

## **HEPNER HOLD TOP FOR FINALS**

Hepner Place Indoor were away to Maccabi in Grade 1 Section 2 Tennis Victoria Melbourne Pennant on Saturday and retained top place on the ladder as the match was abandoned due to bad weather. Matt Hicks Geelong's top player and current Victorian Grass Court Champion said his team should win this weeks semi – final against Grace Park at home at Centre Court and is confident they can go all the way and win the Flag in the premium event of Victorian Tennis.

The final four in this Section – Hepner Place Indoor No.1 149 points, Maccabi 122, Kooyong Lawn No.2 117, Grace Park 105.

## **HEPNER MAKE FOUR BY ONE POINT**

In Grade 1 Section 3 on Saturday Hepner Place Indoor No.2 had a washout against bottom placed Nottingham Pinewood and gained just enough points to make the four by one point and will play top side Scoresby at Scoresby in the final this Saturday

## **HEPNER RECEIVE FORFEIT**

In Men's Grade 2 Section 3 Tennis Victoria Pennant on Saturday, Hepner 5<sup>th</sup> received a forfeit from 7<sup>th</sup> placed Strathmore, but still missed out on the four on points ratio by .011% behind Geelong Lawn.

## **GEELONG LAWN HOLD ONTO FOURTH**

Geelong Lawn held on to 4<sup>th</sup> when their match in Men's Grade 2 Section 3 against Grace Park No.1, top, was abandoned due to bad weather. Geelong Lawn scraped into the four ahead of Hepner by the smallest of margins.

## **HEPNER DROP TO SECOND FOR FINALS**

Hepner Place Indoor previously top suffered a shock loss to Essendon, 4<sup>th</sup>, in Women's Grade 1 Section 1 Tennis Victoria competition on Saturday and has dropped to 2<sup>nd</sup> on the ladder for the finals. The Essendon team completely outplayed the Hepner girls – Carolyn McGann, Ramona Mataruga, Karen Filipou and Kellie Brunger – to record a 4 rubbers 8 sets 54 games to 0 rubbers 1 set 33 games upset. Hepner's only set win came in the 1<sup>st</sup> rubber with McGann and Mataruga winning the first set of the day, however lost the opening rubber in three sets. Hepner Place will be at home this week against Kooyong Lawn No 2 in the Semi – Final.

**FINAL FOUR LADDER** – Royal South Yarra No.1 121 points, Hepner Place Indoor 114, Kooyong Lawn No.2 108, Essendon 82.

## **NEWCOMB CRUSH MOOLAP**

Newcomb continued to dominate in Section 1 Tennis Geelong on Saturday crushing neighbours Moolap by 6 sets to love and allowing Moolap only 7 games for the afternoon. The Newcomb team of Chris Higgins, Greg Steele, Lynda Nixon and Ana Clifton completely outplayed their opposition to remain undefeated at the top of the ladder and look set to win this season's flag. Final result – Newcomb 6 sets 36 games to Moolap 0 sets 7 games.

## **ST MARY'S HOLD ON**

2<sup>nd</sup> placed St Mary's had to struggle against 6<sup>th</sup> placed Grovedale Yellow on Saturday, but came away with the points to secure 2<sup>nd</sup> the finals. For the winners Carly McClelland was in good form and the only 3-set winner in the match. Paul Field and Natasha Edwards provided strong support to McClelland to get the Saints over the line.

Grove's Alex Olney and Jason Schoenmaekers surprised in Men's Doubles taking the set in a tiebreak. Schoenmaekers won his 2<sup>nd</sup> set for the day and Grove's only two sets for the day when he partnered Lisa Graham to win the final set of the day. Overall St Mary's 5 sets 34 games won over Grovedale Yellow 2 sets 25 games.

## **GROVEDALE BLACK PUSHED**

Grovedale Black at home to Ocean Grove in the final game in Section 1 Tennis Geelong was pushed all the way by the 6<sup>th</sup> placed Ocean Grove team, however managed to get over the line by 6 games with sets even to remain 3<sup>rd</sup> on the ladder. For the winners Jayde Glascott, Lisa Sherwell and Matthew Squire played consistently to win 2 of their 3 sets in a match winning performance. Josh Hudson was the outstanding player of the match winning Ocean Grove's only 3 sets for the day in their loss 3 sets 21 games to Black 3 sets 27 games.

**SECTION 1 LADDER** - Newcomb 79 points, St Mary's 58, Grovedale Black 50, St Albans 37, Ocean Grove 25, Grovedale Yellow 24, Moolap 15.

## **TOP SIDE HAMLYN PARK CHALLENGED**

2<sup>nd</sup> placed Highton at home surprised top side Hamlyn Park on Saturday in Section 2 Tennis Geelong, winning 2 of the 6 sets but lost 4 sets to 2.

The Highton team swapped their team around and it worked to their advantage, taking out 2 sets – the only sets lost by the Park this season.

Tony Lazic led the Park team this week in the absence of top man Joe Horvat and won all his 3 sets in fine style. He had good support from Andrew Frost and Ray Edwards.

Ryan Parkinson for Highton played well winning 2 sets and Highton's only sets for the day in their loss 2 sets 25 games to Hamlyn Park 4 sets 32 games.

## **CLIFTON SPRINGS RED MOVE TO THIRD**

Clifton Springs Red have moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> place on the ladder with an outstanding win over 6<sup>th</sup> placed Geelong East Uniting on Saturday, replacing Wandana Heights who suffered a shock loss to All Saints Anglican and have dropped to 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Springs Red team of Peter Havelberg, Adam Hill, Trevor Vallance and Craig Duncan were in a mean mood on Saturday allowing East only 9 games for the afternoon in their 6 sets 36 games to 0 sets 0 games victory.

## **ALL SAINTS CAUSE UPSET**

All Saints Anglican travelled to Wandana Heights on Saturday and caused an upset defeating Wandana by 4 sets to 2. Paul Codd for the Saints led the way winning all his sets to place the Saints in a winning position. Nathan Cameron and Andrew Narita backed Codd up well to record a surprise victory.

Wandana's Shaun Moloney was their better player for the day winning Wandana's only sets for the day in their loss 2 sets 21 games to 4 sets 30 games.

**SECTION 2 LADDER** – Hamlyn Park 78 Highton 59 Clifton Springs Red 46, Wandana Heights 45, All Saints Anglican 27, Geelong East Uniting 17, Clifton Springs Blue 16.