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## ***Mikayla Zahirovic is on a winning streak!***

Tennis Townsville's 8 year old Mikayla Zahirovic has been producing some great results in the Junior Development Series, which are held from March to October and consist of 13 tournaments which are conducted in Northern Queensland. The Junior Development Series were established to provide the opportunity for players to begin their introduction into sanctioned events and caters to the 11U, 13U, 15U and 17U divisions.



Many athletes who begin playing in Junior Development tournaments then go on to play open age and later, open tournament events around Queensland and interstate.

Tennis Townsville's rising star, Mikayla Zahirovic continues to produce great results in the Junior Development Series. Mikayla started off the Series by coming 1<sup>st</sup> in Division 5 when the series was held in Home Hill. She then came 4<sup>th</sup> in Division 2 when the series was held in Townsville. The Cairns (A) circuit, which was held in Innisfail proved another successful event for the young tennis player where she came 1<sup>st</sup> in Division 3. More recently, Mikayla competed in the Junior Development Series held at Tennis Townsville over the weekend where she came 3<sup>rd</sup> in Division 3. Keep in mind that this 8 year old girl is competing against girls up to 14 years of age.

Mikayla also scored a big win when she won the Under 10 Girls Singles and Under 10 Girls Doubles at the Mid North Queensland Open Tennis Championship held in Mackay at the end of April.

It's only the middle of the year and so far Mikayla is doing great- we hope the second half of the year brings even more trophies for the young star.

Mikayla loves her tennis and hardly a day goes by when she's not seen on the courts at Tennis Townsville. Mikayla is part of Tennis Townsville's Pickering's DGM Touring Squad which is coached by Tennis Townsville's Head Coach, Wayne Hannah. "Mikayla has improved immensely in the last few weeks; she's very focused and passionate. She has such talent and is only 8 years old, can you image her in a couple of years. Good on her for producing such great results in the last couple of weeks! Her hard training is really paying off." Wayne said.

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