



Welcome to our Summer newsletter 2023.

It's been lovely to see so many of you enjoying playing tennis in the sun. Seeing the club buzzing with activity makes the hard work that we all do on the 'Tennis Committee' very rewarding and worthwhile. The word is spreading that what we offer at Broughton and District Tennis Section is really something special and our membership numbers continue to be on the rise. We currently have 316 members in total, 112 of them are juniors.

We hope you find the information in this newsletter interesting and helpful, and as always, if you have any queries or good ideas, or wish to volunteer, please speak to one of committee members or email us at broughtontennis@gmail.com



Julie Drinkall - Tennis Secretary

Polite reminder about footwear

Only trainers with non-marking soles should be worn on court, preferably trainers designed specifically for tennis. The LTA provide guidance on buying tennis shoes on their website

<https://www4.lta.org.uk/play-compete/getting-started/tennis-kit-guide/the-shoes/>

Soles of trainers should be checked regularly to ensure grips have not worn down to avoid falls and injuries.

Summer Tournament 2023

We've had an amazing number of entries in this year's club competitions with a total of 139 entrants.

The draw has now been done and is pinned on the pavilion noticeboard for all members to see and follow the progress of this event. Please start organising your matches earlier rather than later, to avoid a backlog further down the line.

If you have entered the tournaments, you should have received an email including a copy of the draws and contact details to help you arrange your matches. If you haven't received this email, please let us know asap at broughtontennis@gmail.com

GOOD LUCK EVERYONE



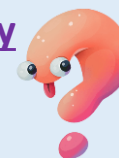
FLOODLIGHT MAINTENANCE ON COURTS 1-3

Work to convert the floodlights to LEDs on Courts 1-3 will start on 14th August 2023. We expect the work to take about 2 weeks and during this time there will be some disruption to court availability. Please be patient and bear with us whilst we get this latest maintenance work done.

Dates for your Diary



President's Day
Sat 8th July



Lounge Quizzes

Saturdays 1st, 15th & 29th July. 12th August



Live Music in the Lounge

Fri 28th July with *Kearra Bethany*
Fri 25th August with *Glen Franklin*



Club BBQ

Saturday 5th August



Walking Treasure Hunt

Sun 26th August

Beer Festival

22nd - 24th September



For further details of all these events please keep an eye open for posters going up around the club.



PRESIDENT'S DAY SOCIAL

SATURDAY 8th JULY
ARRIVE BY 1.30PM PLEASE

As is tradition, we are organising a "Tennis Section Social" for this year's President's Day.

After the usual opening ceremony, we will have arranged fours starting from 14.00 hrs.

(N.B. If demand is high, we may have to restrict the session to 1 hour 30 mins to allow a second session to start at 3.30pm)

Simply arrange your 4, book a court and don't forget to provide your own tennis balls.

To reserve a court message Linda Francis ASAP on 07714761979. Courts will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

We'd love as many members as possible to come along and support this event and why not order an "Afternoon Tea in a Box" to enjoy after the tennis - supplied by Light Ash Farm. Tickets are available from the bar £12.50 each.

The teas will be served at 5pm ish.

You can also take advantage of the reduced bar prices on the day!

PS If you are struggling to find a 4 to play in, but would like to take part, please get in touch and I'll make a list of people and do my best to try and sort you out with a game.

Linda Francis



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What is President's Day?

President's day is a social event, hosted by the president, when all sections within the club get together and celebrate our facilities. The bowls section runs a competition, in which members from other clubs take part and the whole club has an opportunity to socialise over tea and enjoy the reduced-price bar prices. It's a fun, friendly atmosphere where everyone is welcomed.

Courts and 'Tea' tickets are still available for President's Day 2023 – Saturday 8th July. Contact Linda Francis to book your court and buy your 'Tea In A Box' ticket from Michelle - behind the bar. This year's president is Liz Cross, she is a very active member of the Bar & Social Committee. She volunteers a lot of her time to help put on events at the club including the Beer Festival. It would be great if we could show our appreciation by supporting her on this special occasion.

N.B. There's only one week left to book your court and orders for Tea in a Box need to be in by Monday please.

N.B to parents of all juniors - The **Junior Tournament sheets** are now displayed on the noticeboard in the pavilion. If your child is a member and wishes to enter this year's club junior tournaments, please make sure you add their name to the lists so they can take part.



NO CHEWING GUM PLEASE!

Chewing gum whilst playing tennis can, not only cause jolting, but it can end up stuck to our tennis courts. It is very difficult to remove and destroys the paint and playing surface! We politely request that no one should bring chewing gum onto our courts.





Thank you to our team of volunteers

As always, we would like to extend a big thank you to all our volunteers. We have too many to mention in this newsletter, but every bit of volunteer time is all very much appreciated whether it involves washing the tea towels, cleaning the fridge, dragging the courts, running a team, organising tournaments and socials, being on the committee, purchasing tennis balls, cutting hedges, burning rubbish, getting rid of wasp's nests, painting lines on courts, bidding for funding, arranging external events etc... It all helps keeps our fees to a minimum and provides us with a top-class facility. This month our maintenance group replaced all the stones round the artificial clay courts to ensure the courts drain efficiently – back breaking work for our small team of volunteers.

If you can spare a few minutes and would like to help in whatever way you can, then please email us at broughtontennis@gmail.com



Recycling of Rubbish

It has become increasingly difficult to recycle the rubbish that is being put in the bins in the pavilion. As such, the committee has unfortunately had to make the decision that a volunteer will no longer be assigned to sort these bins and take rubbish home for recycling. We therefore request that all members should try to take their plastic bottles, tin cans, paper and cardboard home to recycle in their own bins please.



Don't have time to volunteer but want to do your bit to help?

You can help the club financially by purchasing from our new range of **branded clothing**. For every purchase made, the tennis section receives 10% of the value of the item, into our bank account.

These personalized items are a new part of our marketing strategy. When people see personalized clothing, it increases club awareness and can lead to greater interest in a company or club such as ours, with the goal of boosting members and club awareness. So, by wearing the branded clothing you are not only advertising the club, helping financially but showing that you enjoy being a member.

Clothing can be purchased from our online club shop (there is a link on the club shop tab of our website). Those who have bought items say it is easy to buy and the clothing is a good fit and nice to wear. Just make sure you follow the size guides. <https://shops.fabryx.co.uk/collections/broughton-and-district-tennis>



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JUNIOR TEAMS

Fylde Teams

Fylde League at <http://www.fylde.tennis-league.org>

Broughton Boys U17 – 1st position

Broughton A Boys U17 – 2nd position

Ribble Teams

Ribble League at <http://www.ribble.tennis-league.org>

U12's – 1st position

U14's – 4th position

We have entered 11 adult and 4 junior teams in the Ribble and Fylde Leagues this year. We are delighted that we have been able to field so many teams again and give as many members as possible the opportunity to play team tennis. Whether teams win or lose, we hope members are enjoying & appreciating these opportunities.

ADULT TEAMS

Fylde Teams

Mens

1st Team – Div 1 – 6th position

A Team – Div 2 – 2nd position

B Team – Div 4 – 1st position

C Team – Div 5 – 2nd position

D Team – Div 5 – 3rd position

E Team – Div 8 – 2nd position

Ladies

1st Team – Div 2 – 3rd position

A Team – Div 3 – 2nd position

Fylde League at <http://www.fylde.tennis-league.org/>

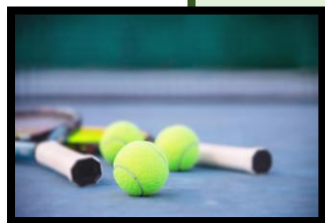
Ribble Teams

Ribble A – Div 1 - 3rd position

Ribble B – Div 4 - 2nd position

Ribble C – Div 5 - 6th position

Ribble League at <http://www.ribble.tennis-league.org/>



N.B. Positions are accurate at time of writing but can change daily, so please do check the websites regularly if you are interested in a team's position in the league. Teams placed 1st or 2nd at the end of the season will go up into the higher division. Currently we have 6 teams that have the potential to move up. This is the most we have ever had at this point in the season! Go team Broughton...

2023 Member Success

Women's GB Team

Congratulations to the following members who have been selected to play for GB.

- **Chris Baron** W75
- **Dorothy Bamber** W80 (non-travelling reserve)
- **Pam McGrath** W85



Individual Success

Dorothy Bamber, who captains our Fylde first ladies' team won the 80s ladies doubles at Wrexham on Sunday 26th February in a nail biting final - with her partner Carol Davies 6-1,4-6, Tie Break 11-9. What a super achievement.

Alex Tekkam, who plays regularly in our Fylde first men's team has been selected to play for Cumbria County Tennis. Well Done, Alex! We hope you enjoy the experience.

Please let us know of your tennis successes by emailing us at broughtontennis@gmail.com so we can celebrate them with you in our next newsletter.

Liebert Ladies Rose bowl Competition Result

Captained by Dorothy Bamber, the team had a great match with Lostock. The match went to a playoff which Lostock just won. Broughton are now in the plate competition and have been drawn against Bowerham.

Roscoe Trophy Men's Competition Results

Captained by Alex Teckkam, the team won their first-round match, and had a tough second round match scheduled at Manchester Tennis Centre on 25th June.

AUTUMN ADULT LEAGUES

Entries are now being invited for the Ribble Autumn Leagues. Last year we entered two men's teams and one ladies. This year the league organiser is inviting interest in adding a mixed league. If you are interested in playing in any of these, especially a mixed league please register your interest ASAP via email to Di Kelshaw - di.kelshaw@btinternet.com. Autumn League teams usually play at the weekend and consist of 4 men and 4 ladies. We assume a mixed league would consist of 2 men and 2 ladies, but will confirm nearer the time.



Coaching



1st Goosnargh Cubs were treated to an hour's introduction to tennis on a lovely sunny evening in June - run by Wayne, Joe and Pete. It certainly looks like they had a lot of fun from these photos...

BOOK NOW

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SUMMER CAMP

Orange/Green/Full ball (7-16 year olds)

9am-1pm

£15 per session

Tuesday 8th August
Wednesday 9th August
Thursday 10th August

Tuesday 15th August
Wednesday 16th August
Thursday 17th August

Tuesday 22nd August
Wednesday 23rd August
Thursday 24th August

Tuesday 29th August
Wednesday 30th August
Thursday 31st August

All sessions payable upon booking

SUMMER CAMP

Mini Red (4-7 year olds)

9am-11am

£8 per session

Tuesday 8th August
Wednesday 9th August
Thursday 10th August

Tuesday 15th August
Wednesday 16th August
Thursday 17th August

Tuesday 22nd August
Wednesday 23rd August
Thursday 24th August

Tuesday 29th August
Wednesday 30th August
Thursday 31st August

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Coaching Programme 2023

	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Saturday	
4-5pm	Mini Red			9.30am-10.15am	Mini Red
5-6pm	Mini Orange	Junior 2	Junior Green	10.15am-11.00am	Mini Orange
6-7pm	Junior Green	Junior 1	Junior Orange		
7- 8.30pm	Adult - Beginners & Improvers				
8.30 -10pm	Adult - Intermediate				

1:1 coaching
with LTA level 3 Head Coach Wayne Wayne is available at £25 an hour.
(N.B. non-members are required to pay an extra court hire charge of £6 for 1:1 coaching.)

Hitting sessions
with assistant lta level 2 coach - Joe Bates are £20 an hour for adults, £15 for juniors
(N.B. non members are required to pay an extra court hire charge of £6 for 1:1 coaching.)



If you would like to join in these sessions, please contact our Head Coach - Wayne. (Please book a place, rather than just turning up.)

Telephone or text: **07825 551360**

Email: waynescott314@yahoo.co.uk

Junior sessions - members £6, non-members £7

Adult sessions - members £8, non-members £10



Racket stringing is also available - prices vary. Please contact Wayne to arrange.