles

Winner: Kate Antosik/  
Laura McNamara 2/6 6/2 6/2  
Runner Up: Stephanie Serafidis/  
Samyuktha Rajagopalan

## Event 5. Men's 50 & Over Singles

Winner: Ian Anderson 6/0 6/1  
Runner Up: Ken Cooper

## Event 6. Men's 50 & Over Doubles

Winner: Chris Straford/  
Jeremy Brown Greaves 4/6 6/4 6/1  
Runner Up: Ken Cooper/Martin Warwick

## Event 7. Ladies 50 & Over Singles

Winner: Elizabeth Peers 6/2 6/2  
Runner Up: Wendy Harrison

## Event 8. Ladies 50 & Over Doubles

Winner: Leanne Scott/Caroline Venn 7/5 7/5  
Runner Up: Kati Patterson/Lea Whyte

## Event 9. Men's 60 & Over Doubles

Winner: Maurice Broom/Chiro Mukerjea 7/6 6/4  
Runner Up: Hayden Rees/Robert McLauchlan

## Event 10. Men's 100 & Over Doubles

Winner: Ken Cooper/Phil McCall 3/6 6/3 6/4  
Runner Up: Peter Gard/Roger Forbes

## Event 11. Men's A Grade Singles

Winner: Chris Straford 6/1 6/7 6/4  
Runner Up: Michael Wood

## Event 12. Men's A Grade Doubles

Winner: Luka Cancar/Alex Bielinski 6/4 6/2  
Runner Up: Alex Krohn/Ross Pritchard

## Event 13. Ladies A Grade Singles

Winner: Emma Tuddenham 6/3 7/5  
Runner Up: Melanie Kempson

## Event 14. Men's B Grade Singles

Winner: Bryce Mitchelson 6/3 6/2  
Runner Up: Anthony Coxon

## Event 15. Men's B Grade Doubles

Winner: Martin Cassidy/  
Dermot Cassidy 6/3 4/6 7/6  
Runner Up: Adam Cossar/Darren O'Loughlin

## Event 16. Ladies B Grade Singles

Winner: Serena Wang w/o  
Runner Up: Olivia Quigley

## Event 17. Ladies B Grade Doubles

Winner: Rebecca Senior/Caroline Wright w/o  
Runner Up: Rosie Kovacs/Sue Ferguson

## Event 18. Men's C Grade Singles

Winner: Christian Derrick 6/4 6/4  
Runner Up: Matthew Payne

## Event 19. Men's C Grade Doubles

Winner: Alex Chamberlain/  
Andrew Francis 6/3 6/0  
Runner Up: Charlie Geason/Jack Geason

## Event 20. Ladies C Grade Singles

Winner: Georgina Gillon 6/2 6/2  
Runner Up: Sue Langford

## Event 21. Ladies C Grade Doubles

Winner: Jane Lennon/Janine Ross 7/5 1/6 6/4  
Runner Up: Jacqui Cheetham/Georgina Gillon

## Event 22. Men's D Grade Singles

Winner: Andrew Fortelny 7/6 6/0  
Runner Up: Patrick Lennon

## Event 23. Men's D Grade Doubles

Winner: Ian Baker/Hugh Magee 2/6 6/2 6/3  
Runner Up: William Fleming/Richard Paton

## Event 24. Ladies D Grade Singles

Winner: Hannah Williams 6/1 6/1  
Runner Up: Mary King

## Event 25. Ladies D Grade Doubles

Winner: Di Synnott/Kate Wraith-Bell 6/2 6/1  
Runner Up: Mary King/Jane O'Callaghan

## Event 26. Men's Social Doubles

Winner: Mark Brownell/Paul Hicks 6/0 6/1  
Runner Up: Rob Galinsky/Matt Hopper

## Event 28. Open Mixed Doubles

Winner: Molly Polak/David Bidmeade 6/3 6/4  
Runner Up: Laura Rabinovich/Mitch Burman

## Event 29. 100 & Over Mixed Doubles

Winner: Wendy Harrison/  
Jeremy Brown-Greaves 6/3 6/0  
Runner Up: Elizabeth Peers/  
Campbell Dickinson

## Event 30. B Grade Mixed Doubles

Winner: Cindy Tamber/Russell Barlow 6/1 6/1  
Runner Up: Anne Saville/Peter Gard

## Event 31. C Grade Mixed Doubles

Winner: Mandy Morgan/Jeremy Sneddon 6/2 6/1  
Runner Up: Susan Thomas/Nicholas Thomas

## Event 32. D Grade Mixed Doubles

Winner: Alexandra Wilkinson/  
Richard Wilkinson 6/7 7/6 7/5  
Runner Up: Di Synnott/Olav Uittenbosch

## Event 33. Junior Boy's Singles U/21

Winner: Jeremy Taylor 6/4 6/0  
Runner Up: Luka Cancar

## Event 34. Junior Girl's Singles U/21

Winner: Katerina Valos 6/2 6/2  
Runner Up: Samyuktha Rajagopalan

## Event 35. U/12 Boy's Singles

Winner: Thomas Patton 6/0 6/4  
Runner Up: Leo Fetter

## Event 37. U/12 Girl's Singles

Winner: Roisin Gilheany 6/3 7/5  
Runner Up: Grace Fountain

## Event 38. U/12 Girl's Doubles

Winner: Emily Harvey/  
Greta Wernli (Round Robin)  
Runner Up: Ruby Seymour/Eliza Seymour

## Event 39. U/14 Boys Singles

Winner: David Qariaqus 6/4 7/5  
Runner Up: John Amato

## Event 40. U/14 Boys Doubles

Winner: Max Flaherty/Thomas  
Pavlekovic-Smith 6/2 6/1  
Runner Up: John Amato/Lachlan McAndrew

## Event 41. U/14 Girls Singles

Winner: Hannah Williams 6/2 6/3  
Runner Up: Holly Feldman

## Event 42. U/14 Girls Doubles

Winner: Olivia Douglas/Meg Watkins 6/1 6/2  
Runner Up: Alexandra Hershman/  
Eliza Szwarcberg

## Event 43. U/16 Boys Singles

Winner: Thomas McKay 6/7 7/6 6/4  
Runner Up: Charlie Geason

## Event 44. U/16 Boy's Doubles

Winner: Thomas Gilbert/  
Hugo Kearney 5/7 6/4 6/3  
Runner Up: James McNab/Jack Morley

## Event 45. U/16 Girls Singles

Winner: Jasmin Starr w/o  
Runner Up: Peta Valos

## Event 46. U/16 Girls Doubles

Winner: Jessica Pila/Tania Szwarcberg 6/4 6/3  
Runner Up: Zoe Kantanis/Camilla Kaufman





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## NEW

## Scholarship Holders Inducted

The Kooyong Foundation recently welcomed another select group of players into its Kooyong Fitzgerald Scholarship program.

The players were welcomed into the Club by the Foundation Chairman, Peter Quinn, and Manager – Tennis & Sport, Cedric Mason.

We look forward to watching their development over the coming years.



## ALICIA MOLIK CUP

The Alicia Molik Cup was held at Kooyong again in December and it was Bayside Moorabbin that came out on top. The Tennis Victoria event was again supported by the Kooyong Foundation.

The 12 and under event brought some of the best boys and girls from around the state to Kooyong for two days of fantastic team tennis.

North Suburban Junior Tennis Association defeated North Eastern Junior in a close semi final that could have gone either way but they won both mixed doubles sets to win a fantastic match. Bayside Moorabbin, featuring Kooyong junior Max Potter, defeated Barwon to keep their unbeaten run going.

The final was a very tight affair with Bayside Moorabbin coming out on top in five of the six sets to win the trophy. The team from Bayside Moorabbin included Nicholas Salmon, Max Potter, Jasmine Ellis and Chloe Green.

Congratulations to all the players involved!

## Goolagong DEVELOPMENT CAMP VISIT TO KOOYONG

**Kooyong Foundation patron Evonne Goolagong Cawley returned to Kooyong in January with her husband Roger and a group of young indigenous tennis players who were taking part in the Goolagong National Development Camp.**

The annual camp is an initiative of the Evonne Goolagong Foundation and aims to use tennis to promote high quality education, teach better health through diet and exercise, and increase the number of young indigenous people playing tennis competitively and socially.

Participants are encouraged through the camp to lead, plan and organise, and it inspires those with the potential to play at the elite level to consider a career as a player, coach or administrator.

A visit to Kooyong has become an annual occurrence and we were pleased to again host the participants for lunch. Later the group took to the courts to carry out a series of training activities under the guidance of Evonne and the coaches.

We look forward to the group returning when the camp is held again next year.







## WAYNE ARTHURS CUP

The Wayne Arthurs Cup for 10 and under kids will be played at Kooyong on the weekend of the 11th and 12th of April.

Get down to the Club to see some of Victoria's best junior players in action in this mixed team event.

Play will start early on Saturday morning and will continue through to the finals which will be played early on Sunday afternoon.

## *Destanee Aiava Selected In Junior Fed Cup Team*

**Kooyong Foundation  
Scholarship star Destanee  
Aiava has again been selected  
to represent Australia in the  
Junior Fed Cup.**

Having represented Australia at the finals last year, Destanee again has the chance to play against the best 16 and under players in the world.

The qualifying event will be played on the grass courts in Shepparton and Tatura from the 8th to the 13th of April.

Seone Mendez and Jaimee Fourlis have been selected alongside Destanee for the chance to reach the finals to be played in Madrid later this year. The Junior Davis Cup team includes Alex De Minaur, Blake Ellis and Lucas Vuradin.

We wish both teams luck for the upcoming event!



## COURTS REBUILT

The Club recently took the opportunity over the summer months to rebuild en tout cas courts 32 and 33 near the JP Young Pavilion.

This process has taken a few months to complete including the slow return to play so to ensure the surface material settles.

These works should improve both the playing characteristics and drainage on these courts.



Richard Hauser (back left)  
with the Grounds Staff in 1987

## Richard Hauser Retires

After 33 years of service to the Club, Richard Hauser has retired from Kooyong's Ground Staff.

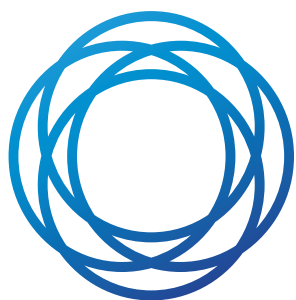
Richard has been involved in preparing Kooyong's famous grass courts for more than three decades and leaves the Club with the courts looking and playing as well as they have for many years.

He was first employed in 1983 by then Curator, Robert Harcross, and despite

only planning to stay for two weeks he became part of the fabric of the Grounds Staff and has been involved with five Australian Opens, 26 Kooyong Classics and several Davis Cup ties including two finals.

He has served the Club well over a very long period of time and we wish him well in retirement.





## DESTANEE AIAVA TOPS OFF INCREDIBLE YEAR WITH NEWCOMBE MEDAL HONOUR

**Kooyong Fitzgerald Scholarship star Destanee Aiava has topped off an unbelievable year by winning the Female Junior Athlete of the Year at Tennis Australia's Newcombe Medal awards.**

Having led her country to the top four at the World Teams Championships and then being called up to the Junior Fed Cup team, Destanee has travelled all over the world and showcased her incredible fight and determination.

Earlier this year Destanee also led Kooyong's Premier League team to an unlikely title at just 13 years of age.

Now 14, Destanee travelled to America in December to compete in the Eddie Herr tournament where she played American star Cici Bellis in the second round before she headed to the prestigious Orangebowl to take on the world's best 18 and under juniors.

She is currently ranked number 1 in the world in her age group and 70 in the world for players aged 18 and under.

Kooyong was well represented at the Newcombe Medal with three other members also being nominated for awards.

Omar Jasika was nominated for the Male Junior Athlete of the Year but was beaten to the award by another star of the future in Thanasi Kokkinakis.

In the award for Most Outstanding Senior 35+, Glenn Busby's run to another world championship wasn't quite enough to get him the award over the ACT's Ros Balodis while Mark Sheppard was a finalist in the Coaching Excellence – Club category but that award went to Craig Louis from Gunnedah in NSW.

Congratulations to all our finalists and especially to Destanee on great recognition of her outstanding year!

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# New Website

## The Club recently went live with the public section of the new website.

The Members portal is currently under construction and it is hoped that it will be completed in the near future.

The website is viewable across multiple platforms so you are able to navigate the site on your tablet or smart phone.

Members are encouraged to sign up to the website to receive the most up to date information from the Club via email as

well as having the ability to book courts, make restaurant bookings or enquire about the Club's function facilities.

The recent Wimbledon and French Open Ballot information that went out to members is a great reason to be signed up to the website to ensure you're aware of everything on offer to Members.

Information regarding Club events including President's Lunches and Social Tennis Days can be found on the website. Go to [www.kooyong.com.au](http://www.kooyong.com.au) or call the Club on 9822 3333 for more information.



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## PETER WRIGHT RECEIVES

# OAM HONOUR



**Kooyong's Peter Wright was recently rewarded for his many years of fantastic service to the sport of squash.**

Peter's many executive roles over the years have been recognised including being President of the Australian Masters Squash Association since 1986, a Committee Member of the World Squash Federation Masters from 2000 to 2010 as well as Championship Director of the World Masters Squash Championships in 1995 and 2001.

He was Tournament Director of the Victorian Squash Open from 1975 to 1985 and has been Chairman of the Club Circuit Squash Association since 2011. He has been the Squash Section Chairman of the MCC since 2006 while also serving as the Tournament Director of the Australian and Victorian Squash Championships from 1983 to 1992.

Peter was also a Member of the Executive Committee for Squash at the Commonwealth Games in 2005 and is a Life Member of many of these organisations.

We congratulate Peter on this fantastic honour!

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## PREMIER LEAGUE



Daniel Byrnes and Molly Polak have both been in great form

# Teams on CUSP OF FINALS

**Kooyong's men and women both have the opportunity to qualify for Tennis Victoria's Premier League finals having put themselves in contention with some fantastic early season performances.**

With three rounds completed and a break taking place as the Pro Tour events are played in Mornington and at Melbourne Park, there's still plenty that can happen in the final two rounds to be played in mid April.

The men started with a tight loss to Grace Park but followed that up with a commanding win against competition new comers Bundoora. Their third

match against MCC was another impressive performance and leaves them sitting second on the ladder behind last year's winners Grace Park. Marc Polmans continues to grow as a player and will be important if this team is to go all the way in 2015.

The men have matches against Royal South Yarra and the Country All Stars remaining and both look like being dangerous assignments on paper. Royal South Yarra has looked impressive in their first three matches and the Country All-Stars have been bolstered by the recruitment of Victor Crivoi from Romania.

On the women's side of things, the girls started with a strange match against MCC at Mornington where their

opposition only had three players available. This led to a great start for the team with a dominant six rubbers to nil win which was followed by a five rubbers to one win over Royal South Yarra. This setup a top of the table clash with Beaumaris Lawn and it was Beaumaris that came out on top in a close encounter.

Annabelle Andrinopoulos, Molly Polak and Katerina Valos have been in great form early in the season and will need to continue that in the final two rounds to ensure the team makes the finals. With matches against Mornington and Dendy Park remaining, the Kooyong side has every opportunity to defend their title this season.

We wish both teams the best of luck for the final two rounds and finals!



## Asia Pacific Tennis League

# KOORYONG MEN REACH ATL PLAYOFFS

**Kooyong's men's team were the toast of the Victorian Conference of the Asia Pacific Tennis League in December when they upset the highly fancied team from Royal South Yarra in the final.**

Having qualified for the final after solid wins against Tasmania, Waverley and Tennis World, Kooyong's men went into the final as underdogs facing the unbeaten Yarras. Having also played each other in the final round, both teams knew what to expect and it was a matter of executing under pressure in a big final with qualification into the finals at the Australian Open on the line.

Kooyong's Greg Jones stepped out to play RSY's gun recruit Luke Saville and it was Saville who took the first set 4/2 and looked like he could run away with the match but Jones stuck to the task and was able to fight his way back into the match as the momentum turned his way. Jones took the second set in a tiebreak and then kept the pressure on Saville to get the break in the final set to win the match 2/4 4/3 4/2 and get the Kooyong side off to the perfect start.

John Peers was another key to the final as he took on the dangerous Dane Propoggia at number three. Propoggia had won their contest in the final round

but Peers showed his class to turn the tables when it mattered most. Peers' straight sets win 4/2 4/2 gave the Kooyong men plenty of confidence going into the remaining singles rubbers.

Andrew Whittington knew his opponent, Alex Bolt, extremely well being doubles partners and that showed as he dominated from start to finish to put the Kooyong side in a nearly unassailable position with a 4/2 4/1 demolition of a top 200 world ranked player.

The fourth singles was the only blemish in the first four matches for Kooyong as RSY's Adam Hubble played a flawless match against Daniel Byrnes to keep his side alive with a 4/3 4/3 win.

Needing two sets to ensure the win, the doubles was a tense affair as RSY came out firing in order to win both rubbers in straight sets as they needed to do.

Both matches headed into tiebreaks in the first set with Saville and Bolt putting the pressure back on the Jones and Peers when they went up 4/3 but the other tiebreaker went Kooyong's way with Whittington and Byrnes taking the first set 4/3 against Propoggia and Hubble to just about shut the door on any chance RSY had of winning the day but there was still a mathematical possibility.

That was quickly snuffed out when Jones and Peers sent their match into

a third set with a 4/2 win in the second set to end the contest.

RSY went on to win both matches in match tiebreakers but the spoils went to the Kooyong men for a wonderful performance to upset the top ranked team.

The Club's women's team finished the season in fourth spot on the ladder after being unable to back up their run to the final in 2013.

In the playoff for third, Mornington proved to be too strong for our women but they had been more than competitive against most sides throughout the season.

Bayside Thunder ended up defeating the MCC Stars in a close encounter to finish off a terrific day of tennis at the National Tennis Centre's indoor courts.

In the finals at the Australian Open, Kooyong's men were drawn to play the Manly Waves in the first round and unfortunately were missing several players due to Australian Open main draw commitments and lost to the Sydney based side.

In the playoff for fifth, the Kooyong side came out on top against the side from the Pacific Islands.

**Congratulations to all the players involved in another successful campaign!**



From left: David Bidmeade, Andrew Whittington, Greg Jones, Daniel Byrnes, Marc Polmans & John Peers

► Men's Pennant

# MEN'S TEAMS SET FOR A BIG YEAR

**The Club is set to field two teams in Grade 1 again and both should be confident in their ability at this level having fielded very young sides for the past few seasons.**

James Gardner's team will contain some experienced campaigners in Andrew Coelho and David Bidmeade while also featuring some very talented players returning in 2015 in James Sheppard and Sean Cooke.

Richard Yang, Caleb Boland, who recently won his first ATP point, and Michael Commings also give this side plenty of depth.

Matthew Nickels' Grade 1 side will feature plenty of experience via Mitch Burman, Ricky Robertson and Matthew Nickels while also giving plenty of opportunities to the likes of Dexter Bonet, Ned Whittaker, Daniel Nickels, Mike Vaughan, Simo Rikalo and David Hough.

Both sides will be confident of making an impact on the competition with an injury free run.

These two teams will also be backed with two very exciting Grade 2 teams that feature some exciting talent and both teams will have high hopes in 2015.

Codey Gunn will captain one side, the core of which reached the semi finals of Grade 3 last season, and they are sure to push the top sides at their best.

Jeremy Taylor, Greg Polmans, Connor Di Marco and Codey Gunn form a solid base from which to work and together with Lewis Karapanos, Andrew Hardeman and Andrew Field they will be worth keeping an eye on.

Luka Cancar's Grade 2 team should be just as exciting with the likes of Nikolai Storch, Todd Millington, Luka Cancar,

Andres Urrego-Varon, Billy Friend, Pierce Gilheany, Nathan Hawke and Josh Baker combining to be a formidable line up.

The Club will also have two Grade 3 teams, with Michael Wood and Peter Ikosidekas leading from the front in one side while Josiah Roach, Alex Bielinski and Antony Guan will feature in the other.

In Grade 5, the Club will have four teams playing across both Saturday and Sunday and Bryce Mitchelson's team is always around the mark so are sure to be there when the whips are cracking this year.

Dean Seeley's team have always been extremely competitive at this level and this shouldn't change in 2015 while the

two Sunday teams, captained by Marshall Bull and John Amato have every opportunity to do well.

The Club also has teams in Grades 8, 9 and 10 this year.

In the Men's Open Doubles, Chris Straford's team is shooting for a fifth consecutive title which is absolutely incredible while Ric Mitchell's team will attempt to knock them off in the same section.

In the Masters 45+, which has come down from the 50+ last year, the Club will field two teams including Gordon Hammet's A Grade team and Doug Bell's C Grade side.

We wish all of our team the best of luck in 2015!



► *James Sheppard will be back in action for the Club this season*



## ► Women's Pennant

# GRADE 1 WOMEN LOOK TO DEFEND THEIR TITLE

**After returning to the top in 2014, Kooyong's Grade 1 women's teams will be hoping to hold onto that title but a few things have changed.**

Kate Antosik's team isn't the same as the one that took all before them last season and will now have everyone aiming to knock them off.

The team will still be strong with Belinda Woolcock, Annabelle Andrinopoulos, Kate Antosik, Brigitte Beck and Molly Polak will join forces with rising star Vivian Fidantsis to try and retain the title.

Laura Langmead's team, formerly Laura McNamara, should be another side in the hunt for a finals spot with young guns Georgiana Ruhrig, Samyuktha Rajagopalan and Stephanie Serafidis combining with Laura Langmead, Laura Rabinovich, Lisa Newman and Catherine Louis.

Also in Grade 1, Katerina Valos' team has the ability to reach the finals again in 2015 after reaching the semi finals last season.

They unfortunately ran into Kate Antosik's team in the semi final but have added depth with Binasa Beslagic, Yiota Nicolaou and Peta Valos joining Alana Parnaby, Katerina Valos and Dani McIntyre to give themselves every opportunity of reaching the final in 2015.

In Grade 2, Kate Francis' team will be looking to reach the finals again although they will have to do it without stalwart Lucinda McKillop.

The addition of rising star Mary Jayakody will give them a fresh look this season and may be the catalyst for another run at the flag.

Madeleine Bailey's Grade 2 team will be looking to take the next step after finishing just outside the finals last year and with that experience under their belt they have every reason to be confident.

Add to that the addition of Stephanie Hird and Adriana Noga as well as the return from injury of Alexandra Meadows along with the improving Cindy Tamber and you have a lot to like about this team's chances.

Also in Grade 2, Gemma Seeley's team could be the dark horse in 2015 with Sophia Storch, Gemma Seeley, Kate Vaughan, Darcy Parke, Akanksha Puli and Melanie Kempson pushing each other to improve.

This young team will improve out of sight throughout the season and will be a dangerous proposition if they find a way to get wins on the board against the more experienced sides in doubles.

The Club's Grade 3 team has a great balance of youth and experience with the Sheary twins, Renee and Jade,

again headlining a team that made the finals in 2014.

Serena Wang continues to improve and the addition of Olivia Quigley and Ashley Spinks alongside Bridget Laird should give this team a chance to be successful again.

The Club will also field a team in Grade 5 and 6 to be captained by Jessica Cox and Angela Woodruff respectively.

We wish all of our teams the best of luck in 2015!



► *Club Championships runner up Katerina Valos looks set for a big year*

# JUNIOR COMPETITION NEWS

## Kooyong's Junior Competition teams have continued their good form from last year as we hit the half way mark of the current Bayside Regional Tennis Association season.

Kooyong was successful in winning flags in Section 2, 3, 9 and 17 while also being runners up in Section 1 and 8.

This is a fantastic achievement by the kids in these teams and hopefully that success continues in 2015.

This season Kooyong has two teams in Section 1 on Saturday mornings with Olivia Douglas' team currently in third spot on the ladder while Tom Langford's young team continues to improve against their older opponents and sit in sixth spot on the ladder.

In Section 2, Nicholas Lester's team is second on the ladder and Tom Palazzo's team sit just behind them in third spot.

On Sunday mornings, Kooyong has three teams in the top section and they currently hold the top three positions on the ladder.

James Goller's Section 1 team is on top of the ladder while Charlie Geason's side is breathing down their throats in second spot.

Kristofer Hyde's Section 1 team currently holds down third spot but they are in a close battle with three other teams for the final two spots in the top four.

In Section 4, Gabriel Lennon's team has recently jumped up to third spot on the ladder after an impressive few rounds that included a win over the top side.

Angus Cosgriff's Section 5 team sits in second spot on the ladder after seven rounds while Jessica Pila's team in the same section currently sits in eighth but is just a few points out of sixth place.

In Section 6, Campbell Eade's team has started the season well and sit on top of the ladder while Alex Hick's team in the same section is fourth and would be hopeful of making finals.

Kooyong also has two sides in Section 7 and at this stage Patrick Wraith-Bell's team is second on the ladder while Martin Buttery's team is holding onto fourth spot with half a season to go.

In Section 9, Olivia McGrath's team sits in seventh spot on the ladder while Hugh Benyon's Section 11 team is currently eighth.

Kooyong then has three teams in Section 12 with two of those holding down positions in the top four at this stage.

Matthew Sweetnam's team is sitting in third spot on the ladder while Emily Harvey's team is nipping at their heels in fourth position.

Lachlan Tingate's team is also in this section and currently sit in eighth spot while in Section 14 Lachlan Main's team have started the season well and currently sit on top of the ladder.

In Section 18, Caroline Marcel's team of juniors are enjoying what is the first season of competition for most of them and currently sit in eighth spot.

Good luck to all of our teams for the remainder of the season!





Section 1 Runners Up: Henry Marcel, Charlie Geason, Harry Gell, Jack Geason, Coco Swansson and Sam Quinn

## ACCESS YOUR TENNIS BENEFITS Get Connected

Kooyong's affiliation with Tennis Victoria provides opportunities for Kooyong Members to take advantage of Tennis Australia's new rewards initiative. Benefits include the Australian Open pre-sale, Wimbledon and French Open ballots, and other opportunities during the year.

If you have not already activated your TennisConnect profile online, please email your full name to [play@tennis.com.au](mailto:play@tennis.com.au) with Subject: Kooyong TennisConnect OR call 1800 PLAY TENNIS.

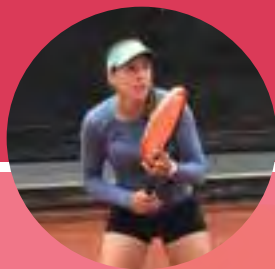
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# PENNANT PROFILES

## GEMMA SEELEY

AGE 16



**Grade:** 2

**Australian Ranking:** 310

**Play L/H or R/H:** Right handed

**Tennis Achievements:**

2015 Melbourne Open Championships Gold AMT Quarter Finalist, 2014 Winner 16/u singles Glen Iris tournament

➤ **Most admired sportsperson/why?**

My most admired sportsperson would have to be Roger Federer. I've always loved watching him play and the way he conducts himself on court. He's inspired me to attempt to be the best I can be whilst always remembering who I am.

➤ **Greatest influence on tennis career/why?**

My family and support team have always been there for me and encouraged me all the way. They have always helped me strive to be better and I couldn't ask for greater people to be around throughout this journey.

➤ **Greatest sporting moment witnessed?**

The freak shot that Kyrgios pulled against Nadal at Wimbledon. I thought it was amazing skill and just an awesome shot.

➤ **What goals have you set for yourself in tennis?**

To one day make the top 10 Australian Ranking and to compete in a Grand Slam event.

➤ **What do you enjoy most about pennant tennis?**

I love competing in a high level competition with a great team environment. It allows us to compete against a wide variety of players and meet new people.

➤ **If you weren't a tennis player what would you be?**

I've always loved playing sport, so if it wasn't tennis it would probably be another sport.

➤ **What do you do outside tennis?**

I enjoy spending time with my family and friends when given the opportunity, whilst also trying to balance school and homework.

➤ **How much time do you spend developing your tennis each week?**

Approximately 20 hours a week including fitness and strength sessions.

➤ **Sacrifices required to play tennis at a high level?**

Not being able to eat a lot of junk food and late nights or having the spare time to relax.

## YIOTA NICOLAOU

AGE 15



**Grade:** 1

**Australian Ranking:** 185

**Play L/H or R/H:** Right handed

**Tennis Achievements:**

Invited to play a tournament in New Caledonia, reached quarter-finals and semi-finals in high level AMTs and playing ITFs and Futures events.

➤ **Most admired sportsperson/why?**

Nick Kyrgios and Thanasi Kokkinakis are huge inspirations to me because of their self-belief and massive achievements at such a young age. On the women's side I admire Victoria Azarenka for her aggressive game style and Eugenie Bouchard for her level-headed mindset.

➤ **Greatest influence on tennis career/why?**

My Dad and my coach Noel Phillips. My Dad is always supportive and believes in me no matter what, he has sacrificed a lot for me. My coach Noel Phillips has completely changed my attitude and mindset, teaching me to focus on the big picture and always makes training fun.

➤ **Greatest sporting moment witnessed?**

When Richmond won 9 games in a row in 2014 to make finals after their season looked over.

➤ **What goals have you set for yourself in tennis?**

I want to take tennis as far as I'm capable of, and hopefully one day be a top 10 player.

➤ **What do you enjoy most about pennant tennis?**

Pennant tennis is great for putting in to play what I've been training and getting extra practice. It's always good to meet new people and experience different game styles. I like the team environment and my team mates' support.

➤ **If you weren't a tennis player what would you be?**

If I wasn't a tennis player I would probably be a netballer.

➤ **What do you do outside tennis?**

I try and catch up with friends as much as I can and enjoy other sports. Going to the footy is another interest, I support the Richmond Tigers.

➤ **How much time do you spend developing your tennis each week?**

I am on court around 11 hours a week, I play at school as well as doing private lessons and squads after school. I also dedicate a lot of time to my fitness, including two weights sessions and a cardio session each week – I go jogging at least once a week.

➤ **Sacrifices required to play tennis at a high level?**

Not getting to catch up with friends very often, missing school time for tournaments and not over-indulging in junk food. I need to maintain a good balance with my school work and tennis so I don't fall behind.



# midweek ladies report



## Midweek ladies competition is once again proving popular with Kooyong's members, with 12 teams playing in three different associations across three days.

The Winter season of the Midweek Eastern Metropolitan Region Ladies' Tennis Association (M.E.M.R.L.T.A.) commences on Tuesday 17 March. Kris Tulloch has taken over the captaincy from Bridget Laird in Section 1, previously known as Grade A1. They will be looking to improve on their 5th place finish in the Summer season, where they only missed out on finals on percentage.



From left: Steph Fry, Lisa Boothby, Jenny Butterley, Jacqui Abbott

Steph Fry's team of Jacqui Abbott, Lisa Boothby, Jenny Butterley, Robyn McGregor, Danielle Lorkin and Heather Anderson (pictured above) won the Bayside Regional Tennis Association (BRTA) July-December 2014 season Tuesday Section 1 Grand Final, defeating Black Rock 36 games

to 30! They will now attempt to conquer Section 3 of M.E.M.R.L.T.A.

Sally Addison, who was playing out of East Malvern during the Summer season, will now represent Kooyong. She has brought Kirsty Russell and Julie McMenamin with her and recruited Jill Kaminsky, Jane Cash, Anne Sheary, Mary Bernard and Larnie Morrisson.

In BRTA Section 1 on a Wednesday, Mandy Morgan has taken over the captaincy from Fiona Medina. Unlike M.E.M.R.L.T.A, BRTA and Waverley & District Tennis Association (WDTA) have February-June and July-December seasons. Mandy's team is off to a terrific start, currently sitting on top of the ladder on 37 points after six rounds.

Detje Marcel is once again captaining a BRTA Section 2 team on a Wednesday. Unfortunately they have found the going a little tough so far this season, currently sitting on the bottom of the ladder.

Merryn Olive's BRTA Section 4 team, playing on a Wednesday, is currently third on the ladder with 24 points. Section 4 is shaping up as a very competitive section, with only seven points separating Black Rock on top from fifth placed Beaumaris.

Kooyong also has three teams in BRTA's Thursday competitions. Jo O'Donoghue and Sue Lester have resumed their rivalry in Section A, which is akin to Collingwood v Carlton in the AFL or Melbourne Victory v Melbourne City in the A-League! Sue's team will be looking for revenge this season after

Jo's team knocked them out of finals contention last season. Currently Sue's team is fourth on the ladder with 19 points, one point ahead of Jo's team.

After proving victorious in BRTA Section 3 on a Wednesday last season, Kate Wraith-Bell's team switched to WDTA Section A Reserve 2 on a Thursday. Led by Jo Rush now, they are finding the new day and association a challenge, currently sitting on the bottom of the ladder.

There is another team in Section A Reserve 2. Alita Davis has taken over the captaincy from Sarah Cudlipp. Alita's team is currently equal on points with Jo Rush's team, ahead only on percentage.

Finally, continuing the trend of new captains for this season, Mardi Andrew has taken over from Jayne Pitard in B Special 1. Mardi's team is currently in fourth place on 24 points.

We wish our midweek ladies teams all the best for the remainder of the season.

# CRÉCHE NEWS

## Do you have Grandchildren?

Why don't you bring them along to crèche weekday mornings?

### Did you know that all members' children from six weeks old to 5 years are welcome at the crèche?

I quite enjoy bringing my children up to the bistro on occasion for a special iced chocolate after they have enjoyed a play with our wonderful staff at the crèche under the stadium. We are lucky to have such a great club that ensures even our little ones feel welcome.

Children enjoy craft, free play, role play and dress ups, fresh air outside in the sandpit or other outdoor activities - all while you play tennis, enjoy the gym or meet a friend in the bistro. It is quite the break for everyone and I can highly recommend it.

Open from 9.00 am to midday Monday to Thursday and 12.15 pm on a Friday - our crèche only costs \$12.50 for the entire morning and you can use it casually or semi permanently.



*Dallas and Elke Ralph with staff Marzia Hassan and Dobrila Subotic*

Ring the pro shop on 93087141 to book and learn and how to get started. Alternatively take a look on the club website.

I look forward to welcoming you personally,

**Rachael Ralph**

President of the Crèche Committee

## The Pro Shop

**KLTC Merchandise** – New Kooyong Summer Range!

**Latest Summer Tennis fashion** (Lacoste, Head, Wilson, Nivo, Bette & Court), and gym attire (2XU, Open To Play, Running Bare, VIRUS), racquets & racquet bags.

**Kooyong VIP Member cards available also – sign up and get 10% OFF your first purchase and collect points every time you shop.**

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# KOORYONG INTERNATIONAL TENNIS ACADEMY

**KITA has begun the year in emphatic fashion with the development of some new programs, classes almost full to capacity and its players, along with The Kooyong Foundation Future Champions Squad, achieving a number of outstanding results.**

Codey Gunn has continued his great form; his most impressive result gained at a Bronze Open AMT where he was runner up. At just 14 years old, this is particularly impressive. He also won the St Kevin's College Championships earning him the player of the year award and was runner up in the Victorian Junior Grasscourt Championships.

Fellow squad member Stefan Storch, at 13, has also begun the year in top form taking out the Margaret Court Cup and the Tasmanian State Championship. He went on to qualify for a Grade 3 & 4 U/18 ITF in New Zealand, despite being years below the 18 and under age bracket.

The Storch family success was replicated by Stefan's sister, Sophia, who also earned a finals spot at the 2015 Margaret Court Cup. On top of reaching the final, Sophia also won the ANZ Victorian Schoolboys & Schoolgirls Championships in her age group.

Another youngster, Hannah Williams, also 13, won the Club Championships D Grade Ladies Singles and the Under 14 Girl's Singles events and has shown an exciting and quick rise in form. We look forward to great results in the future.

These results are to be commended and reflect the hard work of all of the Foundation Future Champions Squad, the support they get from the club and work of the coaches. These achievements will undoubtedly act as a catalyst and inspire all involved for the rest of 2015.



Our Ladies Programs have gone from strength to strength and all those involved find them a great way for to either start playing again or to build on an already solid playing background.

This term coach Sesan Oyeniyi initiated a new program called 'Cross Fit Tennis'. 'Cross Fit Tennis' is a tennis specific workout program and is a fantastic way to get fit while improving your strokes. This is a personal fitness program while playing tennis. Currently, sessions run Monday & Wednesday 10:00am - 11:15am. Sesan has received excellent feedback regarding this innovative program and will expand it further next term. Please call Shane to secure your spot.

Our KITA structure has expanded with the announcement that coach Greg Gunn will be expanding his role and has been named Coach Coordinator. Greg has been with KITA for over 3 years and prior to this Greg ran his own coaching program and is equipped with a wealth of hands-on experience. We're sure Greg's extreme passion for tennis and his years of acquired knowledge will serve KITA and the club well.

Over the summer our 'Hot Shots' children were lucky enough to be involved with demonstrations at the Priceline Classic as well as The Australian Open.



The children experienced the thrill of being on the centre court prior to the final of the Priceline Classic. No doubt a memorable experience for our little tennis lovers and at the Australian Open the children got to play on Margaret Court Arena with one of our lucky students getting to toss the coin for the first match on court. These experiences and successes for our coaching and club members are exciting for all involved and provide a great impetus for enthusiasm and love for the sport for years to come.

At the other end of the scale there has been a significant increase in more mature, experienced players seeking lessons in an effort to keep improving which has been absolutely fantastic to see. This is no doubt due to the quality, enthusiasm and knowledge of our extremely experienced and nurturing coaches.

Whether it is a private lesson, squads, a hitting session, clinics, or a hot shots program, we have everything for beginners to full time travelling players to fulfil your needs and development.

If you have any queries about lessons at all please feel free to call Shane on 9824 6860 or email [kita@kooyong.com.au](mailto:kita@kooyong.com.au)

**Glenn Busby**  
Director - KITA

# SQUAD 489

## Kooyong Squash now has an elite training squad for scholarship players.

The squash club held a fundraising function last year to help support our scholarship players.

One exciting program that has been developed as a direct result of your support is the launch of an elite training squad, which will meet weekly under the guidance of Mike Corren.

Squad 489 is the best of Kooyong and 489 Glenferrie Rd is the address of the best club in Australia!

An accomplished squash professional who has ranked well inside the top 50 and has 50 PSA titles to his name, Mike knows as much as anyone else, the demands of playing at the highest

level and the commitment required to flourish in that pressure cooker environment.

Our goals are to not only drive the team through a tough training regime that will develop their squash but to build a sense of team and cooperation where all the squad members support each other through their competitive matches and in training.

Selena Shaikh, who has given 6 years of excellent support to our club, and was influential in planning and delivering such a great function last year, will captain the squad initially.

Other inaugural squad members are; Sarah Cardwell, Christine Nunn, Sam Ejtemai, Taylor Horton, Tyler Hawkins, Nathan Lindner, Jason Holmes and Tate Norris. Josh Boyte will be a development player.

Fundraising  
Function



# WOMEN'S WORLD TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

**Kooyong was well represented at last November's Women's World Team Championships with both Sarah Cardwell and Christine Nunn joining Rachael Grinham and Lisa Camilleri in the Australian team.**

Seeded seventh, the Australian team reached the quarterfinals after defeating Spain, Germany and Wales and losing to the second seeded team from England.

This saw the side face the top seeds from Egypt and unfortunately they lost.

In the playoffs the Australian girls faced a strong French team who just

missed out on the semi finals and were relegated to the playoff for seventh and eighth against Ireland.

A strong win against Ireland saw the girls finish in seventh spot and live up to their seeding.

Congratulations to both of Kooyong's Australian representatives!



# PENNANT UPDATE

**The new Autumn season is under way and a number of new players have joined our Pennant teams.**

Mike Corren (A1), Tyler Hawkins (A2), Josh Boyte (C2), Jack Otter (D) and Simon Robertson (E) have all begun playing for the Club.

We currently have a number of teams in the top 3 including our A1 team being on top of the ladder.

The Club is hopeful of winning the blue ribbon event as it's been a few seasons since we've won it.

Last season was also fairly successful with two blue flags coming our way.

In B2 it was an all-Kooyong grand final with the team of Andy Dawson, Sam Blake and Victoria Leow proving to be too strong for Rob Wickham, James Kerner and Chris Morgan.

A winning combination of two juniors, Jeremy Tran and Andy Sneddon, along with the experience of Dave White and Brien Shipton proved to be a winning formula in C2 as they took out the flag.

The Club's A2 side lost in the semi final while B4 were beaten in the grand final. The Club's D2 side finished on top and were red hot favourites but unfortunately didn't quite get over the line.



New players, Josh Boyte & Tyler Hawkins



From left: Selena Shaikh, Sarah Cardwell, Mike Corren & Sam Ejtemai

## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

**It was another very successful Club Championships with a new winner in the Men's Open event while Sarah Cardwell added another title to her name at the Club in the Women's Open.**

Mike Corren, a new member at the Club and former Professional, took on three time winner Sam Ejtemai in the final and it was Mike showing his experience to win the title 3/1 despite Sam clinching a game.

Sam bounced back to win the Junior Boy's Championship with victory over Shepparton's Nathan Lindner.

Sarah Cardwell added a Women's Open title to her resume after a tough 3/1 win over Selena Shaikh.

The match was highlighted by some fantastic shot-making, endurance and sportsmanship.

Nathan Lindner followed up his run to the Boy's final with a win in the A Grade event after he defeated Grant

Booker in the final.

In the B Grade, Sam Blake, seeded two, was able to get the win over James Kerner while the Sneddon name continues to be synonymous with squash at Kooyong as Andy prevailed by defeating Ashley Bloom in the C Grade final.

The D Grade was a fantastic final with the top seed, Hugh Bear, taking on Julie Jones.

The match went to five but it was Hugh who came out on top to claim his first title at Kooyong.

Congratulations to all the winners as well as everyone involved in the event!

# ..... KLTC ..... BRIDGE CLUB

The Bridge Club's Christmas Dinner saw the presentation of the Open Trophy to Jill Shirley and the Penny Purbrick Trophy (for members with fewer than 50 masterpoints) to Maria Campbell.

Later in the evening, members were astonished by the sudden appearance of a Father Christmas with a voice remarkably similar to our Tuesday evening Director Terry Crawford.

2015 got under way with intermediate bridge lessons given by Monday afternoon Director Stephen Lester on the subjects of Planning Declarer Play and Fourth Suit Forcing, each of which were attended by more than 45 members. Further lessons (on Jacoby 2NT and Slam Bidding) will be held during March.

Stephen will also be running a 6 week course of Beginner lessons on Monday mornings, starting on 13th April. Any member wishing to join this group should contact Moira Righetti (0413 940 655 or [mrighetti@optusnet.com.au](mailto:mrighetti@optusnet.com.au)).



## BILLIARDS & SNOOKER

By Alistair Macindoe

### INTER-CLUB COMPETITIONS

The Inter-club Competitions have started after the summer break, and Kooyong has two teams. The A Grade snooker team has had one win and three losses. The highlight of the season so far was a 106 clearance by Charlie Chafe. This was an excellent break, with several reds placed near cushions, and was made at high speed, thrilling the onlookers as well as his opponent.

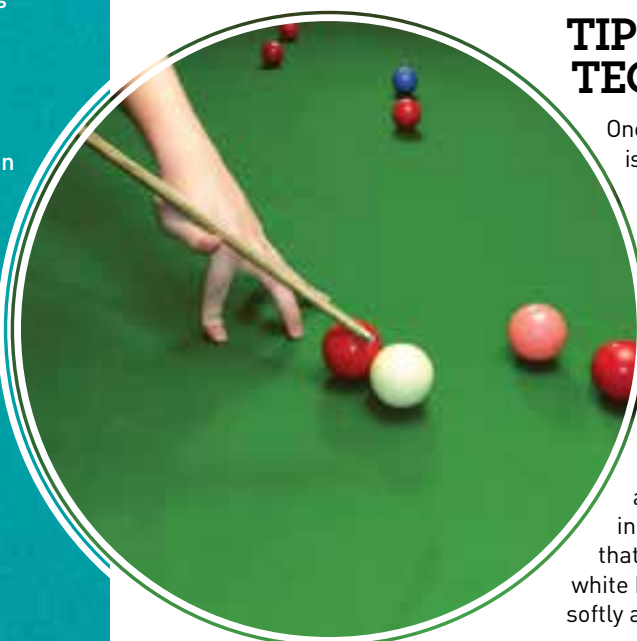
There is also a Monday night billiards team. This team is only having modest success, although the players are enjoying the experience nonetheless. One of the players, David Chigwidden, is seen in action in the photograph.



### TIPS ON TECHNIQUE

One of the hardest shots in snooker is when you have to bridge over a ball or balls to strike the cue ball.

Charlie Chafe's bridge hand is shown in the close-up photo; this is how to bridge over balls to strike the cue ball. Spread your fingers as widely as possible to form a firm base, keep the bridge very still, and hit down on the cue ball, keeping the cue as flat as possible even so. Always aim in the middle of the cue ball, so that swerve is not imparted to the white ball. Also hit the cue ball as softly as you dare.



### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“ A lot of people think international relations is like a game of chess. But it's not a game of chess, where people sit quietly, thinking out their strategy, taking their time between moves. It's more like a game of billiards, with a bunch of balls clustered together. ”

Madeleine Albright – *United States Secretary of State (1997–2001)*



YOUNG MEMBERS GROUP

# YOUNG MEMBERS PARTY

## PRICELINE PHARMACY CLASSIC

**This year was the 2nd annual Young Members Garden Party as part of the off-court festivities at Kooyong's *Priceline Pharmacy Classic*.**

With the sun finally shining after heavy rains all day, Young Members & their guests flocked to Kooyong's iconic lawn and enjoyed an evening of cocktails and entertainment.

It was destined to be an event of all class with guests entering via the red carpet and special guest, DJ Generik contributing to the lively environment.

With a fantastic evening had by all, we are looking forward to hosting our next young members event -The Yarrayong Ball (in association with Royal South Yarra Tennis Club) in August. Stay tuned for further details!

**Lucy Hammill**  
President



LEFT:  
Ladies at YM party (from left to right):  
Caitlin Chambers, Emma Hays  
(YM Committee member),  
Emma Ross-Edwards, Annie Salter,  
Lily Shelmerdine

ABOVE:  
YM party on lawn - KLTC grass courts



IT'S BEEN A ....

# Sizzling Social Summer!

As I write this I am anticipating that our next function, a tantalising Longest Lunch to be held on Sunday 22 March will be as enjoyable as our past sizzling Tennis BBQ, the Happy Hour, and our Christmas Jazz Afternoon.

We decided that a Long Lunch would be fun after a Member suggested the idea to the committee. It has obviously appealed to our Members too, since we had booked out by the close of reservations.

I would encourage any Member that has an idea for an event or function to please forward their suggestions to the Social Committee. We are very happy to consider any ideas. Our aim is after all, to provide a variety of social functions and events suitable for all.

Scheduled events for April and May 2015 are tennis events. On Sunday 19 April we will be hosting the KLTC v RSYLTC Social Tennis Cup which is open to Playing Members and is a Mixed Doubles event. Always an enjoyable afternoon.

On Sunday 24 May we will hold our popular Mixed Doubles Round Robin open to all Members and their Guests. Entries can be found on our section of the KLTC website or obtained from Reception or the Members Sign In Desk.

Having launched into a great start for 2015, the social committee looks forward to more fun and great times on and off the court!

Gindi Dajmian  
President



**Tennis & BBQ**



**Happy Hour**



**Jazz on the Terrace**





# Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary



The **Royal Children's Hospital** Melbourne

The Annual General Meeting for the Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary was held at Kooyong on Monday the 16th of February 2015 with our special guests, Robin Anderson, President of RCH Auxiliaries in attendance and our new Patron of the Auxiliary, Lisa Carew, wife of our President, Peter Carew.

Also present were two new Committee members – Denise Bartlett and Genevieve Barnett, who were warmly welcomed.

It was an important occasion for many of our regular Committee Members who received long service badges.

We commenced our fundraising for 2015 with the Priceline Classic in January. Understandably, the weather was rather unkind but we hope to raise a small profit after some refunds have been finalised. Next was our ever-popular Ladies Doubles Grass Tournament. We had a full complement of 300 ladies, fine weather, a very successful raffle and

a well-stocked stall – all hand made by Phyllis George and raising a sum of \$400. Congratulations Phyllis!

The total sum for the day resulted in a **profit of around \$13,000**. Congratulations to Lyn and Joan for their great organisational skills in running the tournament and to the remainder of my Committee for their hard work.

My sincere thanks also goes to Chris Brown, Cedric Mason, the Pro Shop, Chris Goulding and all the Kooyong staff for their great co-operation in helping to make this day such a great success.



2015

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### Monday 20th April

Card Day in the Kooyong Room

### Sunday 26th July

Christmas in July Lunch

### Monday 14th September

Card Day in the Kooyong Room

### Friday 16th October

Trivia Night

We hope members and their friends can join us for these events.

## OUR COMMITTEE FOR 2015 IS AS FOLLOWS:

**Patron** – Lisa Carew

**President** – Marie Devereux

**Vice President** – Ann Marie Coghlan

**Secretary** – Caroline Hill

**Ass. Secretary** – Joan Layet

**Treasurer** – Carmel Quinn

**Ass. Treasurer** – Mary Hoban

**Committee Members** – Lyn Wheat, Edna Lavell, Thais Mear, Mary Galvin, Pam Hoyle, Denise Cosgriff, Denise Bartlett, Genevieve Barnett, Jean Burgess



I do thank all these ladies for their continuing support and I look forward to another great year working together for our great hospital.

**Marie Devereux**  
**President**

# Wine & FOOD SOCIETY

*On behalf of the Wine & Food Society committee, I extend a warm welcome for members and guests to join us at our events during this year.*

## 2015 EVENTS

Please make a note in your diary for these dates

**Thursday 19 Mar:** 'Tastes of South Australia' - Racquet Club

**Friday 29 May:** Melbourne Savage Club

**Friday 17 July:** 'One Chef and Three Sommeliers' - Kooyong Room

**Thursday 15 Oct:** External Venue TBC

**Saturday 12 Dec:** Christmas Function & Winemaker's dinner - Kooyong Room

## 2014 CHRISTMAS FUNCTION IN THE RACQUET CLUB FEATURING WINES BY DOMINIQUE PORTET

To accommodate demand with our increased membership, last year we held our Christmas Function on two consecutive weeks in the Racquet Club with identical menu and wines served on both nights.

On Thursday 27 November, Ben Portet, winemaker and young gun of the industry shared his immense wine knowledge. On Thursday 4 December, his debonair father, Dominique Portet, founder of this famous winery shared his lifetime of experience and wisdom.

Both were high successful functions combining excellent wines with an amazing culinary display - many thanks to Dominique and Ben for their contribution.

Our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to Patrice Renaudin, Chris Goulding and all the Kooyong team for their passion, creativity and exemplary service at these events. A copy of the menu and wines is printed here to tantalize your taste buds!



## MEMBERSHIP OF WINE & FOOD SOCIETY

Established in the early 70's, this special Social Group has been very active with membership almost doubling in recent years.

Details of our events and membership application form can be found on the Kooyong Website under Members Groups, Wine & Food Society.

We hold five functions each year, at Kooyong and different venues of interest arranged by the committee, with guests able to attend as numbers allow.

## 2015 WFS COMMITTEE:

**President:** Christine Johnson

**Vice President:** Ken Wheat

**Secretary:** Marie Pernet

**Treasurer:** Milton Dickins

**Committee Members:** Robin Daubeny, Margot McCluskey, Sarah Patterson, Graham Schmidt

We look forward to welcoming you to an exciting year of great wine, food and camaraderie with fellow members, guests and friends.

**Christine Johnson**  
President



## 2014 Christmas Function in The Racquet Club

*Featuring Wines by Dominique Portet*

### Canapés

Duck rillettes served in a cone with onion jam  
Panko crumbed prawns with lime aioli

*NV Dominique Portet Brut Rosé, Yarra valley, Vic.*

### Entrée

Hot smoked salmon nicoise with gruyere cheese croquette,  
Tomato confit, saffron aioli & shaved asparagus

*2013 Dominique Portet Sauvignon Blanc, Yarra Valley, Vic.*

*2014 Dominique Portet 'Fontaine' Rosé Yarra Valley / Pyrénées*

### Palate Cleanser

Ruby grapefruit & Campari sorbet

### Main Course

Provincial roasted & braised lamb: herb crusted rack & braised shoulder with zucchini flower pissaladiere, parsnip purée, shelled peas & crumbed black pudding

*2012 Dominique Portet Cabernet Sauvignon, Yarra Valley, Vic.*

*2012 Dominique Portet Shiraz, Heathcote, Vic.*

### Side Dishes

Steamed green baby beans with Yarra Valley Persian fetta & pomegranate

Heirloom tomato salad with fresh basil & buffalo mozzarella

### Dessert

Elderflower mirror cake with honey & thyme roasted apricots, praline & vanilla champagne sorbet

*2010 Vendanges Tardives (Late Harvest) Sauvignon Blanc, Yarra Valley, Vic*

Coffee, Tea and Petit Fours



# Health club NEWS



**It is inspiring to see an increase in Members working hard to achieve their strength & weight loss goals at Kooyong Health Club. There is a vibrant uplifting energy within the health club.**

Making the most of the fabulous facilities here at the Health Club, we have already expanded our group exercise program with the launch of our new class "Total Body Tone" 9.30 AM Wednesday mornings. If you're looking to get fit and tone up then the Total Body Tone class is for you. The class runs every week on a Wednesday morning at 9:30 AM and is a great way to meet other members and the perfect alternative to exercising on your own in the gym.

The class provides a total body workout including body and free weight training circuits tailored to both beginners and advanced fitness levels. Each exercise can be modified to suit your own abilities. The particular focus of the class is on improving muscular endurance and strength and its aerobic element also makes it ideal for improving cardiovascular fitness and weight loss.

Participating in a group exercise class is a great way to challenge your perceived limitations, and encouragement from an instructor and workout buddies can really help to keep you on track. Your hard work will be rewarded with several great benefits including improved cardiovascular fitness, toning up, strength and endurance improvement, weight loss, and stress relief. New faces are always welcome and exercise is definitely more fun when you work out together, so get involved!

Next expansion of our program will be in April with the launch of a new "Power Pilates" class, 6.30 PM Thursday evenings, beginning on 16th April, 2015. The first class on the 16th April 6.30 pm is complimentary to all members.

Power Pilates is a fantastic workout for improving muscle strength, weight loss, overall body toning and flexibility. It is an ideal training program to improve performance in tennis, golf, swimming, running or other sports.

Power Pilates will improve your endurance and minimize recovery time from medical or sporting injuries. Pilates conditioning can significantly improve your tennis game in terms of power, precision and reducing injuries.

## YULIYA KUZMINA - POWER PILATES THURSDAY 6.30PM



**Our new instructor, Yulika is a former Russian gymnast and a swimmer. She has been trained by the world renowned Stott Pilates. Yulika has been teaching Pilates for 3 years in Australia, Europe and Asia. Yulika has a true love of Pilates and brings great passion and excitement to her classes. The class is open to all ages, beginners are welcome and no previous Pilates experience is required.**

Members interested in weight loss, strength and conditioning, injury rehabilitation, general fitness, or personal training. Contact Health Club Manager Michael Kull on 0419 003 762 / 9822 3333.



**HEALTH CLUB TOTAL BODY TONE CLASS - WEDNESDAY 9.30AM**

# DIARY DATES

## KOOYONG LAWN TENNIS CLUB

## DIARY DATES 2015

	FRIDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
	<b>17<sup>th</sup></b> • President's Lunch	<b>19<sup>th</sup></b> • Social Committee – RSY Tennis Day	<b>20<sup>th</sup></b> • RCH Card Day
	SUNDAY	SUNDAY	FRIDAY
	<b>10<sup>th</sup></b> • Mother's Day Buffet Lunch	<b>24<sup>th</sup></b> • Social Committee – Mixed Doubles Round Robin	<b>29<sup>th</sup></b> • Champions' Dinner
	SUNDAY	MONDAY	
	<b>21<sup>st</sup></b> • Junior Competition Presentation Night	<b>29<sup>th</sup></b> • Victorian School Holidays Starts (until 12th July)	
MONDAY	FRIDAY	FRIDAY	SUNDAY
<b>13<sup>th</sup></b> • 50 Year Member's Lunch	<b>17<sup>th</sup></b> • Wine and Food Society 1Chef 3 Sommeliers Dinner	<b>24<sup>th</sup></b> • President's Lunch	<b>26<sup>th</sup></b> • RCH Christmas in July Lunch

Go to the website [www.kooyong.com.au](http://www.kooyong.com.au)  
for a full list of 2015 events at Kooyong.





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This year, be inspired at South Yarra BMW. With some exciting models arriving in 2015, our showroom provides the perfect setting to experience the thrill of the Ultimate Driving Machine and the all new South Yarra BMW.

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