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David Powell
Australian Singles Champion
2006 (U16), 2009 (U18),
2010 (U21) & 2012 (21)



Heming Hu
Australian Singles Champion
2007 (U13&15), 2008 (U15),
2009 (U15) & 2010 (U18)



Lily Phan
Australian Singles Champion
2006 (U14), 2008 (U13&15) & 2009 (U15)



Dominic Huang
Australian Singles Champion
2011 (U13)



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HIGHLIGHTS OF PLAYERS I COACH

David Powell wins Australian U21 Men's Singles title and U21 Mixed Doubles

For the second time in 3 years, David won the Australian U21 Men's Singles title. He defeated close friend Heming Hu 3-1 in the final. This is David 4th time he's played in the U21 National Singles final and now bows out of his Youth career with 2 wins and 2 r-ups at 5 attempts which is a testament to his consistency at the highest level in Australia over many years in this age group.

David teamed up with Anna Du in the U21 Mixed Doubles and defeated J.Wong (SA) & HJ Lee (Korea) 3-0 in the final. He nearly made a clean sweep of the U21 events but was r-up in the Men's Doubles (with Heming Hu) to Dillon Cathcart (Vic) & Kane Townsend (NSW).

Heming Hu r-up in Australian U21 Men's Singles and Doubles two years in a row

For the second successive year, Heming was r-up in the Australian U21 Men's Singles & Doubles. To make the final in the singles he defeated Kane Townsend in a close 6 setter then lost 3-1 in the final to David Powell who he partnered in the doubles. Heming still has 3 years left in the age group so could be 3rd, 4th or 5th time lucky if he continues to improve.

Yang Shen competes at Korean Junior Open

Yang competed at the Korean Junior Open and gained valuable experience at the higher level for future tournaments and years. It was tough going playing most matches against the highly credentialed Koreans but Yang nearly managed to win a match losing 12-10 in the deciding 5th set against Sangmin Park (Korea).

David Powell wins Men's Singles at Warrnambool Open

As expected, on seeding at least, David won the Warrnambool Open Men's Singles defeating up and coming Junior, Dillon Cathcart 3-0 in the final.

Atul Shrestha wins U13 Singles at NSW Open and Croydon Open

Atul had a great two months by winning U13 Boys Singles at Croydon Open but more importantly won the New South Wales Open U13 Singles. Atul played former NZ now current NSW resident Jay Ong in the final where had a commanding 4-0 victory and gained early favouritism for the National title to be decided early October.

Mahi's wins U13 Singles at Croydon, Warrnambool and Hamilton Open's

After Mahi won her first U13 Singles title for the year at Albury/Wodonga it seemed liked she enjoyed the feeling and went through the last two months undefeated in that age group by winning Croydon, Warrnambool and Hamilton Open's. The Croydon Open win was by far the most impressive as Mahi defeated the very strong BoBo Zhang in the final, 11-5 in the 7th set.

Dylan Nguyen claims U11 Singles victories at Croydon & Warrnambool Open's

Dylan won two more U11 Singles titles and regained the mantle as the state's no. 1 player in that age group after a closely fought win against good friend and potential long term rival, Zaki Zenaidee, 11-8 in the deciding 5th set at the Croydon Open.

Michelle Wu wins U11 Girls Singles at Croydon Open

Contesting only her 3rd tournament, Michelle won the U11 Girls Singles at the Croydon Open and along the way defeated Anna Nguyen, Selena Lee and Tia Donnelly.

9 players to represent Victoria at the Australia Junior Championships

The following players will represent Victoria in the Team Event at the upcoming Australian Junior Championships to be held from September 29 – October 6 in Perth, Western Australia.

U18 Boys B – Scott Gilmore, U15 Boys – Yang Shen, U15 Boys B – Dominic Nguyen and Jakob Smith, U13 Boys – Atul Shrestha, U13 Boys B – Dylan Nguyen, U13 Girls – Mahi Joshi and Christina Nguyen, U13 Girls B – Denise Lim

Three players have been nominated for the Presidents Team. They are, Eric Nguyen (U15), Augustine Nguyen (U15) and Ethan Lim (U13).

2 players to represent Victoria at the Australia Veterans Championships

The following players will represent Victoria in the Team Event at the upcoming Australian Veteran Championships to be held from October 13 – 20.

O40 Men's B – Rod Kempton

O60 Women's B – Daisy O'Bryan

GENERAL HIGHLIGHTS

London Olympic Games wrap up including William Henzell's heroic performance

The highlight of the Australian TT Team from the Olympics was William Henzell's remarkable performance. In his first match William (World Ranked 140 before the event) defeated WR 80, Adam Pattantyus from Hungary 4-2 then in the 2nd round had his career best win against WR 39, Joao Monterio from Portugal. It was in the 3rd round where William may have had his career highlight when he played WR 14, Vladimir Samsonov from Belarus who has been a top 10 player in the world for most of the last 15 years. William had a 4-1 lead in the deciding 7th set but wasn't able to get the win and went down 11-7. I believe this would've been Australia's greatest win ever in the sport if he won but such is sport and there's no guarantee's whether you had a big lead or are down by a long way. Other notable performances came from Jian Fang Lay and Miao Miao who won their first singles matches before succumbing to higher ranked players in the 2nd round but Jian came oh so close, losing 11-6 in the 7th set to WR72 Li Xue from France.

Melissa Tapper misses bronze medal at Paralympics by very narrow margin

Melissa went through the biggest rollercoaster of emotions an athlete can deal with, at the Paralympics and missed winning the bronze medal by just a few points. In the group phase (top 2 players progressed to the SF stage) she had 3 opponents and after 2 matches she and her next opponent had to win to progress out of the group. Melissa went down 2-0 but fought back strongly and won the next 2 sets then in the 5th it was nail biting stuff where she had match point at 10-9. She won the next point and thrust her left arm in the air with a huge smile knowing she was in the SF of the Paralympics. Her next match was against the very strong Poland player, Natalia Partyka who boasts an astonishing WR of 63 in the able bodied ranks. Melissa went down 3-0 but still had a chance to win a bronze medal in her next match which was against China's, Feng Lei whom she had lost to 3-0 in the group phase. Melissa stormed out of the blocks winning the first 2 sets and looked set for the medal but as happens in sport, the tide turned and Lei won the next 2 sets and it all came down to the last set. After years of preparation, the next few minutes would determine the biggest extremes of emotions & feelings an athlete can go through. After a tense battle through the set it was Lei who won 11-7 with Melissa coming agonising close but was not to be unfortunately. The process & preparation for the next 4 years will start soon and I'm sure Melissa will be another realistic contender for the medal matches. The player that played for Australia was Rebecca McDonnell. Rebecca played 3 matches in her group but the other players were too strong and she wasn't able to win a match. A big effort to make it to the Paralympics though!

Koreans dominate Australian Senior Open

Korean players dominate all the Open events at the Australian Open with only William Henzell & Robbie Frank (r-up in Men's Doubles) stopping the Koreans being Winners and Runners-up in all 5 events. The Koreans are superior players compared to the Australian standard but they supplied valuable experience to our top domestic players for future improvement.

William Henzell and Stephanie Sang crowned Australian Singles Champions

William and Stephanie were the winners of the singles events at the National Closed event. William had an almighty struggle in the final, defeating Justin Han 4-3 after being 3 sets to 2 down and 10-10 in the 6th. William's fighting qualities under pressure shone through and won 11-4 in the 7th to capture his 10th National singles title. After taking more than a year away from the sport, comeback queen Stephanie Sang proved she still has a lot to offer TT in Australia by defeating Vivian Dederko (Tan) 4-1 in the SF then dispatched Sally Zhang 4-1 in the final. This is Stephanie's 4th National singles title. Other winners were, William Henzell & Robbie Frank in Men's Doubles, Miao Miao & Vy Bui in Women's Doubles, William Henzell & Miao Miao in Mixed Doubles. William wins the triple again!!

Betty Bird becomes Over 75's World Singles Champion

Playing at the World Veterans Championships in Over 75's category, former Australian now representing England, Betty won the Singles events. In a field of over 60 players, she had to win 8 matches to seal the title where 3 of her last 4 matches went right to wire (deciding 5th set) including the final where she beat Akemi Hayashi (Japan) 11 – 8 in the last set. Not only was Betty's skill good enough but her physical & mental toughness strength was superior in the end after a grueling series of matches.

Ivan Sulfaro & Mizuho Shirota clean up at Tassie Open

Victorian's, Ivan and Mizuho, made the trip to Tasmania to compete in their State Open and won every singles event they could possible enter. 15 year old Ivan did something that may have never been achieved at the Tasmania Open. He not only won the junior singles events, U15 & U18, but won the U21 Men's Singles then topped it off with the main event, Men's Singles, by defeating Ryan Chalmers in the final. Mizuho won the Women's Singles, defeating young Maddy Goodsell in the final, then went on to win the Over 30 and Over 40 Women's Singles.

David Fielding and Kayla Coombs win the main QLD junior singles titles

David and Kayla won the main events (U18 singles) at the QLD Junior Championships - they both have been the top QLD U18 for approx. 3 years. David defeated young gun Jake Duffy 3-1 in the final while Kayla had a close 3-2 victory over Jenny Zhang. In other singles events, Jake Duffy and Nathalia Werner won the U15's while Benjamin Gould and Mathilda Alexandersson won the U13's.

HANDY HINTS

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BITS AND PIECES

On the back of the Olympic Games, thought this was an opportune research Australia's best wins and near misses covering all Olympic Games since the sport was introduced in 1988.

Best wins at Olympic Games

2000 Sydney – Miao Miao & Shirley Zhou defeated Ni Xia Lan (WR 10) & Peggy Regenwetter (WR 173) from Luzembourg in the Last 16 to make QF of Women's Doubles

2012 London – William Henzell defeated WR 39 Joao Monterio (Portugal)

2008 Beijing – William Henzell defeated WR 58 Jens Lundqvist (Sweden)

2000 Sydney – Mark Smythe defeated WR 58 Yan Chu Leung (Hong Kong)

2004 Athens – William Henzell & David Zalberg defeated Yang Min (WR 51) & Massimiliano Mondello (WR 74) from Italy

2012 London – William Henzell defeated WR 80 Adam Pattantyus (Hungary)

2008 Beijing – Miao Miao defeated WR 87 Irina Kotikhina (Russia)

Best near misses at Olympic Games

2012 London – William Henzell lost to WR 14 Vladamir Samasnov (Belarus) 11 – 7 in the 7th set

2008 Beijing – William Henzell lost to WR 25 Jaeyoung Yoon (Chinese Taipei) 4-3 after leading 3-1

2004 Athens – Miao Miao lost to WR 27 Ai Fukuhara (Japan) 11 – 9 in the 7th set

2004 Athens – Jian Fang Lay lost to WR 45 Elke Schall (Germany) 12 – 10 in the 6th set

2008 Beijing – Jian Fang Lay lost to WR 63 Sandra Paovic (Croatia) 11-9 in the 7th set

1996 Atlanta – Mark Smythe lost to WR 70 Slobadan Gruijic (Serbia) 21 – 16 in the deciding 3rd set

2012 London – Jian Fang Lay lost to WR 72 Li Xue (France) 11 – 6 in the 7th set

Side note from Bob Tuckett's article in last edition

Bob mentioned his first coach was Alan Creighton. Alan was also my first coach and, like Bob, I used to travel to his home in Croydon for sessions.

Table Tennis Victoria's Metro League finals time

The season is coming to an end of the current Metro League season. In the top grade the hot favourites is the St. Kilda Cricket team lead by leading player of the grade, Brian Berry who are already in the final and will play either team Mornington or Blaison Fun.

DAVID POWELL'S EXPERIENCES IN 2012 (Feb – July)

By David Powell

Following from the answers I provided Mark for his 2011 Nov & Dec newsletter, the Olympic Qualifying Events, both Australian and Oceania were next on my agenda and the main goal for the last few years. I came back to Australia around two weeks before the event to make sure I was feeling refreshed and ready to go for day one of qualifying. I worked closely with Mark and also my on-court coach during the events, Kyle Davis.

First up was Justin Han – I had nothing to lose and came out nervous, but swinging. I played a smart match and won 4-1. Second was Simon Gerada, who I knew came off a tough win with Trent Carter the match previous. I was extremely happy with the way I was focused during the match and tactically outplayed Simon in many points leading to another 4-1 win. My third match of the day was against one of my toughest rivals Robbie Frank. Myself and 'Bob' always have good matches in recent times and this one was not to disappoint. I was leading 8-7 in the 7th set, but lost the next 4 points therefore the match. The last match of the day was against No.1 William Henzell. Simply, I was smashed. After day 1, I was reasonably happy with 2 wins and 2 losses.

Day two started with the lighting fast Kiet Tran. Before the match I made sure I was 100% mentally ready to go and fired up, I felt like I played exceptional winning a comfortable 4-0. Next up was Trent Carter, another player who I had many great matches with over the years. On this occasion I was outplayed in nearly every aspect of the game. I felt awful during the match and there was not a lot I could do to change. I eventually lost 4-1. The last of matches was against Wade Townsend. At this point in time the result against Wade irrelevant as the bottom two players (Wade being one of them) would be eliminated therefore result would not carry over to the next stage. I was very conscious of my body during this match and didn't want to push myself as I knew the most important was to come. That being said, I don't go out on court to lose. I was mentally tough towards the end of the match and won 4-2. After the end of Day 2, both William Henzell and Robert Frank had qualified as number 1 and 2, and Wade Townsend and Kiet Tran were eliminated as number 7 and 8. That left 4 players which 2 would eventually go through to join William and Robbie at the Oceania Olympic qualifying. My first match was Simon Gerada. I felt this match was tougher than my first with him 2 days prior, but nonetheless I played a tactically smart game and ended up with a 4-2 win. Next was Trent Carter. I had to put the result of yesterday behind me and go with a new game plan. The night before Kyle and I analysed the video and discovered where I was winning and losing points. I came out of the blocks strongly ending up with a 4-0 win. I put this win down to entirely match analysis – its usefulness should never be underestimated. At this stage I knew where it all stood, I needed at least two games against Justin Han to end up as number three. I felt like I played okay but he was too strong and went down 4-1 which meant we were equal therefore a count back was required to see who finished 3rd and 4th behind William and Robbie. We had both won five games each against each other. It came down to points and lucky for me I had three more of them which meant I got the third spot and, by the rules at least, a better chance to qualify for the Olympics than Justin as the order of the Australian Qualifying carried over to the Oceania Qualifying just 2 weeks later. I was extremely happy with the result and couldn't have asked for much more given I was the 6th seed.

I spent the next two weeks preparing and training with both William and Robbie to try to get myself in the best shape possible plus individual sessions with Mark. The first stage had 2 groups of 6 using round robin format then the 2 top from each group progress to semi-final and winners play final then winner becomes the first player to officially qualify for Olympics. I made the final and played William Henzell and started with a good 1st set to get a 10-9 lead, but William played a few good points I ended up losing that set. I felt like from then on, I couldn't be competitive with him during the rallies, he was unbelievably focused and determined to beat me as quick as possible. I lost the match 4-0. That meant I had to go into the second knockout draw as the number 1 seed. I came up against Phillip Ziao in the Semi Final and felt confident as I played him the day before and won 4-0. This time it was a different story, he controlled most of the points and determined the type of match we were having. I did everything I could to change but just wasn't good enough and I went down 4-1. That meant Robert Frank was playing Justin Han in the final on the second knockout. The situation stood like this; Robbie wins and I take the 3rd spot in the Olympic Team, Justin wins, and I miss out. Despite a huge effort from Robbie who gave everything he had, he unfortunately went down 4-2 which meant I had missed out on a spot in the team. I was pretty devastated knowing how much I had put in over the years only to come so close. Guess it's just how the cookie crumbles sometimes! After the finish of the tournament I only had around 5 days until I had to head back to Europe to finish my season, one of which I had to play the Dandenong Open as I had already committed to it. I wasn't really in a frame of mind to compete but I had to pull it together and do my best. I got through to the final okay and came up against former Commonwealth Games team gold medallist Shabji Datta. I played a smart match and managed to win 4-2.

After the finish of the Dandenong Open around 6pm, I had about 3 hours to get home, shower, pack the rest of my things and head to the airport for what seemed like another tirelessly long journey that I was not looking forward to. This was the first time that reality had sunk in – I hadn't qualified for the Olympics and the last thing I wanted to do was sit on a plane back to Europe just so I could get back to a training hall. Fortunately I had many friends and of course my beautiful girlfriend waiting for me in Poland which made things a lot easier to deal with. After I returned I only had a few days in Poland before leaving for the World Team Championships in Dortmund, Germany. The Australian team had a training camp in Dusseldorf a few days prior just to get the players accustomed to the conditions in Europe – which I think definitely helped the teams results. After a few days we travelled to Dortmund and were ready for the start of the championships. I found it particularly hard playing as I was usually placed in the number 2 spot for the Australian Team which meant I normally had to play the number 1 of the other country. We had great results this year, obviously with the spearhead of the team, William Henzell, winning most of his matches and ended up finishing 35th of 120.

After the Worlds I travelled back to Poland and had around 10 weeks to go to finish my matches and play-offs. The matches went generally well and I ended up with a 20-16 win loss record for the entire season which placed me 10th of the leading player list out of 60 players. I was still training hard in the lead up to the Oceania Championships. When I left Poland I headed straight to Fiji, with only a very short stop in Melbourne on the way. I went Rzeszow to Warsaw to Amsterdam to Beijing to Guangzhou to Melbourne to Suva, which ended up being 60hours plus. Needless to say how I felt when I arrived, I actually got sick at the end of my travel so I wasn't feeling too well until the end of the championships. It was absolutely disgusting conditions to play table tennis in Fiji, you could barely hit the ball on the table as it was so humid and there was no friction which made the ball not grip on the rubber. Australia won the U21 Men's Final team event against New Zealand with Kane Townsend being the standout in the match – taking both his matches against Kevin Wu and Phillip Ziou. I beat Kevin also and we had the match 3-2. Australia also won the Men's Team event 3-0 with William Henzell beating John Cordue, Robert Frank beating Phillip Ziou and myself beating Kevin Wu. In the Under 21 singles event, I played well taking out silver in the event. Phillip again was too strong and dealt with the conditions better than I therefore lost 3-0. I had to settle for silver in the singles which was a little disappointing as I had won both the Under 15 (against Phil) and under 18 Oceania junior singles titles. In the men's singles I reached my QF fairly easily where I come up against John Cordue from New Zealand. John has spent the majority of the past 12 months in Germany playing pro league and trying to improve his level and he's a player I respect highly. I felt quite uncomfortable for most of the match but played well and won 4-1. It was a much closer match than the score suggests and I never felt like I had it under control. Up next (SF), Rob Frank, again! I played well, but Robbie's short game and control over the ball allowed him to dictate too many points combined with some dumb tactics from me, I lost a very close 4-2. In the final William ended up winning 4-1 and taking out the prize of \$5000.00 and a spot at the Men's singles Cup later in the year. I returned back to Melbourne a few days later and had a very nice 2-3 day break. I had travelled so much in those few months, I was happy to be back in Melbourne for a few weeks.

Next competition coming up was the Australian Open in just under 3 weeks. In the team event most matches Victoria got through comfortable up until our cross-over Semi Final Queensland. We won 5-1 by memory, and I had two good wins 3-0 against Kane Townsend and 3-2 against brother Wade Townsend. Our final was NSW, and this match was going to be a lot tougher with Justin Han, Chris Yan and Kiet Tran. Victoria had lost in previous couple of years so we were eager to win back the title. First up was Justin Han, in the past I had pretty good results playing Justin early up, particularly in Olympic qualifying. I played well, and ended up winning 3-2 in a tight last set. Next up was Kiet, and I didn't miss too much, it was a fairly comfortable 3-1 win. Last was Chris who I had only played once before and had won. I was outplayed and missed too much to be competitive with him losing 3-0. Overall Victoria won 5-4, so we were very pleased with the result and the title back home.

In the Men's Singles, I had a tough time. I had played so many matches in so many different events my body was really feeling the strain. I came up against Kane Townsend in the round of 16, and I had a 10-7 3-2 lead before losing easy in the 7th. I was really disappointed with this result but credit must be given to Kane. It was a different result in the U21 Men's Singles. I had won the singles title before so wanted to add to my collection. In the Semi, I came up against Dillon Cathcart and played flawlessly with a 4-0 win. In the final, I played up and coming star in Australia Heming Hu. Heming and I practice together on regular basis plus have the same coach so we know each other's game in depth and how we respond to different tactics. I felt like I had the edge mentally and in experience. I jumped to a 2-0 lead before Heming came back strong and took the third. I knew I just had to compose myself and play like I had been training over the past six months. I did, and took the next two sets and match 4-1. After the long week, my shoulder became extremely sore and inflamed so I was glad to take a break from training for a couple of weeks. In fact it was the only break I had for a long time!

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Mark is the half brother of David Powell

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

INTERNATIONAL

OLYMPIC GAMES (July 27 – August 12)

Men's Singles

William Henzell

Won Adam Pattantyus (HUN) 4-1

Won Joao Monterio (POR) 4-2

Lost Vladimir Samsonov (BLR) 4-3

Justin Han

Won Mawussi Agbetoglo (TOG) 4-2

Lost Noshad Alamiyan (IRI) 4-0

Men's Team

(W. Henzell, R. Frank, J.Han)

Lost Singapore 3-0

Women's Singles

Jian Fang Lay

Won Liqia Silva (Brazil) 4-1

Lost Li Xue (France) 4-3

Miao Miao

Won Dana Hadacove (CZE) 4-2

Lost Yi-Hua Huang (TPE) 4-0

Women's Team

(JF Lay, Miao Miao, V. Tan)

Lost Germany 3-0

PARALYMPIC GAMES (August 29 – September 9)

Women's Class 10 Singles

Melissa Tapper

Won Audrey Morvan (FRA) 3-0

Lost Fang Lei (CHN) 3-0

Won Bruna Alexandre (BRA) 3-2

Lost Natalia Partyka (POL) 3-0

Lost Fang Lei (CHN) 3-2

Women's Class 7 Singles

Rebecca Julian

Lost Stephanie Grebe (GER) 3-0

Lost Alicja Eigner (POL) 3-0

Lost Yulia Klymenko (UKR) 3-0

KOREAN JUNIOR & CADET OPEN (August 28 – September 1)

U18 Boys Team

(Dillon Cathcart, David Fielding, Yang Shen)

Lost Chinese Taipei A 3-0

Lost Korea Rep. B 3-0

Lost Korea Rep. D 3-1 (Dillon Cathcart won one match)

U18 Boys Singles

Dillon Cathcart

Lost Minyeok Kim (Korea) 3-0

Lost Ojo Onalapo (Nigeria) 3-0

Lost Daewoo Kim (Korea) 3-0

Lost Wootack Oh (Korea) 3-0

David Fielding

Lost Seokho Kim (Korea) 3-0

Lost Yi-Yao Lai (Taipei) 3-0

Lost Jeongwon Oh (Korea) 3-0

Lost Seyed Pourya Omarani (Israel) 3-0

Yang Shen

Lost Hsuan-Ming (Korea) 3-0

Lost Chan-Hyeok Park (Korea) 3-0

Lost Byeongjun Cha (Korea) 3-1

Lost Claus Neilson (Denmark) 3-0

U18 Boys Doubles

Dillon Cathcart/David Fielding

Lost Minyeok Kim/Sungwon Kim (Korea) 3-0

U15 Boys Singles

Yang Shen

Lost Seungmin Cho (Korea) 3-0

Lost Jeongwon Oh (Korea) 3-0

NATIONAL

AUSTRALIAN OPEN (July 1-7)

Men's Singles

SF – Kang Dong Hoon (Korea) bt Chris Yan 4-2
SF – Lee Jin Kwon (Korea) bt Jang Ho Kim (Korea) 4-1
Final – Kang (Korea) bt Lee (Korea) 4-2

Men's Doubles

SF – Lee/Kang (Korea) bt Schubert/Tunbridge 3-0
SF – Henzell/Frank bt Levis/Fielding 3-1
Final – Lee/Kang (Korea) bt Henzell/Frank 3-1

Mixed Doubles

SF – Kang/Hwang (Korea) bt C.Yan/V.Tan 3-2
SF – Lee/Kim (Korea) bt Kim/Lee (Korea) 3-1
Final – Kang/Hwang (Korea) bt Lee/Kim 3-2

U21 Men's Singles

SF – **David Powell** bt Dillon Cathcart 4-0
SF – **Heming Hu** bt Kane Townsend 4-2
Final – **David Powell** bt **Heming Hu** 4-1

U21 Men's Doubles

SF – **Powell/Hu** bt E.Tsao/D.Fielding 3-1
SF – D.Cathcart/K.Townsend bt N.Van de Heiden/A.Ng 3-0
Final – Cathcart/Townsend bt **Powell/Hu** 3-1

U21 Mixed Doubles

SF – **Powell/Du** bt Z.Cheng/N.Paterson (NZ) 3-0
SF – J.Wong/Lee HJ bt D.Cathcart/V.Bui 3-1
Final – **Powell/Du** bt Wong/Lee 3-2

Women's Singles

SF – Hwang Ji Na (Korea) bt Vivian Tan 4-2
SF – Kim Ming Hee (Korea) bt Mi Jeong Kim (Korea) 4-0
Final – Hwang (Korea) bt Kim (Korea) 4-3

Women's Doubles

SF – Kim/Hwang (Korea) bt Miao/V.Yang (NZ) 3-1
SF – Kim/Lee (Korea) bt V.Tan/Z.Zhang 3-1
Final – Kim/Lee (Korea) bt Kim/Hwang 3-2

U21 Women's Singles

SF – Hwang Ji Na (Korea) bt Kim Min Hee (Korea) 4-1
SF – Lee Hyun Ju (Korea) bt Vicky Yang (NZ) 4-1
Final – Hwang Ji Na (Korea) bt Lee Hyun Ju (Korea) 4-2

U21 Women's Doubles

SF – Kim MH/Lee HJ (Korea) bt C.C.Zhong/V.Bui 3-0
SF – K.Coombs/A.Du bt A.Martin/N.Werner 3-1
Final – Kim MH/Lee HJ bt Coombs/Du 3-0

AUSTRALIAN CLOSED (August 30 – September 2)

Men's Singles

SF – William Henzell bt Chris Yan 4-2
SF – Justin Han bt Robbie Frank 4-0
Final – William Henzell bt Justin Han 4-3

Men's Doubles

SF – Henzell/Frank bt I.Sulfaro/D.Tun 3-1
SF – Townsend/Townsend bt N.Van De Heiden/M.Zenaidee 3-0
Final – Henzell/Frank bt Townsend/Townsend 3-0

Mixed Doubles

SF – Henzell/Miao bt **Powell**/Beaumont 3-1
SF – K.Townsend/P.Campbell-Innes bt W.Townsend/V.Bui 3-0
Final – Henzell/Miao bt K.Townsend/P.Campbell-Innes 3-0

Women's Singles

SF – Stephanie Sang bt Vivian Dederko (Tan) 4-1
SF – Sally (Zi Yu) Zhang bt Miao Miao 4-1
Final – Stephanie Sang bt Sally (Zi Yu) Zhang 4-1

Women's Doubles

Final – Miao/V.Bui bt M.Beaumont/M.Lee 3-1

INTERSTATE

OLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (June 24-29)

U18 Boys Singles

SF – David Fielding bt Naoya Yamamoto 3-1
SF – Jake Duffy bt Ben Houghton 3-1
Final – David Fielding bt Jake Duffy 3-1

U15 Boys Singles

SF – Jake Duffy bt Benjamin Gould 3-0
SF – Ned Freeman bt Oscar Wong 3-0
Final – Jake Duffy bt Ned Freeman 3-0

U13 Boys Singles

SF – Benjamin Gould bt Cong Tran 3-0
SF – Kyle Luthe bt Hayden Green 3-0
Final – Benjamin Gould bt Kyle Luthe 3-0

U18 Girls Singles

SF – Kayla Coombs bt Nathalia Werner 3-0
SF – Jenny Zhang bt Eliza Forster 3-0
Final – Kayla Coombs bt Jenny Zhang 3-2

U15 Girls Singles

SF – Nathalia Werner bt Rebekah Stanley 3-1
SF – Mathilda Alexandersson bt Shania Green 3-1
Final – Nathalia Werner bt Mathilda Alexandersson 3-2

U13 Girls Singles

Final – Mathilda Alexandersson bt Rebekah Stanley

OLD VETERAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (July 28-30)

O30 Men's Singles

SF – Mark Mulley bt Li Xiaoyi w/o
SF – Stephen Mitchell bt Gavin Lane 3-1
Final – Stephen Mitchell bt Mark Mulley 3-0

O40 Men's Singles

SF – Seref Bakanay bt Stephen Mitchell 3-0
SF – Stuart Armstrong bt Anthony Jeffress 3-1
Final – Seref Bakanay bt Stuart Armstrong 3-0

O50 Men's Singles

SF – Stuart Armstrong bt Paul Green 3-0
SF – John Fourro bt Paul Cheung 3-1
Final – Stuart Armstrong bt John Fourro 3-0

O60 Men's Singles

SF – Thomas Samuelsson bt Jerzy Opatrny 3-0
SF – Tony Webb bt John Sherriff 3-0
Final – Thomas Samuelsson bt Tony Webb 3-0

O70 Men's Singles

SF – Frank Erdelyi bt Kenneth Hay 3-2
SF – Ron Hill bt Lionel Hurst 3-1
Final – Ron Hill bt Frank Erdelyi 3-2

O30 Women's Singles

Final – Helen Barnett bt Susanne Alexandersson 3-0

O40 Women's Singles

SF – Andrea McDonnell bt Helen Barnett 3-1
SF – Susanne Alexandersson bt Yuriko Newcombe 3-1
Final – Andrea McDonnell bt Susanne Alexandersson 3-0

O50 Women's Singles

SF – Margaret Kranz bt Karen Smith 3-1
SF – Andrea McDonnell bye
Final – Andrea McDonnell bt Margaret Kranz 3-1

O60 Women's Singles

1st Sisca Fran
2nd Misae Childs
3rd Saci Papp
4th Coral Morgan

O70 Women's Singles

Final – Kay Procter bt Coral Morgan 3-2

Tasmania Open (July 21)

Men's Singles

Final – Ivan Sulfaro bt Ryan Chalmers

U21 Men's Singles

Final – Ivan Sulfaro bt Trent Coad

U18 Boys Singles

Final – Ivan Sulfaro bt Trent Coad

U15 Boys Singles

Final – Ivan Sulfaro bt Xavier Dixon

U13 Boys Singles

Final – Xavier Dixon bt William Wardlaw-Kelly

O30 Men's Singles

Final – Doug McLean bt Ian Weller

O40 Men's Singles

Final – John Lee bt Doug McLean

O50 Men's Singles

Final – John Lee bt Ian Weller

O60 Men's Singles

Final – Doug McLean bt Ian Stennard

O70 Men's Singles

Final – Geoff Benn bt Ian Stennard

O80 Men's Singles

Final – Peter Hole bt Dave Sherman

Women's Singles

Final – Mizuho Shirota bt Madeline Goodsell

U21 Women's Singles

Final – Dawn Weller bt Lauren Bridge-Wright

U18 Girls Singles

Final – Georgina Newton bt Kate Newton

U15 Boys Singles

Final – Madeline Goodsell bt Georgina Newton

U13 Boys Singles

Final – Georgina Newton bt Harshika Herath

O30 Women's Singles

Final – Mizuho Shirota bt Irina Sakova

O40 Women's Singles

Final – Mizuho Shirota bt Judy Bowerman

O50 Women's Singles

Final – Irina Sakova bt Sharon Gathercole

O6 Women's Singles

Final – Chris Hooper bt Margret Gabbedy

O75 Men's Singles

Final – Geoff Benn bt Brian Evans

Butterfly

ACT CLOSED (June 30 & July 1)

Men's Singles

Final – Kim Soon Tan bt Ridhish Arora

Men's Doubles

Final – D.Swanton/B.Harper bt H.Nguyen/C.Tong

Mixed Doubles

Final – Karen Pon/Joe Asgari bt Claire Phillips/Simon Ng

Women's Singles

Final – Karen Pon bt Claire Phillips

Women's Doubles

1st Karen Pon/Chau Giang

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CROYDON OPEN JUNIOR (July 14)

U18 Boys Singles

SF – Dillon Cathcart bt Ivan Sulfaro 4-1
SF – Nathan Van De Heiden bt Dominic Huang 4-0
Final – Dillon Cathcart bt N Van De Heiden 4-0

U15 Boys Singles

SF – Dillon Chambers bt Daniel Zou 4-1
SF – Ivan Sulfaro bt Leon Suy 4-0
Final – Ivan Sulfaro bt Dillon Chambers 4-0

U13 Boys Singles

SF – Atul Shrestha bt Kevin Luong 4-0
SF – Daniel Li bt Dylan Nguyen 4-0
Final – Atul Shrestha bt Dillon Li 4-2

U11 Boys Singles

SF – Dylan Nguyen bt Fergus Haliday w/o
SF – Zaki Zenaidee bt Ethan Lim 3-0
Final – Dylan Nguyen bt Zaki Zenaidee 3-2

CROYDON OPEN VETERANS (July 15)

O40 Men's Singles

SF – Kouros Zirak bt BP Huynh 3-1
SF – Brian Berry bt Phil Websdale 3-1
Final – Brian Berry bt Kouros Zirak 3-2

O50 Men's Singles

SF – BP Huynh bt Jim Kilderry 3-0
SF – David Brand bt Jeff Dever 3-0
Final – David Brand bt BP Huynh 3-0

O60 Men's Singles

SF – Eddie Keung bt Leigh Curson 3-1
SF – Jim Kilderry bt Michael Ede 3-0
Final – Jim Kilderry bt Eddie Keung 3-2

O65 Singles

SF – Martin Solomons bt Michael Ede 3-0
SF – Igor Klaf bt Chris Sykes 3-1
Final – Igor Klaf bt Martin Solomons 3-0

O70 Men's Singles

SF – Igor Klaf bt Chris Sykes 3-0
SF – Buddy Reid bt Peter Fischer 3-2
Final – Igor Klaf bt Buddy Reid 2-1

U18 Girls Singles

SF – Wendy Li bt Sarah Tan 4-3
SF – Sophia Dong bt Catherine Duong 4-0
Final – Wendy Li bt Sophia Dong 4-1

U15 Girls Singles

SF – Sarah Tan bt Wendy Li 4-2
SF – Sophia Dong bt Vanessa Tan 4-0
Final – Sophia Dong bt Sarah Tan 4-2

U13 Girls Singles

SF – Bobo Zhang bt Denise Lim 4-0
SF – Mahi Joshi bt Christina Nguyen 4-0
Final – Mahi Joshi bt Bobo Zhang 4-3

U11 Girls Singles

1st – Michelle Wu
2nd – Tia Donnelly
3rd – Selena Lee
4th – Anna Nguyen

O40 Women's Singles

SF – Mizuho Shiroto bt Vicki Curruthers 3-0
SF – Belgin Bennett bt Debbie Wilson 3-0
Final – Belgin Bennett bt Mizuho Shiroto 3-2

O50 Women's Singles

SF – Roma Chambers bt Xilin Hu 3-0
SF – Vicki Curruthers bt Deniz Yener-Korematsu 3-0
Final – Roma Chambers bt Vicki Curruthers 3-2

O60 Women's Singles

SF – Xilin Hu bt Lois McConnell 3-0
SF – Joan Munn bt Averil Roberts 3-0
Final – Xilin Hu bt Joan Munn 3-2

O75 Singles

SF – Case De Bondt bt Ron Poon 3-0
SF – Will Kong bt Ken Johnson 3-1
Final – Case De Bondt bt Will Kong 3-0

WARRNAMBOOL OPEN SENIOR & JUNIOR (July 21)

Men's Singles

SF – **David Powell** bt Nathan Van De Heiden 3-1
SF – Dillon Cathcart bt **Scott Gilmore** 3-0
Final – **David Powell** bt Dillon Cathcart 3-0

U18 Boys Singles

SF – Dillon Chambers bt Richard Vercoli 3-2
SF – Nathan Van De Heiden bt Derek Tun 3-0
Final – N Van De Heiden bt Dillon Chambers 3-0

U15 Boys Singles

SF – Dillon Chambers bt Kaleb Corlett 3-0
SF – Leon Suy bt Dominic Nguyen 3-0
Final – Dillon Chambers bt Leon Suy 3-2

U13 Boys Singles

SF – Kevin Leong bt **Dylan Nguyen** 3-1
SF – William Zheng bt Zaki Zenaidee 3-2
Final – Kevin Leong bt William Zheng 3-0

U11 Boys Singles

Final – **Dylan Nguyen** bt **Ethan Lim** 3-1

HAMILTON OPEN JUNIOR (July 22)

U18 Boys Singles

SF – Derek Tun bt **Scott Gilmore** 3-0
SF – Nathan Van De Heiden bt James Lew 3-0
Final – Nathan Van De Heiden bt Derek Tun 3-0

U15 Boys Singles

SF – Dillon Chambers bt **Eric Nguyen** 3-0
SF – Kaleb Corlett bt Leon Suy 3-1
Final – Dillon Chambers bt Kaleb Corlett 3-1

U13 Boys Singles

SF – Zaki Zenaidee bt Josh Street 3-0
SF – William Zheng bt **Ethan Lim** 3-1
Final – William Zheng bt Zaki Zenaidee 3-1

Women's Singles

1st – Catherine Duong 4th – Emma Manderson
2nd – Claire Montgomery 5th – Bethany Smith
3rd – Alex Lever

U18 Girls Singles

1st – Catherine Duong 4th – Brittney Taylor
2nd – Ishani Chakrabati 5th – Alex Lever
3rd – Emma Manderson 6th – Bethany Smith

U15 Girls Singles

SF – Catherine Duong bt **Mahi Joshi** 3-1
SF – **Denise Lim** bt Ishani Chakrabati 3-1
Final – Catherine Duong bt **Denise Lim** 3-0

U13 Girls Singles

1st – **Mahi Joshi** 4th – Leann Dumas
2nd – **Denise Lim** 5th – Caitlin Taylor
3rd – **Christina Nguyen**

U18 Girls Singles

SF – Catherine Duong bt **Christina Nguyen**
SF – Brittney Taylor bt Ishani Chakrabati
Final – Catherine Duong bt Brittney Taylor 3-0

U15 Girls Singles

SF – Ishani Chakrabati bt **Christina Nguyen** 3-1
SF – Catherine Duong bt **Mahi Joshi** 3-1
Final – Catherine Duong bt Ishani Chakrabati 3-0

U13 Girls Singles

1st – **Mahi Joshi** 4th – Leann Dumas
2nd – **Christina Nguyen** 5th – Caitlin Taylor
3rd – **Denise Lim**