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Scarbro Caro Bowl 2019 Round 2

Men Pool A

After two rounds of pool play Cockle Bay and Karaka have secured semi-final spots and are tied at the top of the table on 14 points. Cockle Bay managed a reasonably comfortable win over Royal Oak with the only loss coming in the bottom singles where seasoned campaigner Andrew Allan beat Matt Shearer in a tight three set match. James Meredith at number one led the Cockle Bay side with wins in doubles and singles. Karaka's match against Bucklands Beach was played indoors due to bad weather with the defending champs ousting the newly promoted Bucklands Beach team 5-1. Dayne Kelly made his first appearance for Karaka at number one and after a sluggish start he easily beat Nick Beamish. Karaka and Cockle Bay will go head to head next week to decide the pool winner.

Men Pool B

Next Gen and Blockhouse Bay have played their way into the last four by winning second round pool games over the weekend. Next Gen top the table on 15 points with the Bay side 3 points further back. Next Gen had a strong 5-1 win over Eden Epsom on the hardcourts with the big surprise coming from Matt Alexander (E and E) who defeated NZ Davis Cup debutant Rhett Purcell in the top singles. Blockhouse Bay opened its account against Remuera by claiming both doubles matches before going on to split the 4 singles matches. Alex Klintcharov played well to beat George Stoupe in the feature singles.

Women Pool A

Royal Oak easily secured a spot in the semis after a routine victory against Blockhouse Bay. Even without Leela Beattie at number one, Royal Oak were too good for their opposition on the night. Parnell bounced back from an opening round loss last week to claim both doubles rubbers against Kohi to take an early 2-0 lead. They finished off a 4-2 win by taking the top two singles matches. Next weeks matches will determine which team joins Royal Oak in the semis with only one point separating three teams after 2 rounds of pool play action.

Women Pool B

Bucklands Beach maintained its 100% winning record and secured a semi-final berth by downing Pompallier 6-0 on Friday night. All matches were won in straight sets but most impressive was Julia Sim who won her singles and doubles rubbers with the loss of only four games in total. Sunnyhills secured a semi-final place by defeating the Campbell Park side 5-1 on Sunday in a match that was played indoors at Scarbro Tennis Centre. Bucklands Beach and Sunnyhills face off for top honours in this pool next week.

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