



Play continues at Ashburton and Timaru

In the Tony Trabert Cup (men's 40), the guys continued their winning form, with Martin Richards winning in straight sets 63 62, against Jean-Guy Sauve and Brett Patten untroubled to defeat the Canadian #1, Joachim Nierfeld 64 60. Paul Kleverlaan and Chris O'Mara sealed an emphatic win by taking the Doubles 61, 63 defeating J-G Sauve and Richard Mainella. A 3-0 win to Australia.

In the Austria Cup (men's 55), against Ireland, Rodney Wurtz defeated Jimmy Wilson 64 62, with Glenn Busby have a comfortable 62 60 win over Noel Sheridan. Glenn and Gary paired in the Doubles to defeat Neagle Cathcart and Robin Gibney 63 62, to make it a clean sweep, 3-0.

Our women's 35s in the Susan Lenglen Cup played a strong Great Britain team with Lucie Ahl taking no time to dispose of Karen Pearce 60 60, and Karen Cross in the #1 Singles defeated Karen Kleverlaan, 61 64. Michelle Leyden and Juliann Jacobsen went down in the Doubles to Lizzie Jelfs and Michelle Oldham 26 36. It's very strong competition here!

In the Maria Esther Bueno (women's 50), Ros Balodis continued on her winning way with another 60 60 win, while Kerrie Douglas was also untroubled to win 61 60. The two played the Doubles which they won 60 60. That's a rather imposing scoreline against Sweden 3-0, with the loss of only 1 game. The Swedes were Ann-Sofie Sternas, Petra Tedroff and Lisbeth Andersson.

In the Maureen Connolly, Australia was up against New Zealand today, with both Singles going to Australia. Robin Walker defeated Victoria Kerrison 6 4 6 3, while Lyn Mortimer beat Lynette Duncan 6 1 6 3 to secure the win. Robin played the Doubles with Sara Goddard and they went down to a talented pair, Sandy Tritt and Victoria Kerrison 4 6 4 6. Australia 2-1. Australia (4) will face #3 seeds, France tomorrow.

The players were invited to a meeting with the ITF yesterday, and the decision was made to cancel the Individual events. It will be remarkable if they can keep playing this week, with after-shocks being felt in many areas.

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