



Day 5, Friday, only saw Australia featuring in four matches, in which only one was victorious. Judy Hancy's 65s Women had a 3-0 win against Sweden, with Marilyn Davis winning 4 and 2, Judy in 3 sets, and the Doubles pair Bev Eddington and Kim Blackburne taking the Doubles decider in 3 sets, 3/6 6/4 6/4. It's been a good week for the pair, winning 4 of their 5 matches! The team will finish in 7th place. Their Men's counterparts (Britannia Cup) had a tough one, meeting the top seeds USA, going down 3-0. Lee Taylor made Hugh Thomson work for the 2nd set, going down 10-8 in the Tie breaker. Jimmy Parker made short work of Peter Keller 1 and 1, and the Doubles went to the Americans 6/2 6/0. They will play off on Saturday for 3rd or 4th place against Switzerland, who went down to France in a Doubles decider. It should be a close encounter.

The Gardner Mulloy team will face Spain on Saturday, and the 75s (Bitsy Grant) will play for 3rd/4th against Austria. Our Crawford Cup team has no more matches, and will take 5th place. In the von Cramm Cup, with 23 teams, our guys have struggled against very talented opposition, and will play off for 17th/18th position. Friday's match was against Belgium, which they lost 2-1. Neville Rodwell went down 6/4 6/7 2/6, while Roger Davey had a 4/6 7/5 7/5 win. The Doubles decider went 7/6 (8) 5/7 5/7 - John Stark and Ray West going down to Claude Bergman and Yves Lambert, plenty of tennis in that one! They will play Poland on Saturday for position 17.

In the Alice Marble Cup our team plays Great Britain for 3rd/4th and the Althea Gibson (W70s) will finish third, having won through to the #1 playoff group. Their match today was against USA, which they lost 3-0. Bobbie Edwards went down to Dori deVries 1 and 2, Nola lost to Donna Fales 1 and love, and the Doubles pair of Norma McGhie and Jill Taylor went down fighting against Marie Graham and Carol Wood, 6/7 4/6. USA meets Germany for the Cup.

One thing is certain, the USA is in a strong position with its Super Seniors – they have teams in every Final

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