Another tennis title for Jacob Fearnley, world number 162

Edinburgh tennis player Jacob Fearnley, 23, has soared from 225 to 162 in the world rankings after another success in the ATP Challenger series.

Jacob, a product of the Merchiston Castle tennis academy who moved on to spend four years at College in Texas, defeated Hong Kong's Coleman Wong 6-4,6-2 in the final of the Lincoln (Nebraska) tournament and now intends to return to the practice courts to prepare for US Open qualifying, starting next Monday.

Of a qualifying entry of 128 only 16 places will be available in the event itself and having competed in the Championship proper at Wimbledon Fearnley is keen to be involved on the grand slam stage once again.

Earlier this summer Jacob triumphed in the prestigious Nottingham Challenger previously won by compatriot, Andy Murray.

Interviewed by a local television channel after his Nebraskan success, Jacob said: "It was a great week. My goal was to reach the final and I am super grateful. The atmosphere was great."

