



AGM 2025 & Selected Annual Reports

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Munster Branch AGM 2024

Minutes



Minutes to be inserted



Tennis Munster President's Address

The President of Tennis Munster Áine Dunne will address the meeting



FINANCE REPORT



Finance Committee Report 2025

(Summary only)

Work has continued once again this year to ensure good financial control and prudent financial planning within Tennis Munster while ensuring that Competition and Tournaments continue to be at the forefront of all our endeavours. All final accounts are compiled by Tennis Ireland Head Office staff.

The Finances of Tennis Munster have been very stable the past financial year, has been in line with forecasts and all resources possible have been reinvested into Competitions and Munster Teams at all levels.

Turnover was up again in 2025 and we very much appreciate the additional support given by our clubs in contributing to this situation. Again, quarter 1 of 2026 is showing continued strong revenues and this bodes well for the future.

It is also very important to note that Tennis Munster accounts are only a part of the overall Tennis Ireland Company accounts. Please note that the 2025 position is presented as draft as these will not be approved until the TI AGM as part of the overall 2025 Tennis Ireland Company Accounts.

It is essential as a Branch Council we support more sporting activities that help drive revenues and of course support the seeking of further commercial support in every way we can to continue to grow our sport and grow surpluses into the future.

Karen Higgins
Treasurer
Tennis Munster



Munster Tennis

As at 31st December 2025

Income Statement

	YTD 2025 Actual €	YTD 2025 Budget €	Variance
Income			
Player capitation fees	105,639	100,105	6%
Tournament income	88,059	92,431	(5%)
Sponsorship	-	1,000	-
Tournament capitation fees	21,046	12,822	64%
Coaching income	5,034	2,500	101%
Other grant income	-	-	-
Total turnover	219,778	208,857	5%
Expenditure			
Salaries and other payments	(53,442)	(59,652)	10%
Staff PRSI	(5,248)	(6,651)	21%
Printing, postage and stationery	(278)	(200)	(38%)
Workshops/committees	(3,175)	(8,500)	51%
Travel and subsistence	(3,588)	(1,830)	(120%)
Telephone	(1,085)	(828)	(31%)
Audit and accountancy	(9,384)	(9,588)	2%
Professional fees	(8,856)	(17,712)	50%
Bank interest and charges	(2,034)	(1,645)	(24%)
Legal fees	-	(1,538)	-
Sundry expenses	(1,128)	(600)	(88%)
Rent and rates	-	-	-
Insurances	(3,405)	(3,405)	0%
Computer costs	(3,031)	(2,934)	(3%)
Depreciation	(328)	(204)	(61%)
Board expenses	-	-	-
Match costs	(77,176)	(71,348)	(8%)
Marketing and promotional costs	(1,906)	-	-
Development costs	(19,505)	(23,107)	16%
Performance costs	-	-	-
Repairs and maintenance	(185)	-	-
Tournament software costs	(2,619)	(240)	(991%)
Total administration expenses	(196,369)	(207,781)	5%
Net surplus / (deficit) for the period	23,408	1,076	2075%



Sub Committee Annual Reports



Senior Competitions Convenors Report 2025



Senior Competitions Convenor's Report 2025

1. Introduction

A big THANK YOU to the members of the Senior Competitions Sub-Committee: **Ron O'Mahony, Shane Connolly, Helena O'Brien, Dick McCarthy and Peter Mullally** for their time and commitment throughout the year.

Also, a word of recognition for our Senior Interpro selectors and Non playing captain; Paul Fitzgerald (NP Captain,) Sinead Dunne, CJ Kelly, Willie Reynolds and Karen Higgins.

Finally, a big thank you to Bjorn Bork and Kieran Slocum. Both joined the branch last year and have given huge support to the committee.

The work of all these people is mostly unseen it is hugely invaluable to tennis in Munster

2. Senior Branch events

2025 saw winter league phase 2 (mixed) revert to all doubles and we saw an increase from 220 to 291 teams for phase 2

Singles was introduced to the Regional Leagues for the first time with some success with singles events in the Cork and North West regions.

A lot of work has gone into to standardising the rules across the different events and we will continue to do so but it is equally important that clubs and players take the time to understand these rules. We set up a FAQ page on the Munster branch website and will continue to add to this over time

We had some challenges with the 25/2026 phase 1 - phase 2 overlap . We will try to address these for 2026/27.

It is always a difficult balance, managing the demands of all players, clubs and volunteers. The demand for senior Munster events was bigger than ever in the last year and we are as always very grateful to our clubs and players for their continued support.



3. Senior Opens

In the past year, the committee, working in conjunction with the Directory committee, worked closely with clubs to help with overlapping events and player upgrades. This continued to improve as the year progressed and the feedback we received was generally positive as a result.

Problems still exist where the demand for entry to tournaments is not met with almost all senior opens closing for entry within minutes, such is the popularity of senior competitive tennis in Munster. We will continue to work with clubs to create more opportunities for senior events in the province.

4. Senior Interprovincials

Congratulations to our senior interprovincial team who were joint winners of the 2025 Senior Interpros. While the goal was to win the event outright, being joint winners is still a major achievement. Well done to all involved.

Noel Ronayne

Convenor, Senior Competitions Sub-Committee
Tennis Munster



Junior Development & Activities Convenors Report 2025



Junior Development & Activities Committee Report 2025 -2026

(Summary only)

Busy Year of Events & Activities:

The last year has been a very busy year once again when it came to Junior Activities in Munster. There were renewed targets to grow the number of entries in Junior Competitions and to expand the number of junior competitions organised by Tennis Munster and that has been once again achieved with additional competitions and entries in some events increased by up to 20% in comparison to 2024. There have been some teething problems as we ramped up the number of events however. Good feedback has been received from Clubs, Coaches and Parents along the way and this helps us plan for the second half of this year and into 2027 to help address some of the issues encountered.

Thanks very much to the large amount of work carried out by our Administration Manager **Kieran Slocum** and Competitions Coordinator **Bjorn Bjork** in helping further developing Junior Competitions which puts us in a very good position for future years. The additional staff resources this year has allowed us to expand the offerings available at all levels.

Munster Tennis Junior League and Munster Tennis Junior Premier Leagues 2025.

The **Munster Tennis Junior Leagues** and **Munster Tennis Junior Premier Leagues** which were launched in January 2024 were run again in Autumn 2025. All competitions were once again published on Tournament Software. The main focus was on Doubles and Mixed Doubles and the competitions that were run took player ability into account not just a series of competition categories allocated by age. The events were regionalised where possible also to reduce travel times. Green Ball events were included for players who have not transitioned to normal balls. The target is to continue to have an increase the numbers playing competitions and to continue to grow the sport in the province. We were very happy with entries and there was another fantastic Finals day in Nenagh Tennis Club in December 2025. Many thanks to the Club for hosing a great day once again.

We also had a running of the **Munster Tennis Junior Super League** at under 12. This was held again in Killaloe in the indoor facility in December 2025. It was a great day with the top 12 boys and girls in the province playing off against each other in 3 teams. (invites based on ranking) The idea is to combine competitive team play, some coaching



assistance and fun too.

What is the Plan?

The main point with the initiative of the Junior Leagues continues to be that we start to put in place permanent yearly competitions just like we do for Adults currently. We have a long term plan to have 500 Junior Teams in a calendar year within 5 years. (In 2023-2024 we reached over 500 adult teams). We are delighted with the entries for second full year of the Competitions and the spread of the entries in terms of clubs and regions. As it is only the second year of the events we have been taking feedback and learnings as mentioned so we can make further strategic adjustments for later this year and next year. There has been a slow take up in terms of entries from the Limerick area in particular and this will be a particular focus for the Autumn and into next year. There have been many calls for more tournaments and we are constantly being told in recent years that Tennis Munster doesn't do enough for Juniors. With additional resources in terms of staff in place as mentioned we now have those additional competitions and thus we give people choice. They will enter the events that suit them best just like adults get to do.

Munster Tennis Junior Spring Leagues 2026

The **Munster Tennis Junior Regional Spring Leagues 2026** which were launched in January 2026 are running at the moment with the group stages more or less completed.. All competitions were once again published on Tournament Software. The focus again was on Doubles and the competitions continue to take player ability into account and not just a series of competition categories allocated by age to match what we did in the Autumn. The events are regionalised where possible also to reduce travel times. Green Ball events are included for players who have not transitioned to normal balls. We had also hoped to run a Premier League this spring but there were insufficient entries in the end. We are happy with the entries for the Regional Spring leagues but disappointed that the Premier Spring League entries of course. There seems to have been some confusion for some of these players & clubs about what competitions to enter as the Tennis Munster Junior Cups were also open for entries. As mentioned we have been carrying out a review and taking feedback to plan ahead for next year. It is important to remember that there was no Leagues at all run in spring 2025 so it is still a significant step forward in 2026.

Munster Tennis 2025-2026 Junior Cups

The 2025-2026 Munster Tennis Junior Cups were open for entry in early 2026. All events and entries were online on the Munster Tennis Tournament Software page. We had been moving towards fully online entries only and this year that was completed within this competition as indeed most of the others. However due to the number of entries received and taking various feedback into account the entry date for this competition was pushed forward and entries have just closed now recently. Draws should be published very



shortly and the dates for the competition this year are spread across the summer on weekends with the least numbers of Junior events on the calendar. It is important to note that we have additional competitions this year in that the Shield events are direct entry rather than just entries from first round losers in the Cup competitions.

We have been taking feedback on this also and to date we feel that early in the year is a good time to run this competition but entries need to be open much earlier together with good communication to ensure players, parents and clubs can better plan ahead.

Future Growth Potential:

It was great to see so many teams again during the year from across the Province in all the above competitions especially with teams from some very small clubs competing for the first time. However there is still plenty of scope to grow these competitions into the future as again just under half of Munster Clubs have entered teams in recent years. That leaves 25+ clubs who don't yet enter. The Limerick area as mentioned above had the lowest entries. Better connections between Tennis Munster and Club Junior representatives and coaches in future and having entries open for much longer online will help to increase entries. Setting the Calendar dates for next year the year before will also help. We made very good strides on this in 2025.

Clubs need to make sure they enter at least one team in each Junior Team Competition (ideally one in each age group!). It has never been easier to do so.



Munster Tennis PRIMARY & SECONDARY Schools Tennis Championships 2026.

We had another record entry for the competitions especially at Secondary School level. This was facilitated by some further strategic changes to the rules and timing of the event to build on the changes in 2025. All entries and scores were online only this year which was a great step forward. Also a significant number of the entries also paid online too.

These changes have been made to encourage more entries and expand the competition further. The rules overall were further streamlined. The main highlights again are as follows:

1. Schools may amalgamate to enter teams where necessary. However there must be at least 2 players from one School and this School will be deemed the home venue. All Schools must agree to this amalgamation. This is allowed to encourage more schools to enter, to allow mixed teams from and expand the reach of the Event. It has also been introduced to allow all boys and all girls schools to enter mixed teams.

Note: It is important to understand that while this rule is there to facilitate smaller schools who haven't enough players to participate and it has also been introduced to allow all boys and all girls schools to enter mixed teams. It is not intended that large schools would "load teams" with the best players from 2 schools etc. It is only to be used if a school has no other players available.

2. Competitions are formulated to reduce the number of courts required for a tie.

3. The Primary Schools Competition has an additional "GREEN BALL" event to cater for Children who are not as experienced who have not transitioned to yellow ball and will get more enjoyment from this event.

4. The events started earlier again this year and will finish in May/Early June following continued feedback.

General:

For next year we are hoping to have entries open online together with all competition dates before the end of this year to give Schools even longer to plan. We might also look at a one or two day "Blitz" event in the Autumn if we can fit it in and have the staff resources to do so.

Communication is always a challenge and no more so than with Schools as many teachers and staff are not familiar with tennis in particular and it can be a daunting prospect to have to deal with queries and interpret the rules. The Tennis Munster Office has had to offer continued support along the way again this year. Also a very big thanks



to all the members of the Tennis Munster Junior Activities Committee who have put significant time into supporting the office and the Schools competition in particular.

What is the idea of all these competitions again?

“The overall idea is one of inclusion and the Junior Leagues & other competitions are intended as additional events and are not designed to replace any existing events in the province. In years to come we hope to have junior leagues in the province as large, as successful and as strong as the Tennis Munster Senior Adult Leagues. “

To achieve this and grow our sport it will take cooperation between Tennis Munster, staff, affiliated Clubs, registered Coaches and Parents from all 3 regions in the Province.

As mentioned above all Munster Clubs should set a minimum target of entering at least 1 junior team in every Tennis Munster Team Competition to give juniors an outlet. Ideally for bigger clubs this target should be to have team in each age group as a minimum. Juniors across the province can't compete unless they are entered. Lets let them play.

Together we are stronger.

Should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the Tennis Munster office.

Go raibh maith agaibh.
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Robert M Cummins,
Convenor, Junior Selection Sub Committee
Tennis Munster

Roibeard O'Coimin
Tionólaí, Fohoiste Roghnúcháin Sóisearach
Leadóige na Mumhan

Committee: Pauline Ryan (PR) Peter Mullally (PM) Kieran O'Sullivan (KOS)



Masters Sub-Committee Convenors Report 2025

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MASTERS SUB-COMMITTEE OF MUNSTER BRANCH 2025 ANNUAL REPORT

Tennis Munster Masters Committee would like to thank all the Players and Tournament Directors who organised and supported all the various Masters Events in 2025. Tournaments continued to be very well supported and we thank everyone in all the various clubs and players who continue to support Masters Tennis making it such a vibrant and popular section of Tennis in Ireland.

The Irish National Close ITF 200 Masters (30 to 50) and the Masters (55 to 80) were held at St Annes and Limerick Lawn respectively over two weekends in September. Both events were organised by Tennis Munster and a big thank you to all who took part. A huge thank you goes to Limerick Lawn Tennis Club for hosting the first event in extremely trying conditions and to St Annes for hosting the second event. Facilities and catering at both clubs were excellent. Tennis Munster are very proud to continue to host a Masters ITF 200. I would like to thank the team who planned and ran the National Closed especially with the more rigorous rules around the ITF designation. Both events were very well supported with Players from all 4 provinces and abroad playing in what were fantastic Championships.

Irish Teams travelled once again travelled internationally in 2025 and Munster was very well represented in all age Groups both at the World Championships and the 4 Nations. I would like to thank the Committee Members throughout the year for their hard work and diligence: Pamela Scott, Yuan Yuan Lu Flanagan, Dick McCarthy and Ron O' Mahony.

Also, a thank you to my fellow representative on the National Masters Committee during 2025, Dick McCarthy.

Finally, I would once again like to thank the now retired Munster Tennis Administrator Maggie O Toole for all her assistance with Masters Tennis until her departure in mid 2025.

We look forward to 2026 with once again increased Masters Events and Tournaments on the Calendar.

Karen Higgins
Convenor
Masters Sub Committee



Directory Sub-Committee Convenors Report 2025

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Directory Sub-Committee

AGM Report – 2025

Summary

- 2025 marked the successful first year of operation of the new Tennis Munster Directory Software.
 - Directory updates were completed more quickly and with improved accuracy, significantly reducing manual processing.
 - A total of 48 tournaments were processed during the season.
 - The Directory now contains almost 10,000 active players, reflecting continued growth in participation.
 - This season also marks the transition from the Munster Grading System to the World Tennis Number (WTN).
 - Further enhancements, including WTN visibility and a Race-style ladder, are in development.
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1. Introduction

I would like to begin by sincerely thanking the members of the Directory Sub-Committee — **Karen Higgins, Noel Ronayne, Ron O’Mahony, Shane Connolly and Dolores O’Riordan** — for their time, commitment and expertise throughout the year.

A special thanks is also extended to **Kieran Slocum** for his invaluable behind-the-scenes support to the work of the committee.

2. Directory Software – Year One Review

2025 was the first full year of operation of the new Directory Software (<https://players.munstertennis.ie>).



The system has proven to be a significant success. Directory updates were typically completed within a few days of a tournament finishing, representing a major improvement on previous turnaround times. The software has also enhanced accuracy and transparency, allowing players to clearly view how their points were calculated for each tournament.

Tournament organisers reported improved usability, with the ability to:

- Easily locate players
- Filter by club, grade and gender
- Verify player grades more efficiently

Feedback received from players and organisers to date has been consistently positive.

3. Tournament Processing and Scale of Activity

Over the course of the season, directory updates from **48 tournaments** were applied:

- 3 Leagues
- 1 Summer Cup
- 44 Open Tournaments

To highlight the scale of work previously required under the manual system, **Winter League Phase 1 (2025–2026)** alone generated:

- **4,857 individual player results**
- Resulting in **1,311 directory updates**

The move to the new software has substantially reduced the manual workload while improving accuracy and consistency.

4. Transition to the World Tennis Number (WTN)

This season marks the introduction of the **World Tennis Number (WTN)** as the grading mechanism for Open Tournaments across Ireland.

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- The Tennis Munster Grading System will conclude after **Phase 2 of the 2025–2026 Munster Winter League**
- Players will no longer receive Munster grading points beyond this point
- Entry to Regional Leagues, Summer Cups and Open Tournaments will be based on each player's WTN

5. Munster Grade to WTN Transitional Rules

To support a smooth transition from the Munster Grading System to WTN, Tennis Munster has introduced rules to prevent players from competing below their appropriate level during the transition period.

The table below provides a **high-level mapping** between existing Munster Grades and permitted WTN bands. These controls are transitional in nature and will be **reviewed on a monthly basis** as the season progresses.

Munster Grade	Lowest WTN Band Allowed	WTN Range				
		MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
Premier	1	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
1	2	18 – 40	18 – 40	18 – 40	18 – 40	19 – 40
2	3	22 – 40	25 – 40	22 – 40	25 – 40	23 – 40
3	4	25 – 40	27 – 40	25 – 40	27 – 40	26 – 40
4	5	27 – 40	29 – 40	27 – 40	29 – 40	28 – 40
5	6	29 – 40	31 – 40	29 – 40	31 – 40	30 – 40
6	7	32 – 40	34 – 40	32 – 40	34 – 40	33 – 40

6. Support for Tournament Organisers

To assist tournament organisers during the transition period:

- Organisers may email an **Excel export of tournament player entries** from their tournament software to **munster.directory@tennisireland.ie**
- The Directory team will return the corresponding **Munster Grade** for each player
- This service helps ensure players are entered into the correct WTN bands

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7. Parallel Directory Maintenance and Future Enhancements

Tennis Munster will continue to maintain the Directory in parallel with WTN until the new system is fully embedded.

Work is currently underway to:

- Incorporate WTN numbers directly into the Directory
- Clearly display a player's singles and doubles WTN band

In addition, Tennis Munster is progressing plans to introduce a **Race-style ladder system**, where players will accumulate points for each match won over the course of a season, with awards presented to top-performing players.

Further details will be communicated once this initiative is finalised.

8. Directory Statistics and Trends

The attached statistics illustrate key trends in:

- Growth in total registered players
- Distribution across grades
- Stability of gender balance

The directory has grown from **7,413 players in December 2022** to **9,975 players by April 2026**, representing sustained participation growth. Gender balance has remained consistent over the period, with approximately **51% male and 49% female** representation.



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	Dec-22		Dec-23		Mar-25		Apr-26	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Premier	31	0.42%	31	0.37%	29	0.31%	40	0.40%
Grade 1	172	2.32%	185	2.22%	238	2.58%	295	2.96%
Grade 2	592	7.98%	638	7.64%	716	7.77%	800	8.02%
Grade 3	998	13.46%	1048	12.56%	1166	12.66%	1286	12.89%
Grade 4	1442	19.45%	1517	18.17%	1654	17.96%	1792	17.96%
Grade 5	1966	26.52%	2082	24.94%	2265	24.59%	2429	24.35%
Grade 6	2202	29.70%	2826	33.86%	3142	34.12%	3333	33.41%
No Grade	11	0.15%	10	0.12%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total	7413		8347		9210		9975	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
	51.54%	48.46%	50.94%	49.06%	51.26%	48.74%	51.07%	48.93%

Peter Mullally

Convenor, Directory Sub-Committee

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Munster Performance Officer's Report 2025



Munster Performance Development Report 2025/2026

Squad Structure

Following feedback from last year, there was a clear appetite to return to a more consistent weekly/biweekly squad structure while maintaining the clinic format.

Current structure:

- **Under 10s:** Weekly/biweekly squads
- **Under 11 & 12s:** Clinic format
- **Under 13 & 14s:** Weekly/biweekly squads
- **Over 14s:** Clinics

Coaching team for these squads/clinic:

- Sinead Dunne
- Adam Taylor
- Cillian Reidy

While there is a desire to increase the regularity of squad sessions, court availability remains a significant challenge. Clubs are experiencing increased demand, particularly due to the continued growth of the winter league, which limits access to courts.

Interprovincial Friendlies

Munster squads participated in a number of interprovincial fixtures throughout the year:

- **Under 10s:**
January – Travelled to Dublin to face Leinster at Beckett Park (15 players)
- **Under 12s:**
November – Travelled to Beckett Park to face Leinster (16 players)
- **Under 14s:**
October – Travelled to Malahide to compete against top national players (12 players)
- **Under 15s:**
November – Travelled to Bushy Park to face Leinster (8 players)



- **Under 16/18s:**
October – Hosted Leinster at Limerick Lawn (16 players)
-

National Performance Development Programme (NPDP)

This marks Year 3 of the National Performance Development Programme. Players applied for selection, with final decisions based on performance results throughout the year.

We are delighted that **three Munster players** were selected:

- Patrick Breen
- Tommy Fitzgerald
- Johnny Fitzgerald

The programme is highly individualised, with a strong emphasis on physical development, led by world-renowned S&C coach Matt Little.

A **Transitional Squad** was also introduced this year for players just outside the national squad who are competing regularly at international level.

- Munster representation: **Ethan O’Driscoll**
-

National Camps

National Camps run in conjunction with the NPDP and bring together top Under 10 and Under 12 players at the National Tennis Centre.

Objectives:

- Foster a high-performance training environment
- Encourage collaboration alongside players’ individual programmes
- Develop tactical, physical, and competitive skills

Camps include:

- Physical testing
- Tactical training



- Match play

They are led by international experts Matt Little and David O'Hare, who also deliver coach education workshops during their visits.

Munster players involved (2025/2026):

- Cillian Jacob
- Síofra Breathnach
- Erin Ryan
- Arlo Thornton
- Ben O'Driscoll
- Zoe Farmer
- Aoibhéann Ryan
- Zoe Hanrahan
- Andrew Hall
- Izzy Keating

Tennis Ireland Junior Kids Programme

The **TI Junior Kids Programme** aims to:

- Develop strong technical fundamentals at grassroots level
- Support coach education
- Create appropriate competitive opportunities

The programme provides a structured framework for both:

- Regional and national competition pathways
- Ongoing coach education (online content and workshops)

Regional Tour Growth (2025):

- **Total participants: 301**
 - Red Ball: 45
 - Orange Ball: 151
 - Green Ball: 102



National Event Successes

- Caoimhe Power – Green Ball Winner (Christmas), Runner-up (Feb/March)
- Cillian Jacob – Orange Ball Winner (Feb/March), Green Ball Winner (December)
- Erin Ryan – Orange Ball Runner-up (Feb/March), Green Ball Runner-up (Dec/March)
- Síofra Breathnach – Green Ball Winner (Dec/March)

County Cup (Inaugural Event – August)

The first-ever County Cup was successfully held, featuring players representing all six Munster counties.

Participation:

- **Orange Ball:** 24 boys, 12 girls
- **Green Ball:** 12 boys, 12 girls

Results:

- **Under 9 Boys:**
Winners – Tipperary
Runners-up – Cork City
- **Under 9 Girls:**
Winners – Mixed Counties Team A
Runners-up – Mixed Counties Team B
- **Under 10 Boys:**
Winners – Cork County
Runners-up – Cork City
- **Under 10 Girls:**
Winners – Cork City
Runners-up – Cork County

National & International Competition

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Fitzwilliam 2025

- **Under 12:**
Ethan O'Driscoll – Doubles Winner
- **Under 14:**
Aidan Garcia – Doubles Runner-up
- **Under 16:**
Patrick Breen – Winner (Singles, Doubles & Mixed)
Hugh Murphy – Doubles Winner
Lily Frawley – Doubles Runner-up
- **Under 18:**
Verona Fitzgerald Madigan – Doubles Runner-up
Tommy & Johnny Fitzgerald – Doubles Runner-up

Indoor Championships

- Patrick Breen – Under 18 Singles Winner
-

Senior International Representation

- **Davis Cup 2026:**
Congratulations to Charlie Barry on earning his first senior cap
 - **Billie Jean King Cup 2025:**
Congratulations to Sinéad Lohan and Breda Brennan on their selection
-

Junior International Representation

- Ethan O'Driscoll – Under 12 Summer Cups
 - Patrick Breen – Under 16 European Championships
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International Tournament Success

Munster players continue to perform strongly both domestically and internationally:



- Patrick Breen – Winner of 3 ITF events
 - Johnny Fitzgerald – ITF Waterford Finalist
 - Alex Halley – Girls’ Doubles Finalist (Kilkenny)
-

Junior Interprovincials

Under 18 – Champions

Following a strong senior campaign, the Munster Under 18 team secured the Interprovincial title.

Team:

- Patrick Breen (St Anne’s)
- Tommy Fitzgerald (Sunday’s Well)
- Johnny Fitzgerald (Sunday’s Well)
- Billy Brennan
- Hugh Murphy (St Anne’s)
- Verona Fitzgerald Madigan (Ballypatrick)
- Jess Carley (Rushbrooke)
- Cate Gilroy (Rushbrooke)
- Lily Frawley (Rushbrooke)
- Beth Barry (Crosshaven)

Non-playing captain: Sinead Dunne

Assistant: Domantas Sadauskas

Under 14 Team

- Aidan Garcia (Lee View / Larkspur)
- Matthew Thompson (Crosshaven)
- Patrick Power (Rushbrooke)
- Finn Partidge (Tramore)
- Nevin Ryan (Rushbrooke)
- Sophie O’Driscoll (Mallow)
- Olivia O’Reilly (Limerick Lawn)



- Nessa Toomey (Tramore)
- Nina Hegarty (Castleview)
- Ada Mulhall (St Anne's)

Non-playing captains:

Sinead Dunne, Adam Taylor



Regional Development Officer's Report 2025



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I just want to offer a brief synopsis of some of the areas I've been working on over the last 12 months, in another busy year of working to help develop tennis in clubs and communities across the province.

Safeguarding- safeguarding remains one of our highest priorities, supporting all clubs in getting safeguarding compliant. Our series of webinars continued until May, with a total of 113 attendees from 45 clubs, attending webinars across 12 weeks. 36 safeguarding compliance checklists were completed and returned, giving me an idea of where clubs stand in relation to full compliance. Following the completion of the webinars, we created a database including Childrens Officers and DLPs in clubs- if you are one of the safeguarding officers, you should have received an email over the last few days to check in. If personnel or details have changed, I would urge you to get in touch and I can update the database to ensure the relevant people get safeguarding communications. If you want to set up a meeting to discuss anything in relation to safeguarding/vetting etc please get in touch and we can organise.

Visits- I completed 43 visits to 29 clubs, including 3 non-affiliated plus one out of province club visit to support colleague with para standing launch. A range of topics are discussed, including delivering Leaders Courses, Clubmark applications, general development support, affiliation, sustainability etc. I support clubs with whatever query they might come to me with, and if I can't help directly myself, find out the answer or direct them to where they can get an answer. In addition to the club visits, I also worked for the week of the Irish Open and Davis Cup events (Limerick and Sports Campus), visited Galway to support my Connacht colleague in her para-standing tennis launch. I believe the club visits are one of the most important parts of my role, allowing me to develop relationships with clubs and learn about the ways you need support. I would love to get out to every club this year, especially those that I haven't got to visit yet, so please get in touch if you want to set something up. We can also set up online meetings, if that works for you.

I have been involved in meetings regarding sustainability with the Dept of Climate, Energy and Environment, and am hoping to get on a sustainability training programme shortly to expand my own knowledge base to better support you within your clubs. Sustainability is coming more and more into everyday life and being included in grant applications, so if there are any areas within sustainability efforts in the club you want to discuss, please reach out and we can discuss. I have engaged in multiple meeting with various Local Sports Partnerships, planning community tennis programmes and supports for mens and womens Try Tennis and schools tennis.

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Schools tennis- the statistics cover all of 2025 because that is how we track them (rather than from last AGM) I work closely with the schools coordinator Ali Herlihy throughout the year, to help bring coaches into schools, and create links with local clubs where possible. We have a small budget to cover a coach going in to run a blitz day in a school, so again, if anyone is interested, please get in touch and we can talk through the options. 2921 primary students played as part of a one-day taster, 80 played in the equivalent post primary taster, 162 availed of blocks of 4-6 weeks, with schools co-funding. There were a total of 137 programmes run over the year. 33 TY students attended a TY leaders training, to upskill the to help run tennis in their schools. Unfortunately we didn't get to run any teacher training, but are working towards delivering this year.

Clubmark- A review process was completed by the Development Team, with an updated questionnaire rolled out from Jan 2026. The questionnaire and application process slightly changed, with sustainability added as a new topic and other topics being developed further. The accreditation still lasts for 3 years, but a club now must complete the application process from the start to retain. If anyone has any questions or is interested in applying for Clubmark accreditation, please get in touch. Whitechurch were awarded Silver accreditation, while Bandon and Douglas went through the previously available reaccreditation process, to achieve at bronze and gold respectively. Lr Aghada and Tramore are both looking to progress to the next level this year.

Leaders Course- the Leaders Course is an on-court upskill for volunteers, parents, committee etc, essentially anyone over the age of 16 who is interested in running events/fun days in you clubs. I ran a total of 8 courses over the last 12 months, with 75 volunteers upskilled in various red, orange and green ball games and ideas to help them support within their club.

Hopefully that gives you an outline of some of the areas I've been working during the year, but a quick reminder that I am very keen to visit all clubs this year, so please do reach out. Also, please ensure I have the most up-to-date contact details for your club, so you don't miss out on anything I share along the way.



Tennis Ireland President's Address

The President of Tennis Ireland Gerry Smyth will address the meeting



Tennis Ireland CEO's Address

The CEO of Tennis Ireland Kevin Quinn will address the meeting



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Motions Received