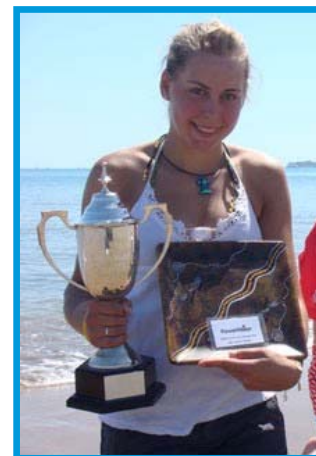


### *Vriens Wins Consecutive ITF Junior Titles*

Girls' top seed, Mia Vriens (Glenorie, NSW) has won her second consecutive ITF Junior Singles title at the 2008 Powerwater Northern Territory Junior ITF. After a tough three set battle against No. 2 seed Monika Wejnert (Qld), Vriens wrapped up the match in 99 minutes. The win is Vriens' second title in a row, after winning the Powerwater 18/U Darwin ITF Junior Championships the week before. Mia has now achieved a career high Junior ITF ranking of 157.

Jarryd Chaplin (Longueville, NSW) was too good for Queenslander Benjamin Mitchell, taking out the Boy's Singles Final, winning in straight sets 6-3 7-5, in a match lasting 106 minutes. The win was Chaplin's first on the ITF Junior circuit. Chaplin, who recently moved to QLD to train with the National Academy, is a member of the Optus Junior Davis Cup Team.



### *Sydney's Ben Weekes has French Open success...*

In the first recorded NEC Wheelchair Tour match between Weekes and third seed Ronald Vink (NED), the Australian seventh seed produced arguably his best result of the season as he secured a comfortable 6-3, 6-2 quarterfinal win over world No 8 Vink. Weekes went on to play top seed and defending champion Stephane Houdet (FRA). Weekes fought hard and pulled up just short 6-2, 6-3 in the semi finals.

Ben has now moved his world ranking up to 12.

Ben trains at Sydney Olympic Park Tennis Centre and is coached by Kathy Fahim. Tennis NSW congratulates Ben and Kathy on their achievements.



### *Metropolitan Hardcourt Championships Results*

Held across 3 different venues, and with over 700 entrants, the Metropolitan Hardcourt Championships again showcased some of the State's up and coming talent in the junior field, while those more experienced men and women, battled it out in the Opens field. Please join us in congratulating the following Singles winners from Sydney Metropolitan:

**Boys 12/U**

Jordan Smith (Castle Hill)

**Boys 14/U**

Chris O'Connell (Sydney)

**Boys 18/U**

Aaron Clissold (Ruse)

**Open Mens**

Kyle Stoker (Ryde)

**Girls 12/U**

Chanelle Naumovska (Georges Hall)

**Girls 16/U**

Katherine Westbury (Rydalmere)

**Girls 18/U**

Ayana Kobayashi (Epping)

**Open Womens**

Holly Cao (Bexley)



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### *Laughter is the Best Medicine*

Sydney Olympic Park Tennis Centre provided some relief for those children currently undergoing treatment for Cancer, when Camp Quality visited the Centre in July. Through the activities arranged, these kids were able to escape the hospital environment for the day, with family and friends equally appreciating the break.

Activities on the day included tennis skills and games, Tennis Hot Shots, a visit from Phizz the Dinosaur, a tour of the Australian Tennis Museum and the highlight, a tour of and the opportunity to hit on Centre Court.

Two lucky children who have been through some rough times of late, both received a free term's coaching at the Tennis Centre, as a result of the enormous amount of potential they possessed on the tennis court.



### *School Holiday Fun in Parramatta*

Parramatta City Tennis Courts, played host to over 80 kids during the July School Holidays, as part of a FREE Tennis Clinic - an initiative of Parramatta City Council.

The kids were treated to a variety of activities and games, providing them with an insight and introduction into tennis. As well as learning the various skills involved, the kids were also given the opportunity to put it all into practice on the Hot Shots courts. Ranging in age from 5 to 12 years old, the activities ensured maximum participation and maximum enjoyment.

The 2 hour clinic proved extremely popular with the local community, and all participants were presented with a certificate and informed of their opportunity to further their tennis career through Parramatta Tennis.



### *New State Coaches - National Academy*

**John Thompson** has newly been appointed to the position of National Academy (NA) Sydney - State Coach. In this role John will be responsible for the delivery of programs, projects and operational targets for the NA Non Scholarship program. As the NA State Coach, John will consult with the NA Commercial Manager to deliver the National Training Philosophy and supporting underpinning programs.

**Darren Moore** has also been recently appointed to take up the position of National Academy (NA) Sydney - Assistant State Coach. In this role Darren will be responsible for assisting John in delivering the NA program and services in particular the NA Night Program and 12/U Program.



### *Free tennis... Whenever you want. Wherever you want.*

The Challenge Ladder is a brand new concept to hit Metro Sydney and has been designed with you in mind and it costs nothing to be a part of this great concept. Players simply challenge other players via the website, with the cost of court hire and balls split between the two players. Kicking off in April 2008, the challenge ladder already has over 90 participants, coming representing a wide range of Suburbs throughout Sydney. Check out [www.thechallengeladder.com](http://www.thechallengeladder.com)



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## Coaching Opportunities – Sydney Metropolitan

There are plenty of coaching opportunities currently available within Metropolitan Sydney. These include:

- Jensen's Tennis Centre
- Sydney University
- Canterbury Bankstown Tennis Association
- Tiny Tots Tennis – St George area

For further information on these and other positions follow the link below:  
<http://www.tennis.com.au/pages/default.aspx?id=20&pageId=11823>



## Bakers Delight – Top Sports Grant

Local sporting clubs right across Australia have the chance to receive a \$2,500 Top Sports Grant. The funds could be used to purchase new equipment or put towards new or upgrading facilities. From Thursday 24 July, customers can nominate a local sports club when they purchase any Savoury Scroll at Bakers Delight. Every nomination goes into the draw to score a Top Sports grant.

The more nominations, the greater your sports club's chance to win. So hurry into Bakers Delight, you've only got until **August 20th!**

**To find out more** check out

<http://www.bread4health.com.au/cms/document.php?objectID=895>. Download the poster and get your members/customers to lodge a vote for your club.



## Helping Kids and Communities Get Active...

The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) are giving Tennis Clubs the perfect opportunity to attract more junior members by becoming involved in their Active After-school Communities (AASC) program. Coaches, clubs, volunteers, players and parents involved at any club are all able to run the program. Deliverers will also receive FREE training and will have the ability to borrow equipment kits from Tennis NSW. This is a great opportunity to promote your tennis club and tennis as a sport for everyone!

For more information on the AASC program, please go to:

[http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/schools\\_and\\_juniors/aasc](http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/schools_and_juniors/aasc)



## Upcoming Events for Metro...

17 <sup>th</sup> Aug	<b>Eastern Suburbs Junior Round Robin Series</b> (Da Silva's)
17 <sup>th</sup> Aug	<b>Sydney Olympic Park Round Robin Series (12/U)</b>
20 <sup>th</sup> Aug	<b>Bakers Delight Sports Grant nominations</b> close
24 <sup>th</sup> Aug	<b>Sydney Olympic Park Round Robin Series (14/U)</b>
31 <sup>st</sup> Aug	<b>Eastern Suburbs Junior Round Robin Series</b> (Da Silva's)
31 <sup>st</sup> Aug	<b>Sydney Olympic Park Round Robin Series (10/U)</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<b>HEAD Twilight Series #7</b> (Sydney Olympic Park)
13 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<b>HEAD Twilight Series #8</b> (Sydney Olympic Park)

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