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DOVETON NEWS March 2020

CORONA VIRUS

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The latest news from Tennis Victoria is that the entire Doveton Tennis Centre must be closed.

You will not be able to use your Member Key to access the Court Key.

We are well aware by now that this is to protect your health AND the health of others.

We will let you know when things get back to normal.

TOURNAMENTS UPDATE

The Daphne Fancutt Shield was played at Doveton over the weekend prior to the Australian Open. Competing against five other Metropolitan Associations, including Bayside for the first time, the Waverley team, which won the title, included Marko Pavicic and Prisha Baliga in 18&Us, Jennifer McDonald and Leona Doan in 16&Us and Luke Cripps and Ayan Kershwani in 14&Us.

Ayan was voted Waverley's Best Player. **Marko** was voted the Best Player in the Tournament.

The Pat Cash Cup, at Yarrawonga, 29th and 30th February.

Waverley once again were winners and included Marko Pavicic, Prisha Baliga and Tallie Collins in 18&U, Jennifer McDonald and Leona Doan in 16&U and Luke Cripps and Shubh Purohit in 14&U. The tournament consisted of 3 round robin sections with the winners and best second team to play in the finals. Waverley defeated Bayside 13 rubbers to 11 in the round robin and met Bayside again in the final, winning 13 – 11 once more. All Doveton players played well. **Ian Barclay, Pat Cash's coach during his Wimbledon win**, was at the event and presented each player with the winner's medallion.

2020 tennisTRAIN Waverley Tennis Gold Junior Event

This event is one level below State Championships and was held over Labour Day weekend. It is good to see many Doveton members playing at this level, including some new members.

12&U Lane Bridgman and Steven Klasan (singles winner and doubles R-up), Molly Thao, Tamara Licina and Zyphy Te Kahu 14&U Shubh Purohit (4th place)

16&U Marko Pavicic (winner), Zara Lumanovski (6th place), Leona Doan (5th place and r-up in doubles) and Ayan Keshwani.

Scheduled Events at Doveton -

Two Australian Money Tournaments (AMTs) run by Waverley Tennis.

- A Gold AMT will be played at Doveton over the June Queen's Birthday weekend for \$7,500 prize money.
- A Platinum AMT (\$15,000) in September must be played on hard courts which will be at the Pakenham Tennis Centre.

Doveton will also be a venue for the TCAV Junior Tournament (Sept school holidays) and for the Victorian Vietnamese Tennis Association Annual Tournament (Melbourne AFL Grand Final weekend and which last year attracted about 200 players).

TENNIS VICTORIA PENNANT

Doveton applied for a team in the top Women's Pennant grade (Grade 1) and if granted will be the second Grade 1 team in two years. It is possible that Pennant will be a reduced season.

The team will consist of Jaide Collins, Prisha Baliga, Renee Tsongas, Kate Marshall, Tallie Collins, Lucia Placidi and Priscilla Dawson.

WAVERLEY TENNIS COMPETITIONS

FLAG WINNERS - SUMMER 2019-20

Senior Premiers - Mixed Doubles B2

Mauricio Azagra, Steven Erakovic, Irvin Ilarde, Melissa Armstrong and Rachel Scicluna. Chen Li played but her results were too good and she was not allowed to finish the season.

Junior Premiers - President's Cup Blue

Shubh Purohit, Luke Cripps and Ayan Keshwani

Junior Runners-up - President's Cup Red

Matthew Thach, Steven Klasan and Jennifer McDonald

PLAYERS of the YEAR

Waverley Tennis presented awards for Male and Female Player of the Year at the Association's General Meeting in February.

Doveton's Marko Pavicic was the male winner.

Marko has been with Doveton from the age of 10. His Tennis Australia Male ranking is 337 (5th in Victoria in his age group) and has played in ITF tournaments in Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Nepal, Fiji as well as in Australia. He has represented Waverley Tennis in numerous Association tournaments and played in Doveton's 2018 President's Cup premiership team. Recent tournament successes were to win the 16&u event at the tennisTrain Waverley Gold JT (Labour Day) and a quarter finalist (singles and doubles) in the senior Tasmania Easter Championships AMT.

Female Winner Doveton's Grade 1 Pennant Player, Prisha Baliga

Prisha is waiting for the start of Tennis Victoria Pennant to represent Doveton in the team nominated for Grade 1.

She is 200th ranked Australian female and third in her age group in Victoria. She has played in Premier League, the highest level in Victoria and, like Marko, has represented Waverley Tennis in numerous Association tournaments. She has played in many senior tournaments including winning the 2019 Victorian Junior State Claycourt Championship.

Both Marko and Prisha were in the recent victorious Waverley Pat Cash Cup team at Yarrawonga.

Waverley Player of the Year Awards President Mark Collins with Prisha Baliga and Marko Pavicic





tennisTrain Waverley Tennis Gold JT



12&U Steven (winner) and Harrison (runner-up)

12&U doubles Winners - Auray Hu & Harrison Satara (NSW)

Leyton Hewitt

Runners-up - Steven Klasan & Cruz Hewitt



Senior and Junior Grand Finals

left: Junior President Cup Premiers, Doveton Blue Below: Premiers Senior Mixed B2 Stevan Erakovic, Rachel Scicluna, Mauricio Azagra, Melissa Armstrong and Irvin Ilarde



Premiers, Doveton Blue: Ayan Keshwani, Shubh Purohit, Luke Cripps





Runners-up: Jennifer McDonald, Steven Klasan, Matthew Thach



