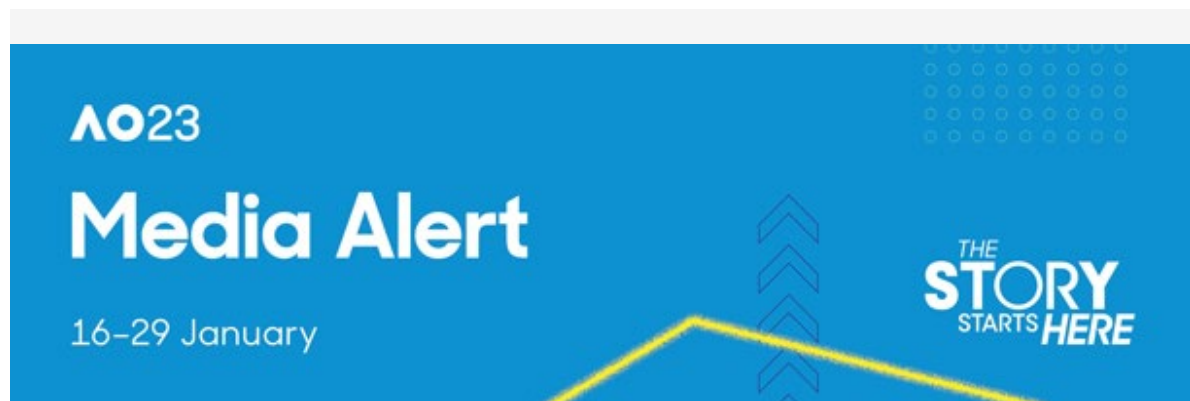


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**Subject:** AUSTRALIAN OPEN MEDIA ALERT: AO on the Road travels to Port Fairy



***Monday 21 November 2022***

## ***AO on the Road travels to Port Fairy***

This Saturday, **John Fitzgerald** - former Australian Davis Cup captain and Grand Slam doubles champion, accompanied by the magnificent AO trophies - the **Daphne Akhurst Memorial Cup** and **Norman Brookes Challenge Cup**, will travel to the Port Fairy Tennis Club as part of **AO on the Road**.

AO on the Road sees 'Daphne' and 'Norm' as they are affectionately known, visit more than 20 towns and cities across Victoria in the lead up to the **Australian Open**.

To recognise the occasion, the Port Fairy Tennis Club is hosting a free community event with plenty of opportunities for kids and adults to pick up a racquet and pose for a photo with the trophies like so many champions have before them.

From 4pm there will be **Hot Shots** sessions for kids, followed by come-and-try **Cardio Tennis** for adults from 5pm. There will also be crafts, games, radar gun, ball machine and music.

From 6pm there will be a barbeque and food trucks and plenty more chances to have a hit on the courts.

AO on the Road is supported by the state government through Visit Victoria. It is part of an ongoing drive to encourage people of all ages to pick up a racquet and give tennis a go as part of a healthy lifestyle, while also shining a light on some of the inspiring individuals who contribute so much to the sport in Victoria.

Bookings for Junior Coaching and Cardio Tennis at Saturday's event can be made at [play.tennis.com.au/portfairytenniscub/events](http://play.tennis.com.au/portfairytenniscub/events).

### **Media opportunity:**

**What:** AO on the Road and free community event

**Date:** Saturday 26 November 2022

**Time:** 4pm - 8pm AEDT

**Who:** Former Australian Davis Cup captain and Grand Slam doubles champion **John Fitzgerald**

**Daphne Akhurst Memorial Cup**  
**Norman Brookes Challenge Cup**

**Venue:** Port Fairy Lawn Tennis Club  
[37 Campbell Street, Port Fairy, VIC](#) 3284 450

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Australian Open 2023, supported by major partner Kia in association with Emirates, Luzhou Laojiao and Rolex, will take place at Melbourne Park from 16-29 January 2023.

Tickets on sale now via [Ticketmaster](#). Visit [ausopen.com](#) for more information.

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