

## Junior Convenor Report

7 February 2023

### **Junior Interclub**

Draws have been created for round two of the season, with the first matches scheduled for this Saturday, 11th February. Fingers crossed for some fine Saturdays this term. Welcome to the two new teams joining us this term.

### **Representative Fixtures**

This Sunday we have the U18 Blair Cup Fixture in Marlborough. Players in the team include: Stanley Vercoe, Connor Edmonds, Liam Howes, Finley Clark, Sabia Longman, Libby McLean, Ivy Scutt & Grace Roberts. We wish Coach Kolie Van Zyl and the team all the best, hopefully they can bring the Cup back to Nelson.

On March 5th, we have the return fixture in Golden Bay. Team selection is currently underway.



### **Junior Tournaments**

At the end of last year NBTA held a successful **X-Gen Doubles Tournament**. The competition was a lot of fun, with some great costumes, prizes, and close matches.



The **Nelson Kia Junior Open** was held in January 2023. We had players travel from Wellington to Dunedin for the tournament. Thank you to Kia for their support and to Maria for all her organisation.

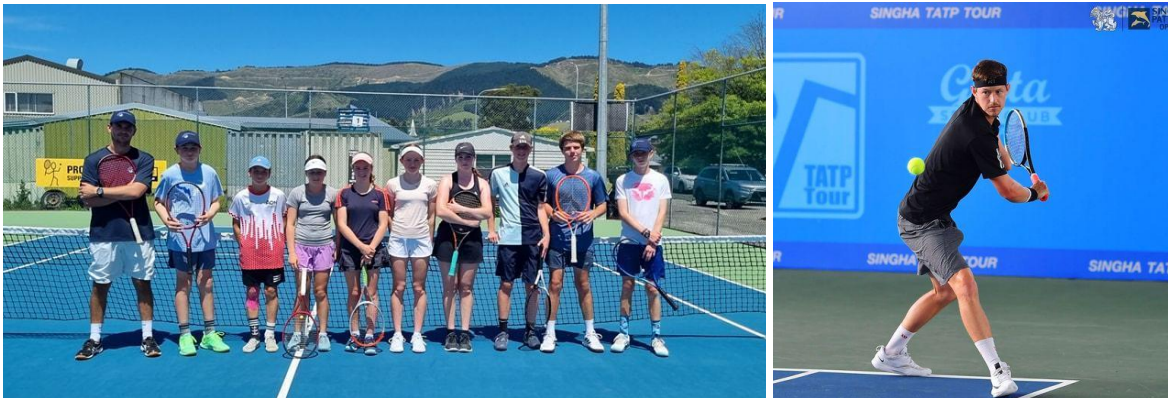




### **Junior Squads**

This term our High Performance Squad are fortunate to have another session with coach **Nic Jenkins** from Christchurch. We are also excited to have a session with a local Professional Player - **Alex Hunt**.

*Alex Hunt*



Ashleigh Calder & Vanessa Mairs are coaching three 12U Junior Development Squad sessions this term. Selection is currently underway for these squads.

### **Junior Achievements**

The Road to the ASB Classic involves a series of tournaments around the country for tennis players under the age of 14 to compete for a place in the 32-player main draw of the Jaguar Cup. This was played on the courts at the ASB Classic in January.

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Congratulations to Dallas King-Ehau & Liam Howes who were both invited to compete in the Jaguar Cup. This was an incredible opportunity for our young players to experience the atmosphere of a professional event, and give them a taste of what it's like to compete on the world stage. Dallas made it to the girls final and played on centre court. Liam played one court over on grandstand court. It was an amazing experience for both players, playing in front of a large crowd, having chair umpires & ball kids.



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