

**BROOMHILL LAWN TENNIS & SQUASH CLUB**  
**399 Crow Road Glasgow G11 7DZ**

**HISTORY**

**by Club Historian - Stewart M. Walker**

Around 1920 two brothers, Tom and John Inglis, members of Drumchapel Lawn Tennis Club decided that as there were an ever-growing number of tennis enthusiasts in the West-end of Glasgow and a shortage of courts, they would build a new club at Broomhill.

A field of the Scotstoun Estate was in a good position on Crow road and was bought by them, and thereafter four blaes courts were laid by Messrs Stuttts of Paisley. A basic wooden clubhouse was built, and in 1922 Broomhill Lawn Tennis Club was formed and was officially opened by Baillie William Paterson.

The club was run as a going concern by Tom Inglis until his death in 1947. At that time the members approached Mrs Inglis with a view to buying the club and she generously offered it at a nominal price of £1,400. This amount was collected by the issue of 4% Term Loans from the members, and in 1948 the clubhouse and grounds – including Glasgow Corporation bus seats which provided the main seating – became the sole property of the members. At that time the Men's 1st team was in Division 5 and the 2nd team in Division 11. There were two Ladies teams, with the 1st team in Division 3.

The courts by this time had increased to six in number with a membership of nearly two hundred and fifty. With a very go-ahead committee, dances, whist drives, and fetes made sure that the Loans were all paid back within three years.

During the 1950's on every second Saturday – alternating with Woodend Tennis Club – the club organised regular dances, with most nights all 200 tickets being sold out. They became so popular that in 1955 the BBC broadcast the Saturday dances, with bands such as the George Henderson Quartet, and The Bunny Holliday Sextet. Also on certain Mondays, Jazz nights were held featuring famous bands such as the famous Clyde Valley Stompers. If the gents felt like a pint (ladies did not drink in these days!), then a quick trip to Tennents in Byres Road slaked their thirst. They could not take too long, however, as the dances only lasted from 7.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. The code of dress for the fashion-conscious male in the 1950's was an Austin Reed suit, obligatory narrow cut trousers, with a slight cut at the ankle to fit over the Italian style pointed shoes. Halcyon days!

Trams were the preferred mode of transport for those who could not afford a Morris Minor! There was a considerable network of trams in the area, with Broomhill being served by a No.17 red tram going from Anniesland to Cambuslang; a No. 21 green tram went from Anniesland to Elderslie; and the No. 24 yellow tram travelled from Anniesland, via Broomhill Cross and Byres Road, to Battlefield.

A forgotten tradition, long since ceased, for worn out tennis players was the cup of tea and the 'jammy piece'. During the 1950's and into the 1960's committee members took it in turns in the evening to supply any member when they came off court with a cup of tea and a jam sandwich – all for the princely sum of two pence (one pence in current decimal money)!

A well-known tennis playing member in the 1950's was Arthur Shaw. Arthur featured in the renowned radio programme *The McFlannels* and played the part of Peter McFlannel. The programme was the most popular in its day and was listened to as much as the popular soaps are viewed today on television.

In 1956 Broomhill introduced the *first* full-scale floodlighting of a tennis court in the West of Scotland. The lighting, which was a copy of a scheme built by a London club, was erected at a cost of only £120! The winter of 1956 saw tennis being played at night and right through into the New Year, when also a third men's team was formed.

An amusing story is remembered of the eccentric Glasgow millionaire, A.E. Pickard, a club member, who lived nearby in Mitre Road. During a friendly billiards match with fellow club member Stewart Kilpatrick, it was suggested that they 'play for the table' – normally meaning whatsoever stakes were on the table. A. E. Pickard lost the match, but took the bet literally, and within a few days had replaced the current dilapidated table with a brand new three quarters size billiards table!

By 1963 the first threats of a Compulsory Purchase Order for the approach roads of the Clyde Road Tunnel were looming. Thereafter it was confirmed that the Club would lose a substantial piece of ground, resulting in the loss of two match courts, and the re-siting of the remaining four. This gave the Club a chance to think about upgrading the facilities. In the winter of 1965 when the Club was on its annual weekend tennis outing at the Largs Recreation Centre the members played some matches on the new En-Tout-Cas Tennis-Quik courts. It was decided then, what was good enough for the National Sporting Centre, must certainly be good enough for Broomhill. The 'older members' of the Club who remember these annual outings have suggested that there are sufficient stories of the activities at these outings to compile a 'social sequel' in addition to the Club's official history! [See page 8 for more details]

The estimated cost for four courts, with two fully floodlit, was the then frightening figure of £8,800. After long and involved meetings with Glasgow Corporation, a settlement for the loss of the ground and the subsequent reinstatement was reached, and which together with a grant from the Scottish Education Department, and the Club's own funds made up the sum required. In June 1967 at a General Meeting of the members the scheme was given unanimous approval.

In 1967 the men's first team gained promotion to the top Division 1 and won the Senior Calcutta Cup. The second men's team also gained promotion to Division 3. The new courts were officially opened with an Invitation Floodlit Tournament in January 1968, which consisted of a couple from each of the teams in the men's Division 1, with newly promoted Broomhill's men's team hosting the Tournament.

In 1969 the Club, headed by the then president, Ian Ross, initiated a project to build a new clubhouse. After a great deal of work and effort from the Management Committee, and also the Building Committee under the chairmanship of Jimmy Hunter, the Club raised funding of £7,000 from Scottish and Newcastle Brewers, £2,000 from the Lawn Tennis Association. Also, with internal funds including fire damage settlement for the old clubhouse, the Committee found the necessary £17,000 required in order to build the new clubhouse and two squash courts. The Clubhouse was officially opened at the start of the 1973 tennis season with a Mixed Doubles Tournament and also an Invitation Squash Tournament. In his opening day speech, President Ian Kydd categorically denied having anything whatsoever to do with the fire which caused the old clubhouse to burn down, but he admitted to being on the short list of some 311 suspects!

The Club continued to grow, with a new breed of talented young players now overtaking the 'old guard'. Ken Revie, in 1974, became the first ever Scot to win the coveted British U18 Junior Title. He then went on to win the British U21 title in 1977. Ken became the most capped Scottish Internationalist with 44 caps. Ken also played in every one of Broomhill's record-breaking Scottish Cup wins. The team won 14 times in 15 years between 1979 and 1993. The year that they did not win was because a 'time out' was called by their West Section opponents when level at three rubbers each. Justice, however, was served to that team, who were defeated in the final! Over all these years, only 12 players were used in the 14 finals. The most honoured players were K.Revie (14), A.Galbraith (14), I.Allan (11), R.Caldwell (11), A. Lackie (11). Their last game together was in 1994 when they lost to David Lloyd Renfrew who used some dirty tricks to achieve their win. David Lloyd imported three 'ringers' – Garry Englemann, English ranked Middlesex County player, New Zealand Davis Cup player Onny Parun former world 10, and American Van Winitsky, a former US Open finalist. The rules have since been changed that now only allow players who are registered at the participating club and who have played in their leagues matches.

There are many stories to be told about the endeavours of the Mens' team in their Scottish Cup campaigns. One in particular has to be recorded for posterity. The year was 1980, and having won the title for the first time in the previous year against Bridge of Allan, this final was also against the same team at their home club. With the match entirely level at four rubbers each, the last match on court would decide the outcome. This final rubber was a 'nail biter,' with Broomhill staring defeat in the face, as the valiant partnership of Bob Whitesmith and Kenny Head were down 2-5 in the final set. Alan Christie, president of Bridge of Allan, sensing victory, sent out for six bottles of champagne for their intended celebration. All was not last for Broomhill however, as the intrepid pair battled back to triumphantly take the last set 7-5, win their match, and the title for Broomhill. Out of such stories, legends are born. It is not known what happened to the champagne!

The Ladies team also won the Scottish Cup in 1983, beating Elderslie 5/2. The team consisted of Judy Erskine\*/Judy Crammond, Laura Boyd/Maureen Hayworth, Mairi McCulloch/Rona Harvie. \*Now Judy Murray, mother to Jamie and Andy. It was at one of the club's dances that Judy met a certain Willie Murray and the rest, as the saying goes, is history.

Following the Ladies Scottish cup win and the Gents also winning their respective Scottish cup and both teams winning West of Scotland Premier league titles, in 1984 Broomhill was named SLTA Club of the Year. In the same year Ken Reeve was awarded Sportsman of the Year.

Another notable success occurred in the 1980 En Tous Cas winter league when the Broomhill team, having won the Scottish title, went on to win the British title. The team of Ronnie Caldwell/Joyce Leach and Alan Lackie/Isobel Stadele, took on the best from England, Ireland and Wales in a four Nations finals in Staleybridge. Thereafter having won the title, and not ones for resting on their laurels, Broomhill took on, and beat the Dutch champions in an International challenge match.

In 1994 President Stewart Walker changed the address of the club from 2 Mitre Road to 399 Crow Road. The entrance at Mitre Road had been in existence since the club was formed in 1922 but in 1972 when the Clyde Tunnel slip road was built Mitre Road became a cul-de-sac and the original entrance was closed down after the new clubhouse was built. Thereafter for over 20 years members were entering by Crow Road that had no official address and which caused problems for visitors and delivery men who were looking for the non-existent 2 Mitre Road!

Team success continued but in terms of tennis league achievement, season 1994/95 was possibly the best, when the teams' positions were as follows:-

Tennis - Mens	1 <sup>st</sup> Team	Premier Division
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Team	1 <sup>st</sup> Division
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Team	2 <sup>nd</sup> Division
	4 <sup>th</sup> Team	4 <sup>th</sup> Division
- Ladies	1 <sup>st</sup> Team	Premier Division
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Team	4 <sup>th</sup> Division
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Team	6 <sup>th</sup> Division
- Juniors	5 Teams at different age groups	

The Squash section was not to be outdone, and in their best season, 1996/97, the following was attained. [See pages 9 & 10 for separate Squash report]

Squash- Mens	4 Teams	1 <sup>st</sup> Team in Premier Division
- Ladies	3 Teams	1 <sup>st</sup> Team in Premier Division
- Juniors	4 Teams	U12 won Scottish Team quaich U14 won Scottish Team quaich U16 undefeated in West of Scotland leagues U19 undefeated in West of Scotland leagues

During 1996 the Club had a windfall, following H.M. Customs and Excise legislation allowing retrospective repayment of VAT on members' subscriptions for prior years. This gave the Club some £15,000. The then President, Stewart Walker, thereafter put forward proposals to use this money towards totally revamping the Clubhouse and Grounds. A Special General Meeting was convened at which the full plans were given approval to proceed. The Club raised a further £15,000 loan from the Lawn Tennis Association, which together with a £20,000 grant from the Sports Council Lottery Fund, and the club's own resources of some £20,000, meant that the £70,000

necessary was raised to carry out the work. This included the relaying of Astro turf on Courts 1 and 2, replacing Tennis fencing, creating a new Short Tennis court, installing and extending double-glazed picture windows overlooking the Tennis Courts, creating a new full-length Bar, re-positioning and upgrading the Junior room, and providing new curtains, carpets and chairs.

The refurbishment was completed in time to host Broomhill's first Grand Prix Squash Tournament on March 1997. This was granted a Grade Two status, with International ranking points, and saw a high level of British professional squash players competing. The title and the £1,000 first prize, out of a prize fund of £5,000, were won by Irish Internationalist Derek Ryan.

In 1997 the Club celebrated its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by holding a 1920's style fancy dress Tennis Tournament and Barbecue, with all the competitors playing with the obligatory wooden racquet. The 'good old days' it was not, with most complaining of 'tennis elbow' by the end of the afternoon!

It was also in 1997 that some of the members formed their own band for playing at Club functions. The band was called *Sound Check* and comprised Claire Mackelvie (piano/drums), Stewart Ross (lead guitar), John Sadler (rhythm guitar), Mached Kamil (bass guitar) and Kath Saddler (vocals). The band was very popular and former president Dave Marshall even booked them for his wedding. The band continued well into the millennium.

Following its heyday in the 1990's the Club, similar to other smaller clubs throughout Scotland, saw a decline in membership, caused mainly by the opening of Sports and Fitness clubs, and the larger clubs offering Gym facilities etc. The average age of the members was growing older and significantly in 1998 one of the 'more mature' gentleman players, past President Stewart Walker, became Broomhill's first veteran Scottish Internationalist! One other mature member who has to be mentioned, who was still playing tennis and squash in 2002, was 80 year old Dave McGorum, well respected throughout the West of Scotland for his superb racquet stringing.

Towards the end of the 1990's most of the Gents first team had retired and the majority of the second team had also left mainly through moving residence. This meant that the reorganised teams had to find their own levels of standard and by 2002 this saw the Gents' first team playing in Division 2.

By the start of the new millennium the Club had settled down to a more comfortable existence of three men's and three ladies Tennis teams, and three Squash teams - the emphasis now being in 'taking part' rather than the winning of titles - a much less stressful environment for all concerned. The greatest stress now is the Gents' tennis teams having to make their own tea! (In the AGM minutes for 1981 it is noted that the tennis convenor thanked the 'tea girls' for organising the match teas - a tradition now merely a distant memory in the annals of the club).

In the first decade of the millennium the club maintained a steady membership that ensured regular annual profits, which were given a boost when in 2006 the O2 Telephone Company agreed terms to build a phone mast in the corner of court 4. The

rental income for the club was £5,000 per annum and while the rental has decreased over the years this still makes a welcome yearly addition to the club's bank balance.

2006 saw the inaugural President's Cycle Tour that was initiated by the then President, Dave Irving. The event proved very popular and became a regular event'

2006 - Fort William via The Great Glen to Inverness

2008 - Lochs & Glens – Pitlochry to Glasgow

2009 - Lochs & Glens South – Carlisle to Ayr

2010 - Isle of Skye

2011 - Applecross, Loch Sheil and Loch Torridon

2012 - Great Glen and Loch Ness

2013 - Argyll & Bute - Rothesay to Oban

2014 - Morecambe to Bridlington

2015 - Cumbrian Coast to Newcastle

2016 - Pitlochry to Keith

2017 - Ballater to Cupar, including Deeside Way

2018 - Cheshire Way - Knutsford Circular via Chester, Crewe & Macclesfield

2019 - Speyside Way - Aviemore to Cock Bridge

2020 - No trip - Covid 19

2021 - Durham to Edinburgh

Those who have taken part over the years were Dave Irving (14), Douglas Robertson (14), Craig Campbell (13), Ken Bonham (12), Dennis Coll (11), Douglas Henderson (11) Simon Allbutt (10), Bob Whitesmith (8), Paul King (8), Jason Long (3), Angus Thorburn (3) and Alan Finlayson (2).

In 2011 a major upgrade to the tennis courts was undertaken. £90,000, totally from club funds, was spent on renewing the 40 year old floodlights on courts 1 & 2, replacing the 40 year old cement underlay on courts 1 & 2 with porous macadam and then relaying both courts with new artificial grass. The cost of this was not the least helped by the £25,000 received from the phone mast rental over the previous 6 years.

Also in 2011 saw the emergence of a new musical group *Les Bouches*, comprised of two tennis playing members, Claire MacKelvie (at that time the Club's president) and Sandra Goldie. The band played regularly at music nights and the club's famous Hootenanny New Year party, and featured guest appearances of other musicians, such as flute, guitar and saxophone players.

The Broomhill Summer Ratings Tennis Tournament, spread has proved extremely popular over the years and in 2016 saw this celebrate its 25th anniversary, the last 20 years of which were organised by LTA qualified referee and club historian Stewart Walker. Forty or more male and female entrants take part each year from not only the Glasgow area but from places such as Perth, Dunfermline, Edinburgh, and Largs.

In 2017 major work was completed on Courts 3 & 4 replacing the 40 year old cement underlay with porous macadam then relaying with artificial grass. This meant removing the floodlights which were replaced in November 2020 at a cost of £28,000.

In 2022 the club celebrated it's 100th anniversary.

## RACOGGOB

### Royal and Ancient Company of Gentlemen Golfers of Broomhill

RACOGGOB was established in 1978. At that time, some tennis players got together to form a 'by invitation only' club, for those members also interested in playing golf. The founder members were Ian McCulloch, Brian Millward, Russell Pickard, Pete Taylor, Dougie Whitelaw, John Robertson, Gavin Tait, Robert Whitesmith, and Neil Paterson.

Their first outing was at Lochgreen, Troon, and since then the members have travelled the width and breadth of Scotland to play their bi-annual tournament. Initially this started only as an annual event, but its popularity made it necessary to change this to twice per year – the first Friday of May and the first Friday of September. Handicaps are allocated at the discretion of the Captain, Ian McCulloch.

There is a special constitution, together with rules to which members have to adhere. The code of dress at dinner is strictly Grey flannel trousers, blue Blazer, and the bespoke Club tie. (Even Willie McGregor has to forsake his trademark red trousers!)

The rules, as you can imagine, have been tailored to meet everyone's requirements. After one particularly stressful effort to play out of a bunker, the Bob Whitesmith rule was introduced. This meant that in the event of any Gentleman player being unable to clear the bunker after four shots, he was allowed to throw his ball out – providing any ball thrown therefrom did not land in the hole.

A magnificent trophy, and a green 'semmit' with the logo on the front and Champion on the back, is awarded to the yearly winner. Winners of the RACOGGOB trophy are listed below.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Venue</u>
1978	D.Whitelaw	Troon	1979	R.Whitesmith	Troon
1980	J.Robertson	Troon	1981	R.Pickard	Troon
1982	G.Tait	Helensburgh	1983	G.Tait	Troon
1984	J.Dalby	Dalmilling	1985	J.Robertson	Helensburgh
1986	G.Hanna	Caldwell	1987	P.McAlear	Caldwell
1988	W.McGregor	Bogside	1989	J.Dalby	PortPatrick
1990	W.McGregor	Bogside	1991	B.Benson	Pollok
1992	W.McGregor	Bogside	1993	R.Pickard	Buchanan Castle
1994	R.Agnew	Buchanan Castle	1995	B.Millward	Buchanan Castle
1996	J.Kay	Buchanan Castle	1997	I.McCulloch	Buchanan Castle
1998	I.McCulloch	Buchanan Castle	1999	W.McGregor	Buchanan Castle
2000	Pickard/Dalby	Port Patrick	2001	P.McAlear	Port Patrick
2002	Not played	-	2003	P.McAlear	Hilton Park

In 2003 the gentlemen golfers made their last putt and retired to the 19th hole.

## The Inverclyde Weekends

These famous (or infamous!) week-ends took place for some 20 years, spread from the 1950's, throughout the 1960's, and into the 1970's. They were 'gentlemen only' arrangements, purportedly to play tennis in the relaxing atmosphere of the Inverclyde National Sporting Centre at Largs. Arriving on a Friday night about 8.00 p.m., the tennis would soon start, and continue on the wooden indoor floor well into the early hours, sometimes until 3.00 a.m. The next day saw a quick lunch time pint at the Queens Hotel, perhaps a bet at the local bookies, some outdoor tennis in the afternoon, and onto The Moorings in the evening for some Saturday night dancing.

The normal attendance varied between 16 and 20 souls - souls being the operative word - as the bodies had been well and truly left behind long before their return to Broomhill. As well as tennis, also featured were the card schools and late night drinking sessions. It was a well known fact that Centre's pot plants thrived on recycled diced carrots and McEwans export! However, some of the stories concerning the 'goings-on' do not merit publication in this family read History of Broomhill.

One such story (herein censored) centres around a certain Tennis champion, a certain Squash champion, and a certain Squash team member. Legend has it that following a night of imbibing the local brew a comely wench was espied, and invited back to the 'family manor house' for supper. The chaps, being of a sporting nature, just so happened to have a pack of playing cards, and in order to maintain good relations with this friendly native, invited the aforementioned wench to a game.....of strip poker! All did not go according to plan, however. Broomhill's best were beaten. The likely lads ended up wearing just their trendy M.&S. designer cotton 'Y's', while the comely wench had maintained her maiden's honour, still clad in her becoming knee-length boots, mini-skirt, turtle neck ribbed sweater (tight fitting), and not a hair out of place of her immaculately coiffeured bouffant hair-do.....*So it is told.*

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44, Beechwood Drive,  
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12th. December 1965

Broomhill L.T.Club

Weekend 11/12th. December 1965.

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3 at £1/15/6  
1 at £1/2/6

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## Squash History

Following the completion of the current Clubhouse and Squash courts in 1972, the squash section quickly became an important part of the Club's activities. By 1978 the Gents first team was in Division 1 and the second team in Division 2, while the Ladies first team, unbeaten throughout the season, were runners-up in Division 1, with the second team in Division 2. The Ladies team won the Division 1 title for the first time in 1979 and progressed to win the Scottish 1<sup>st</sup> Division in 1985.

It was in 1978 that Joyce Leach (16) won the West of Scotland U19 Championship – one of the first of her many accolades. 1980 saw Joyce ranked No.1 at U19 in Scotland. After finishing her studies at college, Joyce coached for two years in Spain at Valencia and Barcelona. In 1986 she became a full time professional, playing throughout the world – South Africa, Australia, Singapore, Zambia – and was ranked No. 33 in the World. Unfortunately injuries stopped her professional career, but she is still playing at the top level, representing Kent in the British Police championships.

In 1980 fellow team member Nanette Mutrie was ranked No.1 in the West of Scotland, and No.5 in Scotland. Nanette has continued playing squash throughout the years, gaining an outstanding 31 International caps at Senior and Veteran levels.

It was in 1981, however, that saw the emergence of Broomhill's best ever squash player, Alan Thomson. Alan started playing squash, aged 15, in 1975, and by 1981 he was ranked No.1 in the West of Scotland. In 1985, Alan was selected to play for, and captain, the Scottish Team at the World Championships in Cairo. His temperament on court was exemplary and in 1988 he was awarded the Fair Player of the Tournament at the European Squash Championships.

Becoming older seemed to increase his endeavour, and in 1992 he captained Scotland to win the European Squash Championships – on the way beating the current silver and current bronze medallists from the 1992 World Championships. His experience awarded him the appointment as manager of the Scottish Squash team in 1996, 1997, and 1998.

In 2003, aged 43, he was still playing at the highest level, winning the club championship at Colets Squash Club in Surrey, which became the top English team by winning the National Club Championships. Alan's achievements are so numerous that they merit special mention, and accordingly are listed separately on page 9.

Addendum: In 2014 Alan's daughter Alison at 18 years old won the English Squash Championship and was chosen for the English International Squash Team.

Senior Scottish International caps won by Broomhill squash players were, Nanette Mutrie - 4 caps, Joyce Leach - 10 caps, and Alan Thomson - a staggering 75 caps. While at Veterans level Leslie Craigie gained 2 caps, Nanette Mutrie 27 caps and Alan Thomson 17 caps - making this an astounding 96 caps in total!

During the heyday of Squash in the 1990's Broomhill had four Men's teams, three Ladies' teams and four Junior teams. Then, court time was at a premium, and it was absolute sacrosanct that no booking was made on any evening before 7.30 p.m. for the next week's courts. By 2002 however – in common with most other clubs – squash had become less popular, by which time the club had two Men's teams and one Ladies' teams.

## SQUASH – INDIVIDUAL HONOURS

### CLUB MEMBERS

#### Scottish Junior Nationals - Boys U 16

1985 Stuart Forrester

#### Scottish Closed - Ladies

1980 Nanette Mutrie

#### Scottish Nationals – Ladies O 40

1984 Leslie Craigie

1985 Leslie Craigie

1994 Leslie Craigie

1995 Nanette Mutrie

#### Scottish Nationals – Ladies O 45

1999 Nanette Mutrie

#### Scottish Nationals – Ladies O 50

2003 Nanette Mutrie

#### Scottish Championships – Gents O 55

1998 West of Scotland team -  
Winners of Scottish Inter  
Area Championships  
Captain – Stewart Walker

### JOYCE LEACH

West of Scotland – U 19 – 1978,79,80

Scottish Schoolgirls – U 18 - 1979

West of Scotland Senior – 1984,85

#### Scottish Standard Life Team

Captain – 1984,85,86

Greece Open – 1982 Semi-finalist

Israel Open – 1983 Semi-finalist

Spanish Open – 1984 Runner-up

Zambia Open – 1985 Winner

Valencia Open – 1986 Winner

Andorra Open – 1986 Winner

Spanish Closed – 1986 Winner

## ALAN THOMSON – ACHIEVEMENTS

(excludes minor tournaments and club championships)

West of Scotland Champion – Winner 4 times. Runner-up 4 times.

Scottish Team Debut – Home Internationals at Belfast 1985.

Scottish Closed Champion - 1986.

British Amateur Champion – 1987.

Middlesex Closed Champion – 1988,1990,1991,1992,1995,1998,2001,2002.

Middlesex Open Champion – 1991.

European Championships – 1992 - Team captain gold medallist.

Scottish National Champion – Men O 35 – 1995,1996,1998,1999,2000,2001.

British National Champion - Men O 35 – 1996.

## CLUB HONOURS

### Tennis Champions

<u>Year</u>	<u>President</u>	<u>Gents</u>	<u>Ladies</u>
1922		J.S.Rankin	Miss R.McEarhran
1923		J.S.Rankin	Miss M.Hoey
1924		J.Clark	Miss M.Hoey
1925		R.Collie	Miss N.Dunlop
1926		A.Collie	Miss M.J.H.Cassie
1927		A.Collie	Miss N.Gilchrist
1928		R.Collie	Miss J.Warren
1929		A.Collie	Miss G.Smillie
1930		J.Rennie	Miss G.Smillie
1931		J.Rennie	Miss G.Yuill
1932		W.H.Collie	Miss F.Smillie
1933		G.C.McColl	Miss A.H.G.Gillespie
1934		R.Morrison	Miss G.Yuill
1935		D.McFarlane	Miss M.D.Muir
1936		R.S.M.McFarlane	Miss M.D.Muir
1937		W.H.Collie	Miss M.D.Muir
1938		Not competed	Not competed
1939		Not competed	Miss J.H.M.Paton
1940		A.H.Heaton	Mrs J.D.Lockhart
1941/46		No competition	No competition
1947		W.R.Pringle	Miss E.Gibson
1948*	D.M.Norris	W.R.Pringle	Mrs E.McKenzie
1949	J.McLean	W.Porter	Miss S.Mills
1950	M.N.Ritchie	W.Porter	Mrs E.McKenzie
1951	I.F.Fraser	W.Porter	Miss M.Killey
1952	I.F.Fraser	J.F.Hunter	Miss S.Mills
1953	I.F.Fraser	J.F.Hunter	Miss D.Halcrow
1954	I.F.Fraser	J.F.Hunter	Miss M.Currie
1955	I.F.Fraser	J.F.Hunter	Miss N.Hutton
1956	M.B.Reid	J.F.Hunter	Mrs M.Rundlett
1957	M.B.Reid	S.Donaldson	Miss K.Johannson
1958	D.H.Laird	N.Smith	Miss D.Barclay
1959	D.H.Laird	N.Smith	Mrs D.H.Laird
1960	I.B.Macowan	G.Beveridge	Miss V.R.Conacher
1961	I.B.Macowan	S.Donaldson	Mrs M.Caldwell
1962	J.B.Cowie	S.Donaldson	Miss L.Jonker
1963	J.B.Cowie	S.Donaldson	Mrs M.Caldwell
1964	R.L.Mauchline	K.W.Head	Miss D.Barclay
1965	R.L.Mauchline	K.W.Head	Miss D.Barclay
1966	J.F.Hunter	S.Donaldson	Miss L.Macdonald
1967	J.F.Hunter	D.R.Abbott	Not competed
1968	J.F.Hunter	I.A.McCulloch	Mrs L.Macdonald
1969	I.C.Ross	S.Donaldson	Mrs S.Cranstoun
1970	I.A.Kydd	I.A.McCulloch	Mrs S.Cranstoun
1971	I.A.Kydd	Not competed	Not competed

\* 1948 Private ownership ceased and Broomhill LTC created

## CLUB HONOURS

(New clubhouse together with two squash courts completed in 1972)

<u>Year</u>	<u>President</u>	<u>Tennis Champions</u>		<u>Squash Champions</u>	
		<u>Gents</u>	<u>Ladies</u>	<u>Gents</u>	<u>Ladies</u>
1972/73	I.A.Kydd	I.A.McCulloch	M.Lennox	K.W.Head	L.Craigie
1973/74	I.A.Kydd	K.M.Revie	M.Lennox	N.Pollock	L.Craigie
1974/75	I.A.Kydd	K.M.Revie	M.McCulloch	D.King	L.Craigie
1975/76	I.A.Kydd	K.M.Revie	M.McCulloch	A.Duncan	N.Mutrie
1976/77	R.Normand	K.M.Revie	L.Craigie	D.King	N.Mutrie
1977/78	R.Normand	N.R.Paterson	M.McCulloch	I.Henderson	N.Mutrie
1978/79	T.A.T.Newton	K.M.Revie	M.McCulloch	D.King	N.Mutrie
1979/80	T.A.T.Newton	K.M.Revie	J.C.Leach	A.Thomson	N.Mutrie
1980/81	P.A.McAlear	K.M.Revie	J.C.Leach	A.Thomson	J.C.Leach
1981/82	P.A.McAlear	A.Lackie	J.C.Leach	A.Thomson	J.C.Leach
1982/83	B.Benson	A.Lackie	Not competed	A.Thomson	J.C.Leach
1983/84	B.Benson	R.Caldwell	J.Erskine	K.Whitehill	E.Smith
1984/85	D.W.Marshall	I.J.Allan	J.Erskine	S.F.Ross	J.C.Leach
1985/86	D.W.Marshall	B.Dodds	L.C.Boyd	B.Boswell	N.Mutrie
1986/87	D.W.Marshall	M.J.S.Cranstoun	J.Erskine	C.Bell	J.C.Leach
1987/88	D.W.Marshall	M.J.S.Cranstoun	M.Hayworth	W.Boswell	J.C.Pollock
1988/89	N.Patrick	M.J.S.Cranstoun	M.McCulloch	P.Ansbro	J.C.Pollock
1989/90	A.M.Nisbett	M.J.S.Cranstoun	S.J.Anderson	S.Hefferman	J.C.Pollock
1990/91	A.M.Nisbett	H.Stewart	M.Hayworth	P.Ansbro	Not competed
1991/92	A.M.Nisbett	B.Dodds	S.Whitesmith	A.B.Galbraith	J.C.Pollock
1992/93	R.P.Whitesmith	H.Stewart	E.Adams	A.B.Galbraith	Not competed
1993/94	R.P.Whitesmith	B.Dodds	L.Middleton	A.B.Galbraith	J.C.Pollock
1994/95	J.D.Henderson	A.Ralston	Not competed	A.B.Galbraith	J.C.Pollock
1995/96	J.D.Henderson	A.Ralston	E.Adams	A.B.Galbraith	C.Towers
1996/97	S.M.Walker	A.Ralston	M.Hayworth	M.Woods	Not competed
1997/98	S.M.Walker	A.Ralston	S.Adam	M.Woods	Not competed
1998/99	I.C.Ross	Not competed	Not competed	S.F.Ross	F.McMillan
1999/00	I.C.Ross	D.Lamont	C.Young	A.Macbean	F.McMillan
2000/01	K.McDonach	D.Lamont	C.Young	A.Macbean	M.Macrae
2001/02	K.McDonach	D.Lamont	C.Young	A.Macbean	Not competed
2002/03	G.Roberts	D.Lamont	R.Adam	A.Macbean	Not competed
2003/04	G.Roberts	D.Lamont	C.Young	A.Macbean	Not competed
2004/05	I.A.McCulloch	D.Lamont	C.Young	A.Macbean	Not competed
2005/06	I.A.McCulloch	D.Lamont	C.Young	A.Macbean	F.McMillan
2006/07	D.J.Irving	D.Lamont	C.Young	A.Macbean	F.McMillan
2007/08	D.J.Irving	C.J.Mathewson	C.Young	G.McKay	F.McMillan
2008/09	D.Robertson	D.Lamont	C.Young	G.McKay	A.Grieve
2009/10	D.Robertson	D.Lamont	C.Young	D.Lamont	A.Taylor
2010/11	C.MacKelvie	C.J.Mathewson	C.Young	N.L.Turnbull	A.H.Thomson
2011/12	C.MacKelvie	D.Lamont	K.M.Sadler	D.Lamont	A.Taylor
2012/13	S.D.Allbutt	C.Mathewson	C.MacKelvie	A.Marshall	A.Taylor
2013/14	S.D.Allbutt	D.Lamont	C.MacKelvie	E.Henderson	A.Taylor
2014/15	G.Clark	D.Lamont	C.MacKelvie	E.Henderson	A.H.Thomson
2015-16	G.Clark	D.Lamont	C.MacKelvie	E.Henderson	A.Taylor
2016-17	C.Campbell	D.Lamont	C.MacKelvie	D.Lamont	M.Russell
2017-18	C.Campbell	C.Mathewson	C.MacKelvie	D.Lamont	A.Taylor
2018-19	J.Grant	D.Lamont	K.Kassem	D.Lamont	A.Taylor
2019-20	J.Grant	C.Mathewson	C.MacKelvie	Not competed	Not competed
2020-21	J.Long	D.Lamont	E.Phillips	Not competed	Not competed
2021-22	J.Long	R.J.Phillips	E.Phillips	R.Phillips	M.Russell
2022-23	J.Long				

## Gents and Ladies Doubles

The winners under this section have not been listed, as over the years the format has changed to and fro from open doubles, to handicap doubles, to 'lucky-dip' doubles.

For the record, in 2020 the Gents Doubles Champions were Stewart Walker (age 79) and Bob Whitesmith (age 77) – the oldest ever pairing to win this title in the club's 100 years history.

## Mixed Doubles

1948	W.R.Pringle / Miss E.M.Paton	1949	R.L.Caldwell / Miss M.Main
1950	Not competed	1951	W.Neil / Mrs C.Corbett
1952	J.F.Hunter / Miss R.Hill	1953	N.A.G.Runciman / Miss P.E.G.Thomson
1954	J.F.Hunter / Miss R.Hill	1955	S.Bradley / Miss N.Hutton
1956	S.Donaldson / Miss R.Laing	1957	I.C.Ross / Miss V.R. Conacher
1958	Not competed	1959	A.Shaw / Miss A.A.Kinghorn
1960	J.F.Hunter / Miss S.Buchanan	1961	J.Caldwell / Mrs M.Caldwell
1962	C.Dand / Miss A.Ross	1963	D.I Stuart / Miss C.Adams
1964	G.Brown / Miss P.Weston	1965	J.F.Hunter / Miss V.R.Conacher
1966	J.F.Hunter / Mrs M.Norris	1967	Not competed
1968	Not competed	1969	D.M.Cranstoun / Mrs S.Cranstoun
1970	J.F.Howie / Miss E.M.Campbell	1971	Not competed
1972	I.A.McCulloch / Mrs M.McCulloch	1973	I.A.McCulloch / Mrs M.McCulloch
1974	R.Caldwell / Miss A.Walker	1975	R.Caldwell / Mrs M.Paterson
1976	N.Paterson / Miss A.Lonsdale	1977	A.Lackie / Miss J.Leach
1978	Not competed	1979	Not competed
1980	J.C.Kerr / Miss C.Pyne (Cup thereafter kept by a certain female winner for some 19 years!)		
1999	D.Lamont / Mrs J.Scott	2000	S.M.Walker / Miss C.Young
2001	S.M.Walker / Miss C.Young	2002	D.Lamont / Miss C.MacKelvie
2003	S.M.Walker / Miss A.Smollett	2004	J.Russell / Mrs H.Parton
2005	S.M.Walker / Miss A.Smollett	2006	S.M.Walker / Miss A.Smollett
2007	J.Russell / Mrs K.Kasem	2008	J.Russell / Mrs K.Kasem
2009	Not competed	2010	H.Stewart / Miss R.Adam
2011	J.Russell / Mrs K.Kasem	2012	J.Russell / Mrs K.Kasem
2013	J.Russell / Mrs K.Kasem	2014	G.Kelty / Miss C.MacKelvie
2015	A.Lackie / Miss K.Lackie	2016	K.Bonham / Mrs M.Bonham
2017	J.Russell / Mrs K.Kasem	2018	J.McFadden / Miss F.Henderson
2019	I.Gibson / Mrs J.Scott	2020	J.Grant / Miss L.Routledge
2021	R.J.Phillips / Miss E.Phillips	2022	J.Fleming / R.McIlfatrick

## The Stewart Kilpatrick Cup

In 1980, following the death of Stewart Kilpatrick, aged 80, the committee proposed that in honour of his service to the club, and so that his name should not be forgotten, a cup should be presented annually in his memory. The recipient would be that club member who had put in considerable effort and had served exceptionally well for the club during that particular year. The recipients were as follows.

1980/81	Dave McGorum	1981/82	Trevor Newton
1982/83	Hugh Ferguson	1983/84	-
1984/85	Robert Whitesmith	1985/86	Ronnie Caldwell
1986/87	Russell Pickard	1987/88	Eddie Lambie
1988/89	Betty Edmonstone	1989/90	Bill Leach
1990/91	Stewart Walker	1991/92	Pete Taylor
1992/93	-	1993/94	-
1994/95	-	1995/96	John Hannah
1996/97	Stuart MacKelvie	1997/98	David Lamont
1998	Liz Wilder	1999	Ian Ross
2000	Douglas Henderson	2001	Claire MacKelvie
2002	Ian McCulloch	2003	George Roberts
2004	Judith Millward	2005	Tony Morris
2006	David Irving	2007	Robert Whitesmith
2008	Gail Allbutt	2009	Craig Campbell
2010	Stewart Walker	2011	K.Kassem/C.MacKelvie
2012	David Lamont	2013	Tracy Rogers
2014	Dennis Coll	2015	Ross Routledge
2016	Colin Mathewson	2017	Dennis McColl
2018	Simon Allbutt	2019	Angus Thorburn
2020	Graham Clark	2021	Bob Casement
2022	Fiona Henderson		

## **TENNIS - TEAM HONOURS**

### **Scottish Cup Wins – Gents (14 wins in 15 years)**

- 1979 – beat Bridge of Allan – 5/3.  
K.Revie/A.McNab, A.Galbraith/N.Paterson, R.Caldwell/K.Head.
- 1980 – beat Bridge of Allan – 5/4.  
K/Revie/ A.Lackie, A.Galbraith/N.Paterson, K.Head/R.Whitesmith.
- 1981 – beat Newlands – 5/1.  
K.Revie/R.Stadele, A.Galbraith/A.Lackie, R.Caldwell/K.Head.
- 1982 – beat St. Serfs – 5/1.  
K.Revie/I.Allan, A.Galbraith/A.Lackie, R.Caldwell/D.Morrison.
- 1983 – beat St. Serfs – 5/1.  
K.Revie/I.Allan, A.Galbraith/A.Lackie, R.Caldwell/D.Morrison.
- 1984 – beat St. Serfs – 5/1.  
K.Revie/I.Allan, A.Galbraith/A.Lackie, R.Caldwell/D.Morrison.
- 1985 – beat Giffnock – 5/2.  
K.Revie/A.Lackie, A.Galbraith/I.Allan, B.Dodds/ D.Morrison.
- 1986 – beat Giffnock – 6/3.  
K.Revie/A.Lackie, A.Galbraith/I.Allan, R.Caldwell/R.Whitesmith.
- 1987 – beat Giffnock – 5/1.  
K.Revie/A.Lackie, A.Galbraith/I.Allan, R.Caldwell/A.Lackie.
- 1988 – *lost in West Section* – 3/3. Opposing team called time – lost on count back.  
K.Revie/I.Allan, R.Caldwell/A.Lackie, B.Dodds/A.Wright.
- 1989 – beat Whitecraigs – 5/3.  
K.Revie/B.Dodds, A.Galbraith/I.Allan, R.Caldwell/A.Lackie.
- 1990 – beat Whitecraigs – 5/4.  
K.Revie/A.Lackie, A.Galbraith/I.Allan, R.Caldwell/H.Stewart.
- 1991 – beat Giffnock – 5/2.  
K.Revie/B.Dodds, A.Galbraith/I.Allan, R.Caldwell/D.Morrison.
- 1992 – beat Newlands – 5/4.  
K.Revie/B.Dodds, A.Galbraith/I.Allan, R.Caldwell/A.Lackie.
- 1993 – beat Giffnock – 5/2.  
K.Revie/O.Hadden, A.Galbraith/I.Allan, A.Lackie/B.Dodds.

### **Scottish Cup Wins – Ladies**

- 1983 – beat Elderslie – 5/2  
J.Erskine/J.Crammond, L.Boyd/M.Hayworth, M. McCulloch/R.Harvie.

### **Division 1 / Premier League Champions – Gents**

1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1987, 1988, 1991, 1992, 1993.

### **Division 1 / Premier League Champions – Ladies**

1980, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1987, 1989, 1992, 1994.

### **Clydesdale Cup**

Div 2 – 1948,1960,1969. Div 1 – 1979,1980,1983,1984,1985,1989,1991,1992.

### **Senior Calcutta Cup**

1967, 2012

### **Junior Calcutta Cup**

1992, 1993

## TENNIS - INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL HONOURS

### The Scottish Championships

#### Boys Singles – 15 and under

1968	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1969	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1971	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1978	<i>I.J.Allan</i>

#### Boys Doubles – 15 and under

1976	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i> and <i>K.E.G.Gilbert</i>
1977	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i> and <i>R.A.Stadele</i>
1978	<i>I.J.Allan</i> and <i>R.A.M.Lumsden</i>
1980	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i> and <i>M.Sproule</i>

#### Boys Singles – 18 and under

1972	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1973	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1974	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1976	<i>A.Chisholm</i>
1979	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i>
1980	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i>

#### Boys Doubles – 18 and under

1971	<i>K.M.Revie</i> and <i>I.H.M.Dewar</i>
1972	<i>K.M.Revie</i> and <i>I.H.M.Dewar</i>
1977	<i>R.Caldwell</i> and <i>D.J.Watt</i>
1980	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i> and <i>R.A.Stadele</i>
1881	<i>I.J.Allan</i> and <i>R.W.Scott</i>

#### Mens Singles – 21 and under

1974	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1975	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1976	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1977	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1979	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i>

#### Mens Doubles – 21 and under

1976	<i>K.M.Revie</i> and <i>I.H.M.Dewar</i>
1977	<i>A.Chisholm</i> and <i>D.J.Watt</i>
1978	<i>A.Chisholm</i> and <i>D.J.Watt</i>
1979	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i> and <i>D.J.Watt</i>
1982	<i>I.J.Allan</i> and <i>S.D.Jones</i>

#### Mens Singles

1977	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
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#### Mens Doubles

1982	<i>K.M.Revie</i> and <i>D.J.Watt</i>
1992	<i>B.Dodds</i> and <i>M.Watt</i>

#### Mixed Doubles

1981	<i>K.M.Revie</i> and <i>Miss J.M.Erskine</i>
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## TENNIS - INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL HONOURS

### The Scottish Hard Court Championships

#### Boys Singles – 18 and under

1973	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1989	<i>M.Cranstoun</i>

#### Mens Singles

1977	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1979	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1983	<i>K.M.Revie</i>

#### Mens Doubles

1975	<i>K.M.Revie and N.R.Paterson</i>
1978	<i>K.M.Revie and G.O.Notman</i>
1979	<i>K.M.Revie and D.J.Watt</i>
1982	<i>I.J.Allan and S.Montgomery</i>

#### Mixed Doubles

1975	<i>K.M.Revie and Miss M.Sinclair</i>
1979	<i>A.B.Galbraith and Miss S.F.McCulloch</i>
1982	<i>I.J.Allan and Miss L.J.Reid</i>
1984	<i>I.J.Allan and Miss L.J.Reid</i>

### The Scottish National Championships

#### Mens Singles

1984	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1989	<i>K.M.Revie</i>

#### Mens Doubles

1985	<i>K.M.Revie and I.J.Allan</i>
1986	<i>K.M.Revie and I.J.Allan</i>
1988	<i>K.M.Revie and I.J.Allan</i>
1989	<i>K.M.Revie and I.J.Allan</i>
1991	<i>K.M.Revie and I.J.Allan</i>

### The Scottish Indoor Championships

#### Mens Singles

1974	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1979	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1980	<i>M.Cranstoun</i>

*Ken Revie - most capped Scottish Internationalist with 44 caps*

## TENNIS - INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL HONOURS (continued)

### The Scottish Junior Indoor Championships

#### Boys Singles – 18 and under

1972	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1973	<i>K.M.Revie</i>
1978	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i>
1979	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i>
1981	<i>I.J.Allan</i>
1989	<i>M.Cranstoun</i>

#### Boys Doubles – 18 and under

1972	<i>K.M.Revie</i> and <i>I.H.M.Dewar</i>
1973	<i>K.M.Revie</i> and <i>I.H.M.Dewar</i>
1978	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i> and <i>R.A.Stadele</i>
1979	<i>A.B.Galbraith</i> and <i>R.A.Stadele</i>
1980	<i>I.J.Allan</i> and <i>R.W.Scott</i>
1981	<i>I.J.Allan</i> and <i>D.K.Bann</i>
1988	<i>M.Cranstoun</i> and <i>K.Wood</i>
1989	<i>M.Cranstoun</i> and <i>D.Swor</i>

#### Scottish Veterans Mens Singles

1995 Over 50's	<i>S.M.Walker</i>
2008 Over 65's	<i>SM.Walker</i>
2012 Over 70's	<i>S.M.Walker</i>
2013 Over 70's	<i>S.M.Walker</i>
2014 Over 70's	<i>S.M.Walker</i>
2015 Over 70's	<i>S.M.Walker</i>
2016 Over 70's	<i>S.M.Walker</i>
2020 Over 75's	<i>S.M.Walker</i>

#### Scottish Veterans Mens Doubles

2008 Over 65's (Outdoor)	<i>S.M.Walker</i> and <i>R. Whitesmith</i>
2009 Over 65's (Indoor)	<i>S.M.Walker</i> and <i>A.McLeod</i>
2013 Over 70's (Indoor)	<i>S.M.Walker</i> and <i>B.Higgins</i>
2013 Over 70's (Outdoor)	<i>S.M.Walker</i> and <i>R. Whitesmith</i>
2014 Over 70's (Outdoor)	<i>S.M.Walker</i> and <i>R. Whitesmith</i>
2015 Over 70's (Indoor)	<i>S.M.Walker</i> and <i>P.Sellar</i>
2015 Over 70's (Outdoor)	<i>S.M.Walker</i> and <i>R. Whitesmith</i>
2016 Over 70's (Outdoor)	<i>S.M.Walker</i> and <i>H.Reid</i>
2020 Over 75's (Indoor)	<i>S.M.Walker</i> and <i>L.McGowan</i>

#### Scottish Veterans International Caps

1998 Over 55's	<i>S.M.Walker</i>
2008 Over 65's	<i>S.M.Walker</i>
2012 Over 65's	<i>S.M.Walker</i>

**Stewart Walker - Broomhill's most successful Veteran** - 26 times finalist in Scottish Championships (17 Championship wins), 12 times in Scotland squad for Four Nations Championships (3 singles caps), 20 times finalist in West of Scotland Championships (10 Championships wins), 14 West of S. County Caps (9 as Captain), In April 2018, aged 77, Stewart became the oldest ever member to play for the Gent's 1st Tennis Team in a singles and doubles Spring League fixture. Also in 2018, aged 77 he became the oldest member to play in the Gent's 2nd Squash Team.

## **TENNIS – INDIVIDUAL INTERNATIONAL HONOURS**

A special mention must be given to Jamie Baker, Broomhill's most successful male tennis player of all time. Born in 1986, Jamie started playing tennis at the age of four and as a junior reached number 6 in the ITF world rankings.

At the age of 18 he turned professional and by the following year was playing in Futures tournaments, making his debut at age 20 in 2006 on the ATP tour. That year he was selected for the British Davis Cup team and also in the following two years in 2007 and 2008. By 2008 he was Britain's number 3 player.

However, in 2009, with his full potential still to be achieved he contracted a near fatal rare blood disease. He had to take considerable time off to recover, that saw his ITF world ranking plummet to number 877. With much resilience Jamie took the long road to recovery and had to start playing again in Futures tournaments. His endeavours saw him being selected again for the Davis Cup team in 2010 and 2011. In 2012 he reached a career high ITF world ranking of 185.

Jamie retired from professional tennis in 2013 at the age of 27, as Broomhill's most successful ever player.

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