# ALL SAINTS JUMP INTO 2<sup>ND</sup> BY 6%

All Saints Anglican jumped from 4<sup>th</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> to secure second spot for the finals by 6% only with an exciting one set victory over Teesdale on Saturday in Section 1 Tennis Geelong, pushing Teesdale to 3<sup>rd</sup> on %age only.

Teesdale will now play Grovedale in a cut throat semi-final next week.

In a hard fought and exciting last home and away match before finals All Saints' Ash Andrews, Matthew Findlay and Carly McClelland were outstanding winning two sets each to get them home.

Carolyn McGann was the star for Teesdale taking out 2 of the 4 sets won by Teesdale. She had strong support from Jake Dunn winning 2 sets also; however All Saints Anglican hung on to win 5 sets 41 games to Teesdale 4 sets 41 games and will now play St Albans in the second semi-final next week.

## **GROVEDALE MAKE THE FOUR BY 10%**

Grovedale at home to top side St Albans on Saturday in Section 1 Tennis Geelong, although losing the match narrowly by one set and one game, gained enough points to draw level with Geelong Lawn who had the bye. With a 10% better %age Grovedale has replaced Lawn in 4<sup>th</sup> place for the finals.

St Albans' men led by Adam Lasky winning 3 sets and Ry Davies and Phillip Nash 2 sets including the 3 men's doubles sets, enabled the Saints to get home in a tight finish.

For Dale the women dominated with Bianca Duff, Brianna Bateup and Abbie Walker all winning two sets. The highlight of the day was 1<sup>st</sup> men's with Lasky and Davies getting home in a tiebreak over Grovedale's Jeremy Palmer-Morgan and Grant Thompson.

Overall St Albans just ahead defeating Grovedale by 5 sets 41 games to 4 sets 40 games.

## **BURN HOME OVER PONDS**

In the final game in Section 1 Tennis Geelong on Saturday Bannockburn played strongly to defeat Waurn Ponds by 6 sets to 3 to finish 6<sup>th</sup> on the ladder. Burn's Justin Robinson took out all his sets and with Tom Zaleski and Pierce Johnson 2 sets each including all three men's doubles sets made it difficult for the Ponds. Kelly Brunger also won 2 sets for Burn.

Pond's Nicole Mullen and Olivia Ryan were the shining lights winning 2 sets each; however Bannockburn too strong defeating Waurn Ponds by 6 sets 49 games to 3 sets 41 games.

**FINAL SECTION 1 LADDER** – St Albans 98 points, All Saints Anglican 74 points percentage 116.70, Teesdale 74 points percentage 110.04, Grovedale 69 points percentage 108.31, Geelong Lawn 69 points percentage 98.39, Bannockburn 46, Waurn Ponds 32.

## SAINTS TOO STRONG FOR SHELL

St Mary's held on to 2<sup>nd</sup> spot on the Section 2 ladder with a strong win over 4<sup>th</sup> placed Shell on Saturday by 5 sets to 1. The Saints team of Peter Rodgers, Peter Ficca, Michael Stuhne and Adrian Koorn dominated throughout losing only one set, the 3<sup>rd</sup> set of the day, to Shell's Michael Hayward and Paul Field.

Saints play Hamlyn Park, 3<sup>rd</sup>, in the final home and away match next week to decide 2<sup>nd</sup> place for finals.

Final result – St Mary's 5 sets 34 games to Shell 1 set 22 games.

## **GROVE POWER ON**

Top side in Section 2 Tennis Geelong, Ocean Grove, has powered on to another good win over Clifton Springs on Saturday by 5 sets to one and will play 4<sup>th</sup> placed Shell in the final round next week. The Grove team of Brad Edwards, James Kerr, Luke Kosmetschke and Jarryd Proctor are way out on top and are hot favourites for the flag. They lost only one set on Saturday, the last set of the day, to Clifton Springs' Greg Luke and Joshua Matthews. Although winning 5 sets for the day Grove had to battle in two of these which went to a tiebreak. Final result – Ocean Grove 5 sets 33 games to Clifton Springs 1 set 25 games.

## PARK HAD TO FIGHT ALL THE WAY

Hamlyn Park, 3<sup>rd</sup>, had to fight all the way against bottom side Jan Juc on Saturday in Section 2 Tennis to record a 4 sets to 2 victory and by only 3 games. Robert Lazic led the way for Park winning all his sets for the afternoon and with Tony Lazic and Jozef Horvat chipping in with 2 sets each secured victory for Park. For Jan Juc Ross Johnson was outstanding being involved in Jan Juc's only two sets for the day; however Hamlyn Park 4 sets 31 games just ahead of Jan Juc 2 sets 28 games.

#### SECTION 2 LADDER WITH ONE ROUND TO GO

Ocean Grove 91 points, St Mary's 69, Hamlyn Park 65, Shell 52, Clifton Springs 30, Jan Juc 29.

#### **HIGHTON MAKE THEIR MOVE**

Highton has made their move and sent shock waves through the top four with a crushing win over 3<sup>rd</sup> placed Newcomb on Saturday to the tune of 6 sets to love in Section 3 Tennis. They have moved to within one point of 3<sup>rd</sup> placed Newcomb and are level with Little River on 54 points with only 1.48% holding them out of 4<sup>th</sup>. The team of Michael Doherty, Rohan Lynham, Stan Kenyon and Dane Gerisher completely outplayed Newcomb, winning the match by 6 sets 36 games to 0 sets only 9 games. It sets up an interesting last round next week with Geelong Lawn, top, playing Newcomb 3<sup>rd</sup> and Highton 5<sup>th</sup> playing Little River 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **LAWN LOOKING STRONG**

Geelong Lawn, top, is looking strong with another outstanding win, this time against Grovedale in Section 3

Tennis by 5 sets to 1. The Lawn team of Toby Mitchell, Ryan Mitchell, Jamie Crouch and Toby Lawrence outplayed Dale who won only one set for the day with Michael Muratori and Axel Hider took out the 2<sup>nd</sup> set of the day in fine style; however Geelong Lawn went on to win 5 sets 30 games to Grovedale 1 set 16 games.

## WANDANA DENTS RIVER'S HOPES

In the final game in Section 3 Tennis Geelong on Saturday, Wandana Heights has put a dent in Little River's final hopes with a 5 sets to 1 victory. Heights' James Brushfield, Ben Brushfield, Paul Senior and James Eccleston although losing the opening set in a tiebreak to River's Fraser Richmond and Youan Sunassee took out the next five sets to win by 5 sets 37 games to Little River 1 set 21 games.

## SECTION 3 LADDER WITH ONE ROUND TO GO

Geelong Lawn 74 points, Wandana Heights 68, Newcomb 55 percentage 92.89, Little River 54 percentage 95.78, Highton 54 percentage 94.30, Grovedale 31.