



## **DTSC Junior Tennis Club Championships.**

On the 4<sup>th</sup> June we held the finals day for the Junior Tennis section at Dorchester Tennis & Squash Club. This tournament hadn't been held since 2019 due to the Covid-19 enforced closures of the club in 2020/21. The number of participants was impressive and most competed in matches arranged before finals day. Competition was fierce but played in a friendly manner. The coaching team were very impressed with the skills on display but even more impressed with the temperament of the girls and boys playing.

The finals day started with the mini tennis events. Special mention goes to Oakley Boucher and Gracie Heath for competing so well in the U9 event and coming in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place. The under 18 girls final was almost a marathon with long rallies from both Rebecca Stein and Sophie Perry. Sophie was the bigger hitter but Rebecca was solid and managed to break Sophie down eventually.

The level of tennis in the under 12 boys final was fantastic with Herbie Andrews beating Felix Sloley 11-9 in the 3<sup>rd</sup> set tie-break. The sportsmanship of both boys was excellent and they are certainly players to watch!

The final round of matches was the U16's and U18's boys finals. With three of the finalists being Men's 1st team players, the crowd were in for a treat! Ben Sanders managed to beat Henry Theobald in two sets to win the U16's title and Ethan Robinson beat Ed Keegan also in two sets in a hard-hitting encounter in the U18s event.

A huge thank you to all the spectators who came on the day and to our Head Coach Michael Willemse for organising the qualifying rounds and finals day. Many congratulations to all the participants and finalists!



**Under 18 Boys Finalists - Ethan Robinson (left) Champion & Ed Keegan (right) runner up**

**Full Results:**

U8 Winner: Maymoonah Willemse

U9 Winner: Maymoonah Willemse

U9 B Winner: Gracie Heath

U10 Boys Winner: Ren Ren Zhou

U10 Girls Winner: Maymoonah Willemse

U12 Boys Winner: Herbie Andrews

U14 Boys Winner: William Stein

U14 Girls Winner: Isabelle Preston

U16 Boys Winner: Ben Sanders

U18 Girls Winner: Rebecca Stein

U18 Boys Winner: Ethan Robinson

U9 Runner up: Finlay Hall

U10 Boys Runner up: Harvey Krosnar

U10 Girls Runner up: Georgie Hume

U12 Boys Runner up: Felix Soley

U14 Boys Runner up: Joe Sanders

U14 Girls Runner up: Myeongsuk Ha

U16 Boys Runner up: Henry Theobald

U18 Girls Runner up: Sophie Perry

U18 Boys Runner up: Ed Keegan



**Under 18 Girls Winner - Rebecca Stein**



**Under 9 B Winner - Gracie Heath**

**Under 14 Boys Winner - William Stein**



**Under 18 Boys Champion Ethan Robinson lines up a backhand**

