

BERKSHIRE LAWN TENNIS  
ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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CHAIR'S REPORT  
2021  
Lesley Cundy



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# Covid 19

## County & LTA Support

- ❖ Covid guidelines and updates – on both LTA and county websites and Social Media
- ❖ Dedicated Helpline providing legal expertise (Brabners) to assist clubs with legal support
- ❖ Free online Coach CPD courses – Coach Accreditation and coach network meetings.
- ❖ Deferred the 3 Sponsorship agreements for another yr (3yr Agreement 2022-2024)

# Berkshire County Strategy



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- ❖ **Berkshire LTA** Vision ‘Tennis opened up’
- ❖ **Mission** To grow tennis in Berkshire by working together with our members to; increase participation, improve facilities and raise playing standards across the County
- ❖ **3 Key pieces of work in 2021:**
  - ❖ County Safeguarding Audit
  - ❖ LTA County Governance review
  - ❖ Review and develop Club forums

# County Dashboard



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	Berkshire	Oxfordshire	Bucks
Adults playing once a month	18,083	18,863	20,849
Children playing once a month	25,315	12,915	21,196
Females enrolled on L1 coaching course	5	3	2
LTA Youth Challenge events (festivals)	32	35	0
LTA Youth Start courses	97	78	28
Teachers trained on LTA Youth Primary/Secondary school courses	72	73	91
Venues with new Gate Access system	14	6	3
Open Court venues	2	1	9
Nos of Registered Venues	53	61	67
Venues adopting 'Rally'	30	17	23
LTA approved Performance centres	2	1	2
County Safeguarding Audit	Exceed	Pass	Pass

# Venue Support

- **Venue Webinars (in place of forums)**

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  - Safeguarding webinars – for Venues + County committee
  - A number of Venue Audits completed by the Regional Safeguarding team
  - Venue forum according to Nos of courts. (Trialled with 2 court clubs)
- **Coach Support**
  - LTA Youth
  - Berkshire Coach Networking Webinars
  - Continued our Coach Mentoring Scheme
  - ‘Growing the Game’ Coach Development partner for Berkshire  
2021 – LTA Assistant L1 (19) LTA Instructor L2 (12) L3 (8)  
Total 39 Berkshire coaches trained
- **Grants awarded**
  - 1/3<sup>rd</sup> part funding for coach qualification grants 4 x Level 1
  - 1 x L2 and 1 x L3
- **New equipment partner with Dunlop**
  - Dunlop Ball Offer available to Clubs



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# VENUE DEVELOPMENTS 2021

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## **Newbury Tennis Club** new gate access system



## **Thatcham Tennis Club** new gate access system



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**Latika Junior Tennis Club**  
Refurbished courts and new  
gate access system



**Great Hollands Rec +  
Westmorland Park Bracknell**  
new gate access systems



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# VENUE DEVELOPMENTS FOR 2021

## Sandhurst Tennis Club Opened new clubhouse



## Finchampstead Memorial Park Tennis Courts New gate access system



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# County Training

- ❖ **Increased County training for Juniors:** in line with the LTA County performance recommendations.
  - 11U + 12U continue with weekly County training. Other age groups monthly
  - 68 Boys            64 Girls            Total 132
  - Introduced 8U Development Squad – 9 players
  - + 15 players were invited to the Girls Development Squad
- ❖ **Regional + National Players** - remain at 5 - Finlay Bennet, Esha Batth Daniel Joita, Isabella Makuch and Lily Doherty.
  - 12 Counties competition (Corby) – for all age groups as per county cup
  - 2021 Warwick Award winners (team spirit) – no 18U county cup events



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# Schools, FE + HE + Disability support

- Continued to provide **Teacher training support** - 2 different courses offered this year Online.
- The LTA Youth Primary & Secondary School teachers courses – 72 teachers completed the courses.
- **Sport in Mind** - weekly indoor tennis sessions -supporting the recovery of people experiencing mental health problems through sport and physical activity. Introduced additional sessions in Slough
- **Berkshire Blind Society and LD sessions** – offered weekly at Cantley Park Community Courts
- **Wheelchair Tennis** – yet to begin



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# LTA President visits the County

Bracknell LTC



Queen Anne's School



Cantley Park Community Courts



Bradfield College Performance Squad



Nigel Mann & Maidenhead LTC



# ❖ Junior County Closed Tournament

Age group	Gender	Nos		Gender	Nos	
8 & Under	Boys	8	George Craven	Girls	4	Isabelle Craven
9 & Under	Boys	12	Salim Bushnaq	Girls	12	Nishta Kesavan
10 & Under	Boys	15	Henry Byrnes	Girls	7	Prisha Mehta
11 & Under	Boys	12	Finlay Bennett	Girls	7	Prisha Mehta
12 & Under	Boys	12	Rachit Singh	Girls	10	Elizabeth Surkova
14 & Under	Boys	25	Daniel Joita	Girls	10	Lizzy Burrows
14 & Under	Boys Doubles	11	O.Dickason & D.Joita	Girls Doubles	4	L.Burrows & C.Field
16 & Under	Boys	25	Ed Draper	Girls	7	Lily Doherty
18 & Under	Boys	16	Leonardo Santoro-Ferguson	Girls	6	Lily Doherty
18 & Under	Boys Doubles	8	L. S-Ferguson & A.Okonkwo	Girls	3	L.Doherty & S Walia
<b>Total participants</b>		<b>129</b>			<b>70</b>	

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
199	107	144	128	126	93