

A little about Country Week 2023 Yarrawonga

Country week started 41 years ago. It is the largest grass court tournament in the world, held in February each year at various country Vic towns. Extremely well organised by Tennis Victoria and a merry band of local volunteers. This year, due to flood damage in Mooroopna/Shepparton, the event was moved to Yarrawonga.

There were:

- 101 grass courts (23 permanent courts and 78 temporary courts after the transformation of 2 ovals)
- 205 teams (119 female teams and 86 male teams)
- Total of 1,293 players
- 26 grades

Many ladies and teams from our WDTA-mwl competition have attended this tournament over the years, hence in 2023 it was decided to fully support our Victorian country towns by arranging a bye within our competition (hence extending our comp one week longer than normal).

In addition to our other regular Country Week participants, one of our section 3 teams decided to enter for the first time this year. The ladies all reported that the tennis was competitive but fun and played in good spirit. The team arrived Sunday PM and stayed for 5 nights. They stated it was lovely having a week away with the team and to meet so many people from all over Victoria who they hope to meet up with again next year. A few venues also organize special fun evenings – eg: Western Night & White Night.

The next Tennis Vic Country Week will be held **in Albury/Wodonga 11th-16th February 2024**. If you are interested in coming accommodation needs to be booked very early due to high demand. Our Sect 3 ladies stated: “We would highly recommend the whole experience. If you would like to hear more about the tennis, or the fun we had, feel free to have a chat to us.”

WDTA-MWL hope you will support our Victorian country towns by attending this tournament in 2024. Do have the discussion within your teams.

Some pics from the Sect3 ladies fun tennis week away.....

"The Drop Shot Divas" Section C2 (Janet, Joy, Chris, Lisa, Jenny & Meredith).

