

HEPNER MAINTAIN TOP IN ONE

Hepner Place Indoor has maintained its place on top of Men's Grade 1 Section 2 Tennis Victoria Melbourne Pennant with another crushing win over Kooyong No.2 on Saturday by 4 rubbers to 1.

Led by top Victorian player Matt Hicks and ably supported by his team mates Adam Lasky, Justin Robinson and Ry Davies, Hepner completely dominated the match with Lasky losing the only set for the day in winning his rubber 6/3 in the third. Overall, Hepner Place Indoor too strong winning 4 rubbers 8 sets 53 games to Kooyong No.2 0 rubbers 1 sets 40 games.

LAWN DOWN AGAIN

Geelong Lawn has slipped to 6th position on the ladder in Men's Grade 2 Section 1 Melbourne Pennant on Saturday losing badly to Upper Beaconsfield by 4 rubbers to love. Lawn's Lewis O'Brien and Michael Jiang lost their rubbers in 3 hard fought sets whilst Ari Levinson and Ben Robinson lost their singles in straight sets. Final score Upper Beaconsfield 4 rubbers 8 sets 57 games to Geelong Lawn 0 rubbers 2 sets 32 games.

HEPNER SUFFER CLOSE LOSS

Hepner Place No.1 suffered a close loss against Kooyong No.2 on Saturday in Men's Grade 2 Section 2 of Melbourne Pennant and remains in 6th position on the ladder. Brodie Young for Hepner lost 6/2 in the 3rd in the opening rubber, with Nelson Roso losing in 3 sets also. Jake Dunn for Hepner battled hard and he lost in 3 sets also, however Nick Fenaughty won Hepner's only rubber for the day, winning in straight sets, but Kooyong No.2 got the better of Hepner, winning 3 rubbers 6 sets 55 games to Hepner Place No.1 1 rubber 5 sets 53 games.

HEPNER WELL PLACED IN THE FOUR

In Men's Grade 2 Section 3 of Victorian Melbourne Pennant on Saturday Hepner Place Indoor smashed Koonung Park by 4 rubbers to love and is well placed in the four for the finals. Hepner's James Brushfield and Brent McCombe won both their opening rubbers in straight sets. Tony Brushfield and David Kos also won both their rubbers in straight, although their final sets were tiebreak encounters, to see Hepner home by 4 rubbers 8 sets 50 games to Koonung Park 0 rubbers 0 sets 26 games.

HEPNER LADIES MARCH ON

Hepner ladies in Grade 1 Section 2 Melbourne Pennant have continued their good form putting Caulfield Rec. away by 4 rubbers to love. Karen Filippou and Carolyn McGann started the demolition for Hepner winning the opening two rubbers comfortably in straight sets. Hepner's Kellie Brunger and Abby Walker had to struggle for Hepner, but they both won in 3 sets to record another great win by 4 rubbers 8 sets 52 games victory over Caulfield Rec. 0 rubbers 2 sets 35 games.

ESSENDON TOO GOOD FOR LAWN

Essendon proved too good for Geelong Lawn on Saturday in Women's Grade 2 Section 1 Melbourne Pennant winning 3 rubbers to 1. Julie Golightly won Lawn's only rubber for the day in 3 sets. Lawn's Sascha Bruenjes in a marathon lost her rubber in 3 gruelling sets. After winning the opening set in a tiebreak she lost the second 7/5 and the final set in another tiebreak. Vanessa Calvert and Fiona Walker for Lawn lost their rubbers in straight sets with Geelong Lawn losing the match by 1 rubber 3 sets 40 games to Essendon 3 rubbers 7 sets 57 games to remain in 6th place on the ladder.

HEPNER STILL IN THE FOUR

Hepner Place Indoor played solidly to defeat Kooyong Lawn No.3 in Women's Grade 2 Section 2 of Melbourne Pennant on Saturday by 3 rubbers to 1 to hold its place in the four. In the opening rubber Hepner's Brooke Starling lost in 3 hard fought sets. Taylor Sobczyk, after losing the first set of her rubber, won the next two sets to level the match. Both Alessia Roso and Claudia Gunjaca won their rubbers in convincing style to seal the match for Hepner by 3 rubbers 7 sets 54 games to Kooyong Lawn No.3 1 rubber 3 sets 28 games.

DALE SUFFER ANOTHER CRUSHING LOSS

Grovedale (4th) played 2nd placed Newcomb Blue in Tennis Geelong Section 1 on Saturday and for the second week running suffered another crushing loss to a Newcomb team. Chris Higgins, Steve Donaldson, Joanne Puckett and Zoe Duff were far too good for their Dale opponents, winning 6 sets 36 games to 0 sets 9 games.

SAINTS HOLD THEIR POSITION IN THE FOUR

St Albans held on to 3rd position on the Section 1 ladder with a runaway win over bottom placed Highton by 5 sets to 1. Saints' Susan Bissett, Angela Oldham, Phillip Nash and Doug Hewson played strongly all day, losing only one set for the afternoon, the ladies doubles when Highton's Natalie Lambden and Nicole Spong surprised Bissett and Oldham, winning the Height's only set for the day, however, St Albans too good taking the match by 5 sets 35 games to Highton 1 set 22 games.

MAROON MARCH ON

Top side Newcomb Maroon continued its unbeaten run on Saturday in Section 1 Tennis Geelong outplaying 5th placed Waurin Ponds to win 5 sets to 1. Peppe Scorpo and Ana Clifton led the way for the Maroons winning all their sets and with Bridget LeMaitre and Greg Steele winning two of their three sets ensured another strong win.

Father and daughter combination Michael and Nicole Mullen won Ponds' only set for the day, however Newcomb Maroon marched on to another strong win by 5 sets 33 games to Waurin Ponds 1 set 22 games.

SECTION 1 LADDER - Newcomb Maroon 67 points, Newcomb Blue 45, St Albans 40, Grovedale 29, Waurin Ponds 25, Highton 10.

PARK BACK ON TOP

In Section 2 Tennis Geelong on Saturday, Hamlyn Park has regained top place with an outstanding win over previously top Clifton Springs by 4 sets to 2. Jozef Horvat was in great form for Park, winning all his 3 sets conceding only 4 games for the afternoon in an outstanding performance. Robert Arzanovski and Tyler Dickson chipped in with 2 sets each to see Park home.

Adam Hill was involved in Springs' only 2 sets for the day, however Hamlyn Park back on top winning 4 sets 33 games to Clifton Springs 2 sets 21 games.

WANDANA IN CLOSE ONE

Wandana Heights at home to All Saints Anglican in Section 2 Tennis Geelong got home in a close encounter. For the Heights Greg Duff was outstanding winning his 3 sets for the day and with Ben Jones and Daniel McGlade winning 2 sets each saw the Heights home. All Saints' Paul Codd tried hard all day winning 2 of his 3 sets, however Wandana Heights won overall by 4 sets 31 games to All Saints Anglican 2 sets 29 games.

In the final game in Section 2 Highton overpowered Geelong East Uniting by 6 sets to love.

SECTION 2 LADDER - Hamlyn Park 53 points, Highton 52, Clifton Springs 51, Wandana Heights 28, Geelong East Uniting 17, All Saints Anglican 15.