



2011 Parent Presentation

MLC Tennis Hot Shots



- Tennis Australia's kids starter tennis program (Ages 5 – 12)
- All participants playing tennis
- No waiting in lines to hit balls
- Great value for money
- Uses modified equipment
- 221 venues across Victoria

Kids “learn through play” and learn how to serve, rally and score from the very first lesson



What does MLC Hot Shots involve?

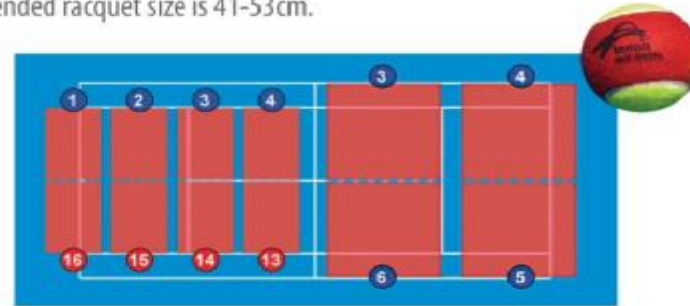
Hot Shots modifies tennis with slower balls, shorter rackets and smaller courts.

This results in the game of tennis being

- More fun and engaging
- Easier game to learn
- Helps develop better juniors, quicker!

Red stage

Children play on three or six-metre wide courts with red, low compression balls. Recommended racquet size is 41-53cm.



Orange stage

Children play on eight-metre wide courts with orange, low compression balls. Recommended racquet size is 53-63cm.



Green stage

Children play on a full court with green, low compression balls. Recommended racquet size is 63-68cm.



Children develop skills at each level and receive certificates as they progress through the three stages.

Tournaments – Junior Development Series (JDS)



- First tournament experience
= introduces kids to the world of tournaments
- 12/u and younger age groups only
= play similarly aged kids
- Round robin format = guaranteed matchplay
- No Australian Ranking points = less pressure
- Modified green ball for 10/u = more rallies to enhance point construction and development
- Introduction of 2 JDS State Championships

<http://www.tennis.com.au/vic/tournaments/entries>

Optus Junior Tour (OJTs)

- 12/u, 14/u, 16/u
- Australian Ranking points available
- Platinum (highest) -> White (lowest)



Australian Money Tournaments (AMTs)

- Open age events only carry Australian Ranking points and prizemoney
- Platinum (highest) -> White (lowest)



Tennis Rankings

- National Player Ranking System
- Only Australian Ranking points tournaments results are included (AMTs/OJTs)
- Only a player's best 8 singles and best 6 doubles results over 12 months are included
- Rankings are released monthly
- <http://rankings.tennis.com.au>

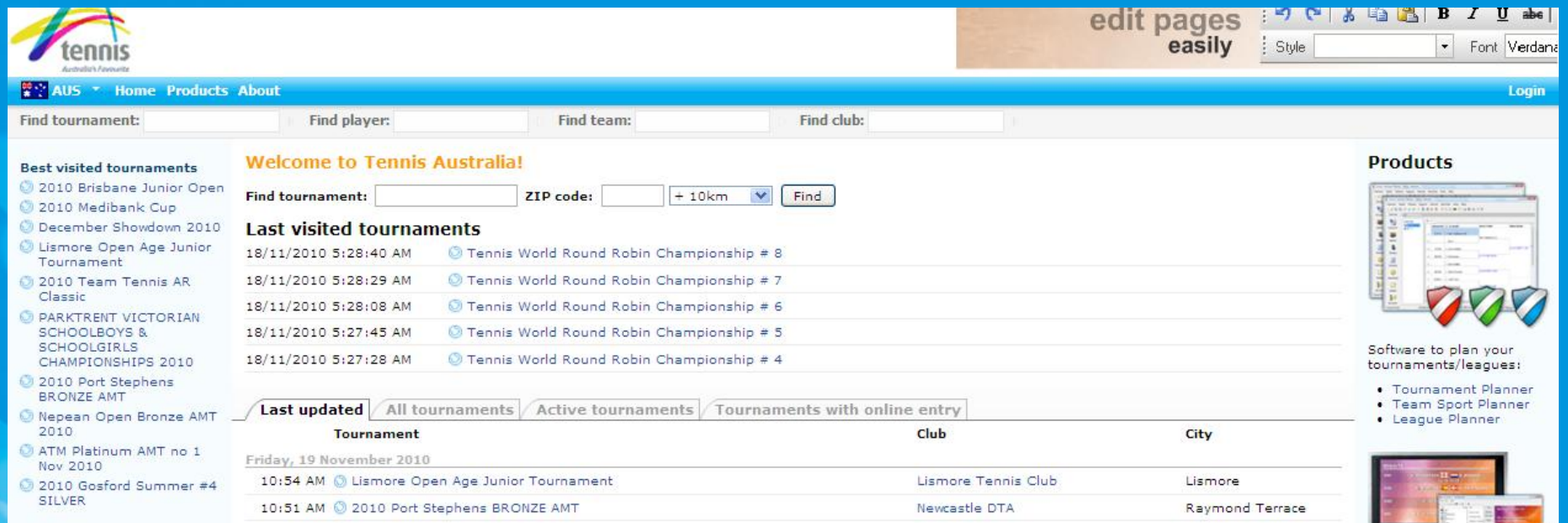
The screenshot shows the website's navigation bar with links for 'Current Rankings', 'My Watchlist', 'Players', and 'Login'. The main heading is 'Australian Rankings'. Below this, there are two columns: 'Top 10 Male Tennis Players' and 'Top 10 Female Tennis Players'. The top player in each column is highlighted. On the right side, there are links for 'Download | WTA Rank', a 'Search Filter' box, and a 'Ranking Date' of '31 Oct 2010'.

Top 10 Male Tennis Players		ATP Rank	Top 10 Female Tennis Players		WTA Rank
1	 Lleyton Hewitt (SA) Ranking Points Breakdown View Player Bio		1	 Samantha Stosur (QLD) Ranking Points Breakdown View Player Bio	

Download | WTA Rank
Search Filter
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How to enter a tournament

- All JDS, OJT and AMT events offer online entry – <http://tournaments.tennis.com.au>
- 2011 Tournaments and Events calendar is available
- Do not leave entry to the last minute!



The screenshot shows the Tennis Australia website interface. At the top left is the Tennis Australia logo. To the right is a navigation menu with 'AUS', 'Home', 'Products', and 'About'. Below the logo is a search bar with fields for 'Find tournament:', 'Find player:', 'Find team:', and 'Find club:'. A 'Welcome to Tennis Australia!' message is displayed in the center, followed by a search form with 'Find tournament:', 'ZIP code:', and a '+ 10km' dropdown menu, and a 'Find' button. Below this is a 'Last visited tournaments' section with a list of recent events and their dates. At the bottom, there is a table of 'Last updated' tournaments with columns for 'Tournament', 'Club', and 'City'. On the right side, there is a 'Products' section with images of software and a list of products: 'Tournament Planner', 'Team Sport Planner', and 'League Planner'.

Best visited tournaments

- 2010 Brisbane Junior Open
- 2010 Medibank Cup
- December Showdown 2010
- Lismore Open Age Junior Tournament
- 2010 Team Tennis AR Classic
- PARKTRENT VICTORIAN SCHOOLBOYS & SCHOOLGIRLS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2010
- 2010 Port Stephens BRONZE AMT
- Nepean Open Bronze AMT 2010
- ATM Platinum AMT no 1 Nov 2010
- 2010 Gosford Summer #4 SILVER

Welcome to Tennis Australia!

Find tournament: ZIP code: + 10km

Last visited tournaments

18/11/2010 5:28:40 AM	Tennis World Round Robin Championship # 8
18/11/2010 5:28:29 AM	Tennis World Round Robin Championship # 7
18/11/2010 5:28:08 AM	Tennis World Round Robin Championship # 6
18/11/2010 5:27:45 AM	Tennis World Round Robin Championship # 5
18/11/2010 5:27:28 AM	Tennis World Round Robin Championship # 4

Last updated | All tournaments | Active tournaments | Tournaments with online entry

Tournament	Club	City
Friday, 19 November 2010		
10:54 AM Lismore Open Age Junior Tournament	Lismore Tennis Club	Lismore
10:51 AM 2010 Port Stephens BRONZE AMT	Newcastle DTA	Raymond Terrace

Products

Software to plan your tournaments/leagues:

- Tournament Planner
- Team Sport Planner
- League Planner

Tips on playing at tournaments

- Players *must* be registered with Tennis Victoria to play in sanctioned events
- Check in at the tournament early
- Contact the tournament if you have any queries. Never assume!
- Rain delays do occur, so please be patient
- If you need to withdraw because of illness/injury, advise the tournament in advance

Competitive Player Progression Overview

Ages are only given as a guide, progression is based on abilities

- National Academy (Tennis Australia)



- State Academy (Tennis Victoria)



Talent search and development program

- Tennis World Academy (10+ y.o)



Invitation from Tennis World Head Coach Jamie Parrott

- Tennis World Junior Development Squad (8-12 y.o)



recommendations from our coaches

- MLC Tennis Hot shots (5-12 y.o.)



Development Suggestions - What can you do as a parent?

- Sport should be fun for the children/parents
- Play a number of sports (individual/team based)
- Develop overall athletic skills
- Place winning/losing in a healthy perspective
- Focus on development



Tournament Scheduling suggestions

<i>Phase of Development</i>	<i># Tournaments Per Year</i>	<i># Matches Per Year</i>	<i>Tournament Type</i>
Explore (4-7 yrs)	Simple, fun scored games recommended		
Develop (7-10 yrs)	6-8	25 + Doubles 18 - 24 Singles	No age group ranking lists or Nationals exist
Encourage (10-12 yrs)	10-15	35 - 45 Singles 25 + Doubles	2-3 Team/Club, 5-7 State, 2-3 Nationals, 2-3 Interstate,
Enhance (12-15 yrs)	12-17	50 - 60 Singles 30 + Doubles	2-3 State, 4-5 Nationals, 4-6 Interstate, 2-3 Team
Cultivate (15-17 yrs)	18-22	65 - 80 Singles 35 + Doubles	2-3 Nationals, 4-8 International Junior, 4-5 Nationals, 3-5 Futures, 1-4 Challenger, WTA/ATP? 1-2 Team
Performance (17+)	20-30	80 - 100+ Singles	Futures, Challenger, ATP/WTA as appropriate