

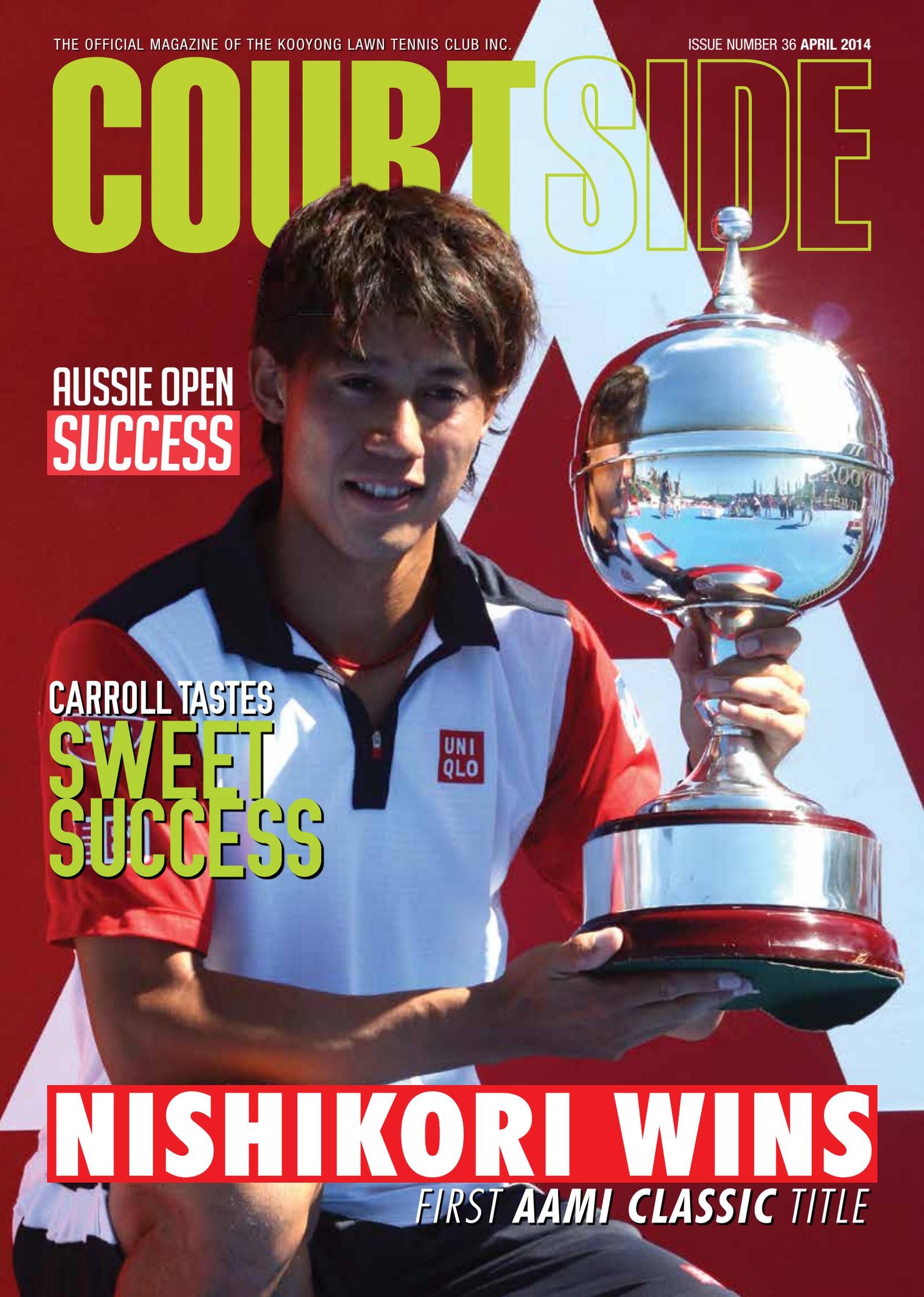
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MEN WIN VICTORIAN ATL TITLE

IT WAS CLOSE TO THE PERFECT AFTERNOON IN LATE NOVEMBER AS BOTH KOOYONG TEAMS STRIVED TO BOOK THEIR PLACE AT THE ASIA PACIFIC TENNIS LEAGUE PLAYOFF AT THE AUSTRALIAN OPEN.

The men, starting red hot favourites, had taken all before them in the minor rounds but knew they still had the job ahead of them to defeat the determined Dingley Dingoes who boasted an extremely talented side. And it had had to be done without one of their stars, Andrew Whittington, who was overseas playing in the Cambodian ITF title decider.

Any doubts about the Kooyong side's favouritism were quickly erased as Rubin Statham and Andrew Coelho skipped out to early leads on the back of some powerful hitting against their respective opponents, James Lemke and Matt Carroll. Statham and Coelho didn't let up as they asserted their dominance on the contest and set the tone for the day with 4/2 4/1 wins by both.

Daniel Byrnes then faced off with Dingley captain Daniel Wendler as rising star Marc Polmans took on Anthony Zafiris. Byrnes lost a tight first set after being broken when 3/2 down while Polmans made very few errors as he quickly took the first set 4/0.

Polmans continued to mount the pressure on Zafiris and took the match 4/0 4/0 while Byrnes began to get on top of Wendler with just a set needed to ensure victory which he claimed 4/2 to end the day in impressive fashion.

The women's final wasn't quite as one sided as two of Australia's best teams went head to head in a very entertaining clash. Kooyong struck first when Arina Rodionva won the battle of the number



Andrew Coelho, Rubin Statham, Marc Polmans, Daniel Byrnes and David Bidmeade were all smiles after winning the Victorian ATL title

ones by defeating Tammi Patterson 4/1 4/3 but RSY came straight back with a win of their own as Storm Sanders defeated Sally Peers 4/2 4/0.

The crucial number two spot saw Annabelle Andrinopoulos take on her familiar foe, Sam Harris, and she started well by winning the first set 4/2 but it was Harris who rose to the occasion in the second set to take it in a tiebreak before running away with the match 4/1 in the third set.

Ellen Perez wasn't going die wondering and she dug deep to put Kooyong back in it with a huge three set win over Azra Hadzic to make it level on rubbers, sets and games going into the doubles.

Rodionova and Perez again teamed well in the doubles to defeat Patterson and Hadzic as they had done in round 2 to win 4/1 4/3 but it was the dominance of Storm Sanders and Sam Harris in the final doubles match that sealed the win for RSY as they defeated Peers and Kate Antosik 4/1 4/0 to take the title by just three games.

In the finals, played in the second week of the Australian Open, the men showed why they were a force in the competition when they defeated Canberra Velocity in a nail biting contest.

Despite the loss of Andrew Whittington, Andrew Coelho and Marc Polmans, the team delivered with fantastic wins in singles from Rubin Statham and Daniel Byrnes and two hard fought doubles wins by David Bidmeade and rising star Daniel

Nolan and also Statham and Byrnes.

This gripping victory moved the side into a semi final against an extremely strong and talented Brisbane Chargers team and the addition of John Peers certainly helped even up the odds.

Rubin Statham again showed his class with a fighting three set win over Kaden Hensel while John Peers went down in a heartbreaking third set tiebreaker.

Daniel Byrnes again came up big with a great win over Michael Look while Gavin Van Peperzeel proved to be too strong for David Bidmeade leaving Kooyong a set down going into the doubles.

Unfortunately the boys fell a set short as Brisbane took one doubles in straight sets and Kooyong won the other in the same manner.

This left the team to playoff for fourth position against a very strong Japanese team and despite two great wins to Statham and Peers in singles, an injury to Byrnes made things very tough for the Kooyong side.

They fought on into the doubles but unfortunately lost both in match tiebreakers to finish in fourth spot despite a fantastic effort from all involved.

THE PLAYERS ALL ENJOYED THE FORMAT AND LOOK FORWARD TO THE COMPETITION'S CONTINUED GROWTH IN YEARS TO COME.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

AAMI Classic

After only a very short time in the chair, IMG's Director of Tennis in Australia and Kooyong's new AAMI Kooyong Classic tournament director Brian Cooney has worked with the Club to successfully deliver the 2014 and 26th AAMI Classic. Kooyong is delighted to have the involvement of one of the most experienced and successful worldwide sports marketing, sporting and entertainment event companies with deep connections with Australian and International tennis. Kooyong and IMG are looking forward to greater engagement with Kooyong members and the broader Victorian tennis community and to re-invigorating the event in 2015. The event committee is currently considering a number of possible event changes to increase the importance of the AAMI Classic as the premier lead up event to the Australian Open.

Club Championships

Whilst on the topic of events, our 2014 Club Championships were arguably the most popular ever despite the weather god's attempts to derail proceedings. Nearly 500 members took part again this year in the tennis championships and congratulations go to our Open singles winners Matt Carroll & Kate Antosik. Our Club Championships are one of the biggest tennis championships in Australia both in number of participants and number of events. It is a significant logistical exercise managed brilliantly by our tennis staff. Congratulations also to our Open Men's squash champion Sam Ejtemai on his win again after a hard fought final. The women's event is yet to be played.

Junior Player Development

From time to time the Committee receives letters regarding Kooyong's commitment to junior tennis and squash development. These opportunities are provided and supported by the strong relationship between the Club, the Kooyong Foundation and Kooyong International Tennis Academy. Kooyong, via our Kooyong Foundation, is one of Victoria's, if not Australia's, leading supporter of tennis and squash junior development. It contributes financial support directly to up-and-coming juniors, supports a number of junior programs and several junior team events including the Wayne Arthurs Cup and the Alicia Molik Cup held annually at Kooyong. The Kooyong International Tennis Academy, run by world 55 and over tennis champion Glenn Busby, operates a coaching business under arrangement with Kooyong. K.I.T.A. on numerous occasions over many years has voluntarily contributed time, resources and expertise to complement the activities of the Club and the Foundation, support that is always welcomed.

Can the Club and the Foundation do more for junior development?

There are always many deserving cases for player support and ideas for more or broader programs for developing Australian racquet sport talent and with the generous financial support of Club Members and tennis enthusiasts the Club's programs will continue to evolve and expand. Hopefully in the not too distant future it will proudly contribute to an Australian achieving major success on the world stage. Contact CEO Chris Brown if you would like to learn more about how you could support these programs.

Social Events

Good people are the cornerstone to a successful organisation and at Kooyong we are blessed to have a number of Members who volunteer their time to add to the opportunities to enjoy the Club. Our social groups are really making a big difference around the Club with most groups enjoying record numbers, booked out events and glowing reports from Members. Some of the successful events in 2014 so far have been a big Social Committee Round Robin afternoon on grass, the packed Royal Children's Hospital Kooyong Auxiliaries Tennis Day, Wine & Food dinners and the inaugural and highly popular Young Members AAMI Classic event.

Membership Value

As I have reported previously to Members, your Committee continue to seek out opportunities to add further value to our various membership classes. The Club is specifically seeking out tennis opportunities in our area to offer our members expanded night tennis opportunities. That would enable us to better accommodate our competition teams and could additionally provide more hard courts for our Members use during the winter months when the grass courts are closed for play. Demand for squash courts, in particular for Club Circuit practice and competition play is also high and can on occasions reduce opportunities for our social squash players. The fact that many commercial squash sites have closed in recent times, several in and around Kooyong, has led to greater demand for courts. The Club is looking at ways we can best accommodate more squash facilities to meet that demand.

With respect to reciprocal arrangements with Victorian based clubs such as Sandringham Yacht Club, Portsea Golf Club and the VRC, our Club's guiding principle has always been to provide our Members with benefits at these Clubs and to extend privileges back to our reciprocal clubs to the extent that no arrangement diminishes our member access to Club resources. These arrangements have worked well and have been warmly

embraced by our Members. Of course our network of reciprocal Clubs overseas continues to grow especially as our Members recommend clubs to Kooyong that they have visited around the world.



Ian Hill
President

A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

The periods leading up to Christmas and the early part of the year have been extremely busy. That time included a win in the local competition by our ATL men and the team went on to compete in the finals during the Australian Open. The Open also provided an opportunity for a number of our Members to showcase their development and we congratulate several of our Kooyong Foundation Scholarship Players who achieved their best results over the two weeks. Club Championships were completed and the involvement of almost 500 Members makes them one of the most successful on record. We congratulate Matt Carroll and Kate Antosik on their wins in tennis and also Sam Ejtemai for another victory in squash. Congratulations also to Steve Mifsud and Charlie Chafe who recently played off in the final Oceania Snooker Titles in Albury following on from Charlie's earlier success in the Under 21 event. The AAMI Classic this year delivered a new name to the honor board and congratulations go to Kei Nishikori on his win over World No. 7 Tomas Berdych. The event again showcased great tennis and included appearances by Novak Djokovic, Lleyton Hewitt and Andy Murray. Our member groups have been very active and the Young Members held an excellent garden party during the AAMI Classic. The Social Committee enjoyed a highly successful tennis round robin, the RCH Auxiliary have again packed our courts for their annual grass court tournament at the start of March while the Wine & Food Society have again showcased the Club to their members and guests at a lavish dinner in the Racquet Club. After a wonderful start to the year, we very much look forward to enjoying great times in the months ahead at Kooyong.

Chris Brown
CEO

NISHIKORI WINS FIRST AAMI CLASSIC TITLE

World No.17, Kei Nishikori has taken out the 2014 AAMI Classic title prevailing over world No.7, Tomas Berdych in Saturday's final at the Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club.

Nishikori's name joins that of his coach, three time winner, Michael Chang, on the coveted Lew Hoad trophy along with legends of the sport; Pete Sampras, Andre Agassi, Pat Cash, Roger Federer and Andy Roddick.

The 24-year-old was too good for Berdych in the final, claiming the match in straight sets 6-4, 7-5.

"I'm very happy the way I played today," said Nishikori. "There were not many unforced errors and I was playing aggressive and was try to step inside of the baseline and it was working well. I played really well today.

"It's very happy to win the tournament and it's good to play good this week and good preparation for the Aussie Open."

Despite losing the final, Berdych said that the AAMI Classic had provided him with the perfect preparation for the Australian Open.

"I think it was a very, very good match again, different scores but honestly I didn't come here for focusing on the score but more focusing on the game that I play and today was, in some stages, a better game than we played last time," Berdych said.

It was a big week at the AAMI Classic with IMG's Brian Cooney in the Tournament Director's seat for the first time since taking over from long time chief Colin Stubs and it proved to be a challenging year with several injuries forcing changes throughout the event.

It began with the withdrawal of Lleyton Hewitt after his run to the title at the Brisbane International with wins over Nishikori and Federer in the semi final and final but that provided young Australian Jordan Thompson with the opportunity to prepare for his first Australian Open with some quality matches.

Day one kicked off with a high quality match between Spain's Fernando Verdasco and

Berdych and despite a close first set it was Berdych who prevailed 7/5 6/2 to move into the semi finals.

The top class tennis continued as Nishikori took on rising star Grigor Dimitrov and again there was very little separating the pair as Nishikori took the first set in a tiebreak before taking the match in straight sets 7/6 6/4.

Thompson then stepped up to the plate against French star Richard Gasquet and didn't look out of place as he took up to his more fancied opponent.

Gasquet was able to extricate himself from trouble late in the first set to win it 7/5 but it was the Australian who took control in the second set and levelled the match at a set apiece.

The final set was a seesawing affair but the experience of Gasquet shone through in the end when he won the final set in a tiebreak to also move through to the semi finals.

The final match of day one saw Chennai champion Stan Wawrinka, who had only just arrived the previous day, take to the court against Giles Simon, who had replaced the injured Janko Tipsarevic in the field.

Wawrinka started well by winning the first set but fatigue started to set in as Simon began to rally in the second set and he levelled the match by winning the set 7/5.

The final set saw Simon continue to surge and he ran away with the win 4/6 7/5 6/3 to move into a semi finals showdown with his countryman, Gasquet, to be played on the Thursday.

Day two saw the first semi final kick off proceedings as Berdych and Nishikori did battle for the first time and it was Berdych at his best as he won in impressive fashion 6/4 6/1 to move through to Saturday's final.

Verdasco then showed his experience against Dimitrov with an excellent display of hitting from the back of the court on the way to a 6/4 6/2 victory while Thompson then took on Russian Mikhail Youzhny, who replaced the fatigued Wawrinka, in another quality contest but it was Youzhny who prevailed 6/1 7/5.

The final match of the day was an exhibition match between Novak Djokovic and Juan Monaco and Djokovic, ever the entertainer, showed his class as he won 7/5 6/1 to top off another fantastic day.

Friday kicked off with young Australian Jordan Thompson getting his first victory of the week and it was an impressive one as he defeated former world No. 10 Juan Monaco in straight sets 6/4 6/2.

Another rising Australian star, Nick Kyrgios, came out firing against Fernando Verdasco and made the former top ten star work for the win in a very entertaining clash.

Kyrgios won the first set in a tiebreaker before Verdasco used all of his guile and experience to come back and win 6/7 6/3 7/6.

Unfortunately the second semi final wasn't able to go the distance as forecast.

Gasquet won an enthralling first set in a tiebreaker but Simon then badly injured his ankle and wasn't able to continue and was then in a race to be ready for the Australian Open.

Luckily for all the fans in attendance Lleyton Hewitt and Andy Murray came out for a fantastic exhibition match to top off Friday's action and it was Hewitt who got the job done 7/6 7/6 to top off his preparation for his 18th consecutive Australian Open.

Saturday's action kicked off with young Aussies Luke Saville and Ben Mitchell opened proceedings to give the crowd a taste of what's to come in Australian men's tennis.

Saville, 19, overcame his 21-year-old opponent Mitchell in straight sets 6-3, 6-4 in front of an impressive centre court crowd.

Saturday was also MDD Day at the AAMI Classic with tennis-goers encouraged to wear blue in support of Motor Neurone Day with merchandise available to purchase from the Motor Neurone Day Victoria marquee and proceeds going towards research into the debilitating disease.

After another fantastic event the AAMI Classic will be back for another exciting four days of tennis action from January 14-17, 2015.





Kei Nishikori, Novak Djokovic and Tomas Berdych were highlights during a great week at Kooyong for the AAMI Classic

CARROLL TASTES SWEET SUCCESS WITH FIRST SINGLES TITLE

The Club Championships were again a wonderful event with nearly 500 members taking part in the 46 events across all grades and age categories in the tournament.

Despite some small rain delays, the sun soon returned and most of the events were completed on schedule after two weekends of terrific competition.

Men's Open Singles

The Men's Open Singles saw a new champion with Matthew Carroll, seeded two, defeating the 2013 champion, David Bidmeade, in an extremely close battle 6/4 6/4 while Kate Antosik made it two titles in succession when she defeated Brigitte Beck in a replay of last year's final 6/4 - 6/4.

Carroll's first triumph, having played in the event many times since becoming a member in 2002, was obviously a huge relief as he screamed with joy after winning the final point. Both Bidmeade and Carroll had diligently worked their way through a large draw with some talented young obstacles in their way.

Bidmeade defeated Todd Millington in straight sets 6/3 - 6/1 before getting past the experienced Greg Spinks in comfortable fashion 6/2 - 6/1. He then took on the Nickels brothers in succession with Daniel up first and despite a very competitive first set he was able to get the job done 7/5 - 6/1

to move into the semi final against Matthew Nickels.

It was another very competitive first set but Bidmeade was able to break the shackles in the second set to secure his spot in another final with a 6/4 - 6/2 victory.

Carroll showed his class early in the event with three consecutive wins where he conceded just one game before playing the up and coming Mike Vaughan who came out of a very competitive third quarter of the draw. Vaughan had beaten Ned Whittaker, Josh Baker and Dexter Bonet on his way to the semi final and looked in great form but it was Carroll who used his experience to move through to the final with a 6/4 6/2 win.

There was never much between Carroll and Bidmeade in the final with several breaks of serve late in the first set deciding it before a very similar second set where things could have gone either way but Carroll held his nerve to get over the line and win his first singles title here at the Club.

Women's Open Singles

The Women's Open Singles draw made for some very familiar matches in the later stages of the tournament if everyone progressed as expected.

Kate Antosik had a couple of tough matches on her way through the draw including her first match with the ever-improving Stephanie Serafidis which she won 6/3 6/4 before ousting new Kooyong Fitzgerald Scholarship holder Yiota Nicolaou 6/0 - 6/2.

The semi final saw a match up with good friend Laura McNamara and it didn't disappoint as the girls battled it out before Antosik came up with the win 7/5 - 6/3 to move into the final.

Brigitte Beck, seeded two, had two comfortable wins early in the tournament to move through to a rematch with good friend Molly Polak in the semi final.

Beck defeated Akanksha Puli 6/3 - 6/2 and then Alexandra Meadows 6/1 - 6/2 before getting another shot at Polak and it was the latter who took the first set in a tiebreak. This gave Beck the impetus she needed to turn things around as she won the second set 6/2 to level things up at a set apiece.

The final set was all Beck as she ran away with the match 6/7 - 6/2 - 6/1 to move through to her second consecutive final and another shot at Antosik.

The final was another tight contest but Antosik always kept her nose in front on the way to winning a very entertaining final and her second consecutive title 6/4 - 6/4.

Men's Open Doubles

In the Men's Open Doubles it was Bidmeade and Carroll that took all before them to win their first title together after defeating last year's runners up and rising stars Ned Whittaker and Dexter Bonet 6/4 - 6/2.

Women's Open Doubles

The Women's Open Doubles was a carbon copy of last year's final with Antosik and McNamara defeating Beck and Polak 6/4 - 6/1 to win their second consecutive title.



Open Mixed Doubles

In the Open Mixed Doubles we had an upset of sorts as Polak and Bidmeade played extremely well to defeat the top seeds, Antosik and Carroll, 7/6 - 6/4 to finish a very long day for all involved.

David Hough also topped off a very good tournament when he defeated Peter Ikosidekas 6/2 - 6/3 in the final of the Under 21's while Laura Rabinovich had to defeat both Bailey twins, Madeleine and Alexandra, on way to the Girls Under 21's title.



50's Singles

In the Men's 50's Singles, Martin Warwick proved to be too good for Greg Spinks in a high quality final while Elizabeth Peers continued her winning ways at the Club Championships when she defeated Wendy Harrison 6/1 - 6/4 in the final of the Women's 50's Singles.

It was fantastic to see everyone enjoying themselves on the grass courts as over 520 matches took place across the three weekends and we look forward to seeing the event bigger and better in February 2015.



From top: Matthew Carroll in action and with the trophy, Kate Antosik used her power to get her hands on the trophy again, Brigitte Beck, David Bidmeade, Molly Polak and Matthew Nickels





CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS – FEBRUARY 2014

Event 1. Men's Open Singles

Winner: Matthew Carroll 6/4 6/4
 Runner Up: David Bidmeade

Event 2. Men's Open Doubles

Winner: David Bidmeade/Matthew Carroll 6/4 6/2
 Runner Up: Dexter Bonet/Ned Whittaker

Event 3. Ladies Open Singles

Winner: Kate Antosik 6/4 6/4
 Runner Up: Brigitte Beck

Event 4. Ladies Open Doubles

Winner: Kate Antosik/Laura McNamara 6/2 6/4
 Runner Up: Brigitte Beck/Molly Polak

Event 5. Men's 50 & Over Singles

Winner: Martin Warwick 7/5 6/2
 Runner Up: Greg Spinks

Event 6. Men's 50 & Over Doubles

Winner: Ken Cooper/Martin Warwick 6/4 0/6 6/4
 Runner Up: Jeremy Brown-Greaves/Chris Straford

Event 7. Ladies 50 & Over Singles

Winner: Elizabeth Peers 6/1 6/4
 Runner Up: Wendy Harrison

Event 9. Men's 60 & Over Doubles

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

Event 10. Men's 100 & Over Doubles

Winner: Ken Cooper/Phil McCall 6/7 6/4 6/2
 Runner Up: Peter Gard/Roger Forbes

Event 11. Men's A Grade Singles

Winner: Jeremy Taylor 6/1 7/6
 Runner Up: Martin Warwick

Event 12. Men's A Grade Doubles

Winner: Phil McCall/Chris Straford 6/4 6/2
 Runner Up: Codey Gunn/Jeremy Taylor

Event 13. Ladies A Grade Singles

Winner: Madeleine Bailey 6/1 6/0
 Runner Up: Alexandra Bailey

Event 14. Men's B Grade Singles

Winner: Harrison Young 6/3 6/2
 Runner Up: Song Lim

Event 15. Men's B Grade Doubles

Winner: Paul Lidgerwood/Rohan Appleton 7/5 7/6
 Runner Up: Martin Cassidy/Dermot Cassidy

Event 16. Ladies B Grade Singles

Winner: Melanie Kempson 6/4 6/4
 Runner Up: Bridget Laird

Event 17. Ladies B Grade Doubles

Winner: Leanne Scott/Caroline Venn 6/2 6/1
 Runner Up: Kati Patterson/Lea Whyte

Event 18. Men's C Grade Singles

Winner: Peter King 7/5 6/1
 Runner Up: Scott Langford

Event 19. Men's C Grade Doubles

Winner: Austin Dagle/Chris Harris 7/5 6/4
 Runner Up: Peter King/Nik Tabain

Event 20. Ladies C Grade Singles

Winner: Heather Barwick 6/1 6/0
 Runner Up: Belinda Henry

Event 21. Ladies C Grade Doubles

Winner: Heather Barwick/Linda Pengelly 6/3 6/2
 Runner Up: Mary Bernard/Kate Motteram

Event 22. Men's D Grade Singles

Winner: Gerry Hofmann 6/2 6/1
 Runner Up: Edward Daniell

Event 23. Men's D Grade Doubles

Winner: Justin Anderson/Craig Langford 6/2 6/2
 Runner Up: Barry Evans/Hugh Magee

Event 25. Ladies D Grade Doubles

Winner: Rebecca Senior/Jenny Silvers 4/6 6/0 6/1
 Runner Up: Rena Alves/Anne Fotheringham

Event 26. Men's Social Doubles

Winner: James Sutherland/Michael Sutherland 6/2 6/1
 Runner Up: Graeme Goudie/Peter Wright

Event 28. Open Mixed Doubles

Winner: Molly Polak/David Bidmeade 7/6 6/4
 Runner Up: Kate Antosik/Matthew Carroll

Event 29. 100 & Over Mixed Doubles

Winner: Wendy Harrison/Jeremy Brown-Greaves 6/2 6/0
 Runner Up: Natalie Harwood/Maurice Broom

Event 30. B Grade Mixed Doubles

Winner: Kerin Tulloch/Charles Tulloch 6/4 4/6 7/6
 Runner Up: Ashley Spinks/Greg Spinks

Event 31. C Grade Mixed Doubles

Winner: Jan Howes/David Vesely 6/1 6/3
 Runner Up: Patricia Kiernan/Dan O'Loughlin

Event 32. D Grade Mixed Doubles

Winner: Jenny Tingate/Peter Tingate 4/6 6/3 6/3
 Runner Up: Genevieve Daly/John Daly

Event 33. Junior Boy's Singles U/21

Winner: David Hough 6/2 6/3
 Runner Up: Peter Ikosidekas

Event 34. Junior Girl's Singles U/21

Winner: Laura Rabinovich 7/5 6/3
 Runner Up: Madeleine Bailey

Event 35. U/12 Boys Singles

Winner: John Amato 6/2 6/1
 Runner Up: Max Potter

Event 39. U/14 Boys Singles

Winner: Stefan Storch 7/6 6/3
 Runner Up: Tom Pavlekovich-Smith

Event 40. U/14 Girls Singles

Winner: Coco Swansson 6/2 6/2
 Runner Up: Natalie Ronge

Event 41. U/14 Boys Doubles

Winner: Stefan Storch/John Amato W/O
 Runner Up: Max Potter/Ned Hummerston

Event 42. U/14 Girls Doubles

Winner: Coco Swansson/Natalie Ronge 7/5 6/1
 Runner Up: Isabella Lucas/Lucy Slobom

Event 43. U/16 Boys Singles

Winner: Connor Di Marco 6/3 6/4
 Runner Up: Pierce Gilheany

Event 44. U/16 Girls Singles

Winner: Yiota Nicolaou 6/3 6/2
 Runner Up: Stephanie Hird

Event 45. U/16 Boy's Doubles

Winner: Alex Bielinski/Luka Cancar 6/0 6/4
 Runner Up: Kipp Davenport/James Goller

Event 46. U/16 Girls Doubles

Winner: Cindy Tamber/Natalie Ronge 6/0 6/1
 Runner Up: Zoe Kantanis/Camilla Kaufman



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It's always great to hear about the successes of our Kooyong Foundation Fitzgerald Scholarship holders, especially when they've been selected to represent their country.

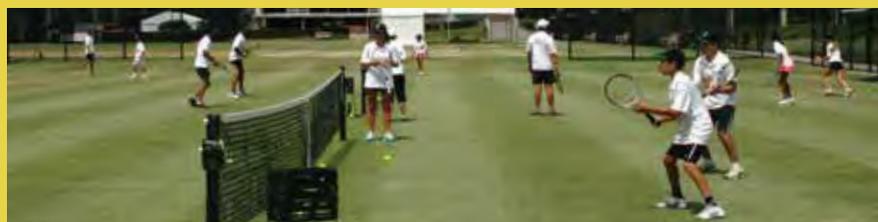
Word has recently filtered out that Greg Polmans, Codey Gunn and Destanee Aiava have been selected to represent Australia at the World Teams Championships Qualifying event in India in April. The top four teams from the Asia Pacific Region will then go on to the world finals to be played later in the year. Greg is following in the path of his older brother, Marc, who last year represented Australia in the Junior Davis Cup and was unbeaten in singles throughout the event.

Great form lines to follow!

Good luck to all three players!

GOOLAGONG CAMP

It was an experience of a lifetime when the Goolagong Camp dropped into Kooyong with more than 20 Aboriginal junior tennis players taking the opportunity to have lunch and soak in the history around the Club. They then proceeded to the grass courts where they enjoyed a couple of hours of play on a beautiful summer's day here at Kooyong. It's an experience they are sure to remember for years to come.



NEW SCHOLARSHIP PLAYERS INDUCTED

The final day of the Club Championships saw the latest group of Kooyong Foundation Fitzgerald Scholarship players inducted into the Club. The intimate meeting with family, friends and Foundation Board members and supporters present was an exciting one for the new group of talented youngsters. The seven new Scholarship holders were all prominent in their various events at the Club Championships and will now be looking forward to the upcoming Tennis Victoria Pennant season.



FOUNDATION DONATIONS

For more than 10 years the Kooyong Foundation has been carrying out its twin tasks of developing promising junior players and expanding the tennis museum displays in the clubhouse. More recently the Foundation has offered help to the Club's exceptional young squash players and provided funding for regular Hotshot tennis coaching clinics for the sons and daughters of members.

The Foundation enjoys support from many members and friends of Kooyong who make tax deductible donations to the Australian Sports Foundation. Additionally, a number of our members have chosen to remember the Foundation in their will by making a bequest. Tax deductible donations can be made by in support of either the Kooyong Foundation (Sport Development Program) or the Kooyong Foundation (Australian Tennis

Museum) project or both. If you would like to help please feel free to contact Kooyong CEO Chris Brown or Foundation Chairman Peter Quinn (0418 396 999).

AUSSIE OPEN SUCCESS

The past few weeks have seen some of the Kooyong Foundation's brightest stars shining on an international stage in a great advertisement for the junior development programs and support in place here at the Club for aspiring tennis players.

Long-time Kooyong Fitzgerald Scholarship holder Andrew Whittington made a brave run through the Australian Open Doubles event with partner Alex Bolt which included an impressive win over last year's world doubles champions, Fernando Verdasco and David Marrerro, 7/6 6/3, in the second round. They then defeated the Spanish pair of Pablo Carreno Busta and Guillermo Garcia-Lopez in three gripping sets, 6/7 7/6 7/5, to reach the quarterfinals of a Grand Slam for the first time.

Making their first appearance on Rod Laver Arena, Whittington and Bolt then took on the experienced pair of Daniel Nestor and Nenad Zimonjic. Although they lost that match, the Aussie pair had shown throughout the event they can match it with the best pairs in the world and what a great experience at their home Grand Slam in front of friends and family!

The Junior Australian Open also highlighted some of the top talent being developed through the Kooyong

Foundation's programs with Omar Jasika, Marc Polmans and Destanee Aiava reaching the third round despite all having several more years of eligibility in this 18-and-under event. All three have been on Kooyong Foundation Fitzgerald Scholarships for several years and their results are extremely exciting.

Omar Jasika followed up his big week in Traralgon, where he reached the final, by reaching the third round at Melbourne Park where he was defeated by Cypriot Petros Chrysochus, 7/6 6/3. Marc Polmans lost in the third round to the 9th seed Kamil Majchrzak, 6/3 6/3, after defeating Spain's top junior and the 5th seed in the first two rounds.

Destanee Aiava again showed why she is such an exciting prospect with a wonderful run to the semi finals in the Junior ITF in Traralgon before losing at the Open to the eventual champion, Elizaveta Kulichkova from Russia, 7/6 6/0, in the third round.

Destanee then went over to New Zealand to compete in two Junior

ITF's and went on a 10 match winning streak to win both titles while only dropping one set along the way.

This saw her world ranking surge to 103 while still just 13 years of age.



Rubin Statham, Marc Polmans, Destanee Aiava, Omar Jasika and Andrew Whittington were highlights for Kooyong at the Australian Open

WAYNE ARTHURS CUP

The Kooyong Foundation again supported the Wayne Arthurs Cup in December as 64 of Victoria's best 10 and under players came together for this mixed teams event.

With both metropolitan and regional teams in action, it was great to see all of the players and their families enjoying the round robin format across the weekend of December 14 and 15. North Suburban Junior Tennis Association continued its dominance of the event when it defeated Bayside Regional Tennis Association in the final. The team of Emmanuel Valsamis, Rowan Mendis, Emily Ioannou and Elena Micic were successful in defeating Nicholas Salmon, Grant Sadler, Chloe Green and Zali Morris. The kids also got a thrill out of having Kooyong Foundation star Andrew Whittington on hand to help present the trophies.

In 2014 the Wayne Arthurs Cup has changed dates and will be played in mid April here at Kooyong while the Alicia Molik Cup will move into the December timeslot.

The Club and Kooyong Foundation again look forward to hosting the best 10 and under kids from across Victoria and hope they enjoy their experience playing at Kooyong. Members are invited to come down and see the event on April 12 and 13.





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KOORYONG MEMBERS STAR AT OCEANIA SENIORS EVENT

It was great to see so many Kooyong members take part in the recent 2014 Oceania Seniors Claycourt Championships at Kooyong over the March long weekend.

And it was an extremely successful tournament as most were in great form coming off the KLTC Club Championships.

Having played the Australian Claycourt Championships here successfully in 2013, the tournament was upgraded to an Oceania Closed B1 event with higher rankings points on offer and attracting some of the best players from Australia and New Zealand.

Chris Straford followed up his win last year with another fantastic performance to win the 50 and over singles title with a brave win over third seed Bruce Ferguson.

Unseeded, Chris survived a scare from Eddie Myers in the semi final to get through to the final and he made the most of the opportunity when he won the title 6/2 4/6 7/5.

Glenn Busby also continued his winning ways when he won the 55 and over singles title after doing the same in 2013. He also paired up with New Zealander Paul Smith to win the doubles.

Andrew Rae, another with a long list of achievements on the Seniors' Tour, was again dominant in the 60 and over singles event and defeated fellow Kooyong member Dennis Maddern in the semi final on the way to the title. He defeated Wayne Cowley in the final 6/4 6/4.

In the doubles, Hayden Rees paired up with Dennis Bindern in the 70 and over event to win the title 6/3 6/3 over Don Biddle and Peter Froelich having defeated Kooyong's Maurice Broom and his partner, John Mansfield, in the semi final.

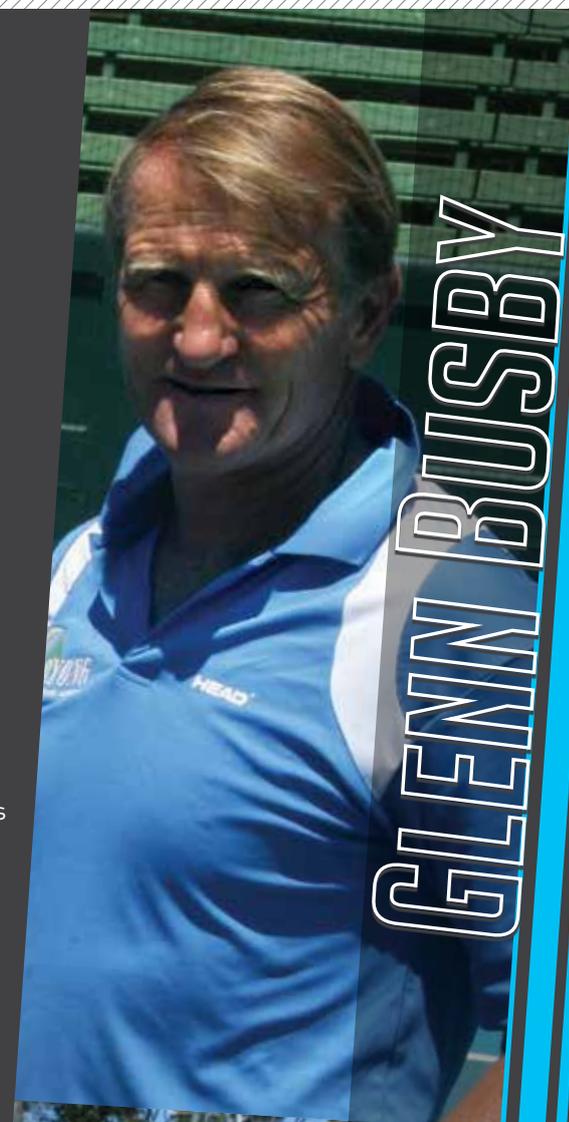
There was plenty of Kooyong flavour about the final of the 65 and over women's doubles as Kerin Tulloch and her partner, Kerry Ballard, defeated Heather Barwick and Angie Arthurs in the final 6/1 6/2.

Linda Pengelly also tasted success as she paired with Jill Taylor in the 70 and over doubles.

In the mixed doubles it was Lou Griffith who won a title in the 65 and over event while playing with Ray West. They won the final 6/4 6/4.

Maurice Broom and his partner, Judy Hancy, were top seeds in the 70 and over mixed doubles and won the title in impressive fashion.

These were just a few of the great performances by our Members and we congratulate them all on a wonderful tournament!



GLENN BUSBY



CHRIS STRAFORD

SUMMER COMPETITION NEWS

The Bayside Summer Competition has recently been completed and it was great to see our Ladies Rubbers Section 1 team of Jill Kaminsky, Linda Dohnt, Fiona Medina, Fiona Purvis, Fiona Reed and Larnie Morrison win their grand final.

The team finished the season in second spot but won both the second semi final and grand final in impressive fashion.

The Club also had a team in the Men's Singles/Doubles Section 2 that finished in sixth spot while the Mixed Rubbers A Grade team finished in fifth position.

In the Waverley Summer Competition, the Club fielded one team in the Open Singles/Doubles A Reserve 3 section and had a great season to finish in the top four.

Congratulations to all four teams on a great season!



Fiona Reed, Fiona Medina, Fiona Purvis and Jill Kaminsky after their grand final victory

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Rubin Statham
AGE 26



Grade: Premier League

ATP/WTA Ranking: 279 singles, 139 Doubles

Play L/H or R/H: Right handed & double handed backhand

Tennis Achievements: No. 1 ranked player in NZ.
Currently playing 11th year of Davis Cup in 2014.

➤ Most admired sportsperson/why?

Usain Bolt for his amazing speed and ability to keep improving while breaking his own records.

➤ Greatest influence on tennis career/why?

My coach Paul Aitken, who I have worked with everyday for two years. I couldn't obtain the level of tennis I play at without his guidance and passion he brings on and off the court everyday.

➤ Greatest sporting moment witnessed?

I did witness a good looking player win a Davis Cup match with a broken thumb after I broke my thumb diving for a volley in the fourth set of the match versus China in 2010.

➤ What goals have you set for yourself in tennis?

I would like to play main draw of all four grand slams and crack top 100 singles and top 50 doubles.

➤ What do you enjoy most about pennant tennis?

Definitely the team environment and being able to play along side your friends striving towards the same goal.

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

I would like to play in a soccer team.

➤ What do you do outside tennis?

I like to play golf and other sports, and spend time with my close friends. A few years ago I invented a new machine for racket sports and help run the business. www.pro-stringer.com

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

I train 5 hours a day 5-6 times per week. Balancing out a schedule that combines tennis, weight/strength training, speed/agility, and conditioning.

➤ Sacrifices required to play tennis at a high level?

You really have to love the sport to endure the sacrifices required and dedicate most of your time towards developing your game, body and mind to be able to compete at a high level in tennis.

Ellen Perez
AGE 18



Grade: Premier League

ATP/WTA Ranking: 685

Play L/H or R/H: Left handed

Tennis Achievements: Won u/14 Winter Nationals in Singles and Doubles, Winner Grade 1 Thailand ITF, Fiji B2 Doubles Winner, Quarterfinals Launceston 50,000 Pro Tour, Winner Grade 4 Queensland ITF

➤ Most admired sportsperson/why?

Rafael Nadal, I love his fight and passion on the court, he never gives up no matter how far behind he is, he respects his opponents and he never makes excuses when he loses.

➤ Greatest influence on tennis career/why?

My parents. My dad played when he was younger and always loved the sport and my mum has always been involved in competitive sports so they have both supported me in tennis and want to see me do well.

➤ Greatest sporting moment witnessed?

Cathy freeman winning the gold medal at the Sydney Olympics.

➤ What goals have you set for yourself in tennis?

Get my WTA ranking to 300 by the end of this year, win a Pro Tour event this year and long term to win a grand slam and be world number 1.

➤ What do you enjoy most about pennant tennis?

Being able to play more competitive matches and being able to put in place things I have been working on in practice into a match situation. Pennant tennis is also good as you get quality hitting in and can allow you to gain confidence for future tournaments.

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

A soccer player, I played soccer when I was younger for Australia and had to make a choice between tennis and soccer when I was roughly 14.

➤ What do you do outside tennis?

Hang with friends, go on the internet, go to the beach and movies and currently doing my certificate 3 in fitness.

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

Including gym and hitting roughly 24 hours.

➤ Sacrifices required to play tennis at a high level?

Missing family and friends parties and gatherings, missing other sporting events, getting less sleep, missing school, and not getting to eat junk food.

Victoria's Premier League

TOUGH GOING IN EARLY ROUNDS

The Tennis Victoria Premier League is in its closing stages in mid April with the semi finals having been run and won in late March. Kooyong's two teams have found the going tough in the opening rounds with a combination of unavailability and injuries forcing the depth of the squads to be seriously tested.

The men have been hit hard with number one player Rubin Statham suffering from tennis elbow and rising star Andrew Whittington unavailable due to tournament commitments for the most part. With Marc Polmans and Daniel Nolan also touring through Asia with Tennis Australia it has been left to the Club's lesser lights to carry the load against some quality opposition. Andrew Coelho, David Bidmeade, Ricky Robertson and Matthew Nickels have tried to hold the fort with varying

degrees of success and it will be the last two rounds which will decide the team's fate. The return of Daniel Byrnes should help the cause as the team takes on the Country All-Stars in round 4 at MCC before the side travels to Bendigo to tackle Dingley in another must win match. Two wins should see the team play finals but other results will still need to go their way and from there anything could happen in what is proving to be a very even competition.

The women's team started in a blaze of glory with a very impressive win over Royal South Yarra but have since gone down to both MCC and Grace Park with their top four players all missing from the line up. This should be rectified in rounds 4 and 5 when the women travel to Green Gully to play Dendy Park before playing Delahey Rec in the final round at Royal South Yarra. A semi final position beckons and with their best team on the court the women should give any team a run for their money.

Andrew Whittington, Ricky Robertson, David Bidmeade, Sam & Richelle Arber, James Lemke, Adam Hubble, Jarryd Maher and Jeremy Beale

THE INAUGURAL PAUL ARBER CUP

It was fantastic to see Sam and Richelle Arber on hand at Kooyong in Round 3 of Premier League action as Kooyong and Grace Park played for the inaugural Paul Arber Cup.

After the sad passing of long time Kooyong State Grade and Premier League captain Paul Arber in Hamilton, New Zealand, in December both teams met before the match to remember our dear friend.

Paul guided Kooyong to two State Grade premierships and it was great to see both teams mingling before taking to the court in honour of a great person and huge part of Melbourne's tennis community.

Grace Park proved to be too good on the day and won the inaugural Paul Arber Cup in impressive fashion and will now hold the cup until the next time both sides meet in Premier League action.

A very worthy prize considering the type of person Paul was to us all and he will be sadly missed by everyone that came across his path especially everyone here at Kooyong.



Men's Pennant Preview

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT CONTINUES

Kooyong's men's Pennant season will revolve around the continued development of a large group of very talented junior players who are now reaching the higher echelons of the competition at the Club.

For some, the journey started almost five years ago and to see that progression right through to Grade 1 has been a credit to all of those boys and their commitment to their own development.

It also gives those at the next few levels down something to strive towards as they see what can be achieved if they work hard and continue to produce some very promising results.

This season will see the Club again field two very talented and promising teams in Grade 1 with James Gardner captaining one side and Matthew Nickels will lead the other.

Both teams are full of juniors graduating into the top grade or heading into their second full season at this level so it will be interesting to see how they progress throughout the year.

Richard Yang, Caleb Boland, Simo Rikalo, Michael Commings, Mike Vaughan, Dexter Bonet, Ned Whittaker, Daniel Nickels and David Hough are a very exciting group and they won't take a backwards step against some very experienced Grade 1 teams.

In Grade 2, the Club will field one team with young players like Nathan Hawke, Billy Friend, Todd Millington and Josh Baker featuring while in Grade 3 there will be two very exciting young sides representing the Club.

One side will feature no less than four national junior champions in either singles or doubles and will be a very exciting group to follow for the coming season.

With Jeremy Taylor, Connor Di Marco, Greg Polmans, Codey Gunn and Chase Ferguson together with Josiah Roach and Antony Guan you're sure to see some great results as the season progresses while the other team will feature a group that is slightly older but no less exciting as Luka Cancar, Alex Bielinski, Andres Urregon-Varon and Aaden Hughes team up with the more experienced Peter Ikosidekas, Luke Chigwidden and Anthony Abiad.

In Grade 5, the Club's juniors are also on the move with Harrison Young and Sam Liebelt set to lead a team of highly talented juniors as they continue their development.

Stefan Storch, Corey Pabst and Thomas Pavlekovich-Smith are all heading in the right direction and it will be interesting to watch their progress in 2014.

Also in Grade 5, the Club has another two teams who will be hoping to make finals with Bryce Mitchelson's team a regular to the reach the post season in recent times.

They don't look to have the firepower of recent seasons but they have the experience to make it happen with Ben Bobos, Neil Sebastian, Mitchelson, Ronnie Gerendasi, Eddie Trusgnach, Brent Varmalis and Peter Solin all on board.

Dean Seeley's team won't be the same without Martin Cassidy saddling up as captain but they'll certainly give it a red hot crack with Mick Shannon, Cameron Judd,

Seeley, Anthony Coxon, Rob Minc and Simon Haussegger teaming up again.

The Club also has a team in Grade 7, one in Grade 9 and another in Grade 10. Two of those teams are filled with the Club's best emerging juniors and they'll all be keen to get their teeth into some senior competition.

In the Men's Open Doubles, Kooyong will field two teams in Section 1 with Chris Straford's team hoping to make it four premierships in a row while Ric Mitchell's team will also feature in the top section.

In the Men's 50+ Masters, Kooyong will feature two teams in Section A with Graeme Heath and Gordon Hammet leading both while Doug Bell's team will be in Section B.

Dexter Bonet



Good luck to all 16 men's teams for the 2014 season!

Women's Pennant Preview

TEAMS SET FOR A BIG YEAR

Kooyong's women's Pennant teams are set for a big year with three teams in both Grade 1 and Grade 2.

There is a great blend of youth and experience across both grades and there will be plenty to play for this season.

Add to this the exciting talent in our Grade 3 and Grade 4 teams and the Club looks forward to seeing some great results in 2014. The Club will also field a team in Grade 6.

In Grade 1, one team will feature the Club's "veterans" as they were described by 19 year old Molly Polak as Belinda Woolcock, Annabelle Andrinopoulos, Kate Antosik, Brigitte Beck, Polak, Laura McNamara, Laura Rabinovich and Catherine Louis attempt to win a title before some of them reach retirement age.

Jokes aside, this team will be hoping to keep themselves in front of a chasing pack of junior players at the Club that will be hungry to prove they are able to get the better of their elders this year.

Leading that chase will be Alana Parnaby's team who made the finals last year and will be hoping to take that next step and overtake the veterans with Parnaby, Katerina Valos, Danielle McIntyre, Nancy Ferguson, Romy Stephens and Elly Fourlis set to form a strong line up.

The surprise packets could be the basis of last year's Grade 2 winning team joining forces with one of Australia's brightest talents in Destanee Aiava.

This team of Aiava, Samyuktha Rajagopalan, Stephanie Serafidis, Vivian Fidantsis, Kate Vaughan and Peta Valos will no doubt take a few by surprise this season as most take their first steps into Grade 1.

They all have immense talent and will enjoy playing with each other again as they did in their Grade 2 title winning run in 2013.

In Grade 2, the formula is very similar as Kate Francis' team looks to return to the heights of winning the title they won several seasons ago with the addition of former Grade 1 players Anna Clarkson and Sarah Brooks to the core group of Natalie Baic, Lucinda McKillop and Kate Francis.

We could see a return to the top for this team but they'll also have two teams of juniors nipping at their heels.

One side will feature the much improved Bailey twins, Madeleine and Alexandra, along with Daphne Mantzanidis, Cindy Tamber, Alexandra Meadows and Elizabeth Filonenko while the other will see Grace Primikyrlidis, Yiota Nicolaou, Akanksha Puli, Brooke Flanigan, Melanie Kempson and Gemma Seeley look to make their mark on the competition.

Both teams look strong on paper and will give it a good run this season as several girls eye off spots in Grade 1 in 2015.

It's an exciting side in Grade 3 as Sophia Storch and Serena Wang join forces with Bridget Laird, Olivia Green, Renee Sheary and Jade Sheary.

The two younger girls will anchor this side and this, together with the experience of the

remaining four, will make for a very solid team for both singles and doubles.

In Grade 4 some of the Club's own junior players are looking to cement their place after a big learning curve in 2013.

Many played Pennant for the first time last year but they are much better equipped this season and should show their improvement.

The team consists of Ifeoma Donnellan, Zoe Potter, Olivia Quigley, Ashley Spinks, Sarah Cameron and Sara Aprile.

The Club's Grade 6 team consists of the old guard of Angela Woodruff, Lauren Sanford, Fiona Reed, Mary King and Jenny Baker while young Alexandra McGrath will have her first taste of Pennant tennis in this team.

Destanee Aiava



We wish all 9 teams the best of luck for the 2014 season!



JUNIOR COMPETITION NEWS

After a very successful Spring season where Kooyong won premierships on Sunday in Sections 1, 2 and 4, the Kooyong junior teams are now coming up against some tough opposition in the Autumn season.

The Club's three Saturday morning teams are all in finals contention with Jemma Rayment's Section 1 team sitting on top of the ladder.

In Section 2, Lachie Main's team is sitting in second spot on the ladder and look to be having a fantastic season while Olivia Douglas' team is not too far behind in fourth position.

On Sunday morning, Kooyong has three teams in the top section and two of those are sitting at the top of the ladder.

Jack Geason's Section 1 team is currently on top of the ladder and looking very strong while James Goller's team is sitting in second spot and look headed for finals after finishing just outside the top four last season.

Sebastian Tabain's Section 1 team had a good win recently to move within one point of the top four and are more than capable of making a move in a very even section.

In Section 3, Kooyong again has three teams with Kristofer Hyde's team looking the most likely to make the finals as they sit in third spot as they hit the half way mark of the season.

Alex Savage's team is currently in seventh spot while James McNab's team is just behind them in eighth.

In Section 6, Gabriel Lennon's team has been more than competitive in all their matches but they currently sit in eighth spot with a breakthrough just around the corner.

Jack Morley's Section 8 team as well as Isabella Lucas' Section 8 team look like they'll make the finals as they sit in second and third spot respectively. There's a gap to fourth spot and both teams have been very impressive so far.

The Club also has two sides in Section 9 with Angus Cosgriff's team sitting in

fourth spot and well within reach of second while Phillipa Dicks' team is in sixth position just seven points outside the top four.

In Section 10, Anthony James' team is sitting in sixth position well within striking distance of the top four while Will Dixon's Section 12 team is currently in seventh spot despite being just one match outside the top four.

Josh Palazzo's Section 14 team is having a great season and currently sit in third spot just four points away from the top of the ladder.

In Section 15, Monty Farmer's team is currently in seventh spot while Findlay Wraith-Bell's Section 18 team of youngsters are doing well in their first season and is in fifth spot at this stage having just beaten the top side.

We wish all of the Club's junior teams the best of luck for the remainder of the season and hopefully finals!



Senior and Junior Pennant

If any kids are feeling they are ready to take the next step with their tennis please get in contact with Daniel regarding the pathways available.

The Senior and Junior Pennant competitions are part of that pathway and will allow kids that are starting to outgrow the Bayside competition an opportunity to continue to develop their tennis at a higher level.

Kids should have reached around Section 3 or higher on the Sunday morning before they start looking at moving into these competitions.

Forms will soon be available for the 2014 Junior Pennant Competition which is separate from the Bayside Junior Tennis competition that most of you are currently playing in.

KOORYONG TEAM WIN METRO MASTERS PREMIERSHIP

Kooyong fielded a team in Section 1 in the Thursday Competition in the Metro Masters Tennis Association and won the Grand Final against Kilsyth on the 28th of November.

The team, playing in the competition for the first time, was, in alphabetical order, Graeme Addison, Maurie Broom, Barry Evans, Pete Gard, Peter Keller, Dennis Mihelyi and Neil Sebastian.

In the Semi Final, Graeme Addison and Barry Evans did the job when the team was depleted.

The winning team in the Grand Final was at No 1 – Peter Keller, No 2 – Neil Sebastian, No 3 – Pete Gard and No 4 – Dennis Mihelyi.

It was an amazingly wet season with 7 matches out of 17 (including the finals) either washed out or incomplete due to inclement weather. As Pennant players at the Club would know, you usually have say 1 or maybe 2 washouts in a season.

Nevertheless, Kooyong apparently were mudlarks and have decided to have another crack at it in the season commencing on the 13th of February and Craig Bryant may join the team.



Midweek Ladies Report

Tuesday morning's MEMRLTA Summer competition has just finished up with the Club winning a premiership flag.

In A1, Jodie Cody and Sue Taylor's teams finished in fifth and sixth position respectively.

Sandra Daly's A4 team finished the season on top of the ladder and went on to win the grand final by just five games when they defeated Vermont South in the final.



Tuesday A4 Premiership winners Jane Lennon, Chris Lennie, Jo Koffman and Genevieve Daly

Congratulations to everyone involved!

The February to June season in the Bayside Regional Tennis Association is in full swing and on Tuesday Jacqui Abbott's Section 1 team is currently in second spot on the ladder.

On Wednesday mornings, Linda Dohnt's Section 1 team is currently sitting on top of the ladder while Di Synnott's Section 2 team is just outside the top four in fifth position.

Detje Marcel's Section 3 team, in their first season, is sitting in second spot and looking likely to make the finals.

On Thursday mornings, Jo O'Donohue's Section A team is currently sixth while in Section 1 the Club has two teams with Sue Lester's team in the top four and Hiromi Bum's team sitting in sixth at this stage.

In the Waverley & District Tennis Association, Gill Gleeson's A Reserve 2 team is sitting in sixth spot while Jan MacLeod's B Special 1 team is sitting up in second spot.

Good luck to all the ladies for the remainder of the season!



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CRÈCHE NEWS

The Crèche continues to provide fun, entertainment and lots of free play to children aged between 6 weeks to 5 years.

On the 27th of March we drew the winners of our Easter Egg Competition. They were Caroline Hunt-Smith (son, Marcus) and Liz Doherty (grand-daughter, Kiara). Congratulations to Caroline Hunt-Smith and Marcus and Liz and Kiara! Happy eating!



Get your children and grandchildren down to the Crèche today and get a taste of courtside action or enjoy the various facilities at the Club knowing that your children or grandchildren are being well cared for!

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Wear a scarf to go in the draw for a special door prize!

Tickets sales close 5th June - don't delay!

Grab your Booking Form from the Pro Shop today!



KOORYONG International Tennis Academy



What a great start to the year! Just about all classes are full. Members are responding positively to the quality of coaches, the expanded programs being offered and the popularity and high participation levels of tennis at Kooyong.

The last decade has seen an amazing growth in tennis at Kooyong including Monday and Tuesday night competitions, Friday morning ladies, midweek and pennant competition. Tennis has grown significantly and the club is just buzzing with a great feeling meeting the varied needs of Members and their families. Our coaching programs support and complement those activities and more.

Kooyong, just hosted the International Seniors ITF Oceania titles in March and players from Interstate and overseas involved were just amazed at the quality of this club. It is obvious to visitors to our Club that Kooyong is not only the premier tennis club in Australia, but also the equal of other clubs around the world.



The growth of support and assistance from the Kooyong Foundation has been significant in development of tennis and raising the standards of our junior programs. The Foundation supports the "Future Champions Squad", which provides our youngest scholarship players opportunity to train with others and develop both skills and camaraderie with the group based

activities. The Foundation also hosts the extremely popular Hot Shots program, which sees up to sixty 5-10 year old children participating the first Sunday of each month.

Our "tiered" squad programs are going really well and players can see a pathway to the top. It is available for all ages and standards and takes place on Monday, Thursday and Fridays. Ladies classes are progressing well, with many ladies returning to the game after some time away. It is great to see them pick up a racquet again and enjoy the social and competitive aspects of the game.

Hitting programs during the day are gaining momentum, with more teams getting involved. These are for players who want to hit a lot of balls, do a lot of rallying and be involved in point and match play. It is not a technical based program, but more tactical and game play and players really get a chance to groove their strokes and improve their game play. We also have an Adult Wednesday night boot camp, which is gaining momentum.



Please look at the website
www.kooyongtennisacademy.com.au
for all our programs or call Shane in the Proshop on 98246860 for all enquires

There have been some excellent results with our juniors recently. Among them is Codey Gunn (pictured below), who has just been chosen to represent Australia, in the World under 14 Team Championships in April, in India. This will no doubt be a great opportunity for him to match himself against the best in the world and we congratulate him on this achievement.



Our Head Coach Glenn Busby is also off overseas, to the world titles in Florida during the upcoming school holidays, representing Australia in the World team event. He will then play in the World Individual Championships the following week. Glenn won the recent Oceania championships held at Kooyong and his ranking is back to no. 1 in the world in his age group. In the doubles he won with Paul Smith from New Zealand, who has been a tennis coach in America for over 20 years and is an ex Davis Cup player for New Zealand. They last played together 37 years ago, when they won the New Zealand Open Doubles and haven't played together since. Opportunities like that are a little of what Seniors tennis is about. It was also great to see many other Kooyong members playing the tournament with more getting back into coaching and still working on improving their skills.

Look out for our information regarding our Seniors tour to Spain for 35 to 80 year olds. This tour includes 2 tournaments, with the first at the Lew Hoad Academy based in the picturesque Costa del Sol Region of Spain. This tour will be hosted by Glenn Busby and Dan Power. You can call Dan on 0478658884 for all package details.

www.kooyongtennisacademy.com.au

Pennant News

The finals are over for another season and of course another year.

It was a great season for our club as we had nine teams in the finals. The outcome: Four Blue Flags. The highlight was Kooyong again winning the blue ribbon A1 flag.



Although we won the Spring A1 flag we went in as underdogs to Mulgrave who had been on top all year.

Our team who played in the final was Sam Ejtemai, Brad Soutar, Sarah Fitz-Gerald and captain Chris Harris. Darcy St John & Sarah Cardwell were also part of the side.

Well done A1!

In A2, Kooyong played Kooyong at Kooyong. The winning team captain was former junior Nikhil Raniga. Well done Nikhil!

We made the final in B1 after a barnstorming last 4 weeks and were narrowly beaten by only 10 points against the runaway leaders of the comp.

In B2, we made it to the Grand Final but were unfortunately beaten.

We won a flag in B4 with John Piccolo part of the winning team.



In C1, we were beaten in the semi final after injuries hit late in the season.

Our D1 group from Alma surprised us all with their first flag for Kooyong. Well done to captain Genna Kourbatski who chose the best team on the night while leaving himself out! The surprise of the night was in F Troop. After being ladder leaders all year, a quote from captain John Menissos, "Grand Finals are different," which proved to be true as our team went down 3/1 in a boilover.

In the State Squash League we had one B Reserve team made that Grand Final but was beaten on the night. The team was Nicole Petsch, Josephine Van Dort, Elle Brennan & Caroline Van Dort.

The Autumn Pennant season has just kicked off. This season we have 24 competing teams and the season goes through to the end of May with finals played the first week of June.

SUMMER CUP

During the pennant break, we organised a Kooyong in house Summer Competition, with players registered from A graders to F troopers. It was a great way for us to get to know each other across grades. Highlights include the Supersub, with the ever bubbly Sarah Cardwell knocking out 120 points in one night and looking fresh as a daisy afterwards. Was it a coincidence that on that same night we were graced by the presence of world no. 26, Nicolas Mueller? We got to see young gun Sam Ejtemai take on Nicolas. We rang Sam the next day at 11am and he was still asleep, too exhausted to speak.



Honouring Past Champions

Four middle aged (elderly) KLTC Squash patrons recently honoured, two lady British Open Squash Champions, Sarah Fitz-Gerald and Vicki Cardwell, with a leisurely lunch in the Racquet Club.

Our master Chef, Chris Goulding, excelled, serving a magnificent, classic Beef Wellington with all the trimmings. The gourmet's delight was complemented by five bottles of Australia's masterpiece red wine, Penfolds Grange Hermitage. An '89, '90, '97, & two '96's were all brilliantly dispensed by that "Prince of Palates" KLTC's renowned sommelier Patrice Renaudin.

The Grange Guzzlers have sumptuous repasts regularly.



SQUASH CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Our Club Championships were played in conjunction with the tennis championships, with all finals held on the same Sunday.

OPEN

Repeating last year's feat, 17 year old Sam Ejtemai defeated number 2 seed Brad Soutar. Both Sam and Brad are our highest ranked pennant players and currently play at number 1 in our two A Grade teams. The standard of Squash played was as good as State Championship level. Sam also won the Junior Championship beating Jacob Oates in the Final.

A GRADE

Beaten last year in the final, Cailin Austin turned the tables this year and won his first Championship.

B GRADE

Beaten last year in the final, Peter Robertson turned the tables and won in five sets against the consistent Andrew Dawson.

C GRADE

Ever popular lefty and number 1 seed Alex Warhurst was in trouble early in his match when opponent Grant Lubofsky jumped out to a flying start. Alex had to use all his skills with drops and length to finally get on top of Grant.

D GRADE

Most squash players and long term Kooyong members know the name of Mike Wilson, who played over 700 games of pennant for Kooyong. Mike has hung up the racquet and mostly travels the world these days in retirement. However, his son MARK has taken over the reins of representing the Wilson clan in squash at Kooyong.

You guessed it, Mark is our D Grade champion for 2014.

Congratulations to all of our squash Club Champions!

RANKED

#8

IN THE WORLD

After winning another major championship in January, Kooyong's number 1 player has now been officially ranked the number 8 junior in the world. The new rankings released by the World Squash Federation were announced on March 1st.

Sam Ejtemai caused a bolover in the Oceania Championship defeating the number 1 seed in the final and the number 2 seed in the semi final.

Although only just turned 17, Sam's ranking is for the under 19 junior division which gives him 2 more years in under 19. The current number 1 junior is from Jordan, Ahmad Al-Saraj.

World Junior Squash Championships

In what will be one of southern Africa's first ever staging of a World Championship event, Namibia has won the rights to host the 2014 WSF World Junior Championships.

The Championships will be held in the capital of Windhoek from August 10-21, 2014.

Sam is currently completing Year 12 so is worried this may not allow him to compete in the Championships.



BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER

by Alistair Macindoe

2013 A Grade Billiards

The billiards team had a successful season finishing third. In the First Semi-final we had a comprehensive 5-1 victory over Cheltenham. The next week we lost 2-4 to our old rival Ballarat in a close match. Perhaps the billiards gods were kind to us, because the next week Ballarat was slaughtered 6-0 by the very strong team from Brunswick, who thus became Premiers.

The latter part of the season featured one magic night of billiards from David Pitt. In his match of 80 minutes he made two centuries and a 78 to accumulate a massive 500 plus points.

Kooyong dominates early stages of State billiards title.

In November all four of Kooyong's entrants in the Victorian Billiards Championships made it to the last 16. Regrettably neither David Pitt, Neil Maclachlan, Don Richter nor myself were able to progress to the last 8. Neil had an excellent victory over Simon Scerri of Yarraville. Simon is a tremendous player, but it was not to be his day.

National Snooker Champion

Kooyong's Charlie Chafe stormed to a 6-1 victory over Queensland's Kurt Brown in the final of the 2014 Oceania Under 21 Snooker Championship at the Commercial Club, Albury on March 31st.

Charlie's play throughout the tournament was of the highest standard, as he swept through the round robin section without losing a frame, and then recorded victories of 4-0, 5-3, and 6-1 in the knockout section against a very strong field. Charlie's breaks during the tournament were 106, 104, 75, 73, 62, 61, 54, 52, 48, 47, 47, 44, 42, 39, and 36.

Charlie also captained Australia's Under 21 snooker team to a 9-3 victory over New Zealand in the associated Trans-Tasman Test.

With the Oceania success following his victory in the 2013 Australian Under 21 Snooker Championship, Charlie has emphatically confirmed his status as the #1 junior snooker player in Australia and Oceania.

KLTC Bridge Club

November each year sees the KLTC Bridge Club host its annual Congress, with 100 participants in a whole day event which includes a fine dining lunch experience.

Kooyong's best pair was Susan Acton and Mary Beth McLennan. Special thanks to Paulina Baker who convened this highly successful event. The year concluded with a Christmas dinner when 80 members enjoyed a delicious turkey/ham main course and pudding dessert. Club Championship trophies were presented to Leeron Branicki and Deb Fogarty.

A new bridge club committee was elected in February, with Rob Nurse becoming the new President, Anthea Gedge is Secretary and Bruce Higgs is the Treasurer.

In early March, 30 enthusiastic KLTC members started bridge lessons given by former Australian bridge representative Cathy Lachman. Following graduation at the end of April, they will move on to supervised sessions under the guidance of former New Zealand representative Stephen Lester.

The club is looking forward to welcoming this group into our regular bridge sessions held on Monday afternoons and Tuesday evenings.

A website has been created at www.bridgewebs.com/kltcbridge to provide all bridge related information required by members.



On behalf of the Kooyong Young Members Committee I am delighted to welcome you to the club's first issue of Courtside Magazine for 2014. The Kooyong Young Members Committee celebrated a wonderful year of events in 2013.

Our first event for 2014 was the Young Members Marquee at the annual AAMI Classic on Thursday the 9th of January to host one hundred and fifty members and friends of the Club. We were privileged enough to witness Novak Djokovic V Juan Monaco in a great exhibition match that was won by the former world number 1.

As the tennis was cooling off, the Marquee was heating up with the wonderful girl group DJ duo the Kolors to get everyone into the summer atmosphere that we have come to know so well down at Kooyong during January.

Once the marquee was full of food, drink and dance it was time to retire to the Olsen Hotel after party where we were able to host all our guests for some drinks and music to finish off the night.

To welcome our first year hosting this event supported by IMG and Kooyong we

are excited to announce this will hopefully be a regular fixture on Melbourne's social calendar.

The Kooyong Young Members Committee would like to thank all those in attendance and especially to those that have supported the event including IMG Australia, Mr Brian Cooney, AAMI, our premier sponsor, Mr David Stubs and of course the Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club.

I would also like to especially thank the Committee for all the hard work they put themselves up for each event including Lucy Hammill, Isabella Moffat, Emma Hays, Dean Taylor, Will Crothers and, lastly but not least, Mark Babbage.

Our Committee looks forward to the 2014 year ahead and bringing you what we think will be our biggest year yet with our upcoming Tennis Day (Day on the Clay) on March 30th as well as the joint venture with our friends at Royal South Yarra with our annual Yarrayong Ball and all to come in 2014.

Nathan Lodge
President



YOUNG MEMBERS COMMITTEE

TIME OUT *on the* TERRACE

We've had a tremendous summer (some may say too hot with record breaking temperatures) but the Terrace was the perfect place to take some well-earned time out. It was fitting also to farewell the last day of summer with a **Tennis BBQ**. 73 members and guests enjoyed a social night of tennis on the grass courts followed by a scrumptious gourmet BBQ out on the Kooyong Room Terrace with entertainment provided by guitarist, Emilio.

Our Happy Hours are always popular and as expected there was standing room only at the **February Happy Hour** held on the Sedgman Terrace, Racquet Club. A balmy night, many of the Members took the opportunity to 'kick on' staying for dinner. This is proving to be a common occurrence at our Happy Hours, so I suggest getting in early with bookings for the Bistro if you intend on making up a large group for dinner afterwards. Friday nights are very popular at the Club and one group nearly missed out, but thanks to Patrice who kindly accommodated them for dinner on the Racquet Club Terrace.

Jazz on the Terrace, our Christmas function was a very enjoyable early evening soiree. Popular with all Members, we had nearly 200 attendees. Band L.A.A kept our toes tapping and fingers snapping!

Our next tennis event will be the **RSYLTC v KLTC Social Tennis Cup** to be hosted by RSY on Sunday 27 April. Numbers are strictly limited to 12 men and 12 women from each Club.

Our **Mixed Doubles Round Robin** is scheduled for May 18 (date to be confirmed). Please join us for an enjoyable afternoon of tennis followed by drinks. A friendly reminder to keep your e-mail address updated on the Kooyong website. Our events and booking forms are advertised around the Club but we also provide updates and notifications via e-mail.

Finally, I'd like to welcome Kat Benyon to the Social Committee. Her vivacious personality will be a great asset to the team.

We look forward to seeing you on the court!

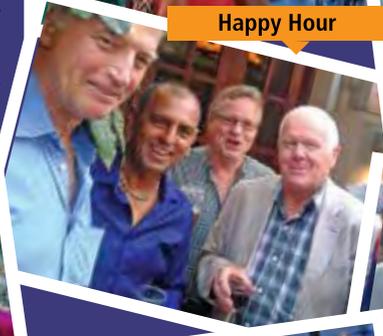
Cindi Damian



Jazz on the Terrace



Happy Hour



Tennis & BBQ



Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary

Our Auxiliary commenced fundraising for 2014 with our popular Ladies Doubles Grass Tournament, held at Kooyong on Monday March 3rd, with a full complement of 308 players.

The weather was perfect and my thanks to our chef, Chris, who provided a great lunch which was enjoyed by all our visitors.

The final result, including the raffle, netted a profit of about \$10,000.

A wonderful result, mainly due to the great efforts of Lyn and Joan for their organisation of the tennis, and to Joan and Freda and all my Committee for their hard work on the day. Well done everyone!

I extend very special thanks to our CEO, Chris Brown, and all the Kooyong staff for their great co-operation for the smooth running of the tournament.

We are very fortunate to have their great assistance.

The **Royal Children's Hospital** Melbourne



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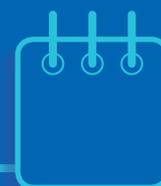
A **BIG** thank you to Cedric Mason, the Tennis & Sport Manager, for his donation of a tennis racquet, tennis bag and the balls and to Glenn Busby and the Pro Shop for the tennis racquet and a large basket of goods for the raffle, their generosity was very much appreciated.

The raffle raised in excess of

\$1400



Dates for the
Diary 2014:



- **Monday 28th April**
– Card Day in the Kooyong Room
- **Sunday 13th July**
– Christmas in July
- **Monday 15th September**
– Card Day in the Kooyong Room
- **Friday 10th October**
– Trivia Night

For further information regarding ticket secretaries for the above events please consult the noticeboards in the Clubhouse.

Looking forward to a very busy year with all our Kooyong Members and that friends joining with us in fundraising for the hospital.

Marie Devereux
President

Wine & FOOD SOCIETY

On behalf of the Wine & Food Society committee, I welcome you to join us at our events during this year.

2014 Events

Please make a note in your diary for these dates

Thursday 20 March

'Tastes of Yarra Valley' - Racquet Club

Friday 9 May

Athenaeum Club,
Collins Street, Melbourne

Friday 18 July

'One Chef and Three Sommeliers'
- Kooyong Room

Thursday 9 October

Il Duca Ristorante,
Wellington Parade, East Melbourne

Thursday 27 November

Christmas Function and Winemaker's Dinner - Racquet Club

Thursday 4 December

- due to demand, Christmas function will be held over two consecutive weeks

2013 Christmas Function in the Racquet Club featuring Punt Road Yarra Valley Wines

A very memorable evening! Many thanks to Patrice Renaudin, Chris Goulding and the KLTC team for their passion and creativity presenting an amazing display of excellent food and wines together with exemplary service by all concerned. Kate Goodman, Chief Winemaker of Punt Road Yarra Valley wines displayed her wealth of experience talking about the individual wines. A copy of the menu and wines is printed here to tantalize your taste buds!

2014 Christmas Function will be held on two consecutive Thursday nights

Apologies to members who were unable to attend our 2013 Christmas Function due fully booked. To accommodate demand, this year we will trial holding our Christmas Function on two consecutive weeks in the Racquet Club. An identical menu and wines will be served on both nights. Please check with your friends and guests to choose which night you would prefer, Thursday 27 November or Thursday 4 December.

Membership of Wine & Food Society

This special Members Social Group has been active since the early 70's. Details of our activities 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.

2014 WFS Committee consists of:

President: Christine Johnson

Secretary: Marie Pernat

Treasurer: Milton Dickins

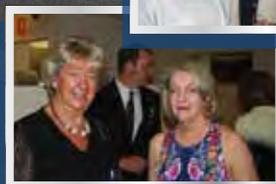
Committee Members: Cindi Damian, Robin Daubeny, Margot McCluskey, Peter Nolan, Graham Schmidt

'Wine & Food Society Committee'



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



Christmas Function 2013

Winemakers Dinner featuring
Punt Road Yarra Valley Wines



Canapés

Steamed pork buns with hoisin sauce and coriander

Skewered king prawns wrapped in Katafi Pastry, served with almond skordalia

2012 Punt Road Sparkling Chardonnay/Pinot Noir

Entrée

Honey and orange cured Huon Valley salmon, freshly picked spanner crab meat,

avocado purée, cream fraîche, witlof and watercress topped with shaved candied walnuts

2012 Punt Road Pinot Gris
2011 Chemin by Punt Road Chardonnay

Palate Cleanser

Watermelon and rosewater granite

Main Course

Wood roasted Gippsland lamb rack, braided lamb shoulder in brick pastry, parsnip purée, steamed zucchini flower, tarragon jus

2012 Punt Road Pinot Noir
2012 Punt Road Shiraz

Side Dishes

Heirloom tomato salad with capers, shallots and air dried olives

Dessert

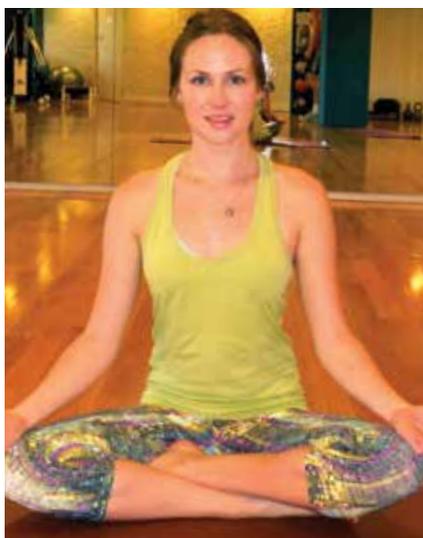
Roasted stone fruits with homemade rosemary infused ice cream, prosecco jelly and pistachio crumble

2011 Punt Road Botrytis Semillon

Health Club NEWS

Group fitness is a great way to get your exercise routine started. Group Exercise offers a variety of training techniques, and challenging workouts. You don't have to be a professional dancer or an athlete; it's all about getting your heart rate up and having a good time with friends in a Club environment.

There are many benefits of group fitness, from building cardio endurance to improve muscle tone and then enjoy some social interaction with a nice cappuccino in the Bistro afterwards.



POWER YOGA

Power Yoga with Sally Flower
Monday 7.00 PM

A dynamic form of yoga movement evolved from the original teachings of Hatha Vinyasa Yoga blended with modern day techniques to make it safe and accessible to all. Each class will combined a modern day philosophy of how to live life authentically and consciously encouraging self awareness and breath control.

The class will begin with Vinyasa sun salutations slowly building pace to gradually bring heat into the body. Poses are held for 1 breath up to 1.5min each. The class will evolve into balancing poses and deeper stretches to developed muscular strength, agility and flexibility. Yoga calms the mind and provides students with the tools to control the breath and inturn relax in our busy day to day lives.

All levels are welcome to join this fun and fast style of modern yoga!

ZUMBA

Zumba on Tuesday 7.30 – 8.30 PM

Ditch the treadmill and join us on Tuesday nights 7.30pm for the calorie-burning dance aerobic sensation - ZUMBA. Try out different dance styles including salsa, hip-hop, Bollywood and swing, as the proven Zumba method sculpts the tummy, hips and thighs, improves your posture and boosts energy levels. All ages and ability levels welcome (two left feet not a problem), just some gym shoes and comfortable

clothing that lets your body come alive! So take the plunge and come along, rope in a friend or two and enjoy the music. Tuesday nights are always a party with Zumba at Kooyong!

GET YOUR GROOVE BACK!!!

“CORE – ACTIVE”

Kooyong Tennis club welcomes the arrival of the new and exciting “Core Active” group exercise classes. Through the use of fit balls, hand weights, power bars, platforms, medicine balls and your own body weight, trainers Jared and John will be running extensive core classes in the studio aimed at creating awareness, improving postural problems and to help you improve areas such as: Activation and strengthening of the core muscles.

With a strong focus on correcting technique and posture, we will introduce new exercises and adapt and challenge each individual, while having a bit of fun.

“Core Active” is a 45 minute core strength focused class of varying difficulty and intensity. This class will help overall posture, combining our upper and lower body into one as well as assisting our ability to engage the core and increasing the power and agility through the correct muscles.

For anyone wanting to learn to correctly engage their core muscle to release stress or prevent injury to the spine as well as being Ideal for woman looking to strengthen their pelvic floor, hip mobility and flexibility. Prevent those lower back aches and pains with a strong pronounced posture.

I look forward to seeing members enjoying the new group exercise classes at Kooyong. Also if any members are interested in some healthy eating recipes & weight loss tips watch me on

LivingLean Channel 7 TV4ME which will be aired in June for 12 weeks on Sundays at 7.00 PM. Members that have any inquiries regarding the health club can contact me directly on 0419 003 762

Michael Kull
Health Club Manager

DIARY DATES

KOOYONG LAWN TENNIS CLUB

DIARY DATES 2014

	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	SUNDAY
	<p>12th</p> <p>•</p> <p>Wayne Arthurs Cup</p>	<p>13th</p> <p>•</p> <p>Wayne Arthurs Cup</p>	<p>27th</p> <p>•</p> <p>Kooyong vs RSYLTC Social Tennis Day</p>
MONDAY		FRIDAY	SUNDAY
<p>28th</p> <p>•</p> <p>Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary Card Day</p>		<p>9th</p> <p>•</p> <p>Wine & Food Society Dinner At The Athenaeum Club</p>	<p>11th</p> <p>•</p> <p>Mother's Day Buffet Lunch (See ad on next page)</p>
SUNDAY	FRIDAY		THURSDAY
<p>18th</p> <p>•</p> <p>Social Committee Mixed Doubles Round Robin</p>	<p>30th</p> <p>•</p> <p>President's Lunch</p>		<p>5th</p> <p>•</p> <p>The 2014 Champions' Dinner</p>
THURSDAY	SUNDAY		SUNDAY
<p>12th</p> <p>•</p> <p>Crèche Movie Night - Grace of Monaco</p>	<p>22nd</p> <p>•</p> <p>Junior Presentation Night</p>		<p>13th</p> <p>•</p> <p>Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary Christmas in July</p>
MONDAY	FRIDAY		
<p>14th</p> <p>•</p> <p>50 Year Members Cocktail Party</p>	<p>18th</p> <p>•</p> <p>Wine & Food Society 'One Chef and Three Sommeliers' Dinner In the Kooyong Room</p>		



Mother's Day

SUNDAY 11th MAY



**Celebrate Mother's Day with a Buffet
Lunch at Kooyong**

**Sunday 11th May, 12pm – 3pm
Adults \$75 & Kids \$35 (13 years & under)**

Includes gourmet buffet lunch and a complimentary glass of champagne on arrival for all mothers.
Drinks at bar prices. Fabulous entertainment provided.

Please contact our Functions staff on 9822 3333 for more information.

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*"We can't recommend Kooyong
as a wedding venue highly enough,
it was brilliant!!"*



**Let the function rooms at
Kooyong be your first choice
for your wedding in 2014.**

Offering spectacular views of the grass courts and gardens, our well appointed rooms open onto spacious terraces, providing the perfect place to welcome guests to enjoy canapés and drinks to commence your Wedding Reception.

Kooyong's exceptional food and service continues to provide a wonderful experience for many newlyweds, with the courts and grounds forming a stunning backdrop for some fantastic photographic memories.

For booking enquiries and to find out more about our Wedding and Function Packages, contact Functions Manager Rachael Whitelaw at the Club on 9822 3333.

FUNCTIONS AT
Kooyong