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In Melbourne Park, where the Australian Open tennis tournament is held.



Richard practicing his serve, just in case he is called to fill in for Nadal or Federer. We couldn't go inside the main arena, because it was set up for a Dolly Parton concert that night. She's still alive?

Carolyn getting fresh with 'Rocket' Rod Laver. He wasn't called The Rocket for nothing.



Carolyn standing in the Hall of Champions, near three of her favorite tennis players.



Carolyn standing in Show Court 3, dreaming of what it would be like to play in a big tournament, fighting off all those male groupies, and figuring out how to spend all that money.





A somewhat haggard looking Richard. It was very hot that day.

Interesting sign that points to various tennis destinations.





This is one of the smaller stadiums. What a beautiful view.



Roger Federer on a practice court, late in the day.



Roger Federer.

Federer, getting low, the way it should be done.



Andy Murray practicing.





Andy Murray.

Rafael Nadal practicing.



Nadal playing in the main stadium. The telephoto on my point-and-shoot camera leaves a little to be desired.





Some of Nadal's fans spelling out their feelings for him.



I think this is Vera Zvonareva, but I could be wrong.



Dinara Safina retired at the age of 26, after having made more than \$10,000,000 playing tennis. She always seemed to be a bit of a head case.



Dinara Safina.

Andy Roddick getting ready to smash one of his massive serves.



Andy Roddick.





Andy Roddick.



Andy Roddick ripping a forehand.

Marion Bartoli, another head case, probably because of her always stern-looking father/coach who sat in the stands with a sour look on his face.

Bartoli retired at the age of 28, after having made more than \$11,000,000 playing tennis.





Marion Bartoli on a practice court. Note the giant elastic bands around her ankles.

Jo-Wilfried Tsonga on a practice court.



Victoria Azarenka arriving at a practice court.

She is 24 years old, has made more than \$23,000,000 playing tennis, and is still playing.



Victoria Azarenka on a practice court.





Maria Sharapova playing in a match. Note the shadow of the tennis ball.



Maria Sharapova.



I don't know who this is, but note her calf muscles.

The same unknown tennis player.



John Isner getting ready to serve one of his rockets.

This match was played in one of the smaller stadiums, so we were able to sit close to the court.



Isner going to the net.



I don't know who this is, but I was 'impressed'.



Caroline Wozniacki, and once again, I was 'impressed'.



Carolyn trying out a new racket. She says that this racket will allow her to feel more comfortable when playing the net.



From returning serves to bashing elephants, this is the one racket that does it all.



Standing outside the main stadium.



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