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With the creation of  
the Gallipoli  
Youth Tennis Cup (GYTC), its an honour  
for me to be the Ambassador  
of such an historical event

After visiting Gallipoli in  
2004, I always thought to  
myself, its very important for the youth of  
Australia, to never forget their fallen soldiers and  
due to our great sporting culture, this International  
tennis event, will be the best possible way in giving  
our youth the opportunity to honour our war  
veterans through ongoing participation and  
competition in sport .

The aim of the event is to create long lasting  
friendships between the youth tennis players of the  
nations that lost soldiers at Gallipoli, such as  
Australia, New Zealand, Great Britain, France,  
Turkey etc..

As we all know, without the ATBI's and Tennis  
Australia's support, this event would have never  
eventuated and I believe this partnership will be  
very successful for many years to come.

I also believe, this event will further strengthen the  
ties between Australia and Turkey.

When I visited Turkey, I enjoyed my visit in so  
many ways. I could not believe how historical  
Istanbul was, it's an amazing city. .

The hospitality of the Turkish people was  
unbelievable and they just love Aussies (must be to  
do with the Anzac connection that both countries  
have .

The most impressive experience was the food, you  
just have to taste the fish at a restaurant on the  
Bosphorus River in Istanbul .

My visit to Anzac Cove was very emotional to say  
the very least, and I recommend all young  
Australians to visit there one day .

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“The Gallipoli Youth Cup is a welcome addition to Tennis competition, and I can say from the perspective of both Australia's national junior event calendar,” said **Craig** the Australian and Turkish community here in Melbourne, **Tiley**, Tennis Australia's Director of Player Development. that we will be supporting all the participants. I am delighted that this partnership between Tennis Australia “As well as the many solemn ANZAC Day and ATBI has been able to create something that has commemorations, Australians significance to our young people today,” Karamemis celebrate the spirit of continued. Gallipoli through sport, with both the AFL and Rugby League dedicating matches to the men and women who served their country. The Gallipoli Youth Cup will give young tennis players the chance to embrace this tradition,” continued Tiley.

**Mehmet Karamemis**, President of ATBI, said, “The Gallipoli Youth Cup is a tremendous opportunity for all young players - particularly those from Australia, Turkey and New Zealand - to demonstrate the friendship amongst their nations by participating in this prestigious junior tennis tournament.”

“The symbolism of Gallipoli, of courage, mateship and determination, should produce the finest sporting

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