Scots Tennis

After the conclusion of the 1st week in the 2014 academic year, it was good to see Scots teams playing on Saturday against SHORE. It was great to see our boys take to the court and compete for the first time in the New Year. Following some tightly fought matches, here are a few coach reports on how our boys played.

2nds

Scots Win 10-2

The day got under way with three highly entertaining doubles encounters. The number 1 pairing of Myles Della Cioppa and Arthur Lee played some impressive doubles in their 2 set win. Both boys served well, were solid from the baseline and put away their chances at the net. Adam Malouf and Gyan Ainkaran overcame a rusty start to record a comprehensive straight sets victory. With a combination of well-placed serve and good net play, they proved too strong for their opponents.

The regular combination of Chris Noon and Ethan Hill were clinical in their straight sets demolition of their opponent. The boys know each other’s game well and play to their strengths for a comprehensive win. Adam Malouf produced a thrilling performance in his first singles match for the New Year. His opponent came out firing and played a strong first set as Adam tried to find his rhythm. Adam then re-grouped and came up with some excellent tennis to level the match at one set all. He then went on to win the third set convincingly with a combination of strong serving and attacking groundstrokes paving the way for the victory.

Gyan Ainkaran went the distance in his singles encounter. The first set was a closely fought affair with Gyan just going down. He emphatically turned this around, by not dropping a game in the second set. The third set went down to the wire with both players having opportunities to record a win. Gyan overcame a break of serve
and went on with the job. He held his nerve under pressure and came away with a 7-5 win.

Ethan Hill displayed some big hitting along with deft touch in a comprehensive straight sets victory. He didn't give his opponent a look in during the first set not losing a game with strong all around play. Although the second set was a much closer affair, Ethan managed to stay in control throughout and deserved his win. Chris Noon played a very solid match recording a win in 2 sets. He played consistent tennis from the baseline and kept the pressure on his opponent by limiting his unforced errors whilst his opponent became frustrated with his own errors. It was another strong performance by Chris who is leading the team by example both on and off the court.

It was an excellent performance from the boys in their first encounter of the New Year. It was a good chance to get some much-needed match play under their belts before the resumption of the GPS competition next week.

16s

16s had a solid start to the new season after a long break away. It was great to see the Glengarry boys back in action and performing well. The B’s excelled this week, winning their tie 5-1. The As, Cs & Ds played well and had much closer battles. Stand out performers in singles included:

1) Josh Lui
2) Lachlan Cusick
3) Zac David, and
4) Lachlan Wanford.

Oliver Fleming & Ian Xing also performed well, winning both their doubles and singles rubbers. **Great effort boys!**

15s

In the 15s, it was great to see every player giving their best in their respective matches. The line up of the 15s this Term, is somewhat different, due to the exclusion of several players to Glengarry commitments. The C’s and D’s both lost their ties overall, however Mason and Charlie really stood out with singles victories respectively against some very tough opposition. The A’s and B’s had mixed results. The A’s were dominant with a 4-2 victory.

Lachlan and Nicholas were very impressive in their doubles pairing
as well as their singles matches. Unfortunately the B's went down 5-1, but they did well considering most of the team last Term were competing in the C's. The attendance and punctuality of the team was impressive as well as their uniform presentation. Hopefully with training commencing this week we will see some of that holiday rustiness disappearing quickly.

After a great week 1, we look forward to next week, when we take on St Joseph’s College.

**SCOTS TO THE FORE!**