

## GEELONG GIRLS WIN VICTORIAN COUNTRY WEEK FINAL

The Geelong's special B1 Women's tennis team of Colleen Battye, Tracey Rau, Dianne King, Heather Jillard & Linda Vaughan were successful in defeating the strong Shepparton Vixens in the final of Victorian Country Week Tennis held at Wodonga recently to win the Premiership Trophy.

The event held at Wodonga attracted 180 teams and over 900 players from throughout Victoria with 80 courts being used at the Wodonga Tennis Centre. This event is the biggest Grass court Tournament in Australia.

Both Geelong & Shepparton won their semis by just one game to reach the final with Geelong defeating Leongatha and Shepparton getting home over Wodonga.

In the final Geelong won 2 sets 25 games to Shepparton Vixens 1 set 20 games.

In 2014 Shepparton and Mooroopna are to co-host the Victorian Country Week Tennis Tournament.

Photo: - Members of the winning team L to R:

Colleen Battye, Tracey Rau, Dianne King, Heather Jillard & Linda Vaughan.



## **BLUE STOP SAINTS IN TOP 2 FINISH**

Centre Court Blue remain top of section 1 Tennis Geelong stopping the surging Saints with a strong 7 sets to 2 sets victory on Saturday.

With this loss All Saints are now in 3<sup>rd</sup> position behind Centre Court Red second and play Court Red next week in the final game before finals.

Should All Saints lose next week to Court Red and Newcomb fourth defeat bottom side St Luke's, All Saints will miss the finals.

For Blue State Grader Carolyn McGann and ever improving Jordan Drew led the way winning all their sets.

Drew outplayed top player Mathew Holschier in an outstanding performance.

McGann & Drew were well supported by Nathan Mayes also winning his 3 sets and Adam Lasky & Stephanie Guy 2 sets each.

Ash Andrews was the leading player for All Saints winning the Saints only 2 sets for the day in their loss 2 sets 35 games to Court Blue 7 sets 54 games.

## **RED BACK TO SECOND**

Centre Court Red back to full strength smashed bottom placed St Luke's on Saturday to move back into second place behind Blue with a 9 sets to love demolition.

The Red team of Victorian Grass Court Champion ( 2012) Matt Hicks, Ry Davies, James Brushfield with Ramona Mataruga, Karen Filippou and Taylor Sobczyk played outstanding tennis to completely outplay St Luke's winning 9 sets 54 games to 0 sets 14 games.

The Red team should remain second for the finals by defeating All Saints next week.

## **SECTION 1 LADDER WITH ONE MATCH REMAINING.**

Centre Court Blue	91 Points
Centre Court Red	66.5
All Saints Anglican	60.5
Newcomb	59.0
St Luke's Highton Uniting	31.0.

## **PARK ONE TO BEAT**

In section 2 Tennis Hamlyn Park are the one's to beat following their strong win over fourth placed Ocean Grove on Saturday by 5 sets to 1 set.

The top four teams in section 2 have been swapping places all year, however on Saturday the Park with Tony Lazic, Jozef Horvat, Michael Doherty & Andrew Frost made it clear that they will be the team to beat come finals.

James Kerr & Josh Hudson won Grove's only set in their loss 1 set 22 games to Hamlyn Park 5 Sets 32 Games.

## **ST MARY'S MOVE TO SECOND**

St Mary's moved into second position on Saturday with a strong victory against bottom team Highton by 5 sets to 1 set. The Saints team of Adrian Koorn, Peter Rodgers, Paul Field and Brendan Green proved they are a chance, however, they will be tested next week against topside Hamlyn Park in the final game before finals.

Highton's only set came late when James Anderson & Lionel Fernandes took out the last set of the day, however St Mary's too strong winning 5 sets 36 games to Highton 1 set 23 Games.

## **SECTION 2 LADDER WITH ONE MATCH REMAINING**

Hamlyn Park	58 Points
St Mary's	53
Shell	53
Ocean Grove	51
Highton	9

## **GROVEDALE YELLOW HOLD ONTO FOURTH**

Grovedale Yellow held onto fourth position for the finals with a fighting victory over seventh place St Alban's on Saturday in section 3 Tennis winning 5 sets to 4 sets.

For the winners Kate D'Altera led the way winning all her sets and along with Michelle Henderson , Murray Surkitt and Jason Schoenmaekers taking out 2 sets each got Yellow home.

Peter Lange was the star for St Alban's winning 3 sets and with Clare Burns 2 sets kept the Saints in the match, however, Grove Yellow home 5 sets 47 games to the Saints 4 sets 44 games and a finals berth.

## **THE PONDS STOP GROVE BLACK**

Waurn Ponds with their Ladies dominating stopped Grove Black from a finals appearance winning 6 sets to 3 sets. The Pond's Ladies of Nicole Mullen, Emily Rankin & Emily Machar played outstanding tennis in taking out all 3 Ladies doubles with Mullen and Rankin winning all their sets and Machar 2 sets for the afternoon. Cameron Knuckey chipped in with 2 sets to put the match beyond Black's reach.

For Black Cameron Govan was a good contributor with 2 sets , but Waurn Ponds too good on the day winning 6 sets 46 games to 3 sets 37 games.

## **BANNOCKBURN HOLD SECOND**

Bannockburn second accounted for third placed Geelong Lawn on Saturday in Section 3 tennis with a solid 6 sets to 3 sets victory.

As has been the case throughout the season the Le Maitre Girls, Rachael, Angela & Bridget dominated winning all their sets in an outstanding display.

The Geelong Lawn men were also dominant in winning all 3 men's doubles sets and Lawn's only sets for the afternoon. Final result Bannockburn 6 sets 47 games to Geelong Lawn 3 sets 31 games.

In the final game in Section 3 topside Gheringhap accounted for bottom of the ladder Barwon Heads by 7 sets to 2 sets.

For Hap Anthony Leigh, Andrew McInerney & Jane Dunell winning all their sets along with Daniel and Kathryn Reitter 2 sets put the match out of Heads reach.

Rhonda Sutas was best for the Heads winning 2 sets , however top side Gheringhap too good winning 7 sets 48 games to 2 sets 33 games.

## **FINAL SECTION 3 LADDER**

Gheringhap	119.5 Points
Bannockburn	117.5
Geelong Lawn	75.5
Grovedale Yellow	73.5
Waurn Ponds	67.0
Grovedale Black	66.5
St Alban's	51.5
Barwon Heads	45.0

Finals Next Week

1<sup>st</sup> Semi- Final – Geelong Lawn v Grovedale Yellow

2<sup>nd</sup> Semi- Final- Gheringhap v Bannockburn