

WINDY NEWS

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Welcome to the first weekend of the Ulster Hardcourts. The sun is shining – just about – (elicitors note: this part was written yesterday!) and the office is officially open for business and looking forward to some good tennis and some great gossip!

New this year are the Novice Events which have brought us some previously unseen talent. Graham Bell has already been spotted perusing the Under 14 girls novice draw in an effort to plan his campaign as he knows his best chance is with those who don't know him yet.

FITZ FIVE FANCIES

Girls are outplaying the boys in Dublin 4 this week with the only Ulster singles hopes still in the Irish Open all being female. The fab five – Laura, Katie, Megan, Lynsey and Emily – are all in semis and causing us major scheduling problems here. Not because they are unavailable but because a small male posse are heading south to support them. Led by Larne Lothario Ryon Dunbar. Katie seems to be a draw for Ross McCarey who we are told is even going to change his shirt for the trip – now that really must be love. As for who Ben McAllister is going down to watch well no one knows the answer to that as the strong silent type is an under statement in his case. Ross McFaul is his only confidant we understand and the only clue he has given us is having a strong liking for M & M sweets this summer

PADDY SAVAGED IN OPENING DAY

Local heart-throb Paddy Bell fell at the first post in his opening U18 match yesterday. Conor Savage laid to rest Paddy's hopes of progressing in a three set thriller on court one watched by Mr Bells adoring U14 fan base. Mr Savage did offer a piece of advice for his opponent – “bin the straightners – natural waves are the way to go. Paddy's hopes of success now lie in the Under 16s draw – “I'll be back” he assures his fans. “I definitely want to be here next week so there's no chance of me ‘jacking’ it in.”

BLEASE DUN OUT

Colourful character Michael Blease was another victim of first day disasters as he lost his three set encounter with Larne's Ryon Dunbar. In the battle of the fashion disasters the David Beckham wannabe saw of the multi coloured maniac with sheer determination and willpower – Mr Blease was too depressed to comment afterwards but Mr Dunbar modestly told us “I was awesome. Simple as that. If this form continues I'll be off to Claires Accessories for another diamond.”

ADAM'S GENESIS

Adam Walmsley scored a major first yesterday as he finally won a first round match in an open tournament after 5 attempts. It took 2 hours and 56 mins to win 17-

15 in the third set tiebreak. His opponent Kieran Robbin was worn down in the end by the 48 stroke rallies and Adams tenacious desire to avoid the plate. However the most astounding thing was that Adam achieved this with a cracked racket and a broken string – those of you who blame your rackets for losing please note.



PADDY IN PINK

A very youthful paddy bell asked us to put this photo of him in again from a past issue of the Windy news. “The ‘law’ is that I must have a photo in the Windy news every year” but with his growing fan club he didn't have time to get any new photos this year.

News update: Apparently Paddy is resurrecting this outfit for the pyjama party tonight. Keep an eye out in the next issue for more details of this party!

FASHION POLICE

Ryon Dunbar – David Beckham is the only man who looks cool in a diamond earring – no one else.

Ross McCarey – Again please change your clothes and your cap. We hear you even went clubbing in that nike shirt.

Michael Blease – It's shoes and handbag which are supposed to match not shoes and hair.

Alex Fowler – Hollister will never be A&F

QUOTES

“What's that?”

~ Matthew McClurg ~

(speaking about the girls match on court 1)

“Can I call Lucy McCormack?”

~ Cormac Meehan ~

“Its so unusual to see tennis players with clothes on”

~ Jackie Muldoon ~

(Lurgan must be a very interesting tennis club!)

“I will not permit Ross McFaul to win”

~ Darragh McCullough ~

“Can you scratch Olivia Jackson?”

~ Joanne Law ~