

PROTEST MARS FINALS WIN

Leopold upset top side Centre Court on Saturday in the 2nd semi-final of Section 1 Tennis Geelong taking the match by 7 sets to 2; however Court has lodged a protest with the Association that Julie Golightly was not qualified in that she had not played the required number of matches. The matter will be discussed at a meeting of the Match Committee; however it would appear that the result will stand.

Leopold's Karen Filippou and Julie Golightly were the standout players winning all their sets including the 3 ladies doubles sets, to set the win up. With Alex Beardsell, Ry Davies, James Brushfield and Alessia Roso chipping in with 2 sets each Leopold was home and into the grand final.

For Court Matthew Hicks won Court's only 2 sets for the day. Court lost 3 sets narrowly – one in a tiebreak and 2 sets 5/7.

Overall Leopold too good winning 7 sets 50 games to Centre Court 2 sets 39 games.

SAINTS INTO PRELIMINARY FINAL

All Saints Anglican proved too strong for Newcomb in the cut throat 1st semi-final of Section 1 Tennis Geelong on Saturday coasting home by 7 sets to love to set up a preliminary final clash with Centre Court in two weeks.

The Saints' team of Ash Andrews, Jenelle Findlay, Carly McClelland, Mathew Holschier, Shane Wiffen and Daniel Thomas were in outstanding form winning the first seven sets with two sets not played as a result had been reached.

For Newcomb Peppe Scorpo and David Kos fought hard all day, but were unable to stop the onslaught with All Saints Anglican running out easy winners by 7 sets 44 games to Newcomb 0 sets 23 games.

GROVE INTO GRAND FINAL

Ocean Grove continued its dominance in Section 2 Tennis Geelong on Saturday downing St Mary's by 5 sets to 1 in the 2nd semi-final to move into the grand final. The flag favourites continued their great form with Nick Vicary, Brad Edwards, Jarryd Proctor and James Kerr outplaying the Saints' team in most departments. The Saints' only set came early in the match when Adrian Koorn and Peter Ficca won the first set of the day; however this was short lived as Grove won the next 5 sets and the match 5 sets 35 games to St Mary's 1 set 24 games.

SHELL ON A ROLL

Shell is on a roll defeating Grovedale on Saturday in Section 2 Tennis Geelong's cut throat semi-final by 4 sets to 2. Shell who made the four by one point after their strong win against St Mary's last week will again meet the Saints in the preliminary final and will be confident they can go all the way to tackle Ocean Grove in the grand final.

For Shell Aaron McLean was in great form winning his 3 sets and conceding only 4 games in the process. He had strong backing from Ivan Bosnjak and Ray Edwards winning 2 sets each to see Shell home.

For Grovedale Brent May was a standout winning 2 sets and Grove's only sets for the afternoon, but Shell too strong winning 4 sets 31 games to Grovedale 2 sets 20 games.

TENNIS GEELONG'S OPEN ASSOCIATION TOURNAMENT will be held at Geelong Lawn Tennis Club on March 8. To enter ring Susan Bissett on 52481644 for seniors, and Nigel Wilson on 53433465 for juniors. The event is open to all tennis players. Seniors \$22 per couple for mixed doubles or men's doubles. Juniors \$10 each – Round Robin Doubles (graded). Enter singly. Start time 10.00am. BBQ provided for lunch.