

# Local tennis premiers crowned

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LATROBE Valley Tennis Association capped off another successful season recently.

The 2025/26 junior tennis season saw an increase in players, with almost 260 players from 10 clubs across the Latrobe Valley.

The junior league had nine sections, with players aged six to 18 competing.

"The matches this year were closer than ever,"

Latrobe Valley Tennis Association President Sally Kirstine said.

"Approximately 20 per cent of the matches each week were decided by game difference."

The Hotshots sections, with modified rules and low compression balls, enables tennis to be accessible to younger children.

All players were to be congratulated for their efforts and sportsmanship throughout the season, along with all club volunteers and coordinators who assisted.

The senior tennis season saw 40 players from five clubs compete across the Latrobe Valley.

The league implemented a new format this season, with the number one player in each team playing a set of singles and the remaining players playing only doubles. This catered for all ages of participants.

"It was great to see a number of junior players transitioning into senior tennis," Kirstine said.

Grand finals were held Saturday, March 21.

"We had a wet start to the day, but still had

some exceptionally close matches, with a couple of sections being decided by game difference - just what a grand final should be," Kirstine said.

"Thank you to all players, parents, club coordinators and committee members for a great season."

Throughout April to September, there are a number of tennis opportunities for juniors and adults.

Phone Sally on 0403 282 630 or a local club for more information. For more information on the Hotshots program, visit: hotshots.tennis.com.au



**Success:** Junior Section 1 premier Moë Blue, Harrison, Josh, Pat, Sean, Cruz and Chance.



**Winners:** Junior Section 2 premier Transalgon Green. Neveve, Kaitlyn, Leo, Reic, Eve, Grace and Emerson.



**Blue world:** Junior Section 3 premier Thorpdale. Param, Danny, Zeb, Leki, Lincoln, Marion and Reid.



**We are premiers:** Junior Section 4 premier Yznar. Phoenix, Bastien, Hunter, Sienna, Adelaide, Harry, Kho, and Henry.



**All go:** Junior Section 5 premier Willow Grove. Max, Remi, Rachel, Taylor, Josh, Jaydon and Fardon.



**Delivered:** Junior Section 6 premier Pax Hill Blue. Jack, Ivy, Fynn, Thomas, Mehreen, Prisha and Mackay.



**There could only be one:** Junior Section 7 premier Pax Hill White. Fletcher, Jackson, Wes, Archer, Billy, Kash and Ashton.



**Yeah we did:** Junior Section 9 premier Pax Hill Red. Ethan, Patrick, Calum, Harvey, Benji, Jess and Nisaa.



**Flag:** Junior Section 8 premier Thorpdale Blue. Travis, Jax, Bill, Hamish, Luke, Mia, Oaxley and Jaylah.



**Another flag for the town:** Churchill won the senior grand final. Pictured is Tammy, Jason, Jordan, Duano, Wayne, Lanka, Jack, Gordon, Richard and Pam.