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2009 Inter Secondary Schools Tennis Competition



Immaculate Conception High – Girls Winner



Campion College – Boys Winner



Most Valuable Player (Boys) Ramone Doyley receives his trophy from Mr. Errol Miller, LIME Regional Vice President Corporate Communications



Most Valuable Player (Girls) Michaelann Denton receives her trophy from Mr. Errol Miller, LIME Regional Vice President Corporate Communications

As the curtain came down on the Finals of the LIME Inter-secondary Schools Tennis Competition Immaculate Conception and Campion College were crowned national champions over Wolmer's Girls [5-2] and Wolmer's Boys [7-0], respectively.

In the Boys' Final, # 1 seed Ramone Doyley [CAM] make light work of Audi Smith [WOL] 6-0, 6-0. Andrew Bicknell [CAM] turn back the hard hitting Corey Richmond 6-0, 3-1 retired after suffering from blisters to his feet, #3 seed Ceran Messam [CAM] took the sting and flair away from Alex Anderson to put the match out of the reach of the Wolmerians with a 6-4, 6-0 beating, while Kristov Gayle [CAM] also got by Kareem Flowers [WOL] to take a 4-0 lead going into the doubles.

Campion College took all three doubles 6-2 6-4, 6-4 0-6 9-7 and 3-6 6-2 8-6 to finish off a white wash. The Wolmer's Boys can count themselves unlucky after they had match points in two of the doubles ties.

In the Girls Section, things were a little different as defending champion Immaculate were made to work a little over time. They started the tie well with #1 seed Michealann Denton [Immac] going up against the ever reliable #1 player of Wolmer's Phadria Kepple, while #2 seeds Sonam Khemlani [Immac] and Sarah Orrett [WOL] did battle.

Immaculate came out winners in both singles as Orrett was the first to surrender under the pressure 7-5 6-2 while Kepple fought hard and long to go down also in straight sets 6-2 6-2, Kalisse Kelly however gave Wolmer's a glimmer of hope when she got by Serena Harjani 6-0 6-4, but Immaculate hit back immediately with Megan Viera who got by Analise Moseley 6-2 6-1 for a 3-1 overall lead going into the doubles tie.

The doubles started out well for Wolmer's with Kelly teaming with Moseley to get by the Khemlanis [Anisha and Sonam] in straight sets 7-6 [6] 6-1. However, Immaculate continued their dominance to take the other two doubles to close out the match for a third straight title.

Ramone Doyley of Campion and Michealann Denton of Immaculate were again voted most valuable player after both won all their matches throughout the tournament.

Irwin High from St. James was named the Most Improved Team while Montego Bay High for Girls' was voted Most Disciplined for the third year.

The competition was well attended. LIME's Regional Vice President Corporate Communications Mr. Errol Miller made presentations and said that he was pleased with the level of play and the blossoming of the competition over the past years.

LIME has been the title sponsor for the last fifteen years.

Mr. Miller was recognised for his sterling contribution to the development of tennis over the years and a presentation was made to him by Nayo Morgan who had also played in the tournament in the early years.

Tennis Jamaica wants to extend gratitude to all who contributed to the success of

November / December 09 Issue the championship; LIME, Pepsi Bottling Co through their Gatorade brand, Jamaica Producers, Mayberry Investments, Mrs. Charmaine Chin-Loy and the staff of Tennis Jamaica.



JAMAICANS PLAYING IN FLORIDA

Six of Jamaica's male juniors competed in the prestigious Eddie Herr International Junior Tennis Championship on Friday November 27, 2009 at the IMG Bolleiteiri Tennis Academy in Bradenton, Florida has had mixed results:

In the **Boys Under 18** competition Brandon Burke who is currently ranked at number 113 on the ITF World Junior Rankings scored an upset in a hard fought dog fight against Alexis Carlos (Mexico) who is ranked 79th. Brandon won the first set 7-6 then lost his footing in the 2nd set and went down 2-6, but overcame bronchitis with sheer determination and focus to take the 3rd set 6-1. Brandon lost in the second round to the #30 ITF ranked and 6th seed Arthur De Greef of Belgium who also beat one of the top Americans Frederick Saba.

In the **Boys Under 12** Division the tallawah Andrew Bicknell defeated Alexi Popirin of Austria in a first round 3 set match 6-2, 6-7, 6-4 and then went on to defeat Andres Andradi of Ecuador 7-6, 6-3. In his 3rd round despite having 6 set points he lost to Sora Fukoda of Japan 7-6, 7-5. In the same division Luke Therrien was defeated by Arturs Lazdins of Latvia in the first round 6-1, 6-1.

In the **Boys 14 Category** Daniel Harris lost to James Elliot of Great Britain 6-3, 6-2 while Simon Levy lost to Andres Afonso of Venezuela 6-0, 6-1, both in the 1st round.

In the **Boys 14 Qualifying** Ryan Simms got a bye in the 1st round and lost in the 2nd round to Ryota Tanuma of Japan 4-6, 2-6.



TENNIS JAMAICA ROOKIE TOURNAMENT



L-R Richard Barnett Runner-up & Myles Harrison Winner 2009 Rookie Tournament

The first ever Rookie Junior Tennis Tournament was held at the Eric Bell Tennis Center on December 5, 2009. The one day event brought together 33

entry level players, ages 8-10 years, who eagerly competed for the Rookie Trophy. The event was very successful as the junior players for the first time had an opportunity to experience competitive play in a formal setting. This move by Tennis Jamaica is to develop and bring new players into the game of tennis.

The tournament was won by Myles Harrison who defeated Richard Barnett 6-2 for the championship.

Tennis Jamaica plans to host these tournaments once per quarter as part of its junior development programme.

The Florida section of USTA which hosts these types of tournaments on a regular basis has expressed interest in working with Tennis Jamaica to have its Florida players participate in these local events in the future.



EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTION



Cross Keyes Team Captain receiving on behalf of the Team, racquets & balls from National Tennis Director, Douglas Burke during the LIME Inter-Secondary Schools Tennis Competition

Tennis Jamaica continues to assist schools whenever possible with their equipment needs through the donation of racquets & balls (new & used) sourced from tennis friends in the United States and Canada, and also from the International Tennis Federation.

These equipment when received are distributed to the over 70 schools who are members of Tennis Jamaica.

Equipment was distributed to schools who participated in the LIME inter-Secondary Schools Tennis Competition in November.



2009 Guardian Life All Girls Development Junior Tournament

Guardian Life continued its seven (7) year support for tennis in Jamaica by sponsoring the second leg of its 2009 All Girls Junior Tennis Championship which was held at The Liguanea Club on October 31st and November 1st.

Guardian Life's commitment to the participants was matched only by the intensity and focus of the girl's performance. The results were:

Girls Winner	18	Sicquena Sinclair	4-6 6-4 7-6(2)
Girls Runner up	18	Shantal Blackwood	
Girls Winner	14	Michaelann Denton	6-3 6-3
Girls Runner up	14	Phadria Kepple	



PETCOM Open Junior Tennis Championship



Winners of the PETCOM Open Junior Tennis Championship along with (L-R) Douglas Burke National Tennis Director, Mr. Craig Plunkett, PETCOM representative and Llockett McGregor, Tournament Director

The Petroleum Company of Jamaica (Petcom) has for the past eleven years through their corporate sponsorship risen to their expectations and have contributed to the development of junior players across the island by way of this annual tournament. The Petcom Open Junior Tennis Championship was held at the Liguanea Club on December 18 – 20, 2009.

This tournament is a part of Tennis Jamaica's National Junior Ranking and is sanctioned by the governing body. The winners and runners up in each category earned points towards their national ranking as well as other prizes presented by Petcom.

Boys Winner	18	Camarsh Crumbie	4-6, 6-7 (7-4)
Boys Runner up	18	Ramone Doyley	
Boys Winner	16	Horatio Ludford	7-6(7), 2-6, (7-3)
Boys Runner up	16	Alex Anderson	

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Boys Winner	14	Alex Anderson	6-1, 6-1
Boys Runner up	14	Jonathan Goldson	
Boys Winner	12	Dimitri Bird	2-6, 6-4, (7-3)
Boys Runner up	12	Kyle Martin	

Girls Winner	18	Shantal Blackwood	6-4, 1-6 (10-8)
Girls Runner up	18	Sicquena Sinclair	
Girls Winner	14	Shadae Findley	6-7(5), 7-5, (7-5)
Girls Runner up	14	Shellita Haughton	
Girls Winner	12	Shae-Ann Kamika	6-2, 6-3
Girls Runner up	12	Shaeda Nickle	



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End of Year 2009 Rankings

(Based on tournament results Jan - Dec 2009)

Boys

Age Category	Player	Points
18 & Under	Camarsh Crumbie	440
16 & Under	Daniel Harris	470
14 & Under	Alex Anderson	420
12 & Under	Roger Lyn	500

Girls

Age Category	Player	Points
18 & Under	Sicquena Sinclair	455
16 & Under	Shelita Haughton	365
14 & Under	Shadae Findlay	370
12 & Under	Olyvia Chin	365

The above ranking is based on tournaments held January – December 2009. Visit our website at www.tennisjamaica.com for more information.



Tennis Jamaica wishes you all the best for 2010!!!

Keep checking www.tennisjamaica.com for updated Calendar of Events!