



# The Australian Davis Cup Tennis Foundation News

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## Australia defeats Slovakia 3-0 to stay in World Group



**Following on from the ties in Darwin and Melbourne the Davis Cup returned to Sydney at the Ken Rosewall Arena in Sydney Olympic Park on 16-18 September for a World Group play-off match against Slovakia where a decisive 3/0 victory returned Australia to the World Group in 2017.**

The draw for this round has been announced and Australia has been drawn to play the fourth seeded Czech Republic in a home tie the weekend following the Australian Open, 03-05 February 2017, where a win will place Australia into the World Group Quarter Finals on the 07-09 April against the winner of Switzerland (seeded 5) and the United States.

It is expected Tennis Australia will announce the venue for our next match during November and the Foundation will again provide ticketing, accommodation and travel to the tie in conjunction with Bentleigh Travel.

The return of Nick Kyrgios and Bernard Tomic in singles and the combination of Sam Groth and John Peers in doubles, coupled with Lleyton Hewitt as Coach and the strong support of John Millman and James Duckworth, places Australia in a strong position to do well in 2017.



# Argentina and Croatia face off in Davis Cup Final

Argentina will try to put the failure of past Davis Cup campaigns behind it when it lines up against Croatia on 25-27 November hoping to secure its first title in its fifth finals appearance in Davis Cup.

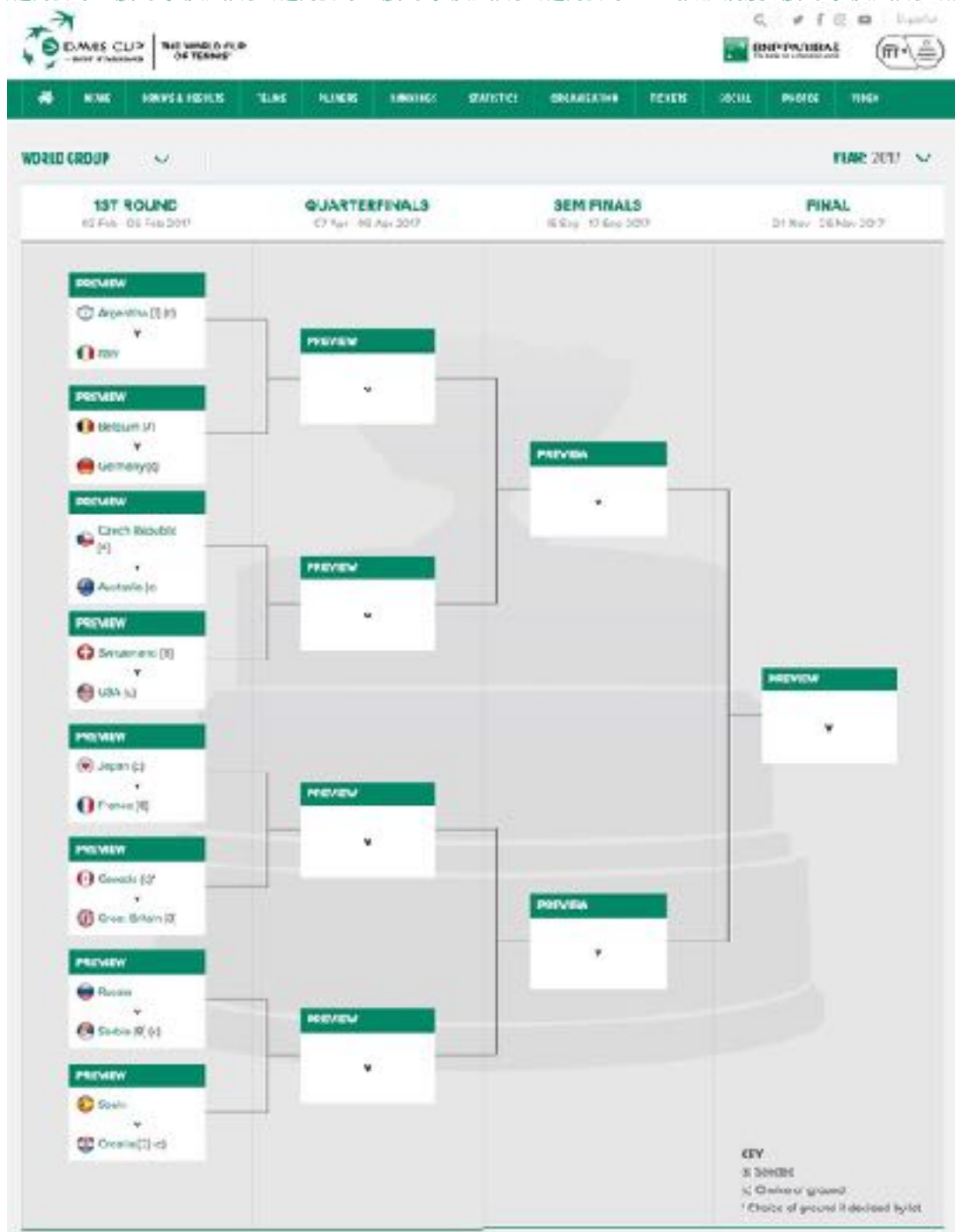
The Argentinians, who previously lost in the finals in 1981, 2006, 2008 and 2011, have another shot at the trophy after scoring a thrilling 3-2 win over defending champion Great Britain.

Croatia advanced to the Davis Cup final for only the second time with an unassailable 3-1 lead over the French. Croatia won the title in 2005.



*Argentina celebrate their victory over Great Britain.*

## 2017 DAVIS CUP DRAW



## Our Davis Cup Dinner at Sydney tie

The Foundation hosted a Davis Cup dinner at the Novotel Hotel on the Saturday night of the tie.

Everyone was in a jovial mood as Australia had just clinched the tie 3-0 and special guest Tennis Australia President Steve Healy gave an informative impromptu speech to open the proceedings.

This was followed by a hotly contested Davis Cup trivia quiz hosted by Rob Hinton which was greatly enjoyed by everyone.

Surprisingly the table with Neale Fraser, Ken Rosewall and Steve Healy on it only tied for first and lost the play-off to table "Rod Laver" whose members each went away with a bottle of champagne.

Our thanks to Anna White and Robert Parker who were the main organisers of this very successful function.



*Steve Healy entertains the audience.*



*Table "Rod Laver" celebrate their win in the trivia competition.*

## ADCTF Junior Membership - New initiative

The ADCTF Board, at its meeting on 26 July, decided to introduce a Junior Membership category with the view to expanding the member base and encouraging some youthful interest in Davis Cup tennis.

The Junior Membership fee will be \$40 p.a. and will provide similar benefits available to full members including ground passes to the Australian Open and a free cap. Members should consider offering Junior Membership as a present to young members of their family aged 20 and under.



## Australian Open 2017 Tickets

Applications for AO 2017 tickets have now closed.

We expect that tickets and ground passes to the AO 2017 purchased through the Foundation will be mailed out on Monday 12th December.

## AO Luncheon tickets selling fast.

Join us to celebrate the Davis Cup victories of 1964 and 1965.

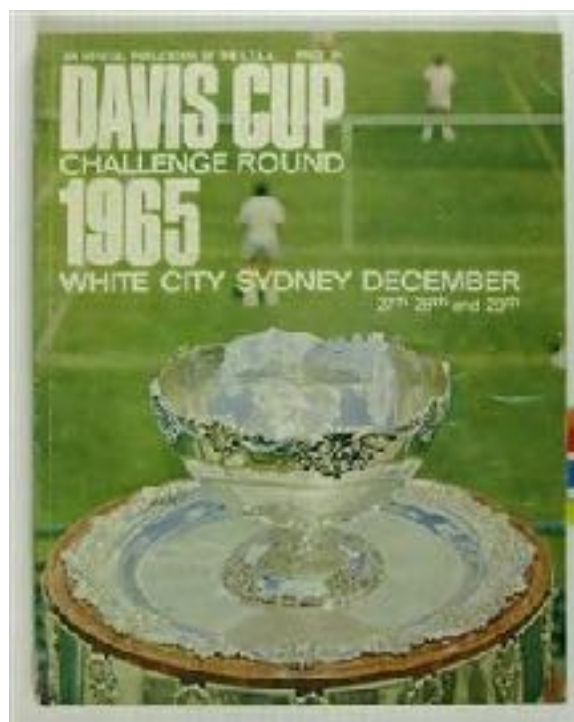
We will return to the Member's Dining Room at the MCC for our luncheon on Friday 27 January 2017 and places are limited so please send in your booking.

This year we recognise the achievements of Roy Emerson, Fred Stolle, Tony Roche and John Newcombe in the 1964 and 1965 Davis Cup victories in Cleveland Ohio, USA and White City Sydney, Australia.

The members all inclusive price remains at \$140 per member and this represents value for an action packed afternoon in the company of former players and tennis dignitaries.

As usual, we are always pleased to hear from any member able to donate suitable goods and services to add to our silent and live auction.

To obtain a booking form or for any enquiries please contact Judy in the office on [info@adctf.org.au](mailto:info@adctf.org.au) or 03) 9499-6228.



## ATP Rankings at 18.10.16

Nick Kyrgios	14
Bernard Tomic	26
John Millman	75
Jordan Thompson	92
James Duckworth	158
Andrew Whittington	175
Matthew Barton	187