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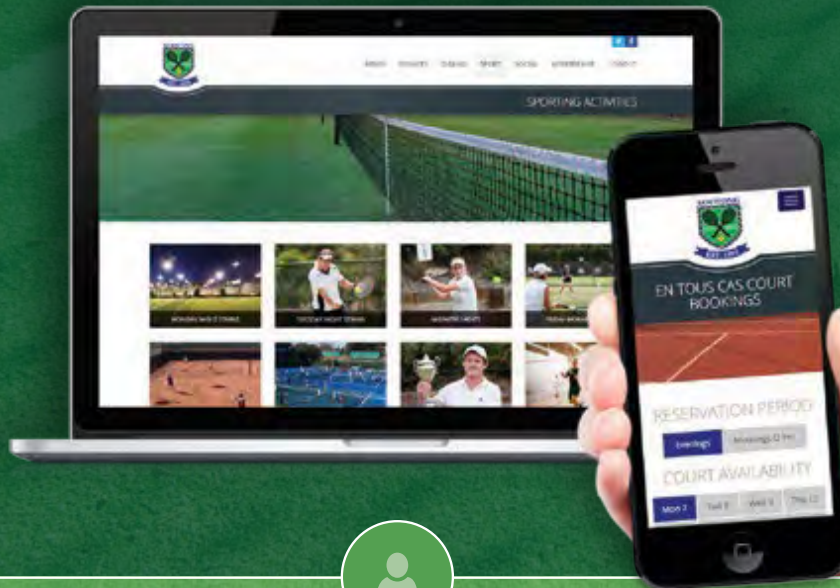
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# CARDWELL STRIKES GOLD

**IN SQUASH AS IN MOST SPORTS, HAVING A LONG TERM VIEW IS THE PATH TO SUCCESS AND THIS HAS CERTAINLY BEEN THE CASE FOR SARAH CARDWELL, OUR WORLD RANKED 66 SQUASH PRO'.**

Sarah, along with her coach, former world number one, Cassie Thomas, made the tough call to bypass a number of recent tournaments that could have propped up her ranking. Together, they backed their judgement that, if the time was spent in a solid training block, the results would follow. While it must've been tough for Sarah to watch her ranking slip from a career high 51, it has quickly proven to be a great decision.

After two months of hard work, Sarah was runner-up in the 2015 Mackay Open PSA two weeks ago and this week went one step further to lift the winners trophy at the 2015 Queensland Open PSA, taking her second career title.

There's rarely time to sit back and enjoy the spoils in professional squash and Sarah left immediately for another PSA event in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

After this tournament Sarah will be back training at Kooyong to prepare for the 2015 PSA Women's World Championships (December 11-18) where she will be competing in a 64 player qualifying draw for one of eight spots in the main draw. She'll also squeeze in a few more matches for the club as the number one player in her A2 side that she has led to the finals. Let's hope her success on tour translates into good wins for both her and her team.

After the World Championships, Sarah will again return to Kooyong for summer training to prepare for 2016, a year we are confident will see more success.



## ANOTHER STATE TITLE FOR CHRISTINE NUNN

Australian Commonwealth games representative Christine has recently added the Tasmanian Ladies Open Championship to last year's New South Wales Championship. A busy year is coming to a close, Christine participated in many local events, highlight results for following major events:

Australian Open: Last 16  
Victorian Open: Semi Finalist  
New Zealand Southern Open: Quarter Finalist  
New Zealand International Classic: Semi Finalist.

In December Christine will be heading for a warm up event, the Hong Kong Open, and then on to Malaysia for the Women's World Championships concluding December 18, the final event for 2015.

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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Annual General Meeting held in October saw the Members who renominated appointed to the Board for a further term. As President I am looking forward to working with Vice President Brian Capp, Treasurer Joe Dicks and all members of the Board to serve the Club over the coming years.

The highlight of the AGM was the support for past President Ian Hill to become an Honorary Life Member. The decision of the Board to bring the recommendation was recognition of Ian's substantial involvement over almost forty years as a Member and twenty years serving the club in a number of capacities, including eight years as President.

The nomination was moved by past Presidents Peter Quinn and Terry Fraser who both spoke of the significant contribution Ian has made to our Club and the meeting moved to accept the nomination unanimously. On behalf of all Members, I thanked Ian for his important contribution to the Club.

## Priceline Pharmacy Classic

As we move to the end of the year, we look forward with anticipation to the Priceline Pharmacy Kooyong Classic in January 2016.

There is even more reason this year for Kooyong Members to note the event in the calendar and to take up the special offers available. With a number of special ticketing opportunities available there is good reason for Kooyong Members to join us with family and friends. There are also terrific entertainment opportunities for Members to enjoy on the Kooyong Common.

With a great field assembled including Kyrgios, Gasquet, Simon and Baghdatis and a new playing format, the event promises even more on court entertainment. Members have a good reason to embrace their own event and this is very much, as I noted in the last Courtside, an opportunity to be up close in the action in your favourite environment.

There are also great hospitality opportunities available for those with corporate interests.

## Tennis & Squash

Over the past year Kooyong Members have continued to enjoy success on the world stage in both tennis and squash and the many highlights include:

- John Peers reached the final of the US Open Doubles with Jamie Murray

following on from his run to the Wimbledon final. They have since gone on to make the final in Vienna and Basel and have qualified for the ATP Tour Finals in London.

- Destanee Aiava helped the Australian girls finish fifth in the Junior Fed Cup
- Jeremy Taylor won the 16's singles title at the NSW Junior Championships
- Sarah Cardwell was recently runner up in the Mackay Open before winning the Queensland Open defeating Lisa Camilleri in the final who she had never beaten before.

The ATL will be played in late November and this will provide Members with the chance to see some of the club's best players including Rubin Statham, Andrew Whittington, Greg Jones, John Peers, Sally Peers and Destanee Aiava take on Australia's best using the Fast4 format.

## Grass Courts & President's Day

The highlight of every year is the opening of the grass courts and with those back in play in November, Members are enjoying another great opening to the season.

The annual President's Day round robin doubles event took place on the 29th of November and it was great to have so many Members join me on the courts at Kooyong and then return to the clubhouse to share a drink.

## President's Lunch

Our recent President's Lunch featured two special guests in V8 Racing Legend Mark Skaife and inspirational paralympian Dylan Alcott.

Mark needs no introduction as five-time winner of the V8 super car series and six-time winner of the Bathurst 1000.

Dylan has risen to prominence in world sport as a member of the gold medal winning men's national wheelchair basketball team at the 2008 Summer Paralympics and more recently won the 2015 quad wheelchair Australian Open and US Open tennis titles. It was great to see Members take up the opportunity to join me for a great day.

## Christmas & New Year

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Members and staff at Kooyong a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**Peter Carew**  
President

## A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

As the warmer weather approaches we welcome the return of our grass courts in great condition and look forward to the approaching tennis events of the summer.

Competition tennis will be headlined over the weeks ahead by the ATL competition with both our men's and women's teams looking very competitive.

In January the Priceline Pharmacy Kooyong Classic returns and changes in the format will showcase excellent tennis on court while around the grounds there are further changes which will offer Members the opportunity to enjoy the event, including the lounge located on the Kooyong Common.

Special ticketing opportunities are available for Members to bring family and friends, and there are great hospitality opportunities including corporate boxes available.

For event information please visit the website at [www.kooyongclassic.com.au](http://www.kooyongclassic.com.au)

At the end of year each of our groups have some great activities providing special opportunities to enjoy.

The recently launched myKooyong website details these and all other events so that Members may log on, register for regular updates and get involved around the Club.

As we close out the year, I extend to all Members best wishes of the season. We look forward to another great year at Kooyong in 2016.

**Chris Brown**  
CEO

# PEERS REACHES

# ATP TOUR FINALS

**Kooyong's John Peers has topped off an unbelievable year on the ATP Tour with a berth in the doubles at the World Tour Finals with partner Jamie Murray.**

John's year continued to reach great heights after the run to the Wimbledon final when he and Jamie won the Hamburg title before running into some tough pairs in the following three tournaments including the Bryan brothers.

The pair turned it around at the last Grand Slam of the year when they

became the first pair other than the Bryan brothers to reach consecutive Grand Slam doubles finals since Nestor and Zimonjic in 2010.

After three fairly routine matches at the start of the US Open, the pair then faced off with fourth seeds Matkowski and Zimonjic and it was a tough encounter as Peers and Murray dropped the first set 6/3 but they fought back to level the match via the same scoreline.

The final set was tight throughout as both pairs fought to gain the

ascendency but the match reached the third set tiebreaker where Peers and Murray were able to pull through 7 points to 4 to reach the semi final.

The semi final saw the pair matched up against the home town favourites Sam Querrey and Steve Johnson and it couldn't have been a closer match with Peers and Murray taking the first set 6/4 before dropping the second set in a tiebreak.

For the second match in a row the crowd got value for money as the match went to the third set tiebreak



but Peers and Murray carried their momentum through to another final when they won another thriller 9 points to 7.

The final saw Murray and Peers face off against French pair Pierre-Hugues Herbert and Nicolas Mahut, the 12th seeds, who had been in dominant form in the bottom half of the draw.

Herbert and Mahut continued that form early in the match and took the first set 6/4 despite Peers and Murray trying everything to get back on serve.

The French pair had their noses in front and were determined to go one better after reaching the Australian Open doubles final earlier in the year and they succeeded as they won in straight sets 6/4 6/4.

Despite the loss it was another wonderful performance by Peers and Murray and they put themselves in the box seat to reach the ATP World Tour Finals.

From there Peers and Murray continued their great form to reach the final in both Vienna and Basel before this week contesting the ATP World Tour finals in London with the top eight pairs in the world.

Seeded four, the pair drew a group including the Bryan brothers, Simone Bolelli and Fabio Fognini as well as Rohan Bopanna and Florin Mergea.

In the first of their round robin matches they played Bolelli and Fognini and were able to get off to a great start when they won the first set in a tiebreak before the Italians fought back to win the second set 6/3.

The match tiebreaker was a tense affair with both teams doing everything to get the all important first win to stay in contention for the semi finals and it was Peers and Murray that came out on top 11 points to 9.

Next up was the match with Bopanna and Mergea who had defeated the Bryan brothers in their first match so



both pairs could qualify for the semi finals with a win but it was Bopanna and Mergea who struck the first blow when they won the first set 6/3.

## “PEERS AND MURRAY STILL HAD THE CHANCE TO QUALIFY FOR THE KNOCKOUT STAGE WITH A WIN OVER THE BRYAN BROTHERS”

The second set went all the way to the tiebreak and Peers and Murray unfortunately found themselves on the wrong side of this one when Bopanna and Mergea won the match 6/3 7/6 and qualified for the semi finals.

Peers and Murray still had the chance to qualify for the knockout stage with a win over the Bryan brothers, a tough way to do it but they had done it before and would have been confident going into the match.

In another torrid contest, Peers and Murray put their noses in front when they won the first set in a tiebreak but the second set went the opposite way via the same scoreline.

This left victory at the mercy of a match tiebreak and Peers and Murray raced to a 9 points to 5 lead for the chance to win through to the semi finals but the Bryan brothers weren't done with yet as they fought back to level terms.

Both teams had five match points but it was the Bryan brothers who got over the line in the end 6/7 7/6 16/14 to end the fairytale year for Peers and Murray.

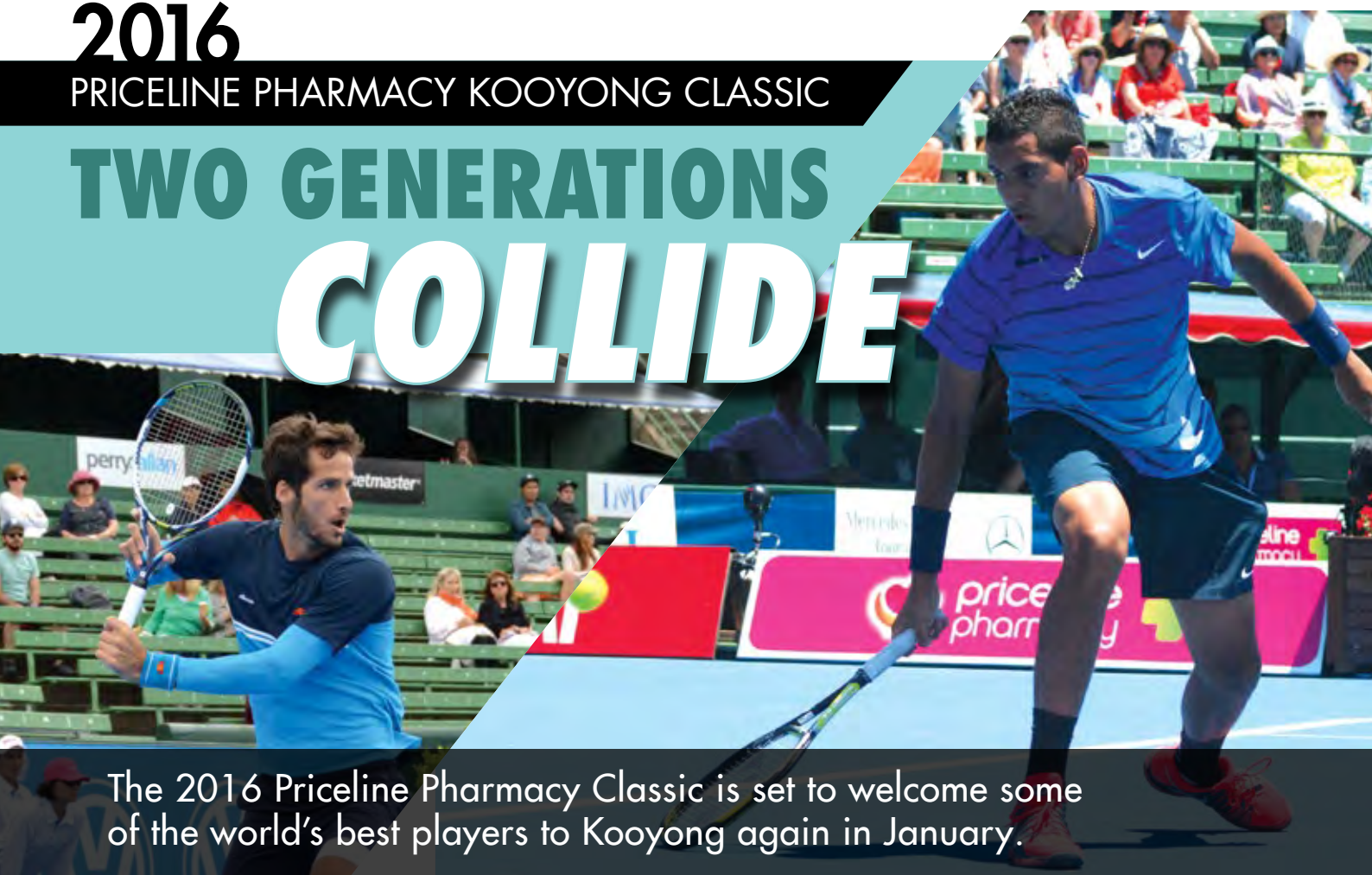
And what a year it was, as the pair won two titles, played in eight finals including two Grand Slam finals, reaching the ATP Tour finals and finishing the year ranked in the top 10.

**Congratulations to John and Jamie on a fantastic year!**

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PRICELINE PHARMACY KOOYONG CLASSIC

# TWO GENERATIONS COLLIDE



The 2016 Priceline Pharmacy Classic is set to welcome some of the world's best players to Kooyong again in January.

Along with current stars of the sport, 'Generation Now', the tournament will host the stars of the future, 'Generation Next', in an exciting shake up to the traditional Kooyong Classic tournament format.

The expanded 12 player field allows for a fantastic line up of players to strut their stuff on Kooyong's centre court in the lead up to the Australian Open. Included in the field are Kooyong favourites Richard Gasquet, Gilles Simon, Feliciano Lopez and Marcos Baghdatis along with the addition of Belgium's Davis Cup star David Goffin and Spain's Nicolas Pietrangeli and Pablo Carreno Busta.

They will be joined by some of world tennis' most talked about young players who are setting tongues wagging as they start to make their mark on the ATP Tour. Australian star Nick Kyrgios will line up alongside German phenom Alexandr Zverev, South Korea's Hyeon Chung and Great Britain's Kyle Edmund who are all 20 years of age or younger and ready to take the world by storm.

"These guys are the future hot properties in tennis," said Priceline Pharmacy Kooyong Classic tournament director Brian Cooney.

"Everyone's talking about who's going to shake up the status quo on the ATP Tour and who could potentially be the next 'big four'. Come and watch up-close as these guys do battle at Kooyong for a look at the future of men's tennis!"

Richard Gasquet returns to the Priceline Pharmacy Classic with another fantastic season under his belt having finished the year ranked 9 and having won titles in Montpellier and Estoril while also reaching the semi finals at Wimbledon after defeating Stan Wawrinka in an epic quarterfinal. He also reached the semi finals in Stockholm and Basel in the latter part of the year before falling just short in another great three set battle with Andy Murray in the quarterfinals of the ATP Masters event in Paris at the end of the season. Gasquet's backhand is a thing of beauty and fans come from far and wide to watch him in action and 2016 will be no different. Joining him at Kooyong again will be the smooth moving Frenchman Gilles Simon, ranked 15, who moved into second all-time for titles won by French players with 12 when he

lifted the Marseille title for the second time in his career. The win in the all-French final with Gael Monfils leaves only Yannick Noah standing in his way with 23 titles. The 30 year old is coming off another very consistent year with a finals appearance against Jo-Wilfried Tsonga in Metz and semi final appearances in Rotterdam and London while also reaching the quarterfinals at Wimbledon where he went down to Roger Federer.

David Goffin is a star on the rise and he'll be hoping to kick start his year at the Priceline Pharmacy Classic in the lead up to the Australian Open. At just 24 years of age, Goffin's past two years have seen him shoot up the rankings as he moved from 110 to now be sitting just outside the top 10 at number 16 on the back of some consistent performances as well as starring for Belgium in the Davis Cup this year. Goffin's unbeaten run in this year's Davis Cup has seen Belgium reach the final for the first time since 1904 and they will do battle with Britain for the title in the coming weeks while he also reached the final in s-Hertogenbosch and Gstaad together with a run to the semi final in Chennai making 2015 another fantastic year.

A Davis Cup title could see Goffin's reputation soar and it will be great to see him up close at Kooyong in January.

Another player returning to Kooyong in 2016 is Feliciano Lopez, who is showing at 34 that some players just continue to get better with age. The Spaniard has had another great year with a run to the final in Quito and Kuala Lumpur as well as reaching the semi final in Gstaad while making the quarterfinals at the US Open and Masters events in Indian Wells and Cincinnati which included his fourth career win over Rafael Nadal. This saw Lopez finish the year ranked 17 and again within reach of the top 10 if he can take his game to another level starting at Kooyong in January.

Australian crowd favourite Marcos Baghdatis will again join the line up at the Priceline Pharmacy Classic and is sure to bring his high energy and brilliant shot making to the event. The enigmatic star, currently ranked 46, has been ranked as high as 8 and continues to test the biggest names in the sport having pushed Grigor Dimitrov to five sets at the Australian Open and reaching

the final in Atlanta and three semi finals in Zagreb, Nottingham and Stockholm throughout the year.

Another former top 10 star, Nicolas Alamagro, will also prepare for the Australian Open here at Kooyong and the Spanish baseliner will be hoping to climb back up the rankings having started 2015 well with a semi final performance in Buenos Aires where he lost a tight match to Juan Monaco. The 30 year old also reached the semi final in Kitzbuhel while making the quarterfinals in Sao Paulo, Casablanca and Estoril and remains a dangerous proposition for anyone on the Tour.

The stars of the future, 'Generation Next', are headlined by Australia's very own Nick Kyrgios and he is sure to bring all his tricks to entertain the crowd. The 20 year old, ranked 30, loves the big stage and seems to have the ability to play his best tennis in the big events evidenced by his quarterfinal run at this year's Australian Open where he ran into Andy Murray. Murray and Richard Gasquet were a common thread in his losses in 2015 so it would be great to see Kyrgios take on the Frenchman here at Kooyong. Kyrgios' other big results included his run to the final in Estoril as well as reaching the semi final in Kuala Lumpur where he lost to Lopez while he also made another great run at Wimbledon before going down at the hands of Gasquet again.

Kyrgios is worth the price of admission alone and is sure to bring the younger fans flocking to the event to see him up close and personal on Kooyong's famed centre court.

Another player on the rise, South Korea's Hyeon Chung is just 19 years of age and poised to make big strides in 2016. Ranked 52 and just the second player from his country to reach the top 100, Chung was recently named the 2015 ATP World Tour Most Improved Player and has already shown in his short time on the Tour that

he's able to match it with the best in the world as his recent US Open loss to Stan Wawrinka shows in the 6/7 6/7 6/7 scoreline. A former winner of the prestigious Eddie Herr and Orange Bowl 12 and under junior titles, Chung could soon be part of tennis' top rung and will showcase his talents at Kooyong in January.

**“IF YOU WANT TO WATCH SOME OF THE BIGGEST NAMES IN THE SPORT PREPARE FOR THE START OF THEIR GRAND SLAM SEASON, KOOYONG'S THE PLACE TO BE.”**

Alexandr Zverev, currently ranked 83, is the epitome of 'Generation Next' with the 18 year old joining the likes of Nadal and Gasquet in reaching the top echelon of tennis at such a young age when he reached the quarterfinals of World Tour 500 event in Hamburg at just 17. The German star has quickly transitioned from the Junior Tour to the World Tour and already has everyone talking about his huge potential and at 6 foot 6 inches he is already an imposing figure. His rise is evidenced by receiving the 2015 ATP Star of Tomorrow award recently and you'll

want to see this guy in action on centre court as he starts his 2016 season.

"I am very much looking forward to play at Kooyong for the very first time," said Zverev. "There is so much history with the club and it will be great preparation for the Australian Open."

Spanish 24 year old Pablo Carreno Busta will be another hoping to kick start his year at the Priceline Classic leading into the Australian Open. The 2013 ATP World Tour's Most Improved Player will be hoping to improve on his career high ranking of 49 after a year in which he reached semi final in Estoril, losing to Kyrgios, while also making the quarterfinals in Gstaad and Winston-Salem.

Britain's Kyle Edmund is another 20 year old with the world at his feet and looks set to take the next step in 2016.

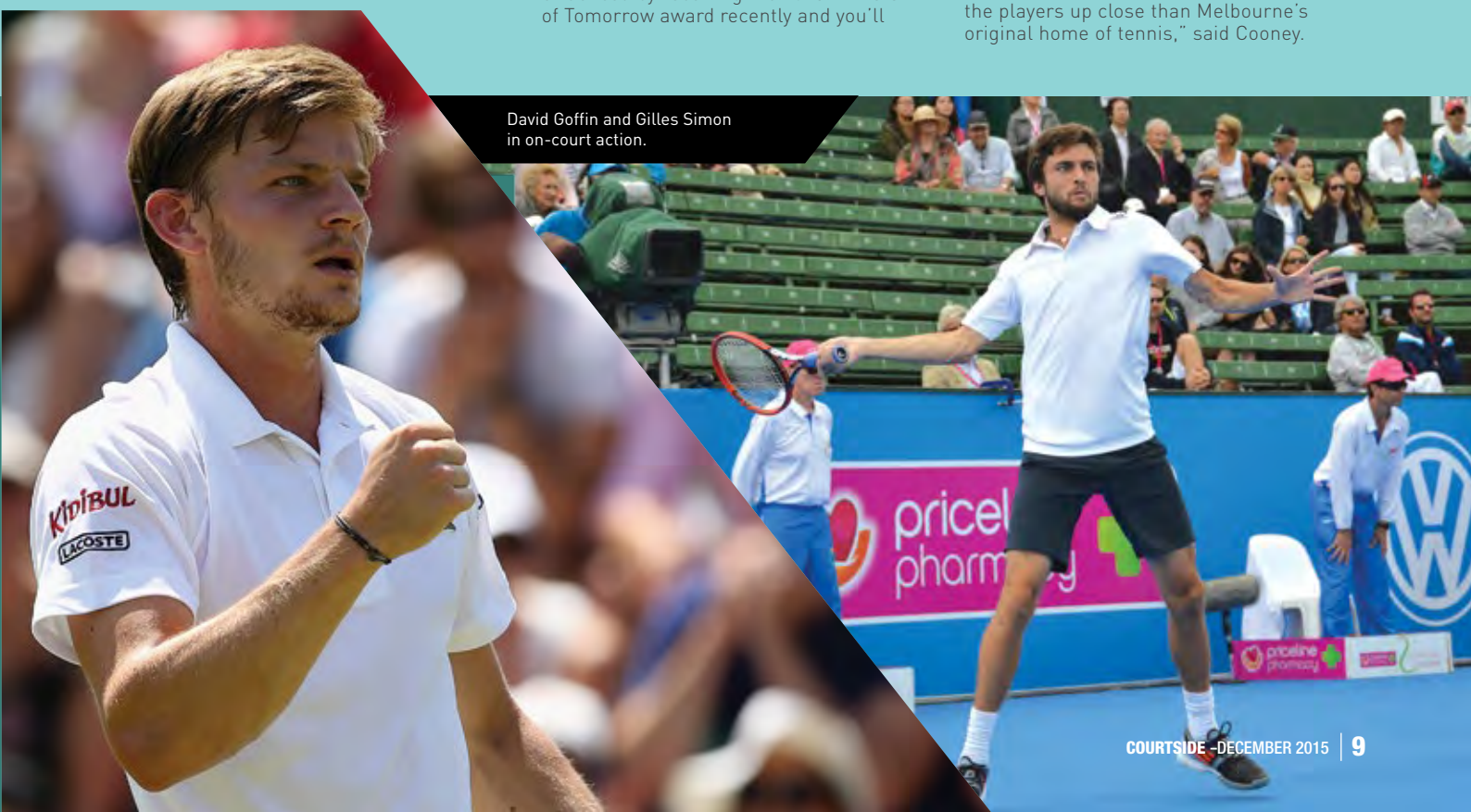
Highly regarded by compatriot Andy Murray, Edmund will bring his big game to Kooyong for the first time. Having improved his ranking from 194 in January to now be sitting inside the top 100, you can see he has made great strides in 2015 and will be looking to continue that in Australia in January.

"This year's Kooyong player field is fascinating, we really have something for every tennis fan whether you're into young guns or sentimental favourites, power, finesse, baseline or serve volley tennis," said Cooney.

"Fans should also stay tuned for some exciting off-court announcements which are going to make Kooyong the No.1 destination for tennis fans in the lead-up to the Australian Open." With a stellar draw featuring six current or former top 15 players – four of them with top-ten pedigrees – and an expanded 12-man field, this year's Priceline Pharmacy Kooyong Classic looks set to be bigger and more spectacular than ever before.

"The Kooyong draw features four top 20 players so there's no better place to see the players up close than Melbourne's original home of tennis," said Cooney.

David Goffin and Gilles Simon in on-court action.





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Several Kooyong members were big winners at Squash Australia's annual awards night held at Kooyong recently.

## KOORYONG MEMBERS HONOURED AT SQUASH AUS AWARDS



Sam Ejtemai won Junior Male Player of the Year.

Kooyong's four-time British Open Champion, Vicki Cardwell, was upgraded to Hall of Fame Legend status. Vicki, mother of star Kooyong player Sarah, was paid the ultimate honour to be elevated to the elite Legend status of a sport she dominated for many years.

Outstanding teenagers, Kooyong's Sam Ejtemai and NSW's Laura Moloney, were recognised for their outstanding 2014's, being crowned Junior Male and Female players of the year. There was also deserved recognition for one of Australian squash's true workhorses, Kooyong member, Peter Wright OAM.

Wright's ongoing service to Masters squash in Australia was singled out for special mention. "I've always loved squash," Wright said. "I've always loved to be involved, and I've had a hell of a lot of different roles, of course.

"I'm really honoured. For some 53 years now I've been involved in squash, non-stop, and I've loved every minute of it."

Squash's newest Hall of Fame Legend is Vicki Cardwell.





*Jeremy Taylor is a star on the rise and he announced himself with another brilliant performance against some of the best junior players in Australia when he won the 16's singles title at the recent NSW Junior State Championships.*

After being runner up at the Queensland Championships while also winning the doubles, Jeremy showed he continues to get stronger with some impressive performances including a 6/4 6/1 victory over number two seed, Thomas Bosancic, in the semi final.

Jeremy had also worked his way through some tricky early rounds where all of the Kooyong Scholarship holders had found themselves in the draw and he was forced to defeat teammate Codey Gunn in the quarterfinals after Codey had slipped past Connor Di Marco in three sets in the previous round.

In the final, Jeremy faced Mayez Elrich, seeded three, who had been impressive in his victories throughout the tournament and was able to take the first set in a tiebreaker and put one hand on the trophy but Jeremy again showed his fighting qualities as he won the second set 6/3.

The match tiebreaker was a one sided affair as Jeremy streaked to the lead and was never headed as he won the final 6/7 6/3 10-3.

In the doubles, Jeremy teamed up with Chase Ferguson and they were unfortunately beaten in a close quarterfinal while Codey and Connor reached the semi final before going down to Queensland pair Jayden Court and Patrick Harper.

It was also great to see Kooyong under 16 Club Champion Jasmin Starr reach the semi final of the 16's singles where she lost to eventual champion Violet Apisah in a close contest 6/4 6/4.

Jasmin, seeded four, was in fantastic form throughout the tournament and continues to prove herself amongst the top players in her age group in Australia.

Congratulations to all of the Kooyong players on their wonderful efforts during the tournament!



## KOORYONG'S JEREMY TAYLOR WINS STATE TITLE

Rising star  
Jeremy Taylor

# DESTANEE AIAVA HELPS

# AUSTRALIA TO FINISH FIFTH

The final group match saw Australia take on the top seeded Czech Republic which was always going to be a tough assignment but Furlis got the Australians off to a great start with a tough three set win.



Kooyong's Destanee Aiava recently headed to Madrid in Spain to feature in Australia's bid to win the Junior Fed Cup for the first time since 2011.

Back then a young star named Ash Barty headlined the side with another Kooyong star in Belinda Woolcock and South Australian Brooke Rischbieth.

This time the team was made up of Aiava, Jaimee Furlis and Seone Mendez and, seeded fifth, they had drawn the top seeds from the Czech Republic in their group.

The event started with the Australians playing Argentina in the first match and this turned out to be a routine three rubbers to nil win with Furlis and Mendez winning their singles matches while Aiava teamed with Mendez to win the doubles.



In the second match, the Australians took on the Netherlands and things weren't looking good after Mendez lost the first match of the tie before Aiava fought for a gritty three set win to tie it at one rubber each.

The doubles was crucial as Aiava and Furlis teamed up for a straight sets win to keep their semi finals chances alive.

The final group match saw Australia take on the top seeded Czech Republic which was always going to be a tough assignment but Furlis got the

Australians off to a great start with a tough three set win.

Aiava faced off with current world junior number one Marketa Vondrousova and found the Czech star too strong while going down in a tough encounter but still with the chance to win the tie in the doubles.

Unfortunately the Czech girls proved to be too good in a tough doubles win to see the Australians move into the playoff for fifth to eighth where they would start with a meeting against Japan.

Mendez got the team off to a great start with a great straight sets win while Aiava went down fighting in a tough three set encounter before they paired up to win the doubles in the third set to move through to the playoff for fifth.

The same line up went into battle for Australia against the sixth seeds from Spain and it was a very similar result as Mendez won a tough three setter to get the Australians away to the perfect start.

Aiava then ran into a tough Spanish number one and went down in straight sets but it was the doubles where Aiava and Mendez continued to have great success as they won in two tight sets to help Australia finish a very credible fifth against world class opposition.

Congratulations to all three girls and especially Destanee who is still eligible for the 16 and under competition next year!

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It is unusual to find grass tennis courts in Japan, but Kooyong's reciprocal club located in Saga on the southern island of Kyushu is an exception.



# SAGA JAPAN

## Reciprocal Club

### Grass Court Saga Tennis Club

Grass court tennis was the dream of Dr Masanori Ogata who visited Kooyong in the early 1980's and he developed relationships that have endured to this day. Several Kooyong Members have visited the club including former President, Mr Joe Devereux and his wife Marie who attended the 1990 opening of new courts.

Over the years, Dr Ogata travelled to other clubs around the world including Wimbledon and drew on the experiences of those clubs in pursuing his dream.

This year the Grass Court Saga Tennis Club (formerly the Wimbledon Kyushu Tennis Club) celebrated its 40th Anniversary and club CEO, Chris Brown was a guest at the tennis celebrations and a gala dinner.

Tennis featured former Japanese Davis Cup players and also Chris Kachel from Tennis Australia, who has a long standing relationship with the club.

During the week, Chris ran coaching clinics for juniors and partnered Dr Shu Ogata in an exhibition match.


A number of dignitaries attended the gala dinner, and Chris Brown spoke of the relationship the clubs have enjoyed. He presented Dr Shu

Ogata with a framed photo and a book signed by club legend and grand slam champion Frank Sedgman, to honour the occasion of the 40th Anniversary.

In January 2016, a group from the Saga Club will be visiting Australia and are looking forward to attending the Kooyong Classic and having the opportunity to play on Kooyong's grass courts.

Chris Brown presents Dr Shu Ogata with a framed photo and signed book.





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**Dr. Dennis J. Maddern**  
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## New Automated Grass Court Irrigation System Installed



The new system allows for individual control of each sprinkler as well as greatly improved water distribution.



Kooyong's grass courts are again open for the new season and members are making the most of being back out on the Club's famed courts.

The President's Day was the official opening of the grass courts with more than 80 members playing in the annual mixed round robin event before enjoying a few drink on the balcony.

Works had earlier been carried out on the grass courts and will provide a significant upgrade to the irrigation system for this summer.

The new system allows for individual control of each sprinkler as well as greatly improved water distribution.

The system is also able to be operated from remote locations using mobile devices.

Works were completed by the middle of October well ahead of the season opening.

# BLIND TENNIS VOLUNTEERS

Here in Victoria the blind tennis program had its beginnings in 2008 at the Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club. It subsequently moved to indoor courts to minimise background noise and enable the blind or vision impaired player to track the movement of the audible ball.

## The Blind Tennis Program

The program is conducted weekly with 24 sessions throughout the year. To date over 60 male and female players (aged 18-70 years) have attended the 2-hour program with approximately 10 players regularly attending each week.

Elements of the game are modified depending on the skill level of the player(s) who are blind or vision impaired. Modifications can include the adoption of:

- A smaller court area
- A lower net
- A variety of audible foam balls and large coloured soft balls and a shorter racquet.

Players are allowed up to three bounces, depending on the degree of their vision impairment and the server must say 'ready' and the receiver must say 'yes' followed by the server saying 'play' before a point begins.

The key purpose of the program is to provide a fun and safe opportunity for participants to learn and play the game. The program is supported by a small team of qualified coaches and other volunteers.

## The Opportunity to Volunteer

Volunteers are currently needed to assist with coaching, organising and managing equipment and also collecting stray or missed balls to avoid 'down-time' for players. Prior to involvement in the program, volunteers attend an introductory training session conducted by a staff member from Blind Sports & Recreation Victoria.

This session focuses on communication strategies for guiding individuals who are blind or have low vision. No prior coaching experience is required of volunteers but rather a willingness to be passionately engaged in the program!

The blind tennis program commences again in February 2016 on a Friday night 6.30 – 8.30pm at Melbourne Park indoor courts. Volunteers can attend any of the four terms in the year with 6 sessions per term.

Interested individuals are invited to contact:

**Mrs Susan Marshall - Administration Manager**  
**Blind Sports & Recreation Victoria 454 Glenferrie**  
**Road, Kooyong, Victoria 3144**  
**Tel: 03 9822 8876 info@blindsports.org.au**

We generally think of Melbourne Park as the home of the Australian Open. Few would be aware that it is also home throughout the year to a program that attracts a loyal group of blind and vision impaired players.



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# INTER WINE CLUB CHALLENGE

**22nd October seemed a long way off when we first met to start preparations for annual Inter Club Wine Challenge.**

Sixteen teams from Kooyong LTC, the Australian Club, the RACV Club and University House competed in a test of their palates and knowledge over two brackets of wine – a bracket of four whites and a second bracket of four reds.

Teams had 20 minutes for each bracket to identify the grape variety, country of origin, region, vintage and to write a tasting note on each wine. These notes are scored by a panel made up of the Food and Beverage Managers from each of the clubs.

Following last year's win, Kooyong once again hosted the evening and the wines were selected by Patrice Renaudin.

This year Kooyong had two teams competing and we entered the Challenge with high hopes of making it three consecutive wins.

Patrice set some interesting challenges with the wines and after the first bracket of white wines, the field was led by a team from the RACV with Kooyong's two teams in the middle of the field.

The bracket of reds also proved a challenge and one of the RACV

teams held on to win followed by the Australian Club with another RACV team in third place. Both of the Kooyong teams performed creditably and finished in the middle of the field.

There are many members of Kooyong who are involved in the wine industry, and we drew on their expertise to guide us through a range of different wines in our training sessions.

Anthony Nania shared his vast experience and knowledge of Italian

wines from both Australia and overseas. Tony Hancy showed a range of Chardonnays and Pinot Noirs from both Australian and France, highlighted by some fine Burgundies.

All those involved are grateful to Anthony, Rob, Malcolm and Tony for their keen interest, expertise and involvement. The nights were fine examples of Kooyong's Club collegiality at its best.

Our thanks go once again to Patrice Renaudin for his untiring support, for fostering our interest in wine and

giving us the opportunity to train our palates in the training sessions leading up to the event.

I do hope that our involvement in the Inter Club Challenge will encourage other members to join the teams, or form another team, as we seek to wrest back the trophy at next year's dinner which will be held

at the RACV Club in the city.

Please contact Patrice at Kooyong if you are interested in joining the Challenge next year.

We look forward to renewing our friendships and challenging our palates again in 2016.

Greg Baker



The 2015 Inter-club Wine Challenge in action

wines with two brackets of fine wines. Rob Peebles led us through a range of Rhône style wines including both French and Australian wines. We benefited greatly from both his expertise and his recent experience in France.

Malcolm Stopp led us through a range of Semillons from different regions and vintages. He then followed up with a range of Cabernets – again featuring wines

## THE 2015 NEWCOMBE MEDAL

Kooyong again had several members nominated for awards at this year's Newcombe Medal night including John Peers for the big award.

Tennis Australia's night of nights was again held at Crown's Paladium and the tennis community was there in force to celebrate another great year for Australian tennis at all levels.

Peers, nominated alongside eventual winner Sam Groth as well as Sam Stosur, Casey Dellacqua, Dylan Allcott and Thanasi Kokkinakis for the Newcombe Medal, missed the event due to still being overseas after his heartbreaking loss to the Bryan brothers in the ATP World Tour Finals.

Groth took out the Newcombe Medal after a big year that included reaching a career high ranking as well as helping Australia reach the Davis Cup semi finals.

Kooyong's US Open Junior singles and doubles champion, Omar Jasika, was celebrated for his amazing year when he won the Junior Male Player of the Year award.

Jasika, who is also still overseas currently playing a Challenger Tour tournament in Japan, will return home in the next few days to suit up for Kooyong in the Asia Pacific Tennis League.

The award topped off an incredible year which now sees Jasika sitting just inside the world's top 300 players at just 18 years of age.

It was also great to see Australian coaching legend Ray Ruffels awarded with the President's Spirit of Tennis award for his outstanding contribution to the sport over many years.

Congratulations to everyone involved in this year's Newcombe Medal especially the winners recognised for their efforts in 2015!





# 2016 CLUB CHAMPS

**The Club Championships are always a fantastic event for players of all standards here at Kooyong with the atmosphere around the courts making for a great few weekends at the club.**

With around 500 members taking part each year, the 46 events on offer give everyone a chance to play at their level in the hope of lifting a trophy of their own and going down in history at this great club.

Played on the grass courts at the 'Spiritual Home of Australian Tennis', this event is a fantastic one for adults and children alike.

The men's Open Singles is always a fantastic event and David Bidmeade will be gunning for his fourth title but first consecutive title having had a year off between each win.

This could be the year he goes back to back but there will be plenty of competition with the likes of Jay Salter, Andrew Coelho, and Daniel Byrnes possible starters along with rising stars Jeremy Taylor, Codey Gunn and Connor Di Marco.

In the women's Open Singles we're sure to see a new winner with Annabelle Andrinopoulos now at College in America.

Both Anabelle and Brigitte Beck will be missing in 2016 so the draw will take on a new complexion but this adds to the intrigue of this event.

Kate Antosik continues to be a contender having won the title twice in the last three years while Katerina Valos' run to the final in 2015 will give her the confidence she can go one better.

Sally Peers, Destanee Aiava, Alana Parnaby and Danielle McIntyre are likely to be playing Pro Tour events but

if available they would definitely be front runners for the title while there will be a growing contingent of younger players hoping to make their mark on the event.

Binasa Beslagic and Samyuktha Rajagopalan will both be hoping to replicate their runs from 2015 while new scholarship holder Jasmin Starr could be the bolter in the field.

**Entry forms came out with Courtside but you can also download them from the myKooyong or they can be picked up at the club while you can also enter directly online via [tournaments.tennis.com.au](http://tournaments.tennis.com.au) Be part of the fun and the great atmosphere around the club as the event's 46 trophies are run and won on our famous grass courts just as the legends of Australian tennis have done in the past.**

► The Kooyong players had a successful weekend on the grass courts in Yarrowonga



**Kooyong has once again fielded a men's and women's team in the Asia Pacific Tennis League played throughout November and early December.**

The league, which uses the exciting Fast4 format, has once again seen several changes to the competition with the South Conference now containing two groups and the semi finals being played between the top two teams from each group.

In the men's competition, Kooyong is in a group with Royal South Yarra, Dingley and Dover Square from South Australia while the women are up against Royal South Yarra, MCC and Mornington.

The first three rounds were played across Friday, Saturday and Sunday in mid November and saw Kooyong's men finish the weekend with two wins and a loss while the women had three close losses.

Kooyong hosted the event on the first Friday and, despite the rain, the matches commenced around 7.30pm with the home side having a comfortable win over Dover Square with Rubin Statham, Andrew Whittington, Andrew Coelho and David Bidmeade having wins in

singles and the Kooyong pairs finished the clean sweep.

The women played Mornington and despite losing all four singles were able to fight back to snatch both doubles matches.

Saturday saw the ATL matches head to Dingley and two tough matches with the super strong sides from Royal South Yarra.

The men found the going tough despite a great three set win by Andrew Whittington who then teamed up for a doubles win with the captain, David Bidmeade while the women's match was highlighted by Destanee Aiava's gritty win over world number 36 Daria Gavrilova. Destanee also teamed with Dani McIntyre to win their doubles rubber against Australian Open Wildcard Tammi Patterson and Karolina Wlodarczak.

On Sunday in Mornington the men played their most important match so far against Dingley and were able to fight their way some difficult situations

to record an import five rubbers to one victory with New Zealand Davis Cup star Rubin Statham coming up big in a three set encounter with James Lemke.

Andrew Whittington again showed his class in singles and doubles while Jacob Grills was impressive in his Kooyong debut.

The women again found the going tough, this time against MCC with several international stars in their line up but the shining lights were Destanee Aiava and Molly Polak.

Destanee defeated Asia Muhammad in another fantastic result while Molly won her singles against Joanne Karaitiana.

The fourth round is being played at Royal South Yarra before heading to Yarrowonga for the final two rounds.

Good luck to our teams for the final three rounds and possibly finals!



## Asia Pacific TENNIS LEAGUE

► MEN'S PENNANT

# FIVE IN A ROW FOR MENS OPEN DOUBLES TEAM

► Men's Open  
Doubles team after  
their 5th consecutive victory



Kooyong's Men's Open Doubles Grade 1 team captained by Chris Straford is reaching legend status with five flags in a row and six flags in the past seven years.

That one loss was by just a couple of games so they would consider themselves very unlucky not to have seven straight flags.

Defeating St Mary's, who defeated Ric Mitchell's team in the semi final, in this year's grand final, they have built on their incredible record which this team and the club should be very proud of because it is a very rare occurrence.

This team is exceptionally talented and the names involved are some of the best to have played Pennant for the Club over the past 10 to 15 years. From Stephen Gay and Wes Horskins to Chris Straford and Martin Warwick, this team had all bases covered and were well supported by Ken Cooper, Claude Gattino, Chris Costas, Phillip McCall, Tyrone Berger and Jeremy Brown-Greaves during the season.

Some of the club's rising stars also showed they can match it with the best players in Victoria as we continue to see our young players develop through the various grades.

In Grade 1, James Gardner's team reached the finals on the back of three time Club Champion David Bidmeade's efforts to pass on his knowledge to young players like Richard Yang, Caleb

Boland and Michael Commings along with Will Kneale and James Sheppard throughout the season.

Matthew Nickels' Grade 1 team was just outside the top four at the end of the season and there's no doubt they'll be primed to make a run at the finals in 2016.

In Grade 2, Codey Gunn's team went close to reaching the grand final having made a great run through the finals series.

The team, which included rising stars Jeremy Taylor, Connor Di Marco and Codey Gunn as well as Lewis Karapanos, Andrew Hardeman and Andrew Field, knocked off the top team from their section, Nottingham Pinewood in the semi final before also defeating Tennis World in the Tier 2 quarterfinal. Unfortunately Hepner Place proved to be too strong in a very close Tier 2 semi final but it was a great run by this young and talented team.

Another team to make a good run through the finals series was Josiah Roach's Grade 3 side who won their sectional semi final against Clifton by just 3 games to reach the Tier 2 quarterfinals where they ran into a strong side from Wellington.

In Grade 5, three of the club's four teams reached the finals with all of them losing in their respective semi finals. Dean Seeley's team lost a

close final to Ormond while Bryce Mitchelson's team lost to a tough Oakleigh side. John Amato's team of youngsters had a fantastic season finishing on top of the ladder but ran into a red hot Banyule side in the semi final and lost by just a solitary set. This side featured some of the club's most talented juniors including Thomas McKay, David Qariaqus, John Amato, Thomas Pavlekovich-Smith and Max Flaherty and they will be pushing towards the higher grades next season.

In Grade 9, Peter May's team finished on top of the ladder and won their semi final against Bundoora but unfortunately Royal Park proved to be too strong for them in the Tier 2 quarterfinal.

Harry Gell's Grade 10 team was another side full of talented juniors and the team had a great season including winning their semi final against Greensborough before going down to the eventual Grade 10 champions, Melbourne Uni No 1 in their Tier 2 quarterfinal.

Outside of Chris Straford's Men's Open Doubles victory we also had Ric Mitchell's team reaching the semi final before losing to St Mary's after a great season while the club's two Seniors 45+ team missed the finals this year.

**Congratulations to all of our teams on another great year and we look forward to a big season in 2016!**

► WOMEN'S PENNANT

# BACK TO BACK FOR GRADE 1 WOMEN

Kooyong's Grade 1 women have gone back to back in Tennis Victoria's Pennant competition.

Despite a change in personnel and missing two key players to College for the finals series, Kate Antosik's team came up trumps against the experienced side from Essendon in the final.

Having finished on top of the ladder, the Kooyong girls played Dendy park in the semi final and came through with a strong performance to reach the Tier 2 finals.

In the Tier 2 semi final the team played an MCC side featuring rising star Jaimee Furlis but they were able to hold strong in the opening doubles rubbers before finishing it off in the following singles matches.

The grand final saw Kate's team tackle a familiar foe in Essendon but winning all four singles matches to open the grand final killed the contest quickly and Kate then paired up with Molly Polak in the first doubles rubber to put the exclamation mark on a great win.

Across the season the team included Belinda Woolcock, Annabelle Andrinopoulos, Kate Antosik, Molly Polak, Brigitte Beck, Vivian Fidantsis, Adrianna Pavlekovic and a timely and popular return from College from

Sophie Vickers who helped get the team over the line.

Also in Grade 1, Laura McNamara's team finished in third spot on the ladder and had to travel down to Geelong for a semi final with Hepner Place Indoor and the home team proved to be a touch too strong on the day with their experienced players getting them over the line.

Meanwhile Katerina Valos' Grade 1 team finished on top of their section and hosted MCC in the semi final and it was as close it gets with both teams level on rubbers, sets and games at the end of the day and having to play a deciding doubles set to determine the winner and unfortunately the MCC pair got over the line. This was still a great effort for the club's three teams to all make the finals and be so competitive with several of our rising stars playing such a pivotal role throughout the season.

In Grade 2, Kate Francis' team again made the finals in another great performance by this experienced side.

In the semi final they were unfortunately beaten after fighting back from losing both of the doubles rubbers in a close encounter with Overport Park.

Also in Grade 2, Madeleine Bailey's and Gemma Seeley's sides just missed



► Women's  
Grade 1 team after  
their back to back Pennant win

out on the finals with both teams finishing in fifth place which is a great effort for these two young and developing teams.

Several of the club's most promising juniors were also exposed to Grade 1 during the season and this should hold them in good stead for next year.

Renee Sheary's Grade 3 team had a solid season with five wins and seven losses and finished just outside the top four. Olivia Quigley showed she belonged at this level with some great performances throughout the season to continue her rapid development.

In Grade 5, Jessica Cox's young team had a good season together with several players playing their first year of senior Pennant and eventually finished in sixth spot on the ladder while Angela Woodruff's Grade 6 team had a great season finishing in third spot and playing in a semi final against Dandenong St Paul's.

Unfortunately the Dandenong team proved to be too good on the day but it was a great effort for the ladies to reach the finals.

**All in all it was another great season for all of the club's Pennant teams so congratulations to everyone involved!**



**: JUNIOR COMP NEWS**  
**SIX SIDES INTO  
TO GRAND FINALS**

It's been another big season for Kooyong's junior tennis teams as six sides head into grand finals in late November.

**Eight of the club's eighteen teams played in semi finals so it was great to see so many of those having success and reaching the grand final.**

On Saturday mornings, Tom Langford's Section 1 team finished the season in third spot on the ladder and played Carmelite in the semi finals and were lucky enough to win the match in the crucial final rubber.

Olivia Douglas' team also finished in the top four in Section 1 and played Port Melbourne but the top side was unfortunately too strong for the Kooyong team.

Aaron Koh's Section 1 team finished their first season in the top section in seventh place while Annabel Hudson's Section 2 team ended the season in fourth spot in a six team section.

On Sunday morning, the club had two teams in the top section and it was Kristofer Hyde's Section 1 team that finished second on the ladder and played Dendy Park and were lucky enough to get the win to move through to the grand final.

Charlie Geason's Section 1 team unfortunately missed the finals this season after finishing in sixth spot. In Section 3, Ryan Smyth's team finished on top of the ladder and had a good win over Mordialloc to reach the grand final while Roisin Gilheany's Section 3 team finished the season in sixth.

The club also had two teams in Section 5 and it was Jack Sorger's team that made the finals after finishing fourth and they were able to win a great battle against the top side from Mentone in the semi final while Jessica Pila's team had a great season and finished just outside the top four in sixth spot.

In Section 6, Kooyong's two teams were both in contention for the top four going into the final round but it was Hudson Ciavarella's team that made it when they finished third and they came through with a great win in the semi final against Dendy Park 2.

Seamus Synnott's team were the hard luck story on the season as they finished fifth by just .6%.

In Section 8, one of the club's junior girls teams finished in second spot on the ladder but unfortunately they lost a close semi final against Parkdale after a fantastic season while Zoe Kantanis' Section 9 team finished in fifth spot just outside the finals. Will Dixon's Section 10 team have done a great job so far

finishing on top of the ladder and then followed that up with a great win in the semi final against Glen Eira Beech.

In Section 11, Lachlan Main's team had a good season despite missing the finals when they finished in sixth spot while Toby Zayont's Section 11 side finished in fifth, just missing a finals berth. Findlay Wraith-Bell's Section 16 team of youngsters had a tough season but finished with a great win in the final round.

Congratulations to everyone on another great season!

#### **Cedric Mason Cup**

It was great to see around 60 kids from both Kooyong and Royal South Yarra

come together to play in the teen round robin event at Kooyong in early October.

With Royal South Yarra holding the trophy after last year's breakthrough win, the Kooyong kids were keen to wrest the trophy back on their home courts.

Unfortunately it wasn't to be as Royal South Yarra held on for a hard fought win by a handful of games to hold onto the Cedric Mason Cup for another year.

The kids were all treated to a bbq and drinks after play had finished and it was great to see everyone enjoy the day.

Congratulations to Royal South Yarra on their second successive win we look forward to the return match at RSY next year!



**" In Section 3, Ryan Smyth's team finished on top of the ladder and had a good win over Mordialloc to reach the grand final "**



## MIDWEEK LADIES REPORT

Midweek ladies competition grew to 13 teams playing in three different associations across three days.

The summer season of the Midweek Eastern Metropolitan Region Ladies' Tennis Association (M.E.M.R.L.T.A.) is approaching the half way point of the season. In Section 1, Kris Tulloch's side currently sits fourth, equal on points with the two sides below. One of these sides is the latest addition to midweek ladies competition, captained by Mandy Morgan. Both sides will be looking for a strong second half of the season to ensure a finals berth.

Jacqui Abbott has taken over from Steph Fry as captain in Section 3 of M.E.M.R.L.T.A. While currently second last on the ladder, a win in the most recent round keeps them in finals contention.

Sally Addison's team has rebounded strongly this season in Section 4 following a last placed finish in the winter 2015 season. A flying start to the season has them in fifth position on the ladder.

Unlike M.E.M.R.L.T.A, Bayside Regional Tennis Association (BRTA) and Waverley & District Tennis Association (WDTA) have February-June and July-December seasons. Jane Cash has taken over the captaincy from Mandy Morgan in the BRTA Wednesday Section 1 team. They narrowly missed out on making the finals after

winning the Grand Final last season.

Detje Marcel's Section 2 team enjoyed another successful season, finishing second on the ladder. They defeated Black Rock in an epic Preliminary Final three rubbers to one and will now face Mordialloc in the Grand Final! Despite three rubbers to one sounding convincing it was close on games, reflected by the final rubber being decisive. The matches did not finish until 16:45 and included an 11-13 tie break.

While Merryn Olive's team finished last in Section 3 after being promoted, they were less than 20 points behind second place. To their credit they are keen to stay in Section 3 next season and continue to improve.

Kooyong also has three teams in BRTA's Thursday competitions. Unfortunately it seems that Anne Forbes' A Grade team will finish fourth for the second season in a row and miss out on the finals.

Kris Tulloch's Section 1 team has rebounded in the strongest possible fashion after being relegated. They are well clear on top of the ladder approaching the finals.

Jo Seeley's Section 1 has struggled a little

through injury and are currently last on the ladder.

Onto WDTA's Thursday competition now, where Heather Anderson has taken over the captaincy from Alita Davis in A Reserve 2. They have improved from their sixth placed finish last season to currently sit second on the ladder, right in the mix for finals.

Jo Rush's team unfortunately look like missing out on the finals, sitting sixth on the ladder.

Finally, Mardi Andrew's B Special 1 team has continued their run of bad luck. After missing out on the finals by a solitary point last season, they look like narrowly missing out again, a loss in the final round against their arch rivals Willison Park proving decisive.

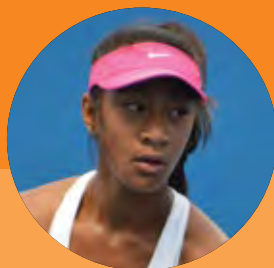
Due to unforeseen circumstances midweek ladies teams sometimes struggle for numbers. If you are free on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday and are of a good enough standard, please contact Tim Baddock at the Club on 9822 3333 or via email: [tbaddock@kooyong.com.au](mailto:tbaddock@kooyong.com.au)

We wish our midweek ladies teams all the best for finals and a relaxing Christmas break.

# PENNANT PROFILES

## DESTANEE AIAVA

AGE 15



**Grade:** 1

**Australian Ranking:** 25

**Play L/H or R/H:** Right handed

**Tennis Achievements:**

2014 - Represented Australia in Junior Fed Cup in Mexico  
- ITF Grade 2 Winner in Montreal - Awarded Female Junior Athlete of the Year at the Newcombe Awards  
2015 - Represented Australia in Junior Fed Cup in Spain - 5 Won a Platinum AMT at Melbourne Park

► **Most admired sportsperson/why?**

Serena Williams because of her discipline, dedication and hard work ethics toward everything she does.

► **Greatest influence on tennis career/why?**

My parents and brother because they have been there for me every step of the way so far and are the most supportive people in my life.

► **Greatest sporting moment witnessed?**

So far the 2008 Australian Open final between Serena Williams and Dinara Safina.

► **What goals have you set for yourself in tennis?**

So far for the end of the year (2015) to win 18's Nationals and the Traralgon ITF.

2016- To get further than the 3rd round in the Junior Aus Open and also to qualify for the professional Australian Open.

My most important goal for my career is to become number 1 in the world and win a lot of Grand Slams.

► **What do you enjoy most about pennant tennis?**

I enjoy the team environment.

► **If you weren't a tennis player what would you be?**

I would be an actress or a chef.

► **What do you do outside tennis?**

I read and shop a lot!

► **How much time do you spend developing your tennis each week?**

24 hours a week.

► **Sacrifices required to play tennis at a high level?**

Getting to bed early for trainings or matches the next day, no time for parties or seeing friends, good eating habits.

## KAT VALOS

AGE 18



**Grade:** 1

**Australian Ranking:** 59

**Play L/H or R/H:** Right handed

**Tennis Achievements:**

Represented Australia in Denmark and Netherlands in 2010  
- Represented Australia alongside Destanee at the IC World Junior Challenge 2013 - 2015 McDonalds Classic Gold AMT Singles and Doubles Winner - 2014 Dingley Silver AMT Singles and Doubles Winner - 5 AMT doubles wins alongside my sister Peta Valos - Winning Australian School National Championship in 2013 for Maribyrnong College - Winning 3 national doubles titles & 2 ITF doubles titles.

► **Most admired sportsperson/why?**

Roger Federer. His demeanour on and off court is admirable and I always enjoy watching him play.

► **Greatest influence on tennis career/why?**

My mum who went down to the local tennis club and signed me up for lessons after she was told that I was going to be a soccer player (by my dad). So if it wasn't for her I'd be playing soccer now and not tennis.

► **Greatest sporting moment witnessed?**

Watching John Isner defeat Nicolas Mahut 70-68 at Wimbledon in 2010 whilst in my hotel room in Denmark.

► **What goals have you set for yourself in tennis?**

To continue to enjoy it and be associated with it for a long time, whether that be playing professionally or coaching in the future.

► **What do you enjoy most about pennant tennis?**

I love the competitive nature and playing in a team environment. Although, the best part of the morning is morning tea.

► **If you weren't a tennis player what would you be?**

I'd probably be a soccer player or swimmer. I'd definitely still be involved in sport.

► **What do you do outside tennis?**

I eat a lot of food, go for bike rides, relax at home and go out with friends.

► **How much time do you spend developing your tennis each week?**

I physically do something everyday of the week and get to the gym around 4 times a week. Hitting wise I try and get down to the court around 5 days a week. It has varied due to school but now that I've finished, my training schedule will probably become more full on.

► **Sacrifices required to play tennis at a high level?**

Having late nights out with friends and sleeping in.

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# CRÉCHE NEWS

With the year drawing near we would like to thank our staff at the crèche for the incredible effort they put in every day.

They ensure our little members look forward to coming on a week morning by entertaining them and providing a warm family environment where they sense they belong.

Thank you to our full time staff Marzia and Dobrilla especially.

We are lucky to belong to such a wonderful club like Kooyong and encourage all grandparents and parents to bring their loved pre-schooler along one week morning to see what all the fuss is about!

Ask at the Pro Shop or look on our website.

Everyone benefits from the experience of taking your grandchild or child to our club - you both enjoy some time together and enjoy our facilities separately.

Safe and happy holidays!

Rachael Ralph  
President





## KOORYONG

# INTERNATIONAL TENNIS ACADEMY

Since the last edition of Courtside, the Kooyong International Tennis Academy (KITA) has been extremely busy. Glenn has visited China to foster relations there with a view to establishing some exciting coaching and tournament pathways and other opportunities in the future.

He attended the Nanjing Institute of Sport, where he was asked to speak at the First China Festival of Tennis. The main focus of the talk was the development of tennis clubs in China and all the key activities involved in setting them up to succeed; he used Kooyong as a shining example of what is possible.

While he was there, Glenn spent a week working with some of the best 14 year-old Chinese players and explored opportunities for our players to travel to China next year to gain International tournament knowledge. This is a very exciting opportunity to establish a cultural exchange program to add new levels of experience to what we currently offer our players.

Back at home, we have been working intensively to develop our culture, our people and the programs we offer to our many and varied clients. We are very excited about the changes we will be implementing from next term and look forward to being able to offer a whole new tennis experience as well as presenting our existing programs in more innovative ways.

We will offer a program for 8 to 12 year-old Emerging Players, to support them to understand and cultivate the skills required to become an elite player.

We will also offer Full and Part-Time Day Programs, for young players who are part-time students, distance education students or those with a flexible time-table, to provide a serious and

more holistic approach to their tennis commitment.

There will be Daytime Cardio/Pump classes for ladies and men, consisting high energy, full-tilt workouts set to music. These will be a great way to develop your tennis fitness and create a more fun and ongoing healthy lifestyle.

We are also ramping up our Hotshots Program for 2016 under the guidance of specialist coaches. Players in the 4-5 and 6-7-year-old age ranges will learn the correct tennis basics, whilst understanding the game of tennis via a variety of game based activities.

During 2016 we will also be introducing a Tennis Parent's Education Program. This is a leading edge program focussing on understanding the development of a tennis player and how to best support their progress both at home and during training times. It will provide information about the best 'pathways' available for young players, as well as guidance on the behavioural, mental, emotional, dietary and fitness aspects of the tennis journey, for a Tennis Parent to utilise in their care of a young player.

These are just some of the new program changes beginning next term and we're looking forward to seeing you on court and in our training rooms for a new tennis experience. Brochures and more information about these and our other programs will be available at the Pro Shop in the next few weeks.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy, safe and joyous festive season and a wonderful year ahead from the team at KITA.



[www.kooyongtennisacademy.com.au](http://www.kooyongtennisacademy.com.au)

# SQUASH OPENS

The Victorian and Australian Opens are the two largest tournaments on the Australian squash calendar and along with a strong contingent from Kooyong, players from all across the globe flocked to the cold, rainy streets of Melbourne to have a shot at our highest squash honours. This was a great opportunity for Kooyong's professional players to compete against some top players from around the world.

Kicking things off was the Men's qualifying draw for the Vic' Open. Mike Corren, Kooyong's top ranked player was in outstanding form winning both matches, and looming as a serious threat to players in the main draw. Taylor Horton, while also successful in winning his first match, was unable to make it through his second and into the main draw. Tyler Hawkins and Jason Holmes, while both impressive, were unable to overcome their more experienced opponents.

The main draw began as the international players set stage. In the women's Selena Shaikh safely navigated her first round but lost in the second to the ultimate winner of the event, Joshana Chinappa, who had performed so brilliantly the week before in the Kooyong Squash Classic. Sarah Cardwell after a bye in the first round, came up against champion Dane and second seed, Line Hansen, putting up a valiant fight but ultimately going down in 3.

Our top player however, Christine Nunn, powered her way into the quarterfinals where she faced off against fellow Australian, former World no. 1 and tournament number 1 seed, Rachael Grinham. Some would say this match would be considered a "safe bet" as Rachael was in fine form, however Christine triumphed winning in 4 games and claimed the match of the tournament. The dark horse of the draw had now booked herself into the



Christine Nunn in Action

semi-finals, where she too played the number three seed from India Joshana. Unfortunately Chris went down 3/0 and despite the loss she had performed well above her seeding and certainly done us all proud.

In the men's draw, Mike Corren, having been unstoppable in qualification, drew no. 4 seed Greg Lobban who was simply too good on the day.

Whilst the crowds heads were turned to the professional players, Kooyong's juniors had successful results in the graded divisions. Josh Boyte took out the division 3 title, and Tate Norris narrowly missed out on making his

***"Some would say this match would be considered a "safe bet" as Rachael was in fine form, however Christine triumphed"***

final, finishing up 3rd in division 1B. Jason Holmes "played out of his skin" (source: Jason Holmes), and finished fourth in Division 1A.

The Australian Open rolled around the following week, and more international players arrived to seek potential squash glory. The Australian Open was played on a 17 inch tin for the men's event, as opposed to the traditional 19 inch tin. This adds extra length to the court and makes drop shots even



Christine Nunn; Joelle King

harder to reach. It is intended to make the game more attacking and interesting for spectators. Again, Mike Corren asserted dominance in the qualifying rounds and successfully booked his spot in the Main draw. Tyler and Jason were unable so follow suit which ended their run in the Australian Open.

The main draw was a feast of incredible squash with nothing but tough draws. Mike Corren unfortunately lost to rival Zac Alexander, and Selena drew a seeded player who stopped her chance of making the second round. Sarah Cardwell was a shock first round exit but drew a very tough unseeded player who snuck out a win, 11-9 in the fifth!

Kooyong's players had been eliminated, all but one. Christine Nunn picked up right where she left off the week prior, dispatching of her first round opponent. However everything good must come to an end and Christine bowed out to the ultimate winner of the event and number two seed Joelle King. Joelle is former world no. 4 and was just starting to hit her straps in coming back from a serious Achilles injury so no shame in that loss.

Regardless of the results, it was great to see the level of impact our club is having at such prestigious events.



## SAM EJTEMAI COMPETES IN WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2015 World Junior Championships were held at The Eindhoven Squash Centre in the Netherlands. Unfortunately Sam's run ended against one of the Egyptian juniors seeded 5 after having to back up two hours after a long five setter. The young Egyptian who had an easy match prior, his opponent forfeiting in the 3rd game, was fresh as a daisy. Sam suffered cramps during the match, was beaten in straight, but in each game had his opponent worried and was a whisker away from taking a game.

Well done Sam!

The Eindhoven Squash Centre in the Netherlands did a great job considering they only had about 6 weeks to prepare for the tournament after it was cancelled in Cairo.

## ASIAN SQUASH FEDERATION REFEREE DIRECTOR VISITS KOOYONG

Munir Shah, Squash Referee Director for Asia, was welcomed to Kooyong on a flying visit to view the wonderful club facilities.

Munir, who is a resident of Singapore and a member of the prestigious Tanglin Club, described Kooyong as one of the best Club facilities he has ever visited.

He also advised us that the entrance fee to the Tanglin Club is \$50,000.

Munir directs and referees major international events on across the world.



## SQUAD 489 CONQUERS THE BEECHWORTH BARROWTHON

On a warm and sunny morning on October 24, two of our elite scholarship squash players from Squad 489, Selena Shaikh and Tyler Hawkins along with squad manager Mike Wilkinson lined up alongside 12 other teams to attempt the Beechworth Barrowthon endurance event.

Originally we had planned for a contingent of 8 but the team had slowly been whittled down through tournament commitments, minor injuries and unfortunately timed parties!

We're proud to report that the 3 of them took the Kooyong spirit and showed what can be achieved when a small team bonds together and supports each other. In a little over six hours the three of them pushed a 20kg wheelbarrow over 55km, crossing the line over 40 minutes ahead of the next barrow team. They were also the only team where every member completed the whole course on the day. Both Tyler and Selena said afterwards that to complete such a gruelling course will stand them in good stead next time they're under pressure on the squash court.

A number of Kooyong Members kindly supported the team by donating towards the cost of the event and that was very much appreciated.

If you see Tyler and Selena around the club, give them a pat on the back, they've earned it!



# BILLIARDS & SNOOKER

By Alistair Macindoe



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At 21 Charlie  
is the  
youngest  
player to win  
an Australian  
snooker  
championship

Charlie Chafe with the winners trophy.

## CHARLIE CHAFE SNARES AUSTRALIAN OPEN SNOOKER CHAMPIONSHIP

Kooyong's Charlie Chafe defeated Matthew Bolton (WA) 6-4 in the final of the Bob Hawke AC Australian Open Snooker Championship which attracted a record field of 88 players at the Mount Pritchard Community Club in outer Sydney.

In the final the first two frames were shared, Matthew had breaks of 100 and 63 to lead 3-1. Charlie then hit back with 4 frames in a row to be 5-3, one frame away from victory. Despite coming back to 5-4 and then almost pinching the 10th frame, Matthew could not quite get over the line as Charlie took the title for his first time.

At 21 Charlie is the third youngest player to win an Australian snooker championship – the two youngest were John Higgins (UK) and Neil Robertson (Australia), both of whom went on to win the world professional championship. Congratulations Charlie on your biggest career win so far.

## KOOYONG RECAPTURES SANDRINGHAM-KOOYONG CUP

Kooyong recaptured the Sandringham-Kooyong Cup in sensational fashion at Kooyong in October.

After the match finished at six frames each, in the tie-break frame Sandringham's Bob Henderson potted the long straight final black to win the match, only to see the white ball dribble into the same pocket and so hand victory to Kooyong.

Bad luck to the Sandy boys who were as devastated at their loss as Kooyong were elated at their good fortune.

## PENNANT NEWS

With the finals looming Kooyong's VBSA A Grade Billiards team sits second on the ladder and is poised to make an assault on Kooyong's first A Grade flag since 1989.

The B Grade team captained by Martin James has fought hard all year against stronger opposition but have enjoyed their season.

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# BRIDGE CLUB

KLTC Bridge Club will be holding another series of Beginner Bridge lessons in 2016.

The course will consist of six two hour lessons and will be held on Sunday evenings from 6.30 - 9.00pm commencing on Sunday April 10.

The cost of the course is \$90.00.

The lessons will be conducted by Stephen Lester, our Monday bridge director, who also conducted a very successful Beginners Course earlier this year.

Stephen is an acclaimed bridge player and teacher in both New Zealand and Australia, and Kooyong is privileged to have him teach our beginner and advanced lessons.

Application forms will be available on both the LLTC Bridge Club and the KLTC websites in February 2016.

For more information please contact:

Moira Righetti - 0413940655  
mrighetti@optusnet.com.au

The 2015 Kooyong Bridge Congress was held in November, with more than 100 participants, including 20 KLTC members.

Penny Blankfield and Sue Read had the highest score of our members and finished seventh overall.



Our bridge club also celebrated special birthdays of long time members, Alicia Simonson, Marilyn Busietta and Liz Hutchings.

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# All that glitters is Gold!

The night was definitely 'gold' at our **Grand Slam Glitz & Glamour Dinner Dance** held in August, when Members frocked up in all their glitz & glamour for a fun evening. Thanks to Mike and the Party Band who kept the room jumping.

I've taken this opportunity to lap up the sunshine and write our submission for this issue from the balcony of the J. P. Young Pavilion. Our **JJ Mixed Doubles Round Robin** is happening on the hard courts below and as today's emergency player, this is the perfect spot to watch all the action, with some great tennis too!

The JJ is our last tennis event for the year however our next function is our **Christmas Soiree, Pimms, Prosecco and Pudding** on **Sunday 6 December** featuring **Jazz Spectrum**. **Bob Sedergreen** (Piano), our own **Barry Buxton** (Percussion) and **Gareth Hill** (Bass).

Looking ahead to 2016, our diary dates have been set and we are very excited about our proposed plans. We hope you'll like them too! Happy Hours have been well attended this year, resulting in us using the Function Rooms to cater for the large numbers. This has proved beneficial in that we can provide music and entertainment plus hold more of them! So keep your eyes peeled for notices around the Club and your details registered with [mykooyong.com.au](http://mykooyong.com.au) for notification on upcoming events.

Regrettably, Janet Wainwright has resigned from the social committee. Janet served recently as an ordinary member of the Social Committee, but held the office of Social Committee Secretary before that. I'd like to thank Janet for her contribution these past 4 years. We will miss her.

To Janet, Jenny Silvers (VP), Rowan Harris (Treasurer), Frankie Katz (Secretary), Kat Benyon and Tanya Fryc my sincere appreciation. Your commitment and expertise is invaluable.

My sincere thanks and gratitude to all the staff at Kooyong, on the floor and behind the scenes who help make our functions the success they are.

We have a lot of fun bringing you, the fun!

**Cindi Damian**  
President



*Congratulations to Vlad Hardi & Frankie Katz, overall winners of the JJ Mixed Doubles Round Robin seen here with the winners from the other courts.*



*Dinner Dance Photography courtesy Elane Zelcer*



# Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary



The **Royal Children's Hospital** Melbourne

Looking back over the past twelve months, I am very happy to report a very successful result with our fundraising for the year, achieving a total amount of around \$21,000 for the Hospital.

This was only possible with the great support of our Kooyong Members and their friends, thank you so much!

Our final event for 2015, the Trivia Night, proved very enjoyable with all teams competing fiercely for first prize, 1 dozen bottles of wine.

Our President's table, Peter Carew and his friends proved very knowledgeable and led the charge most of the evening only to be pipped at the post by the Quinn, Devereux, Missen table in the final round of questions.

All have promised to return next year for another challenge.

I do have the pleasure to announce that our Auxiliary has committed funds of

**\$79,703 towards a programme for Genetic and Epigenetic Development of Cerebral Palsy,**

to fund a Clinical Nurse Consultant for twelve months (1st January – 31st December 2016).

This programme will support a co-ordinator to assess the best ways of delivering information to parents/

carers and professionals. They will bring together all existing training materials and identify areas in which no material exists but is needed.

I will display a letter received from the Royal Children's Hospital, on our noticeboard in the Clubhouse, setting out a summary of the programme and its achievements.

None of the above would be possible without the full support and dedication of my very hard working Committee.

I do thank them all most sincerely for their untiring effort throughout the year.

**It's just great to be supported by this wonderful group of talented ladies.**

Our new Patron of the Auxiliary, Lisa Carew, and her husband, Peter, our President, have given the Auxiliary great support by their attendance at our functions and I do thank them for their great generosity to the Hospital.

Lastly I must extend my sincere thanks to our CEO, Chris Brown, Cedric Mason, and our great chef Chris Goulding and all the Kooyong staff for their efficient management and organisation of our events at Kooyong.

Finally, I would like to extend to you all my best wishes for Christmas and the New Year and I look forward to another successful year in 2016.

**Marie Devereux,**  
President

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# Wine & Food Society



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*2013 Elyros Sangiovese by Chalmers  
Heathcote - Victoria*

'Risogalo' milk caramel tart  
Spoon sweet, sheep's yoghurt

*2013 Domaine Skouras Cuvée Prestige  
PGI Peloponnese - Greece*

### Thank You to the Kooyong Team

On behalf of the Wine & Food Society, our heartfelt gratitude to Chris Brown and all the Kooyong team for their enthusiasm to support our functions during this year.

Special thanks to Patrice Renaudin for his dedication and incredible expertise; Chris Goulding and the culinary team for their passion and amazing creativity; Rachael Whitelaw and the Functions Department for excellent service with attention to detail; Reception and all those working behind the scenes.

The positive energy and commitment of everyone working together provided exemplary service for our Wine & Food Society events throughout the year... Congratulations!

### Thursday 22 October - Elyros Restaurant

Members and guests enjoyed a 'Culinary Journey through Crete' with a progression of tastes and dishes - platters of locally farmed produce kept arriving throughout the night, combined with a range of excellent wines from Australia and Crete.

### Saturday 12 December - End of Year Celebration Dinner with Celebrity Chef Gabriel Gaté & Lanson Champagne

Members and guests will enjoy a magnificent dinner with Gabriel Gaté, talking through the French inspired menu designed with Chris Goulding to match fine wines from the Champagne House of Lanson.

Hervé Dantan, Exclusive Wine-Maker and Anton Hobbs, Export Director of Lanson Champagne will introduce 5 champagnes served during dinner, some especially shipped for this occasion. A unique and very memorable event!

### Monday 8 February 2016 - AGM & Wine Tasting

All financial members of the Wine & Food Society are warmly invited to attend our AGM to be held at KLTC on Monday 8 February 2016. This will also be a social event with a Wine Tasting - please join us.

### 2016 Diary Dates

In the New Year, a list of future functions will be listed on the KLTC website with each one highlighted on the Members' Notice Board. In recent years, members have enjoyed regional dinners in the Racquet Club

featuring local produce and wines from Tasmania, Yarra Valley, South Australia; themed special events in the Kooyong Room; the Melbourne Club, Athenaeum Club, Melbourne Savage Club and a variety of external local restaurants.

The committee welcomes input from members with suggestions for venues and themes for future functions.

### Membership of Wine & Food Society

The Society is very active - we have attracted extensive interest over recent years with major increase in membership numbers. Details of our activities and membership application form can be found on the KLTC website.

### WFS Committee

A special 'Thank You' to Vice President, Ken Wheat; Honorary Secretary, Marie Pernat; Honorary Treasurer, Milton Dickins and other committee members: Robin Daubeny, Sarah Patterson and Graham Schmidt for their support throughout the year. On behalf of all members, we value and appreciate your commitment of time and energy to ensure success of our Society.

We look forward to welcoming you to another exciting year in 2016 of great wine, food and camaraderie with fellow members, guests and friends.

Best wishes to one and all for the joy of the festive season - we hope the New Year is filled with peace, good health, success and much happiness!

### Christine Johnson President



# Health club NEWS

**Group exercise is a great way to get fit, meet new members, whilst having fun in a socially inclusive environment. Here is an insight into our new Pilates, & Yoga Instructors, and how you can benefit from these classes.**



## Elise Jacques

Pilates is one of the most popular exercise systems in the country. Pilates is a movement therapy used to improve physical strength, develop flexibility, improve posture and enhance mental awareness.

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Pilates should leave you feeling toned and worked with no heavy pressure on your joints. I will help you feel muscles you never even knew you had and assist you in achieving any personal goals. I strongly believe anything from injuries, gaining strength to toning is possible with Pilates.



## Ellie Vandestadt

### Wednesday Night, Slow flow Vinyasa Class

This class is designed to stretch and strengthen the body. Learn to synchronize breath with movement to unlock blocked energy. Class begins with a slow introduction where we explore into the corners of the body and scan the body for and areas of tension.

The class then begins to flow in a slow dance-like sequence where dynamically we lengthen muscles at the same time as strengthening opposing muscle groups. Balance and concentration will be tested. As the class winds down we return to the floor to focus on releasing specific muscle groups tested in that class. Rinse out the spine with a heart opener and gentle spinal twist and last of all move stagnant energy from the feet with an inversion.

Variations throughout the class are offered and all levels are welcome! You don't need to be flexible to receive the benefits of yoga!

### Thursday Night, Yin Restorative style Yoga

Winding down and setting our gaze inward we start this class in a seated meditation with a focus on pranayama techniques, control of breath. We spend most, if not all, of this class seated on the mat opening into the tissue that binds our muscles together.

This class is perfect if you want to lengthen and deepen into your body. The biggest challenge is to learn to switch off all muscular energy and become physically and mentally still.







Develop patience within yourself and towards your body. Once again you don't need to be flexible to receive the benefits of yoga! All levels are welcome and variations and props are used where needed.

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# DIARY DATES

## KOOYONG LAWN TENNIS CLUB

## DIARY DATES 2015

	SUNDAY	SATURDAY	FRIDAY
	<p>6<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Social Committee Christmas Function</p>	<p>12<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Wine &amp; Food Society Celebrity Chef &amp; Lanson Champagne Dinner</p>	<p>25<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Year 8 Disco</p>
	TUESDAY	FRIDAY	
	<p>12<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Priceline Pharmacy Kooyong Classic - Begins</p>	<p>15<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Priceline Pharmacy Kooyong Classic - Ends</p>	
FRIDAY	MONDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<p>5<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Social Committee Friday Evening Tennis &amp; BBQ</p>	<p>8<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Wine &amp; Food Society AGM and Wine Tasting</p>	<p>13<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Club Championships</p>	<p>14<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Club Championships</p>
SATURDAY	SUNDAY		MONDAY
<p>20<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Club Championships</p>	<p>21<sup>st</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Club Championships</p>		<p>7<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Royal Children's Hospital Tennis Day</p>
FRIDAY	SUNDAY		
<p>18<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Wine &amp; Food Society - Tastes of New Zealand Dinner</p>	<p>20<sup>th</sup></p> <p>•</p> <p>Social Committee - Longest Lunch</p>		

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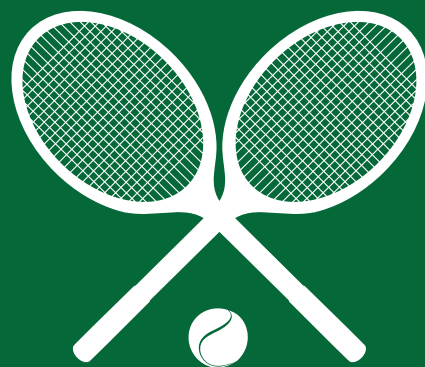
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