

## **NEWCOMB PUSHED BY YELLOW**

Newcomb, top, was away to Grovedale Yellow on Saturday in Tennis Geelong Section 1 and although winning 5 sets to 1, they were pushed all the way with 3 sets ending in tie breaks Yellow, 5<sup>th</sup>, could have caused an upset. Newcomb's Joanne Puckett and Chris Higgins were in top form winning all their sets and with Emma Nixon and Greg Steele chipping in with two sets saw Newcomb home at the halfway mark of the season. Grovedale Yellow's only set win in a tight match was 2<sup>nd</sup> mixed when Kate D'Altera and Jason Schoenmaekers got home in a tiebreak. Overall Newcomb won 5 sets 38 games to Grovedale Yellow 1 set 27 games.

## **ST MARY'S HOLDING ON TO SECOND**

St Mary's travelled to St Albans on Saturday and in a low scoring match got home 4 sets to 2 to hold on to 2<sup>nd</sup> spot on the ladder. After the opening 3 sets St Albans with Claire Burns in great form led 2 sets to 1, however the St Mary's team applied the pressure and took out the remaining 3 sets in fine style with Paul Field, Peter Rogers and Melinda Spalding proving too strong. Doug Hewson and Sharron Taylor were other good contributors for St Albans, however St Mary's prevailed 4 sets 28 games to 2 sets 19 games.

Bottom team Ocean Grove at home played Moolap in the battle for last place and in a tight match the Grove got home by 9 games with sets even. James Kerr was outstanding for the Grove winning all his 3 sets and conceding only 3 games in the process, which was a match-winning effort.

For Moolap Anneliese Rogerson and Peter Kenneady played their part, however Ocean Grove proved a little stronger winning 3 sets 31 games to 3 sets 22 games.

**SECTION 1 LADDER** – Newcomb 42 points, St Mary's 36, Grovedale Black 28, St Albans 22, Grovedale Yellow 18, Moolap 12, Ocean Grove 10.

## **HAMLYN PARK CONTINUE THE ONSLAUGHT**

Hamlyn Park with Jozef Horvat, Tony Lazic, Andrew Frost and Ivan Bosnjak in outstanding form, proved far too strong for Geelong East Uniting on Saturday in Section 2 Tennis, completely dominating the match to win 6 sets 36 games to 0 sets 5 games to remain top in Section 2.

Wandana Heights, 3<sup>rd</sup>, held its position with a runaway win over Clifton Springs Blue on Saturday by 6 sets 36 games to 0 sets 18 games. The Wandana team of Mathew Jolliffe, Ben Jones, Shaun Moloney and Greg Duff are in god form and proved too strong for the Springs Blue team.

## **RED TEAM IN FORM**

Clifton Springs Red maintained its position in the four with a crushing 6 sets 36 games to 0 sets 15 games win over All Saints Anglican. The Springs Red team of Peter Havelberg, Adam Hill, Trevor Vallance and Craig Duncan were never challenged in this one-sided match.

**SECTION 2 LADDER** – Hamlyn Park 48 points, Highton 32, Wandana Heights 30, Clifton Springs Red 30, Geelong East Uniting 12, All Saints Anglican 8, Clifton Springs Blue 8.

## **TENNIS VICTORIA WINTER PENNANT**

Centre Court's ladies Carolyn McGann, Ramona Mataruga, Kelly Brunger and Karen Filippou dominated their match against Eaglemont in Section 1 Tennis Victoria Winter Pennant to remain top of the ladder. The team from Hepner Place was outstanding, losing only one set in 4 rubbers to win 4 rubbers 8 sets 51 games to Eaglemont 0 rubbers 1 set 20 games.

David Hicks at the Centre, and a former Geelong Champion, said the team is combining well and with State grader McGann in top form, should go all the way this season.

Hepner Place No.1 maintained its position in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Section 1 Tennis Victoria Mens Winter Competition with a strong 3 rubbers 6 sets 49 games win over MCC

1 rubber 3 sets 38 games. Ry Davies and Adam Lasky won both their rubbers while Jordan Drew and Nathan Mayes defeated brothers Bryce and Kale Durham to secure a 3 rubbers to 1 victory.

Hepner Place No.2 in Section 1 Tennis Victoria Winter Pennant at home found Kooyong too strong, losing 3 rubbers to 1. Kooyong's 1<sup>st</sup> pair of Matt Carroll and Anthony Sofiaris dominated, winning both rubbers easily in straight sets. Hepner's Brent McCombe and Mario Matejek fought hard to win the last rubber, however Kooyong too strong winning 3 rubbers 6 sets 43 games to 1 rubber 3 sets 29 games. Hepner Place is still holding onto 4<sup>th</sup> place after Round 8.