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Sleepy Hollow Tennis Strong at Tournament

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No. 1 ranked Eliza Bates won her bracket.

Sleepy Hollow Swim and Tennis Club was the site for some very exciting junior tennis matches on Oct. 3-5. The USPTA Junior Tournament saw 80 players, including 18 from Sleepy Hollow, compete in seven age divisions.

Results:

Boys 10 and Under:

Tyson Bates and Peter Thornton, both of Lafayette, displayed incredible shot making and determination in tough, hot conditions. Both players reached the semifinals.

Boys 12 and Under:

In one of the most competitive divisions, Sleepy Hollow had three of the four semifinalists: Andres Martell, Peter Aroner, and Alex Thornton. Thornton made it through to the finals, winning the event in straight sets.

Boys 14 and Under:

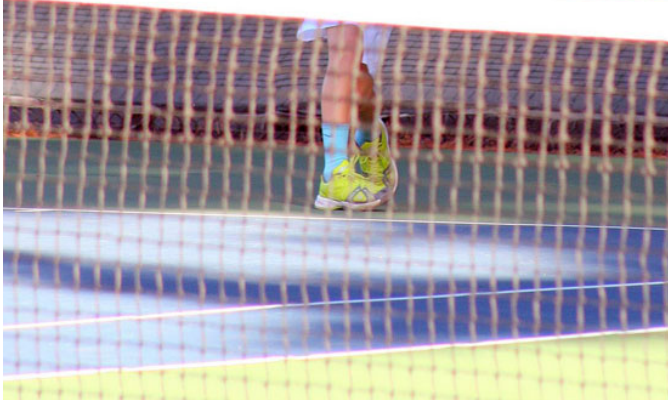
Power hitting Micah Elias of Orinda made it to the semifinals but lost to eventual champ, Brian Li.

Girls 12 and Under:

Three Sleepy Hollow team members made the quarterfinals: Peyton Smith, Zoe Cate and Eliza Bates. No. 1 ranked Bates won the event.

Girls 14 and Under:

Sleepy Hollow's Allison Burkhalter, a freshman on the Miramonte varsity tennis team, displayed brilliant shot making. Burkhalter earned the championship with a straight-set victory over Diablo CC's Megan Tomczak.



Alex Thornton took first in his division. Photos provided

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