PADEL NEWS JULY 2022

Welcome to the July edition of Padel News, where we share padel updates from around the country. Please share this newsletter with venues in your County and encourage them to circulate amongst the wider rackets' community.

PADEL DASHBOARD

No of courts in the UK at 1st July 2022 179
No of covered courts 75
No of outside courts 104

Court booking providers <u>Matchi</u> and <u>Play Tomic</u> have both recently launched detailed padel reports that highlight the growth of the sport.

How to find courts near me.

PADEL PLAYER OF THE YEAR — TIA NORTON



NEW PUBLICATIONS

As padel gains momentum in the UK, so have the communications supporting the game. Recently launched by journalist Emma Kimber and beautifully produced is www.thebandeja.com

You can also read the latest edition here

Another source of great padel news is the Padel Paper and features the LTA's Head of Padel, Tom Murray in its latest edition www.thepadelpaper.com



VENUE NEWS



WAP, We Are Padel, one of Sweden's largest padel companies, comes to Derby. This 11-court indoor venue is the largest in the UK. WAP are currently offering free courts at the weekend, be sure to test out this premium new venue - https://playtomic.io/we-are-padel-derby-play-free-on-weekends/f33c3aee-f075-408a-a69c-6c50309f0df2?q=PADEL~2022-06-27~~~

SAVE THE DATE



The National Tennis Centre in Roehampton will host the FIP Rise (pro tournament) in the first week in August. **Spectators are very welcome. Please come and watch all the action.**

https://www.padelfip.com/fip-rise-london-padel-open/

PADEL TASTER SESSIONS

For rackets venues considering padel, remember you can book the National Tennis Centre padel courts on a pay-and-play basis. Find out more details here.

COMPETITION

This year's competition calendar is available <u>here</u>. Teams can now enter the LTA Padel National League <u>here</u>

National Teams: World Championships (Men's & Women) will take place Oct/Nov 2022 in either Spain, Italy, or Qatar (TBC)

- GB will have to Qualify (July/Aug/Sep exact dates TBC)
- Several training camps are taking place over next few months (supporting transparent selection)
- Additional training camps are running for other categories (Juniors & Seniors) at venues around the country to support overall pathway.



THE PROFESSIONAL GAME

At the top end for the game, the season has kicked off in style with both the World Padel Tour and FIP offering events all over the world – With such a global platform the sport is quickly living up to its reputation to being the fastest-growing-sport-in-the-world. Top British players continue to compete at FIPs and World Padel Tour events. Roland Garros in July will feature some Brits.

FIP www.padelfip.com

WORLD PADEL TOUR - 2022 CALENDAR



COACHING UPDATE

Existing racket sport coaches, who would like to sign up for LTA Introduction to Padel Coaching CPD can now do so via the LTA website.

The LTA Coach Development & Support team has produced the new Padel Coaching Qualifications, the first 4-day Padel Instructor qualification launched at the end of March; anyone interested can register their interest here. The next pilot session will be held in Scotland, details to come soon.

OFFICIATING NEWS

Remember existing tennis referees can do the free one-hour LTA Padel Referee Conversion Course. If you are an LTA Licensed Official and would like to upskill yourself and learn more about Padel Officiating, you can complete the LTA Padel Referee Conversion Course here.

Call to action!

Similarly, to the LTA website please make sure you have a padel page on your County Website and promote the opportunities padel can offer to venues. For more information or if you have any padel news, please share with katherinemontague22@gmail.com or stephtrill@gmail.com

