

Markland Hill teams enjoy fine seasons

The Bolton Tennis Junior League has now come to an end for the 2026 Summer Season, with Markland Hill having a very successful season as a club, **writes Julie Holmes.**

Three of their four teams have finished in either top spot or runner-up of their respective divisions. No team in any division finished with zero points.

Markland Hill A won 9 out of 10 matches, the 10th one being a tie, so an unbeaten team this season. Even more impressive was their set record of 54 won to only 7 lost, worthy Division One champions. Congratulations also go to Hawkshaw A, who pipped Bradshaw A to the runners-up spot by virtue of 2 ties, both teams having won 50% of their matches.

In Division Two, Markland Hill B take top spot with the C team in second place. However, the B team were extremely dominant with a 100% winning record, dropping only 7 sets out of the 48 played across 8 matches.

Division 3 champions are Hawkshaw B with an almost perfect season with only 1 set lost, WOW! Holcombe Brook C finished in second place, winning 5 of their 8 matches.

Special mention must go to the following juniors who played in every match for their team: Amelie Warder, Lily Holt and Liam Dougall for Bradshaw A; Evie Coxen and Henry Davies for Hawkshaw A; Seren Morris for Holcombe Brook A. Annabelle Hutchinson played in 9 out of the 10 Markland Hill A matches – losing only 1 set out of the 27 she played.

A huge thank you must go to all the adults supporting the juniors – those who organise the team, the parents who ferry them around (and make sure their attire and equipment are where they should be!) and anyone else who has a hand in ensuring matches are played. Without all of you, the league would not succeed. Well done to all who played and supported.