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PAUL-HENRI Mathieu (pictured) warmed up for his fourth-round match with a game of beach tennis. The Frenchman grabbed a paddle and took on countryman **Bertrand Coulet** at Kerferd Road beach. The sport — some sort of tennis/beach volleyball/badminton cross — is believed to have begun in Italy during the 1980s and is now played in countries including the US, Brazil and South Africa. Australia finished fifth at the World Cup in Italy last year. Beach Tennis Australia wants to do even better next time and is holding come-and-try days at Port Melbourne throughout summer. Coulet, a former vice-president of the International Beach Tennis Federation, is the world's No. 1 player.

