Balerno tennis siblings making their mark

As the prestigious LTA summer county cup takes place around the UK this week a future generation are already honing their skills here in Edinburgh for an opportunity further down the track.

Meet siblings Elodie (12), Fraser (10) and Genevieve (8) Dick who are already East of Scotland county players in the under-14, under-10 and under-8 categories respectively.

The talented trio are members of both Balerno and Thistle clubs for whom they have played age-grade team tennis this season.

In addition Elodie has figured in the VMH Solicitors ladies league.

Mum Heather says: "They love practicing on the artificial clay at Thistle, a lovely welcoming club where they also take part in (coach) Jack Hardie's Hotshots squads.

"That's in addition to being coached individually by Jack George-Burnell at Oriam Tennis Centre and training with East of Scotland County squads.

"Elodie was a latecomer to tennis and only played her first competitive match in April, 2022 and this summer played her first ITF/Tennis Europe event and got through to the final 16. "She also plays hockey for school and Grange Hockey Club and is sponsored by the local Edinburgh based Hockey equipment company-Aratac.

"Fraser also plays for Currie Rugby Club and enjoys golf. Genevieve is still deciding what she likes but seems a natural on the tennis court!"



Left to right, Elodie, Fraser and Genevieve Dick