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## ***Shaw Park named the best for tennis in Australia***

Congratulations to the Shaw Park Tennis Centre, who recently were named "**Queensland Club of the Year**" at the Tennis Queensland Awards Night and have now gone on to take out the biggest honour for clubs across Australia by winning the Most Outstanding Club at the John Newcombe Medal Gala.

A 10 court facility, Shaw Park has 26 tennis coaches, one of the biggest Pro Shops in Queensland, a team in the Asia-Pacific Tennis League (ATL) - which is Australia's highest team tennis competition, and hosts some of Australia's biggest tournaments.

The Shaw Park Sharks, the tennis centre's Asia-Pacific Tennis League team has also just experienced great success with their women's team defending their title in the Queensland Conference and now invited to join the ATL Playoff in Melbourne against conference winners from across the Asia-Pacific.

Shaw Park Manager and Coach, Gareth Keating was also one of three finalists at the Queensland Tennis Awards for awards including "Coach of the Year – Club" and "Coach of the Year – Talent Development," nominations he has received two years running.

"It is nice to be recognized as a strong coach, especially in the Talent Development area. It just goes to show what a strong bunch of juniors we have at the club right now. There is a core group of great parents and players between the ages of 8 to 12 years that have really committed to their tennis. It is a matter of time before we start seeing some of Queensland's best juniors being developed here on the Northside of Brisbane," Gareth Keating commented.

He also added "I am so pleased that Shaw Park won the award this year. We have all worked really hard for it. Both the adult and junior programs have had some amazing growth over the past 12 months. Hopefully we can continue to be a great club for a lot of years to come".

The Shaw Park Tennis Centre can be found at 128 Shaw Rd, Woolloowin. It has a huge community base found between Clayfield and Kedron. Currently the tennis facility hosts over 100 fixture teams and coaches 800 children per week. They currently have coaching programs at 16 schools around the area including, Oakleigh State School, Kedron State School, McDowall State School, St Anthony's, Kedron and Aspley State School. Local colleges Padua College, Mt Alvernia and Clayfield College are all also connected to the facility.

To enquire about your tennis opportunities at Australia's number one tennis facility, visit <http://shawparktennis.com.au/>.

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