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## Stars wow the crowd

*2018 Priceline Pharmacy  
Kooyong Classic Review*





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## Planning Application Approved

In a major step to set the Club's future direction, Stonnington Council has approved the planning application for the next phase of the Club's masterplan.

**T**his was an important first step to secure the future of our internationally renowned Club to deliver changes that will deal with present challenges and meet both current and future needs.

The approval follows an extensive period of consultation and negotiation with authorities to achieve favourable outcomes related to traffic management challenges and overlays including heritage and flood management.

The masterplan is not about change for change's sake. It is about addressing significant operational, logistical and safety issues that threaten the future viability of the Club, while retaining and protecting its essential heritage aspects.

The proposed works include the construction of a two-way roadway to overcome the pending loss of Victrack land on the south boundary, as well as a three-level car park to deal with onsite and offsite parking congestion.

Additional proposed changes also include the blending of the clubhouse and stadium to enhance the historic significance and improve the character of these areas giving the stadium greater purpose.

They also allow for the expansion of clubhouse facilities including amenities for health services, squash and function spaces to meet demands, while importantly retaining all tennis courts for Members to enjoy.

No objections were received during the application review period and it was notable that Stonnington Councillors considering the application highlighted the significant part our Club plays in the local community.

The planning approval has been issued subject to several conditions which we are currently working through with our consultants, so that we can move to the next stage of design development.

That work must be completed before detailed information can be prepared for Members' consideration and the Board is confident the plan, when presented, will receive overwhelming support from Members, as well as the local community, heritage experts, the tennis community and even tennis legends who have tasted success at Kooyong.

It will ensure Kooyong remains a lively, vibrant, positive part of Stonnington's fabric, and will continue in the future to be regarded as one of the great tennis clubs of the world. ■



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## Priceline Pharmacy Kooyong Classic

Rafael Nadal wows the crowd at Kooyong.



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Peter Carew, President

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**CEO'S REPORT**

**Already this year we have enjoyed some great** tennis at Kooyong commencing with the Priceline Pharmacy Kooyong Classic in January.

The men's field included seven of the top fifteen men in the world and saw the first time appearance of Rafael Nadal and the return of Novak Djokovic. Australia's Matthew Ebden had some good results over the week but was eventually defeated by Pablo Carreno Busta in a great final.

The women's event also produced a high standard of competition and we were pleased to see our own Destanee Aiava back on the court as well as Eugenie Bouchard make an appearance. Congratulations to Belinda Bencic who defeated Andrea Petkovic in a really entertaining final!

The Club Championships at Kooyong are an annual highlight and again over two weeks of competition we saw some terrific tennis played out across all grades. We congratulate Greg Jones on his first Club Championship and also Sally Peers who took out her second title!

There was also some great squash played during the squash Club Championships and Cam White and Christine Nunn are congratulated on their success. Christine went on to join Sarah Cardwell representing Australia at the Commonwealth Games while Lynette Vai was selected to play for Papua New Guinea.

We look ahead to a full calendar across all of our social groups. Those activities are profiled in the pages of Courtside that follow and offer Members great opportunities to enjoy the Club.

It was pleasing to receive approval on our planning application from Stonnington Council which will allow us to work forward in development of our Master Plan. While there is a great deal of detailed design work to be done, we look forward to moving the project forward having achieved this important first step.



**Chris Brown, CEO**

**D**ear Members,  
A great deal has happened since the last Courtside. We have had a fantastic Kooyong Classic with some of the greats of the game playing at Kooyong, our Club Championships have been played and we have had our planning application approved by Stonnington so there is much to bring to your attention.

One of the highlights of summer was the very successful Priceline Pharmacy Kooyong Classic that attracted a very talented field including Novak Djokovic, Rafael Nadal, Richard Gasquet, Dominic Thiem, Lucas Pouille, Marcus Baghdatis, Kevin Anderson, David Goffin and Marin Cilic. The weather was kind and with such a strong field the attendances were nearly double that of last year.

A special thank you to our partner IMG and our tournament director Peter Johnson who did such a splendid job and who were delighted to be able to boast that thirteen of the men and women who played in the Kooyong Classic went on to be first round winners at the Australian Open.

The eventual winner of the men's event was Pablo Carreno Busta beating Matt Ebden in three sets.

The women's event included our own Destanee Aiava, Eugenie Bouchard, Wang Xinyu and saw Andrea Petkovic dancing in the rain (worth a Google search) but it was not enough to beat eventual winner Belinda Bencic who won the title in a match tiebreaker.


The Club Championships were played in February and again there were a record number of players and the eventual Club Champions were first time winner Greg Jones and after ten years Sally Peers took out her second win.

The Squash Club Champions for 2018 were Cam White and Christine Nunn. Christine was selected with another club member, Sarah Cardwell, to represent Australia at the Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast.

The All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club (Wimbledon) are celebrating their 150th birthday in August this year and Kooyong have been invited to send a team to compete against 15 other clubs from around the world.

Our team includes our Club Champions Greg Jones and Sally Peers playing in the Open events, in the over 45's Kooyong will be represented by Isabelle Gemmel and Glenn Busby and in the over 55's by Andrew Rae and Elizabeth Peers.

I am also delighted to be able to report that our application for approval of our master plan was successful and without an objection it was approved unanimously by the Stonnington Council.



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It was humbling to attend the Council meeting and to hear the councillors talk about Kooyong with reverence and to acknowledge that the heritage of our Club is not the buildings but the spirit and strength of its culture.

There is still a great deal of work to be done before the plans come to the Members as we need to address the concerns of Melbourne Water around the impact of the car park on their infrastructures and we are working on innovative engineering plans to address that issue.

We are also working on costings and as soon as we have worked through these and other issues we will coming back to the Members for feedback and approval.



**Peter Carew, President**



KOOYONG LAWN TENNIS CLUB INC.

# President's Lunch

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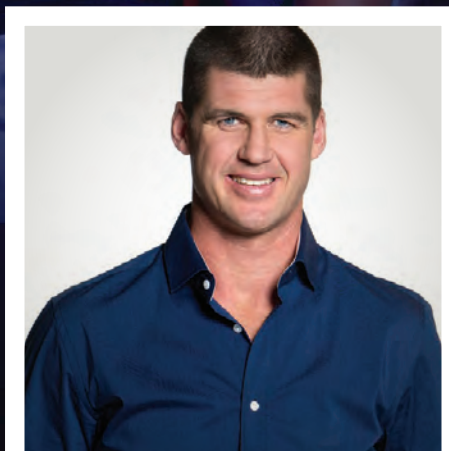
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TIME PREMIERSHIP PLAYER



**Jayden Hunt**

SPEEDY MELBOURNE DEFENDER

# RAFAEL NADAL WOWS CROWD

Another fantastic week of tennis came and went in early January but it was certainly punctuated by the appearance of world number one and future hall of famer Rafael Nadal.

**The Spaniard had never played at Kooyong previously** and the crowds showed their appreciation by showing up in their droves to see the superstar up close on Kooyong's centre court.

Nadal was one of only three world number one players to never have played at Kooyong so it was certainly a treat to see him feature on day one of this year's event against one of the smoothest players on tour in Richard Gasquet.

It was an entertaining match but the Frenchman eventually beat Nadal for the first time in his career 6/4 7/5 with Nadal playing his first match after recovering from a knee injury that had kept him off the tour since November.

"Yeah, I'm very happy to be in Australia again first of all," Nadal said on court after the match.

"I had a long year last year, so I had to start my preparation later than usual, but I've arrived with plenty of time and it's a good day to start again the feelings of playing a match.







▲ **Left** Richard Gasquet had his first career win over Rafael Nadal in an impressive display. **Right** Andrea Petkovic enjoyed her first experience at Kooyong where she reached the final.

“It’s not an official match but still a test for me and good practice, that’s the most important thing, that’s the most important thing for the whole season.”

Gasquet by far looked the sharper of the pair in testing conditions with Melbourne producing some gusty winds for players on the first day of play in the tournament’s 30th anniversary. The 31-year-old former world No. 7 from 2007, who was a French Open quarterfinalist in 2016, was satisfied with how he moved on the court ahead of the year’s first major tournament.

“Yeah, it’s always important to play these matches even if it’s not official,” the Frenchman said. “It’s still a great match with many people in the crowd and it’s great for me to practice here, I have no injuries on the court and I am preparing well for Melbourne... I’m feeling 100 per cent and I’ll try my best to play well there.”

“...I’ve arrived with plenty of time and it’s a good day to start again the feelings of playing a match.”

Other matches on the first day saw Kooyong’s rising star Destanee Aiava take the first set against Andrea Petkovic before the German ace won in three sets 3/6 6/3 6/2.

Pablo Carreno Busta shrugged off a slow start to defeat two-time champion David Goffin in a terrific battle 1/6 7/6 6/3 while Yoshihito Nishioka defeated Bernard Tomic 6/3 6/3 as he contemplated his Australian Open qualifying match to be played the next day.

Day two of the event saw another future hall of famer in action at Kooyong with Novak Djokovic looking ultra-impressive in his 6/1 6/4 victory over young gun Domenic Thiem. With the injury cloud still hanging over Djokovic heading into the first Grand Slam of the year it was great to see the super star looking unhindered from the elbow injury that had kept him out of the sport for some time.

◀ Nadal was happy to get a match under his belt leading into the Australian Open.



“It feels great, obviously I was waiting for this moment for six months to play a match.”



◀ Novak Djokovic gained some much needed match practice.  
 ▲ Marin Cilic lost a close match against Matthew Ebden.  
 ▶ Eugenie Bouchard was impressive in her win over Destanee Aiava

“It feels great, obviously I was waiting for this moment for six months to play a match,” Djokovic told a large scrum of reporters after the match.

“Also, I got a great opponent today ranked five in the world, it was a fantastic test for me to see where I am, to see what we have done as a team in the off-season and whether it works on the court.

“It worked pretty well, especially the serve which was the biggest question mark because of the elbow, that shot in my game was compromised prior to July when I had to stop in Wimbledon.”

Matt Ebden provided the upset of the day when he defeated US Open champion Marin Cilic in a spirited affair 6/7 6/4 7/5. The Aussie journeyman continues to chalk up wins against quality opponents and this was another big name to add to the list.

In the women’s event it was another impressive display by Belinda Bencic following her Hopman Cup heroics with Roger Federer in Perth as she defeated rising Chinese star Wang Xinyu 7/6 6/4 to reach the final.

“I think it was a very difficult match,” Bencic said. “We were hitting it very hard, didn’t have many rallies, she was serving good.

“So, it was good to get the body going again as I had some days off after the Hopman Cup and it’s very nice to be here in Melbourne.”

The final match of the day saw popular Cypriot Marcos Baghdatis win a tight three set match with US Open finalist Kevin Anderson 6/4 3/6 6/3. Always a fan favourite, Baghdatis showed he is still in great shape and was hopeful his preparation for the Australian Open would hold him in good stead.

“Definitely it was a strong match, it’s always nice to get a match in the same conditions with some crowd and the pressure of playing,” Baghdatis said after the match.

With the finals set for Friday, Thursday’s schedule saw



“I have played in the wind, sun and rain – I think the Melbourne summer is crazy, but we are here..”

▲ **Left** Destanee Aiava started well against Andrea Petkovic before going down in three sets.  
**Right** Pablo Carreno Busta won an entertaining final against Matthew Ebden.

some very entertaining exhibition matches take place on Kooyong’s centre court.

Richard Gasquet battled past Matthew Ebden in two very tight sets 6/4 7/6 while Eugenie Bouchard proved too strong for the home town girl in Destanee Aiava with the Canadian completing her preparation for the Australian Open with a 6/2 6/0 win.

Andrey Rublev then gave the crowd a terrific match with Lucas Pouille as the two next generation stars went head to head. Pouille started the match well by taking the first set 6/3 but it was the young Russian who showed his opponent a clean set of heels in the second set 6/1 to even the match up. Rublev then garnered the important break of serve in the final set to run out a 3/6 6/1 6/4 winner.

The final match of the day saw young Aussie Jason Kubler complete his preparations for the Australian Open with a tight loss to Japanese youngster Yoshihito Nishioka 7/5 6/4.

The final day was marred by rain but Mother Nature held off long enough for the men’s and women’s finals to be completed albeit in tough conditions.

Pablo Carreno Busta came from a set and a break down in the men’s final to defeat Matthew Ebden in three sets 6/7 6/4 6/2. It took the Spaniard a while to find his range but once he settled into the match he used his weapons to full advantage to win the title. “It was very good preparation for the Australian Open,” Carreno Busta told reporters after the match.

“I’ve been a set and a break down in both matches so I think for me it was perfect, I continued fighting all the time

and today was a very competitive match which is the most important thing.

“Yeah, I have played in the wind, sun and rain – I think the Melbourne Summer is crazy, but we are here, so I try to acclimatise as soon as possible.

“Well I hope to be here over the next few years and the people are good.”

The women’s final saw two official rain delays and finished with Bencic holding the trophy after two hard fought sets, the first which was won by former world No. 9 Petkovic from Germany. The 20-year-old raced to a 4-1 lead in the ten-point tie break and was able to close out the match before taking on No. 5 seed Venus Williams from the United States next week at Melbourne Park.

“It was a lot of energy, we had to warm up a few times,” Bencic said.

“That’s tennis but it was definitely better than hitting somewhere indoors so we managed to make it through and we were chatting, it was a fun day.

“I’ve played a lot of matches and have my confidence back (these last six months)... oh, I love the club (Kooyong) I think it’s so beautiful and I love that you have grass courts.

“It’s just great that the people came out, it’s a good place and I’d love to be back.”

Another fantastic week of tennis wrapped up with the crowds coming to see some of the world’s best at the Spiritual Home of Australian tennis and we look forward to doing it all again next year! ■

# A Famous Name & A First Time Winner Take Open Singles Titles

It was another fantastic event as more than 450 members took to the Club's famous grass courts chasing their piece of Kooyong history.

**S**ally Peers and Greg Jones took out the Open Singles titles at the 2018 Club Championships before pairing up to also win the Open Mixed Doubles titles.

It was almost 10 years to the day that Peers won her first title at just 16 years of age and competing in the event for the first time since that day after retiring from touring the world, the famous name will again be etched onto the Club's Honour Boards.

Having survived a small scare in the early rounds when she dropped the first set to Jemma Carbis, Peers then took control as she won 6/7 6/1 6/1 to move through to the semi final.

A tight win over Jasmin Starr 6/3 6/4 saw the top seed through to the final to play three time winner Kate Antosik, who had cruised into the decider with a 6/0 6/2 win over Harmony Mitsos.

The final was all one way traffic as Peers used her experience and guile to dominate the match from start to finish as she won in impressive fashion 6/1 6/2.

The Men's Open Singles was a high quality event with Greg Jones outlasting a gallant Mitch Burman who has now been runner up three years in a row.

Jones cruised through to the final despite having to work hard against rising star Corey Clarke in the quarterfinal where he won 6/4 7/5 and received a walkover in the semi final after Josh Charlton was forced to withdraw due to a clash with the ITF event in Renmark.

On the other hand Mitch Burman was forced into a huge clash with four time winner David Bidmeade in the semi final and he was able to get past his Premier League captain 7/5 7/6 to reach another final.

The final was a fantastic match as Burman, with the support of a big crowd, took it up to Jones, the former world top 200 player, and was able to get the crucial break to win the first set 6/4.

Jones came out firing in the second set and quickly looked to get things back on his terms and before you knew it we were heading to a deciding set after the top seed won the second set 6/2.

Unfortunately for Burman it was more of the same in the final set as Jones used the momentum to continue on his merry way and claim his first title 4/6 6/2 6/2.





◀ Greg Jones and Sally Peers were over the moon with their respective wins in the Open Singles events as well as teaming up to win the Open Mixed title.

▶ **Above** Kate Antosik and Sally Peers with President Peter Carew after the Open Singles final.

**Below** The Men's Doubles final was an entertaining affair featuring Mitch Burman & Rowan McNamee as well as four time champions Andrew Coelho & David Bidmeade seen below with Peter Carew after the final.



The Women's Open Doubles saw Jasmin Starr and Kate Antosik pair up for the first time to win the title in straight sets.

The top seeds were too good for the second seeded pair of Sophie Vickers and Laura Rabinovich in the final 6/2 6/1.

In the Men's Open Doubles, David Bidmeade and Andrew Coelho won their fourth straight title together after overcoming Mitch Burman and Rowan McNamee in the final. The experienced pair proved too good for their younger opponents as they went on to win 6/2 6/3.

The Open Mixed Doubles saw our two singles winners pair up to win the title in straight sets. Peers and Jones were able to outlast two time champions Burman and Vickers 6/4 6/4 to etch their names on the trophy together for the first time.

The Under 21 Boy's Singles was taken out by Cooper White after a terrific final against John Amato. The two young stars put on a great spectacle as Cooper White took the first set 6/3 before Amato took the second set 6/3 to even things up. In the end White was able to go one step better than last year and get his name on the Pat Cash Cup with a 6/3 3/6 6/3 victory.

In the Under 21 Girls final it was Jasmin Starr who continued her stranglehold on the title as she won for the third consecutive time when she defeated a determined Harmony Mitsos 6/3 6/2. The 17 year old showed her mettle to beat Mary Jayakody in a semi final 6/1 6/1 before following on and winning the final to claim the Kerry Melville Cup yet again.

We look forward to celebrating with all the winners at the Champions' Dinner in late May. ■

## 2018 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS WINNERS LIST

		<b>Winner</b>	<b>Runner Up</b>
Event 1	<b>Men's Open Singles</b>	Greg Jones 4/6 6/2 6/2	Mitch Burman
Event 2	<b>Men's Open Doubles</b>	David Bidmeade/Andrew Coelho 6/2 6/3	Mitch Burman/Rowan McNamee
Event 3	<b>Ladies Open Singles</b>	Sally Peers 6/1 6/2	Kate Antosik
Event 4	<b>Ladies Open Doubles</b>	Kate Antosik/Jasmin Starr 6/2 6/1	Sophie Vickers/Laura Rabinovich
Event 5	<b>Men's 50 &amp; Over Singles</b>	Steve Myers 6/2 2/1 ret	Ian Anderson
Event 6	<b>Men's 50 &amp; Over Doubles</b>	Ken Cooper/Stephen Gay 7/5 1/6 6/2	Rob Dalton/Alex Krohn
Event 7	<b>Ladies 50 &amp; Over Singles</b>	Wendy Harrison 6/2 6/3	Kati Patterson
Event 8	<b>Ladies 50 &amp; Over Doubles</b>	Natalie Harwood/Elizabeth Peers 6/2 6/3	Mandy Morgan/Loretta Sheales
Event 9	<b>Men's 60 &amp; Over Doubles</b>	Dennis Mihelyi/Mark Swindon 4/6 7/5 6/2	Chiro Mukerjea/Peter Keller
Event 10	<b>Men's 100 &amp; Over Doubles</b>	Stephen Sharp/Stephen Myers 6/2 6/1	Ken Cooper/Chris Costas
Event 11	<b>Men's A Grade Singles</b>	Rowan McNamee 6/4 6/4	Peter Ikosidekas
Event 12	<b>Men's A Grade Doubles</b>	Chris Costas/Stephen Gay 7/5 6/1	Paul Lidgerwood/Rohan Appleton
Event 13	<b>Ladies A Grade Singles</b>	Isabelle Gemmel 3/6 6/4 6/3	Catherine White
Event 14	<b>Men's B Grade Singles</b>	Thomas Patton 6/3 6/2	Charlie Tulloch
Event 15	<b>Men's B Grade Doubles</b>	Charlie Tulloch/Stephen Tulloch 6/4 7/6	Chris Preston/Robert Sebek
Event 16	<b>Ladies B Grade Singles</b>	Kristen Gunson 7/6 6/4	Rosemary Davis
Event 17	<b>Ladies B Grade Doubles</b>	Rosemary Everett/Annie Saville 6/2 7/5	Caroline Venn/Leanne Scott
Event 18	<b>Men's C Grade Singles</b>	Peter King 6/4 7/6	Jordan Sinclair
Event 19	<b>Men's C Grade Doubles</b>	Peter King/Nik Tabain 7/6 6/0	Gregory Collis-Brown/Stephen Enright
Event 20	<b>Ladies C Grade Singles</b>	Georgina Gillon 6/3 4/6 6/3	Belinda Henry
Event 21	<b>Ladies C Grade Doubles</b>	Anita Drake/Emma Drake 3/6 7/5 6/2	Georgina Gillon/Jacqui Athorne
Event 22	<b>Men's D Grade Singles</b>	Sebastian Sarafian 6/2 6/1	Michael Van Dort
Event 23	<b>Men's D Grade Doubles</b>	Gerry Hofmann/Hugh Magee 6/4 7/6	James Tulloch/Rod Claessen
Event 24	<b>Ladies D Grade Singles</b>	Sallyanne Sawers 6/0 6/1	Isabelle Gough
Event 25	<b>Ladies D Grade Doubles</b>	Anne Sheary/Megan Batrouney 6/1 6/3	Robin Halse/Jo Croagh
Event 28	<b>Open Mixed Doubles</b>	Greg Jones/Sally Peers 6/4 6/4	Mitch Burman/Sophie Vickers
Event 29	<b>100 &amp; Over Mixed Doubles</b>	Maurice Broom/Natalie Harwood 4/6 6/2 7/6	Jeremy Brown-Greaves/Wendy Harrison
Event 30	<b>B Grade Mixed Doubles</b>	Cam Judd/Anna Clarkson 6/3 4/1 ret	Jamie Potter/Sally Potter
Event 31	<b>C Grade Mixed Doubles</b>	Darren O'Loughlin/Deanne O'Loughlin 6/0 6/1	Charlie Geason/Mia Geason
Event 32	<b>D Grade Mixed Doubles</b>	Gregory Halse/Robin Halse 6/3 4/6 6/1	Michael Kirwan/Sallyanne Sawers
Event 33	<b>Junior Boy's Singles U/21</b>	Cooper White 6/3 3/6 6/3	John Amato
Event 34	<b>Junior Girl's Singles U/21</b>	Jasmin Starr 6/3 6/2	Harmony Mitsos
Event 35	<b>U/12 Boy's Singles</b>	Maita Munyimani 6/2 6/0	Paddy Meagher
Event 36	<b>U/12 Boy's Doubles</b>	Koroush Raissi/Lewis Vanderzalm 4/6 6/4 6/2	Edward Gretton-Watson/Paddy Meagher
Event 37	<b>U/12 Girl's Singles</b>	Caroline Marcel 7/6 7/6	Sophia Brooks-Gay
Event 39	<b>U/14 Boys Singles</b>	Mudiwa Munyimani 6/2 6/2	Alexandre Jaulin
Event 40	<b>U/14 Boys Doubles</b>	Maita Munyimani/Mudiwa Munyimani 6/0 6/0	Jack Ganly/Harry McCorkell
Event 41	<b>U/14 Girls Singles</b>	Emmerson Priest 6/3 7/6	Annabel Sweetnam
Event 42	<b>U/14 Girls Doubles</b>	Josie Best/Sienna Opray 7/5 2/6 7/5	Emmerson Priest/Annabel Sweetnam
Event 43	<b>U/16 Boys Singles</b>	James O'Sullivan 7/6 6/1	Qwyn Quittner
Event 44	<b>U/16 Boy's Doubles</b>	Thomas Patton/Grant Sandler 6/4 7/5	Alexander Taylor/Hugo Kearney
Event 45	<b>U/16 Girls Singles</b>	Ruby Rothman 6/0 6/3	Ria Mehta ■

**Cooper White Selected To Represent Australia**

Kooyong Foundation star Cooper White has been selected to represent Australia in the Junior Davis Cup qualifying event in Malaysia in April.

White recently turned 15 so has two years of eligibility for the 16 and under competition so it's great to see the youngster included in the team.

The top four teams from the Asian playoffs will advance to the finals to be played in September this year so we wish the team well for their upcoming matches. ■

► Cooper White in action at the December Showdown.



**Marc Polmans Hits A Purple Patch**

Kooyong Foundation star Marc Polmans has hit a purple patch of epic proportions in the past month with 20 straight wins starting with the title at the Challenger in Launceston and following it up with Futures titles in Renmark, Mildura and Mornington.

He has only had to play two three set matches in that time as he closes in on his career high ranking of 175 in the world.

Currently ranked 197, Polmans is sure to be headed to Europe to contest the qualifying events at both the French Open and Wimbledon and we wish him luck! ■

◀ Marc Polmans returns serve at the Australian Open.

▼ Bayside Moorabbin triumphed at the Alicia Molik Cup in December.



**ALICIA MOLIK CUP PROVES A HIT WITH TEAMS FROM ACROSS VICTORIA**

**Bayside Moorabbin lifted the Alicia Molik Cup in mid-December** after a fabulous two days of tennis at Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club.

The 12 and under teams event saw 16 teams from across metropolitan Melbourne and country Victoria do battle across two days.

The team of Chris Alevizos, Kosta Mandikos, Erin Maguire and Chloe Hecker defeated the team from North East Junior Tennis Association in a tight battle 3-29 to 3-24.

Congratulations to all 16 teams on their involvement in the event that is proudly sponsored by the Kooyong Foundation! ■

# Kooyong Foundation & Scotch College Support Indigenous Star

The Kooyong Foundation has long helped some of Australia's most exciting junior tennis players to reach their full potential on the court but an exciting new partnership with Scotch College is enabling Foundation Scholarship player Corey Clarke to work towards achieving both sporting and academic goals in 2018.

**C**orey, a talented Indigenous youngster currently ranked 135 in Australia and coming off a semi-final appearance at a Junior ITF event in New Zealand, has accepted the outstanding opportunity to complete his studies at Scotch College.

Having spent many years commuting to visit his coach, Tony Polack, in Coffs Harbour, Corey is now boarding at Scotch College for Year 12 while also continuing to develop his tennis at Kooyong in the hope of being accepted into a College program in America next year.

Tony has no doubt that his pupil has truly earned his chance to benefit from the nurturing environments of Australia's premier tennis club and one of the country's finest schools. "I have coached Corey Clarke for the past six years. From day one the two attributes that set him apart were his work ethic and his determination to be the best tennis player he could be," Tony said.

"He has had to work very hard to improve aspects of his game, technically, physically and especially mentally, but his determination to succeed has seen him get to the level where he now competes with the best nationally in his age.

"Above all else he is a very respectful, polite, determined, self-motivated boy who remains extremely grateful to all those who have helped him."

Tony was full of praise for Corey's family who have made regular five-hour round trips from their home on the NSW central coast to the Polack camp at Coffs Harbour to ensure their children, Blake, Corey and Krystal, were given the best possible opportunity to develop their talent.

The Kooyong Foundation stepped in a couple of years ago with financial assistance and the Evonne Goolagong Foundation has helped all three Clarke siblings through their Indigenous programs.

Evonne has taken a keen interest in their progress and she was delighted to work with the Kooyong Foundation and the Scotch College family to bring about Corey's induction into the Scotch College Indigenous Scholarship Program.

"Corey is one of three siblings who have come through our Indigenous programs, with his brother Blake already in his second year at Charles Sturt University," Evonne said.

"I feel sure Corey will make the most of this fantastic opportunity and that the College will round off an already impressive young man."



Corey has certainly hit the ground running settling into Melbourne life, with a quarter final showing in the Open Singles at the Kooyong Club Championships, while taking his studies in his stride.

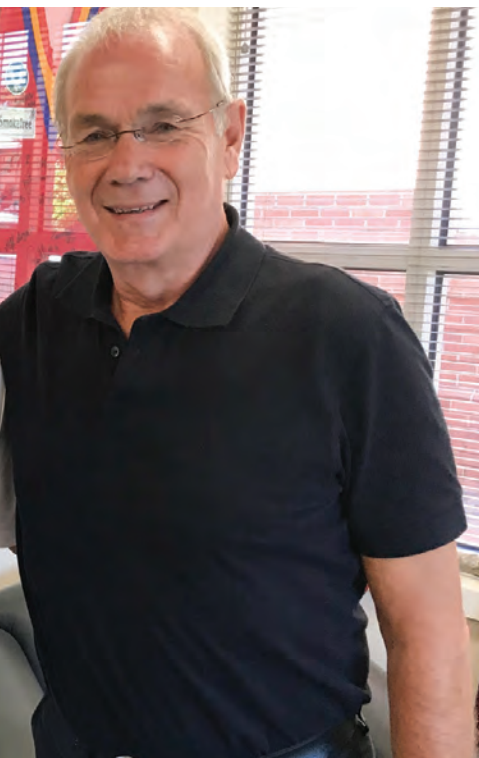
He was quick to pass on his thanks to the people behind his move to Kooyong and Scotch.

"I would like to express my gratitude to everyone involved who made my Scotch College experience possible," he said. "I am very humbled by this opportunity and will give my all to fulfil this experience. I will be able to look back on this and know in my heart that Scotch College, Kooyong, the Evonne Goolagong Foundation and all involved played a vital part in my tennis progression and my career."

Scotch's Indigenous Scholarship program, which aims to embed Indigenous and non-indigenous students, staff and the broader school community in the foundational belief that education is both the key and hope for the future of Indigenous Australians, will give Corey an exceptional



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◀ Evonne Goolagong and Roger Cawley were on hand to support Corey Clarke as he was inducted into the Scotch College Indigenous Scholarship program.

opportunity to complete his Year 12 studies while involving himself in the school’s social, academic, sporting and other co-curricular activities and programs.

“It is great to partner with our close friends at Scotch College to give this opportunity to Corey to complete his Year 12 studies through their Indigenous Scholarship Program, as we continue to help him in his tennis endeavours,” said Kooyong Foundation Chairman Peter Quinn.

“Corey has ambitions to go to College in America and this is a step in that direction, with both his study and tennis having the opportunity to shine here in Melbourne at both Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club and at Scotch College.”

The Scotch College Indigenous Scholarship Program ensures that, during the most influential years of their lives, some 1,880 Scotch boys have opportunity to learn from, and develop friendships with, Indigenous students and by having access to a Scotch education, it is hoped that boys taking part in the program can become role models in their own communities.

This relationship is a first for Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club, the Kooyong Foundation and Scotch College and it is hoped that the partnership can continue to be fostered in coming years to provide other Indigenous students with similar opportunities.

“Corey has thrown himself into everything that the school has to offer and is making every moment count,” said Scotch College Foundation Executive Director Tim Shearer. “He has been able to effectively combine his tennis commitments with a busy VCE schedule, and he has seeded what we hope will be lifelong friendships with other boarders and day boys alike.”

A dinner to support the provision of opportunities like this will be held at Kooyong later this year. Details about the night will be available later in the year. If you wish to find out how you might help with the work of the Kooyong Foundation – through a tax-effective gift or legacy – please contact Kooyong Foundation Chairman Peter Quinn on 0418 396 999, or the Club CEO Chris Brown on (03) 9822 3333. ■



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# Kooyong Foundation Stars Feature At December Showdown

**Cooper White's star continues to rise as the young Kooyong Foundation Scholarship star racks up National titles after winning both the 14's Singles and Doubles titles at the December Showdown.**

Having done the double in Canberra last year, White was favoured to continue his impressive run and he won the singles title without dropping a set.

After a tough semi final against fourth seed, Haru Sontou, that he won 7/5 6/3, White faced off with second seed and doubles partner Casey Hoole in the final and he dominated from start to finish in a 6/3 6/2 victory.

...White and Hoole combined to sweep into the final of the doubles without dropping a set...

In the doubles, White and Hoole combined to sweep into the final of the doubles without dropping a set before being confronted with the unseeded duo of Matt Harper and Lathan Treacy and dropped the first set 6/4.

The top seeds bounced back to win the second set 6/4 to send the final into a match tiebreaker and they prevailed 10/5 to win the title.

Destanee Aiava put in another brilliant performance at the 18's Nationals where she was runner up in the singles to Jaimee Fourlis while winning the doubles event with her partner Alexandra Bozovic.

Kooyong Foundation Scholarship stars Jeremy Taylor and Josh Charlton also produced a fantastic performance when they went back to back in the 18's National doubles event.

After winning the title last year, Taylor and Charlton were again unseeded but managed to knock out the second seeds and fourth seeds on the way to the final before beating fellow Victorians Ken Cavrak and Joshua Spaul 6/4 6/3 to again claim the title.

Congratulations to all our Kooyong Foundation Scholarship players on their efforts at the December Showdown! ■





▲ Frank Sedgman with artist Isabella Allis.

◀ Cooper White cleaned up at the December Showdown winning both the singles and doubles titles.

### Frank Sedgman Painting Added To Foundation Collection

The Kooyong Foundation recently purchased the 2016 Archibald Prize entry by Queensland artist Isabella Allis.

The portrait of Australian tennis legend Frank Sedgman, a Kooyong Foundation Ambassador, was acquired to go into the collection at the Australian Tennis Museum at Kooyong.

Sedgman, who is a five-time Grand Slam singles winner and International Tennis Hall of Fame inductee, is widely recognised as one of Australia's greatest players.

The purchase was celebrated with a small gathering in the club's lounge in December where the portrait can now be seen. ■



◀ Jasmin Starr will feature in her fifth straight Victorian team when she heads to this year's Pizzey Cup in Queensland.

### SCHOLARSHIP PLAYERS SELECTED IN VICTORIAN PIZZEY CUP TEAM

#### Kooyong Foundation Scholarship holders Jasmin

Starr, Olivia Quigley, Corey Clarke and Thomas Patton have been selected to represent Victoria at the Pizzey Cup in Queensland in April.

Jasmin Starr is in her fifth consecutive Victorian team and will be defending the individual singles title after her fantastic win in this event last year.

The Victorian team will be looking to take it up to perennial champions NSW in this team based competition. ■



## John Peers Wins Back to Back ATP Tour Finals Titles

Kooyong's John Peers has backed up his stellar finish to last season, which netted him the ATP Tour Finals crown, with a season to remember that included a Grand Slam title at the Australian Open and another title run at the ATP Tour Finals.

Peers and his partner, Henri Kontinen, dropped their first round robin match before fighting their way back into the event with consecutive wins and then a semi final win to cherish before finishing the tournament in style with a dominant win over the top seeds to cap off their year.

No pair had won back to back ATP Tour Finals Doubles crowns since the Bryan brothers achieved the feat back in 2004.

With a close loss to Ryan Harrison and Michael Venus 6/4 7/6 in their first match, the pair needed a win desperately when they faced 3rd seeds Jean-Julien Rojer and Horia Tecau and they were able to come up with the goods in a 7/6 7/6 victory.

A win in their final round robin match would guarantee a semi final spot but the withdrawal of Pierre-Hugues Herbert and Nicolas Mahut saw them qualify directly while also recording a win over alternate pair Raven Klaasen and Rajeev Ram 2/6 6/1 10/8.

The semi final saw Peers and Kontinen face off with former partner Jamie Murray and his new partner Bruno Soares and after surviving a tight first set 7/6 before

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streking ahead in the second set to take the match 7/6 6/2 and reach another final.

The top seeds, Marcelo Melo and Lukasz Kubot, were waiting in the final but Peers and Kontinen put on a serving masterclass to outclass their opponents 6/4 6/2 in 70 minutes.

“I thought every match we played here, we’ve played better and better as the week has gone on,” Peers said.

“It’s nice to come back and defend our title. It feels good to go on holidays after a win.”

Congratulations on another wonderful season! ■

Our heartfelt thanks to all those who donated to the Kooyong Foundation in 2017.

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## Grand Final Opportunity Washed Away

**Kooyong's women's Premier League team saw their chances of a fairy tale win in Tennis Victoria's Premier League competition washed away in December.**

Having done the hard work to make the decider with a tough win over MCC in the semi final, the Kooyong ladies were ready for their shot at upsetting the star studded team from Liston.

Destanee Aiava was in scintillating form as she defeated Jaimee Fourlis in straight sets 7/6 6/3 to get the Kooyong side off to the perfect start while Sally Peers used all of her guile and experience to defeat the evergreen Cara Black who played every shot in the book to stay in the match but it was Peers who triumphed 6/4 6/3.

Jasmin Starr had a great battle with Gabriella Da Silva-Fick but it was the MCC youngster who came out on top 6/3 6/3 in a fantastic battle to keep her team in the hunt.

The match looked to hang in the balance as Belinda Woolcock fought out a tough contest with the experienced Jessica Moore.

Moore won the first set 6/2 and things looked grim for the Kooyong star as she looked to regroup in the second set. Both players looked to grind out a tough win but it was Woolcock who started to get on top and levelled the match

## Destanee Aiava was in scintillating form as she defeated Jaimee Fourlis in straight sets...

at a set apiece and it was more of the same in the final set as the Kooyong number two put her team in the box seat with a 2/6 6/3 6/4 victory.

Needing either two sets or a win across the two doubles matches, the Kooyong pairs went into their matches full of confidence.

Kate Antosik and Belinda Woolcock were able to put the team with a set of victory with an inspired first set that they won 6/1 against Black and Da Silva-Fick while Aiava and Peers hung in there against the tough pairing of Fourlis and Moore. The top pair also claimed the first set 6/4 over Fourlis and Moore to put the Kooyong side through to another Premier League final.

Unfortunately the final saw unprecedented rain forecast and it was called off on the Friday afternoon to hand Liston the win without a shot being fired.

Kooyong's men's side also had a terrific season but they were defeated in a close semi final with Royal South Yarra.

Despite missing four of the side's top five players, the Kooyong men were able to reach the finals yet again on the back of some terrific team performances.

In the semi final they let an opportunity slip with two tough three set losses and an injury forced retirement.

Greg Jones played some brilliant tennis to beat RSY's more fancied Chris O'Connell 6/7 6/4 6/2 while Daniel Byrnes had to retire injured after falling on his hand late in the first set.

David Bidmeade and Mitch Burman lost tight three set matches to Jeremy Beale and Campbell Salmon respectively to leave them in a precarious position going into the doubles.

With doubles specialist Daniel Byrnes out for the rest of the day it was an uphill battle that proved a bridge too far for the Kooyong side as RSY won their way through to the final which they ultimately lost via washout as well.

Congratulations to both of the winning teams, MCC and Liston, on their seasons and to our teams for representing the club with distinction once again! ■



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Monmouth Beach Bath  
and Tennis Club.

► Seabright Lawn Tennis  
and Cricket Club.



## New York, New York

Members travelling to New York may have interest in visiting Seabright Lawn Tennis and Cricket Club to play tennis and Monmouth Beach Bath and Tennis Club for a mix of social activities and hospitality.

### Seabright Lawn Tennis and Cricket Club

The Seabright Lawn Tennis and Cricket Club is a private club located near the ocean in Rumson New Jersey, approximately 30 miles (an easy ferry ride) from New York City. The Club was organized in 1877 and was incorporated in 1886. The Club has always played a central role in tennis and its Invitational Tournament featured many of the best players in the game including members of Davis Cup teams from Spain, France, England, Australia, Canada, Mexico, and Japan.

The club has 16 grass tennis courts, 15 Har-True clay tennis courts, 1 hard tennis court and 4 platform tennis courts. Since its membership is kept small, there is no need to reserve a court for play. In fact they do not have a reservation system other than for platform tennis. Members simply show up and walk on an available court! Their grass courts, generally acknowledged to be among the finest in the nation, are the venue for the USTA National Men's Senior Grass Court Championship.

*To learn more about Seabright Lawn Tennis and Cricket Club, please visit [www.SLTCC.org](http://www.SLTCC.org)*

### Monmouth Beach Bath and Tennis Club

The Monmouth Beach Bath and Tennis Club is a private club on the New Jersey Shore owned by its members. The club was established in 1924 at a time when prosperity and advances in transportation made the New Jersey shore an attractive and accessible retreat for New York City residents. Originally a "bathing club" with a large swimming pool and easy access to the Atlantic Ocean, tennis courts were added in the 1950s. The Club has 7 HydroCourts and recently added 4 Pickle Ball courts at the north edge of the property. The club has a banquet facility that can accommodate up to 200 guests and an outdoor dining area with spectacular views of the Atlantic Ocean.

The club is extremely proud of its heritage and its reputation as a "family club". The club population is just over 1700 and many are fourth or fifth generation members.

*To learn more about Monmouth Beach Bath and Tennis Club, please visit [www.mbbtc.com](http://www.mbbtc.com)* ■

*For further details of reciprocal clubs, please visit [www.kooyong.com.au](http://www.kooyong.com.au) or contact the Club on 9822 3333.*



◀ At just 15 years of age Cooper White is set for a big year in the club's Pennant teams.

## Exciting Season Ahead For Men's Teams

Kooyong's men's Pennant teams have plenty to look forward to in 2018 including the defence of the Grade 1 flag.

**T**he alterations to the Masters grades will also see some big changes to the competition with our Men's Open Doubles Section 1 winning side re-entering the Masters competition format.

On top of that, the Club looks forward to seeing the many up and coming players trying to reach their potential in the higher grades of Pennant in Victoria with some exciting prospects looking to make their mark on the competition.

The Club will field two teams in Grade 1 this season with Josh Charlton set to lead last year's flag winning team as they attempt to go back to back while Mitch Burman will lead a talented young line up as they seek to sneak into the finals after finishing just shy of a top four finish last season.

With the addition of the likes of Corey Clarke and Cihan Akay this team could trouble a lot of sides this season.

In Grade 2, the Club will field two teams full of talented youngsters as the next generation look to force their way into our top sides in the very near future.

The likes of Cooper White, John Amato, David Qariaqus, Daniel Paveska, Tom Pavlekovic-Smith, Aidan Vaughan, Amor Jasika and Luke Vuletic will be exciting to follow as the year progresses.

The Club will also have two sides playing in Grade 3 with Peter Ikosidekas and Will Patton set to captain them and hopefully lead them to the finals.

The Club also has two sides playing in Grade 5 with Bryce Mitchelson's team looking to make the finals yet again while Ryan Smyth's team will be hopeful of a similar result despite all the new players involved in the team.

In Grade 6, James Goller's team will be hoping to replicate their successful run to the final in Grade 8 last season while Peter May's Grade 6 team will be looking to jump into the top four after just missing out on the finals last year.

The Club also has a team in Grade 8, captained by Rob Szwarcberg, with several players set to play Pennant at the Club for the first time.

In the Masters 35+ competition the Club will field two teams in Section 1 with Stephen Gay and Dennis Mihelyi set to captain them while Peter Hays will captain the Section 2 side and Gordon Hammet is in charge of the Section 3 team.

We wish all our teams the best of luck for the season ahead! ■



# Women's Teams Look To Continue Development

The changing of the guard continues in the Club's women's Pennant teams as the youngsters continue to develop their games and look to move into the higher grades at the club.

**T**he Club will field three teams in Grade 1 this season after winning last year's Grade 2 flag.

Kate Antosik again leads one of the teams into battle and they will be hopeful of returning to the top of the grade having dominated the competition for several years before falling in the Tier 2 semi finals last season.

Jasmin Starr's Grade 1 team will also be hoping to return to the semi finals after a strong performance last year saw them finish fourth and lose to the eventual premiers in the finals.

Also in Grade 1, the Club will be looking forward to a group of youngsters taking their opportunity in the top grade alongside some of the Club's more experienced players who will hopefully guide them in the right direction.

Isabelle Gemmel's team will have their work cut out for them against some of the best players in Victoria but the club is hopeful they will rise to the challenge.

Kate Walker will be hoping she can lead another new look team in the right direction as they hope to be fighting for the Grade 2 title later in the year.

The club's Grade 3 team is a young and exciting one and the club's future stars can be seen in action together this season.

From Roisin Gilheany to Ruby Rothman and Ria Mehta, there's plenty to get excited about as this team looks to gain valuable playing experience together against some of the best players in Melbourne.

In Grade 4, Eliza Anderson's young team will be looking to consolidate on their first season at this level last year.

Natural progression will hopefully see them competing for a finals spot later in the year.

The club also has two teams in Grade 5 again in 2018 with Jenny Osborne's side hoping to replicate last year's trip to the finals while Angela Woodruff's team will want to jump up into finals contention with the addition of some youth this season.

We wish all our teams well for a big season ahead! ■

Jasmin Starr's Grade 1 team will also be hoping to return to the semi finals after a strong performance last year...

Kooyong star Belinda Woolcock will unfortunately miss the Pennant season due to an ACL injury.



# Junior Teams On The Rise

Kooyong's Junior Competition tennis teams are back on the court for another year with 21 teams representing the club across Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Things very rarely stay the same for too long in junior teams as players continue their development or move onto senior teams as they improve.

On Saturday mornings the club has 5 teams in action across the two sections with three teams in Section 1 and two teams in Section 2.

Korouh Raissi's Section 1 team is sitting just inside the top four while Richard Jones' team is just one point behind them in fifth position. Yasmin Spyrou's Section 1 team is currently in seventh position as we hit the half way mark of the season.

In Section 2, Kooyong's two teams are holding down second and third spot on the ladder. Agatha Meehan's team is in second spot while Don McOmish's team is close behind them in third.

On Sunday mornings, the club has two teams in each of the top two sections with varying success in the early parts of the season.

Jude Hine's Section 1 team is staking its claim for a finals position at the half way mark as it sits in second spot on the ladder while Isabella Lucas' team is currently in eighth spot.

In Section 2, Patrick Wraith-Bell's team is also in second spot on the ladder and look a real threat to win the flag while Aaron Koh's young team is gaining some fantastic experience against older players and are still in the hunt for a finals spot as they sit in sixth at this stage.

In Section 4, the club's two teams, captained by Lachlan Main and Bridgette Harwood, who played each other in the Section 6 grand final last season have been extremely competitive but find themselves in seventh and eighth position respectively. They are still within striking distance of the top four.

Thomas Langford's Section 5 team is having a great season so far as they sit in third spot on the ladder. The natural improvement of several of the younger players has seen them rise up the ladder this season.

The club's Section 7 side, captained by Charlie Hummerston, has been in terrific form in the first half of the season and currently sits on top of the ladder while Charlotte Sorger's Section 8 team are in eighth spot at this stage.

In Section 12, Felix Kan's side is on the improve despite currently sitting in seventh spot on the ladder while Josie Best's Section 13 team is within striking distance of the top four in sixth spot.

Henry Steven's Section 14 team is having a great season as they sit in second spot on the ladder while Madeleine Lennon's Section 16 team is in eighth position.

In Section 17, Caroline Marcel's team is on top of the ladder and looking very good as we head into the second half of the season while Zoe Kinsella's Section 20 team is knocking on the door of the top four.

Samuel Moore's young Section 23 team is finding its feet in the competition for the first time and sits in fourth spot which is a great effort.

Good luck to all of our teams for the second half of the season and hopefully finals! ■

▼ From left Jack Ganly's Section 3 team win another flag; Angus Murray's Saturday Section 2 team with their Best team Award for Saturdays; Zach Miller won the Most Improved Player Award for Saturday.



# Midweek Ladies

**In mid-March, midweek ladies competition increased** to 15 teams playing in three different associations across three days.

Firstly, to Tuesday and the summer 2018 season of the Midweek Eastern Metropolitan Region Ladies' Tennis Association (MEMRLTA) concluded in late March. Leanne Scott's Section 1 team once again finished on top of the ladder. They thumped Narre Warren North 4-32 to 0-8 in the Semi Final. The team defended their title against Eaglemont in a thrilling Grand Final, prevailing 3-40 to 3-38! Congratulations to the whole team: Leanne Scott, Natalie Harwood, Caroline Venn, Maya Ferguson and Julie Fidler.

Kris Tulloch's Section 1 side dropped down to finish in eighth place but were only two points off fifth. The team will look to improve next season.

Sandra Daly's Section 2 team finished in seventh position. The team has applied for Section 3 next season, due to the loss of Genevieve Daly.

Sally Addison's Section 3 team continued their upward trajectory to finish second. Unfortunately, they once again lost the Semi Final, this time narrowly going down to North Balwyn 2-36 to 4-43.

Priscilla Kiernan's Section 4 team couldn't quite replicate their hot streak from the end of last season. Last season, they only qualified for the finals on percentage. This season, the team missed out on the finals by two points.

Mary King's Section 4 team enjoyed a very competitive season after being promoted following a winter 2017 Semi Final defeat. They finished in sixth position.

Secondly to Wednesday and a reminder that unlike MEMRLTA, Bayside Regional Tennis Association (BRTA) and Waverley & District Tennis Association (WDTA) have February to June and July to December seasons. Gillian Ricketts' Section 1 team enjoyed the switch from Thursday to Wednesday for the July to December 2017 season, finishing second on the ladder. After losing the Semi Final 1-3-30 to 3-6-44 against Parkdale, they unfortunately went out in straight sets against Elwood, 3-7-49 to 0-2-30. This season, the team is in sixth position after five rounds.

Cate Noonan's Section 2 team finished fourth in the July to December 2017 season. This season, Tricia Gorman has taken over the captaincy, leading the team to third on the ladder.

Jenny Osborne's Section 2 team finished on top of the July to December 2017 ladder, automatically qualifying for the Grand Final. They defeated Black Rock in the decider, 2-5-37 to 1-2-24! Congratulations to the entire team: Jenny Osborne, Kimberley Mustow, Alisa Bennett, Jill Kaminsky, Helen McKinnon, Danielle Suttor, Jade Sheary and Nicole Kaminsky. This season, the team is making a good fist of their promotion to Section 1 as they are in fifth position.



▲ Natalie Harwood, Caroline Venn, Maya Ferguson and Leanne Scott celebrate another MEMRLTA Section 1 victory.

Thirdly to Thursday, where Kooyong's presence in BRTA's February to June 2018 competitions increased to four teams with the addition of Mandy Morgan in Section A/1. Anne Forbes' Section A/1 team once again narrowly missed out on the finals of the July to December 2017 season. They ended up sixth on the ladder. This season, Rosemary Everett has taken over the captaincy, leading the team to fourth position.

Mandy Morgan's new Section A/1 team consists of Caroline Faulkner, Sue Ferguson, Rosie Kovacs, Michelle McKinlay, Mandy Morgan and Sue Taylor. They have struggled a little with injury so far this season, but are only outside the top four by four points after six rounds.

Kooyong's final Section A/1 team, captained by Kris Tulloch, went back to back in the July to December 2017 season! They once again defeated Beaumaris Lawn in the Grand Final, 2-5-36 to 0-1-16. Congratulations to the entire team: Kris Tulloch, Laura Langmead, Anna Clarkson, Sally Potter, Steph Fry and Chris Sherman. The team is currently sitting in second position.

Danielle Suttor's Section 2 team improved in the July to December 2017 season to finish third. They defeated fourth-placed Black Rock in a thrilling Semi Final, 2-4-36 to 2-4-34. Unfortunately, the team went down 1-3-35 to 2-6-48 in the Preliminary Final against St Finbar's. This season, they are fourth on the ladder.

Finally, there are still two teams in WDTA's Thursday competitions. Alita Davis' A Reserve 1 team avoided relegation. While they finished the July to December 2017 season on the bottom of the ladder, the team were only four points off fourth. This season, Libbie Geason has taken over the captaincy. While they are on the bottom of the ladder after six rounds, the team is only three points behind the two teams above them.

Wendy Johnson's B Special 1 team held on over the two rounds of the July to December 2017 season to finish fourth. Unfortunately, they lost the Semi Final to eventual champions Heatherdale, 2-23 to 4-41. This season, the team is in fifth position.

We wish our midweek ladies teams all the best! ■

# KITA Coaching

by Glenn Busby, Director

**I was very fortunate to be up close to Federer's** quarter, semi and final and it was just so interesting to watch him apply different game plans and adaptations to differing opponents. In the quarter final he played Chung, whom he met in the semi-final of the Australian Open.

In this match he took the ball so early, half volleying so many balls from anywhere in the court giving Chung little time to set up and gain a rhythm, he played down the middle of the court against a very fast Chung, taking his strength away. This was an amazing match against an in form Chung, winning 7-5,6-1.

In the semi-final he played Coric, who had won most of his matches really easily against opponents including Thiem, Fritz, and Anderson. I have never seen Federer make so many unforced errors especially on his backhand.

The most amazing thing to watch was how he found a way to stay in the match. Coric was playing much better than Federer and yet Roger kept re-inventing ways of winning. Firstly points, then games and finally the match 5-7 6-4 6-4 after losing the first set and being 1-4 down in the second.

He changed the pace repeatedly, varied his spins, attacked on some, brought Coric in to the net and just kept finding a way to win a match that he probably shouldn't have won. He found a way to break Coric's game down, even though he wasn't playing well.

In the final he played Del Potro who came out firing. Roger probably made 25-30 forehand unforced errors. I had never seen him play like this before and, yet again, from a set and a break down he kept changing up the game to find a way to win and believed in his game.

He was getting well beaten from the baseline so hit about 9 drop shots and short slices to bring Del Potro in, he rallied with more slice, varied his serve speeds and placement and you could always see him working on different game plans to find a winning formula.

He amazingly had 3 match points but lost 4-6, 7-6,6-7. The point to all of this is so many players from young juniors right through to the above level hit the ball so well, but don't understand "how to play tennis".

Players need to know why they are winning and why they are losing and need to understand how to adapt their game plans accordingly. They need to know "who is doing what to whom" and be able to recognise this early in a match and either maintain what they are doing or make adjustments and modify their game plans accordingly.

Many times you can see players 6-1 4-1 up and all of a sudden its 4-4 and they have had no idea why they were winning or didn't recognise that their opponent had changed their game, they just hit balls.



In tournaments you can often see players who don't look as good technically as their opponents, win matches, because they have a game plan, know the percentages and understand what is happening on the court and where to hit the ball.

Understanding, what your "A" game plan is and how you want to play is essential and then understanding how to change your game or change your opponent's game is critical in becoming a successful player.

It's easy to win a match when playing well, your best matches are when you are playing badly or our opponent is beating you and you can find a way to win. That's why Federer is so good. He's a great strategist and analyst and has developed many different weapons and ways of winning a match. ■

I want to recognise some of our players who have had success lately. This year we have taken players away to country tournaments in Wodonga, Albury, Bendigo and interstate in the coming holidays to Noosa. Coaches Patrick Lake and Tom Urbanavicius have taken the players away and provided great opportunities for their development.

## RESULTS

**Grace Fountain** Winner Girls 14 Singles Wodonga

**Tom Patton** R/U Boys 14 Singles Albury, Winner 14 Doubles Wodonga, Qualified for 14 Grasscourt Nationals, Representing Victoria in Pizzey Cup Team

**Hannah Williams** Winner 16's Singles Consolation Albury

**Aiden Vaughan** Winner 16's Singles Albury, R/U 16's Singles & Doubles Wodonga

**Sam Park** R/U 14 Singles Qualifying Consolation Albury

**Sofi Georgas** 2018 Yarra Valley Projects Tennis Classic

# Crèche

by Libby Green, President Crèche Committee

## Welcome back in 2018!

We extend a warm welcome back to our returning families, and a very warm welcome to all our new families registered so far this year to use our fantastic crèche! The children have been enjoying the warmer weather with lots of outside activities and play, as well as the inside activities of arts and crafts, dress-ups, toys and storybooks!

The crèche is open from 9am to 12pm Monday to Thursday, and from 9am to 12:15pm on Fridays during the school term, and costs a very reasonable \$12 per session per child to use. There is also an annual family registration fee of \$75 per family.

If you have not yet registered for your family to use the crèche, please head in to the Proshop and ask for a registration form (session passes can also be purchased here). There are 20 places available per session for children aged 5 and under, however a maximum of 4 of these places can be for children under the age of 18 months. So be sure to book in early to utilise our wonderful crèche facility!

The Crèche will close for the first term holiday period from Thursday 29th March 2018, reopening again on Monday 16th April 2018. ■



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# 2018 Squash Club Championships

**This year's Squash Club Championships took place** over two weeks in February and this year, for the first time, featured Open and Graded doubles events as well as our usual 11 singles draws.

The first weekend saw doubles the focus and we are delighted to have had a couple of KLTC's top young tennis players challenge for the trophy in the B Grade Doubles. Usually played on a far wider court, squash doubles in a singles court is fast and furious with four players all fighting for position and relying on aggressive play to win vital points. All while trying to stay clear of swinging rackets and a red hot squash ball, mostly with success and sometimes, painfully failing.

Young Max Potter and Will Patton from the tennis section fought hard and clearly took out "shot of the tournament" thanks to Max hitting a nick roller, cross court volley... something squashes train for years to execute. They couldn't however beat Wendy Pattenden and her partner Julie Jones for consistency as they took out the title 3-0 in an enjoyable final watched by about 20 of Will and Max's tennis buddies.

In the Open event, five very evenly matched teams went head to head in a round robin for the right to play off in the finals. Chris Harris and partner Steve Jones used their power hitting to take out all comers, topping both the round robin format and also taking out the final.

The final weekend saw over 50 entries across 11 draws. A slight shift to our grading approach meant for far tighter bands and this was borne out by the competitiveness of all match-ups and a huge proportion of matches going to 5 games.

Always played in excellent spirits, and inevitably ending with friendly drinks up at the bar after the days matches, the Squash Championships continues to be a highly popular event on the KLTC calendar. ■



Chris Harris and partner Steve Jones used their power hitting to take out all comers...



▲ Left Austen Diggle & David Thiele.  
 Right Wendy Pattenden, Julie Jones, Will Patton & Max Potter.  
 ◀ Left Tate Norris & Dylan Molinaro.  
 Bottom Mike Wilkinson with Open winners Cam White & Christine Nunn.



## RESULTS

- B Doubles:** Pattendon/Jones def Patton/Potter
- Open Doubles:** Harris/Jones def St John/Molinaro
- Junior Girls:** Eishaanii Sukunesan def Jananii Sukunesan
- Junior Boys:** Tate Norris def Dylan Molinaro
- F Grade:** Jack Willis def Sarah Porritt
- E Grade:** Richard Bowman def Jim Pappas
- D Grade:** Wendy Pattenden def Mark Wilson
- C Grade:** Nathan Feldman Def Brien Shipton
- B Grade:** Austen Diggle def David Thiele
- A Grade:** Darcy St John def Tyler Hawkins
- Women's Graded:** Caz Van Dort def Jo Van Dort
- Women's Open:** Christine Nunn def Selena Shaikh
- Men's Open:** Cam White def Sam Ejtemai

▼ Christine Nunn and Selena Shaikh won the Women's Doubles title at the Australian National Championships.



### Success for Kooyong players Australian National Titles

The 2018 Australian National Titles were recently held at MSAC and Australia's top squash talent flocked to the courts to compete for Singles success as well as the Australian Men's, Women's and Mixed Doubles titles.

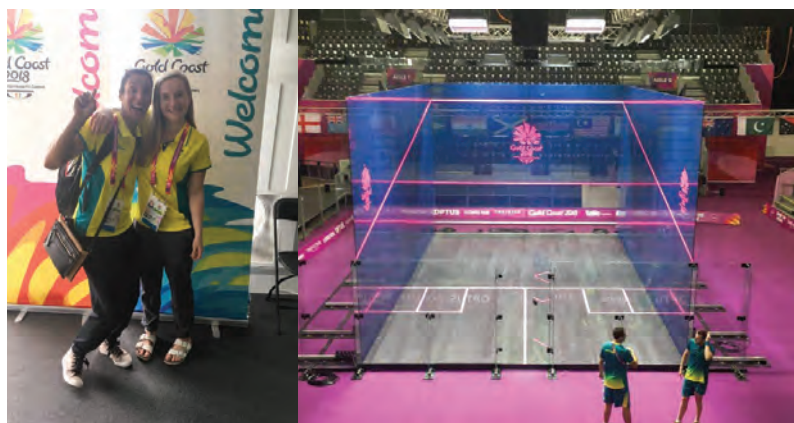
Over five days of fierce competition, Kooyong was well represented, fielding three women in the Open main draws: Christine Nunn, Selena Shaikh and Lynette Vai.

Selena Shaikh enjoyed her best tournament result, reaching the semi-finals of the Women's Open and losing narrowly in a tight 4 games to the top seed, Tamika Saxby.

Christine Nunn went a couple of steps further and took out the title, winning the final in a canter and taking out Tamika in 3 excellent games of the highest quality squash.

Not to be satisfied Selena and Christine teamed together to win the Women's Open Doubles title, while Christine, paired with Darren Chan, also won the Open Mixed Doubles. Not a bad haul for our reigning Club Champion who, in April, will travel to her first ever Commonwealth Games. ■

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### Three Kooyong players to compete at the 2018 Commonwealth Games

With the Commonwealth Games kicking off in early April, three Kooyong Squash scholarship holders will make the journey up to the Gold Coast to represent their country.

Lynette Vai will represent PNG while Sarah Cardwell and Christine Nunn will be giving their all for Australia.

Having first tasted the excitement of the Comm' Games in Glasgow last time around, Sarah will be confident of pushing for a medal along with her partner for the Women's Doubles Christine, who, while at her first Commonwealth Games, has plenty of experience on the world stage having also represented Australia several times previously in doubles and singles events.

Several squash club members will be making the trip to support our girls and the team. Good luck and enjoy the experience all of you. ■

### RACQUETBALL RUNAROUND -

### STARTING FRIDAY APRIL 20

With a wet Winter on the horizon, it's time for all you tennis players to find something to do with your impending spare time. While we can't do anything about your fading tans we can help out by giving you a fun way to keep your fitness up and your eye in over the long period when court avail's will be slim.

Join us at the squash courts for a Racquetball Runaround every Friday from 5pm. If you can hit a tennis ball you'll find Racquetball super easy to pick up. You'll have a fantastic workout, so bring a friend or two and make a night of it.

- ▶ Kicks off at 5pm Fridays 20 April
- ▶ First in, first on
- ▶ All equipment provided: racquets, balls, eye-wear
- ▶ Please wear non-marking clean shoes (no en tout cas or dirt)
- ▶ Door prizes
- ▶ If demand exists, this will be an ongoing event. ■

# Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary

by Jean Burgess, President Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary

**The Auxiliary Year commenced with our AGM on Monday, 12th February, when we were disappointed to learn that our President Marie Devereux, would be stepping down due to health issues.**

Marie has selflessly given her time in leading our Committee during the past ten years and her leadership will be sadly missed. We sincerely congratulate and thank her for her outstanding direction.

**During this meeting the following Committee was elected:**

- Patron:** Lisa Carew
- President:** Jean Burgess
- Vice President:** Jenny Booth
- Secretary:** Deb Elrington
- Assistant Secretary:** Genevieve Barnett
- Treasurer:** Denise Cosgriff
- Assistant Treasurer:** Marie Devereux
- Tournament Convenor:** Lyn Wheat
- Committee:** Denise Bartlett  
Caroline Hill  
Joan Layet  
Carmel Quinn

Our first function for the year was our Annual Tennis Day on Monday, 12th March. Lyn Wheat, assisted by Jenny Booth, convened and organised a wonderful tournament on our beautifully prepared grass courts.

Apart from our members, many members of country clubs supported this event, enjoying our magnificent club facilities, hospitality and catering. We especially thank our CEO Chris Brown, Cedric Mason and staff for making this event so successful, raising in excess of \$16,000.

My thanks go to all Committee members for their support and assistance. The next function will be the first of our Card Days on Wednesday, 2nd May. Please contact Caroline Hill (ticket secretary) on 0402 657 902 to reserve your table. This will be followed by our "Christmas in July" luncheon on Sunday, 22nd July.

I am looking forward enthusiastically to working with the Committee to raise money for our wonderful Royal Children's Hospital. ■



▲ Above The grass courts featured plenty of action.  
 Left Cedric Mason & Lyn Wheat.  
 Right RCH Tennis Day organisers Jenny Booth & Lyn Wheat.  
 ◀ President Jean Burgess, Auxiliaries Manager at the Royal Children's Hospital Greg Hordacre & Lyn Wheat.  
 ▼ The ladies enjoying a drink after a long day on the court.







# Billiards & Snooker

by Alistair Macindoe

**The Club Championships have been held over the Summer.** Many thanks to Simon Fortune for organising them so well. Here are some of the highlights:

## David Pitt wins the Handicap Billiards

David Pitt 363 (with breaks of 69, 34, 37 and 31) defeated Neil Maclachlan 286 (35, 43) in a high quality final. David is pictured in the photo, which demonstrates the intense concentration required to fully exploit the middle pocket losing hazard game.

### Other highlights were:

- Nick Kotros had a nail-biting win against Steve Mifsud, winning by 8 points after Steve gave a 350 start.
- David Pitt made a superb break of 108 break against Greg Baker.
- Don Richter made breaks of 67 and 70 in beating Ian Koochew by 8 points after giving 190 start.
- David Cosgriff beat Ian Dale by 6 points in the Handicap Billiards, 2 points in the Open Billiards (making a 50 unfinished) and 3-2 in the Open Snooker. Ian then left for India for 5 weeks to recover.

## Steve Mifsud wins the Open Billiards

Steve Mifsud was far too good for all his opponents, and went on to win the tournament with ease. In the Final he scored 763 points (with breaks of 67, 93, 118, 52, 63, 119, and 47) to defeat Charlie Chafe 365 (56 and 50). Another notable performance was by Steve Murphy who made a very creditable 202 points in 75 minutes in losing to Ian Dale.

## Steve Mifsud wins the Open Snooker

In this tournament Steve had some spirited opposition from Charlie Chafe. In the Final Steve prevailed 4-3, but not before Charlie fought back from 3-1 down to win the next two frames with breaks of 75 and 72 to force the match to a deciding frame.

### Other highlights were:

- Charlie Chafe made 61, 41 and 37 to beat Simon Fortune 3-0.
- It was raining breaks for Steve Mifsud against Don Richter. Steve made breaks of 45, 47, 62, 44, 31 and 41 in a 4-0 whitewash. ■

### HANDICAP SNOOKER

**This tournament has just been completed as we go to press.** Don Richter was successful in winning the final against David Cosgriff.

Steve Mifsud was very impressive against Dick Grogan, making a 62 break in the first frame and 102 and 33 in the second.

# Bridge Club

by Susan Douglas

**The KLTC Bridge club celebrated a very successful 2017 with a Christmas function for each of the three weekly duplicate sessions.**

Over 100 members attended the Christmas dinner on December 19 and were entertained by one of our regular players, Roxanne Fearnside.

The President, Rob Nurse presented the two individual trophy winners for 2017. The Penny Purbrick trophy was won by Judy Mc'Donnell. Deb Fogarty won the Open trophy with 27.32 masterpoints gained at KLTC Bridge Club in 2017.

We also congratulate Kooyong Bridge Club pair Anthea Gedge and Catherine Ng (pictured below far right). The pair attended the Gold Coast Congress held in February this year.

This is Australia's prestigious Bridge event, attracting almost 3000 people players from around the world.

**Anthea and Catherine's results as follows:**

- 2nd in the Ivy Butler Swiss Pairs in a field of 84 pairs
- 2nd in the Walk-in pairs

Overall they were the top Victorian pair from all categories.

## KLTC Bridge Club Beginner's Lessons

KLTC Bridge club will be holding a Beginner's Bridge Course conducted by Laura Ginnan.

The 6 week course starts on Monday 21st May from 9.15-11.15, followed by supervised sessions held at the same time for the remainder of the year.

Laura is a professional bridge teacher, player and director. She has represented Australia on multiple occasions. As a teacher she is consistent, patient, and presents information in a clear and concise manner using modern teaching techniques.

She provides a variety of support materials for players to study, allowing weekly consolidation of each lesson.

Application forms will be available on the KLTC website and the KLTC Bridge Club website.

*For more information please contact Moira Righetti via [moirarighetti@hotmail.com](mailto:moirarighetti@hotmail.com) or 0413940655. ■*

# Young Members

by Dean Taylor, President Young Members



**Featuring a Mexican theme, our Young Members' Long Lunch, with a record attendance of 45, was certainly a fantastic way to kick off 2018!**

With a delicious menu, this annual event will undoubtedly become a highlight of the Young Members' calendar.

Members and their guests were dressed colourfully, and were able to enjoy an afternoon of themed food and drink. With plenty of socialising and fun to be had, young members certainly won't want to miss our upcoming events.

Make sure to keep in mind the Yarrayong Ball, which will be hosted at Royal South Yarra later this year, with a definite date soon to come.

Keep up to date via Facebook and Instagram, and keep your eyes peeled around the clubhouse for posters promoting future events. ■



# Wine & Food Society

by Ken Wheat, President Wine & Food Society

## End of Year Dinner

Our Annual Formal Dinner in the Kooyong Room was a huge success. Members and friends enjoyed an outstanding dinner created by Chris Goulding and his team. The WFS, Patrice Renaudin and Mac Forbes, one of Australia's new breed of winemakers, presented a range of Mac's superb wines, to complement the menu.

**Canapés** Soy and mirin cured tuna, avocado, & native finger lime; Chicken liver parfait, brioche & rosehip jelly; Sour cream pastry tart, candied onion & fresh ricotta

- ▶ 2015 Mac Forbes 'Miss Moss' Blanc de Blancs Chardonnay Sparkling, Strathbogie Ranges

**Entrée** Poached Mooloolaba leader prawns, coconut & crab remoulade, sea urchin & white asparagus

- ▶ 2016 Mac Forbes 'Woori Yallock' Chardonnay, Yarra Valley; 2011 Mac Forbes 'Woori Yallock' Chardonnay, Yarra Valley

**Main Course** Suckling spring lamb slow cooked & roasted rack, pissaladière tart, fresh peas & tarragon jus

- ▶ 2014 Mac Forbes 'Coldstream' Pinot Noir, Yarra Valley; 2014 Mac Forbes 'Yarra Junction' Pinot Noir, Yarra Valley

Steamed green asparagus, coddled egg dressing butter lettuce, Dijon dressing & fine herbs

**Cheese** Baked Clarine cheese, a specialty of the Franche-Comté region, served with tamarillo chutney and garlic toasts

- ▶ 2010 Mac Forbes 'Hugh' Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc & Petit Verdot, Yarra Valley

▶ **Clockwise, from left** Greg Baker, Ken Wheat and Mac Forbes with a champagne gift; Vic Sansom, Joan and James Smith in their festive attire; Ken Wheat presents Chris Brown with a cheque.

## 2017 AGM

The 2017 AGM in February 2018, was very well attended. Among the innovations introduced in 2017 were our utilisation of online bookings and other digital facilities. However, changes to the Society's committee personnel, procedures and processes were not the main attraction of the AGM. After the meeting we hosted a tasting including Charcuterie, Cheese and Wine. John Ellis of Bellvale Wine, in the Strzelecki Ranges, spoke to WFS members as they tasted his superb wines.

## March Dinner

The Mornington Peninsula, renowned for splendid wines as well as bountiful quality farm produce, provided our March Dinner theme. We selected winemakers, varieties and vintages to match the rich harvest from noted producers on the peninsula. Kooyong's kitchen crew applied their culinary skills to the creation of another spectacular dinner. The WFS, Patrice Renaudin and Chris Goulding combined to create a very special evening in the Racquet Club.

## May Dinner

For our May Dinner we have collaborated with Commonwealth Golf Club, one of Melbourne's prestigious Sandbelt clubs. Highly regarded Head Chef, Michael Flouch, has been associated with great restaurants, including Lynch's, as well as some bearing his name, Flouch's. A delicious dinner and fine wines awaits. ■



# Health Club

by Michael Kull, Health Club Manager

**The gym is getting busier and busier every day with** more and more members achieving great results. If you are considering getting fitter, leaner and stronger, here is an insight into our new personal trainers at Kooyong.

## Melissa Chapman

Hi, my name is Melissa and I am an experienced Personal Trainer & Group Fitness Instructor. I live and breathe fitness with a wide range of genres. I am involved in programs such as CrossFit, Kickboxing, Baree, Yoga, and running.

One of my favourite styles is HIIT & I will be instructing a HIIT class every Monday at 9.30 AM. You can expect a new format of high intensity that will always be challenging in a fun environment.

One of my passions throughout my life is Netball, I have played it at a high level in a country South Australia League. I look forward to helping you achieve your goals and building friendships & having fun along the way.

## Elliot White

Hi, my name is Elliot. I believe in a comprehensive approach to fitness which includes all aspects of health such as diet, stress and exercise to ensure you get the best results.

I specialise in body composition and I use strength and resistance based training as a fundamental tool along with HIIT to maximise the effort you put in.

I can help you achieve your goals by making a custom exercise routine and diet strategy that suits your lifestyle. Feel free to give me a call if you want to see what your body is capable of with the right tools.

## ALEX SMITH

**Hi, my name is Alex. My philosophy towards**

training any person, is about their well-being inside and outside of the gym, looking at a person's diet, what motivates them and consider all of the environmental factors. A variety of training is the key to results.

The best way to describe my approach, I focus on Strength & Conditioning, Boxing & Kickboxing and Zuu which is based on animal body weight movement, the fundamentals of improving one's range of motion.

I enjoy training a variety of people, from low to high risk members and I gain a great deal of personal satisfaction in helping members establish and achieving their goals.



**Clockwise, from top left** Alex Smith, Elliot White, Melissa Chapman, Krysten King.



## KRYSTEN KING

**Hi, my name is Krysten and I am a passionate** personal trainer focused on empowering both women and men through fitness and strength. I have danced for over 15 years specialising in Ballet and Contemporary dance.

I previously played netball into adolescence and was an avid swimmer in my earlier years. I enjoy combining dynamic exercises incorporating Pilates and Yoga as I feel it is important to connect both mind and body through movement.

I am studying a Bachelor of Exercise and Sport Science at Deakin University, and through a diverse range of exercises, I hope to challenge and inspire. I love seeing the progress of members and encouraging the pursuit of all fitness goals within a positive and supportive environment.

*Members interested in weight loss, strength and conditioning, injury rehabilitation, general fitness, massage or personal training please contact Health Club Manager Michael Kull on 0419 003 762 / 9038 7145. ■*

# Social Committee News

by Jenny Silvers, Social Committee President

## NEW YEAR, NEW COMMITTEE

2018 has seen changes to the make-up of the Social Committee. We wish to thank our previous President, Cindi Damian for all her hard work and commitment to the Social Committee.

### The new Social Committee is as follows:

- President:** Jenny Silvers
- Vice President:** Peter Tingate
- Secretary:** Kat Benyon
- Treasurer:** Rowan Harris
- Assistant Treasurer:** Marie Devereux
- Committee Members:** Tanya Fryc  
Frankie Katz  
Amy Sorger  
Karen White

In 2018, we will endeavour to bring a mixture of tennis and non-tennis events to Kooyong with an emphasis on good old-fashioned fun.

## Longest Lunch

Our Longest Lunch was held on Sunday 4th March with the functions department providing a fantastic 3 course lunch with all guests seated at a long table. From the tapas, to the mains, finishing up with a high tea stand of dessert with wines and beers, the lunch was a huge success. Compliments to the Chef.





**HAPPY HOUR**

**We continue holding our Happy Hours in the Norman Brookes room** due to their popularity and success. On Friday 23rd February with Mike of Mikes On again providing the music, a large number of people relaxed and enjoyed Happy Hour drinks with complimentary nibbles. The weather was very kind to us with many members and their guests mingling on the balcony enjoying the vista that Kooyong provides.

**Social Tennis and BBQ function**

Our Social Tennis and BBQ function on February 9th was a big success with a large number of members and their guests playing social but at times it seemed like competitive tennis on the grass courts.

As the light faded we adjourned to the Kooyong Room for a BBQ with Mike Daghish providing the back ground music. There was plentiful food with some keen tennis players getting up on the dance floor. It was a night enjoyed by all.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Save the date for our Fire and Ice Dinner Dance** to be held on Saturday 16th June featuring the band Crawdaddys of Gibsons Wine Bar fame. The chef will be providing us with a 3 course meal including Canapes and Beverage package. It promises to be a great night of entertainment so join in either with just a few friends or organise a table of 10. We look forward to seeing you there.

*Any suggestions of ideas and themes for our events is much appreciated so please pass them on to the Social Committee Members. ■*

There is lots happening at the Club in the next few months, get involved and come along!

**April 2018**

- 27th** President's Lunch featuring Trent Cotchin & Rodney Eade
- 29th** Social Committee KLTC vs RSY Tennis Challenge

**May 2018**

- 2nd** Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary Card Day
- 4th** Social Committee Happy Hour
- 6th** Bridge Jim Borin Championship
- 13th** Mother's Day Buffet Lunch
- 25th** Champions' Dinner
- 27th** Social Committee Mixed Doubles Round Robin

**June 2018**

- 16th** Social Committee Annual Dinner Dance
- 24th** Junior Competition Presentation Night

**July 2018**

- 9th** 50 Year Member Induction
- 16th** Bridge Club KLTC vs RSY
- 20th** President's Lunch featuring Jonathon Brown, Max Gawn & Jayden Hunt
- 22nd** Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary Christmas In July Luncheon

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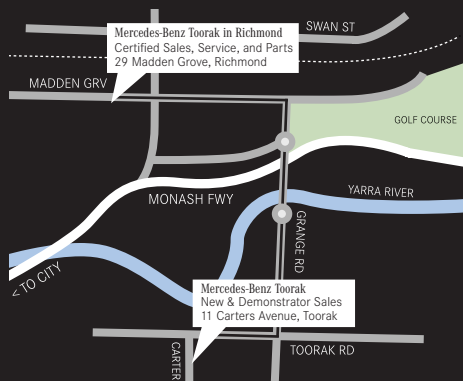
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