

# 2009 Australian Masters Squash Championships, Melbourne

## Week 1

Tasmania was represented by 14 finely tuned, groomed and dedicated squash players in the Individual Championships with some fine and outstanding results.

Womens 45 - 49	Div 2	Runner-up Plate	Elaine Boxhall, Hobart
		Runner-up Consolation	Lizzie Harper, Hobart
Womens 55 - 59	Open	Winner	Gaye Mitchell, Hobart
Womens 55 - 59	Div 2	Runner-up	Christine Harris, Devonport
		4th place	Judy Fox, Hobart
Womens 60 - 64	Div 2	Winner	Jan Hopkins, Devonport
		Runner-up Plate	Julie Smith-Kingston, Devonport
Womens 65 - 69	Div 2	Winner	Sue Poulton, Deloraine
Mens 55 - 59	Open	3rd place	Michael Brown, Hobart
Mens 55 - 59	Div 3	Runner-up	George Kovacs, Hobart
Mens 60 - 64	Div 2	Special Plate Winner	Eddie Carmichael, Hobart

Congratulations and well done to these players, and also to Steve Adams, Sandra Fogarty and John Champ for their participation in their respective events.

As you can see, all levels of squash ability and grading are catered for in these tournaments. We are looking forward to a bigger number of Tasmanians competing in both the individual and team's events when we host the championships in Hobart next year. (**DEVIL'S DEN 2010**)

## Week 2

Let the fun begin ..... 15 teams from Tasmania (the largest travelling contingent to ever leave our shores) competed in 13 divisions, each of 6 teams with 23 divisions in total (over 400 players).

We came away with 3 winning teams:

Div 10 - Simon Murphy, Trevor Dooley, Peter Edwards

Div 14 - John Jeffrey, Robbie Slade, Jan Watson

Div 18 - Kym Hancock, Annie Baker, Julie Smith-Kingston

5 runners up:

Div 9 - George Kovacs, Eddie Carmichael, Rod Stacey

Div 12 - Christine Harris, Vicki Fox, Wendy Ashley

Div 21 - Rachel Roberts, Sue Poulton, Margaret McLachlan

Div 22 - Lizzie Harper, Elaine Boxhall, Jane O'Brien

Div 23 - Marcus Kinghorn, Sandra Fogarty, Linda Pattison

and 3 third placed teams. 11 of 15 in the top half of their divisions - not bad from our small state - eh!!!

One of the highlights of our trip to Melbourne was Tuesday evening's "Wrinklies Revue" where our DEVIL'S DEN 2010 skit inviting all states and players to come to Tassie next year went off a treat. Appears we topped the acts from the other states yet again. Well done team and thanks to Pete and Lizzie for pulling it all together.

Finally, on behalf of all, we congratulate Gaye Mitchell on her success with the Australian test team and their 3 - 0 win in the test series against the best from New Zealand. Gaye won her 3 matches 3 - 1, 3 - 0, 3 - 1.

Well done Gaye, we are very proud of you.

***For and on behalf of  
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