

GEELONG LAWN GO TO TOP ON FORFEIT

In an unprecedented event in Section 1 Tennis Geelong on Saturday, Newcomb 4th were unable to field a team due to injury to players and players away on work commitments, and were forced to forfeit to Geelong Lawn 9 sets to love. Geelong Lawn has now moved into top position on the ladder ahead of Centre Court Blue 2nd and St Luke's Highton Uniting, top last week, now 3rd.

CENTRE COURT BLUE THRASH GROVEDALE

Court Blue bounced back on Saturday following their controversial loss to St Luke's the previous week taking out their anger on Grovedale, thrashing them by 9 sets to love. The Blue team of Ry Davies, Josh Vines, David Hicks, Stephanie Guy, Carolyn McGann and Kelly Brunger showed no mercy in dominating the match, losing only 16 games in nine sets. Grovedale's Bianca Duff and Braeden Lost 1st mixed in a tiebreak, but from that point on Blue only lost 10 games in their overall win 9 sets 55 games to 0 sets 16 games victory.

ST LUKE'S HOME OVER CENTRE COURT RED

St Luke's away to Centre Court Red came away with a solid win 6 sets to 3 with Vicky Stucky and Abbie Walker winning their 3 sets and with Brianna Bateup, took out all 3 ladies' doubles to set the win up. Grant Thompson was in good form also for St Luke's winning 2 of his 3 sets.

For Court Red Kale Durham and Steve Donaldson played well, winning 2 sets each which included 2 of the 3 men's doubles namely 2nd and 3rd men's. However, Red still without top State grader Matthew Hicks went down to St Luke's 3 sets 35 games to 6 sets 47 games.

ST MARY'S DISH OUT HIDING

St Mary's at home to Ocean Grove on Saturday dished out a hiding winning the first 7 sets before rain set in and washed out the remaining two sets to record an 8 sets to 1 win. St Mary's Carly McClelland, Melanie McClelland, Carolyn Dodds, Shane Wiffen, Matthew Fisher and Paul Field were in outstanding form to completely overrun a disappointing Grove team. Final result St Mary's 8 sets 42 games to Ocean Grove 1 set 13 games.

SECTION 1 LADDER - Geelong Lawn 51 points, Centre Court Blue 50, St Luke's Highton Uniting 48, Newcomb 34, Centre Court Red 27, St Mary's 27, Ocean Grove 16, Grovedale 11.

SECTION 2 WASHED OUT

All matches in section 2 Tennis Geelong were washed out on Saturday.

Section 2 Ladder

Gheringhap 49.5 Points, Sutherlands Creek 41.5 Points, Waurn Ponds 39.5 Points, Grovedale 32.5 Points, Lara 29.5 Points, Ocean Grove 27.5 Points, Geelong Lawn 27.5 Points & Western Heights Uniting 16.5 Points.

BARWON REGION NEWS

The Foundation Cup run by Tennis Victoria was held at Bairnsdale last weekend and our girls' team of Nicole Mullen, Georgia Kelly, Taylah Mielczarek and Tamika Hider were successful in taking out this prestigious event for 13 Years and Under.

Eight teams representing Regions throughout Victoria took part and not only did the Barwon team remain undefeated for the two day event, two members of the team did not lose a single set.

David McLennan from the Region said that the conditions were quite warm and the girls all played with great tenacity and displayed exemplary sportsmanship.



(L to R – Taylah Mielczarek, Georgia Kelly, Nicole Mullen and Tamika Hider)

VICTORIAN PENNANT

The Barwon Region had four teams make the finals out of eight that competed with 3 teams premiers and one runner-up – fantastic result for the Region.

The premier teams were 14B Girls 14 & Under, 12C Boys 12 & Under and 12C Girls 12 & Under. Runners-up 14A Girls 14 & Under. Congratulations to all the Geelong teams for a great season of Tennis Victoria Junior Pennant.



14B Girls 14 & Under L to R – Rachel Lolait, Hannah Heath, Philippa Thorne, Marnie Higgins and Tamika Hider.



12C Boys 12 & Under L to R – James Thorne, Bailey Glascott-Dummett, Axel Hider, Patrick Ryan and Jayson Tomicic.



12C Girls 12 & Under L to R – Indian Preston, Sophie Chapman, Mikaela Mullen, Haylee Tomicic and Eliza Walker.



14A Girls 14 & Under L to R – Maddison Sideris, Nicole Mullen, Bancia Duff and Alessia Roso.

NEWCOMBE MEDAL INVITATION

The Barwon Region has been selected as a finalist in “Most Outstanding Tennis Community” for the Australian Tennis Awards. As recognition of the Region’s achievement the Region will have representatives attend as invited guests by Tennis Australia President, Steve Healy, to the 2011 Newcombe Medal Australian Tennis Awards to celebrate the achievement of our tennis champions on and off the court.