

BETWEEN THE LINES

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INTRODUCTION

5... 4... 3... 2... 1... HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2025! In this edition we will running through everything that has happened over the Christmas break, giving you information on some our exciting upcoming events and giving a huge shoutout to one of our long serving giants at HLTC.

We will also announce our Junior Award winners...

We would like to welcome back all our returning members and say a huge hello and welcome to everyone new for the 2025 season.

Heswall Lawn Tennis club is a respected institution on the Wirral, renowned for it's quality on court as well as off the court. We are so excited for the year ahead and can't wait to kick off 2025 in style!



BOBBLE HAT TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to Darren and John (right) our winners of the HLTC Xmas Bobble Hat tournament!

Heswall often holds round robin tournaments mixed with tea and coffee and finishing with a drink in the bar!

Check our socials for the next one so you don't miss out!



XMAS WREATH WORKSHOP

This was a wonderful Christmas Door Wreath Workshop with abundance of fresh foliage, dried fruit and a choice of decorations to add for a personal touch. A fabulously festive opportunity to learn something new,

We had a lovely evening with The Enchanted Florist our next workshop will be at Easter 🐣

We hope to see as many of our there as possible. Information will be available nearer the time to keep your eyes peeled folks!

NEW MEMBERS AFTERNOON

We are hosting our New Members open afternoon on Sunday 2nd February 2pm-5pm!

This is an opportunity for prospective members to meet existing members and coaches, have a hit and discover whether the club is a good fit for them.

If you know anyone who is thinking of taking up tennis or joining the club, just bring them along on the day at 3pm. If you want more information, please contact Suzi and Lewis for more information at membership@heswalltennis.co.uk



JUNIOR AWARDS

Early in 2024, one of our generous members made an anonymous gift to the club. Their request was that, over 5 years, we used the money to make an annual award to a junior boy and girl. This award was not just for the best players but for the juniors who made a positive contribution to the club in the year and got involved.

We are pleased to announce that, just before Christmas, the awards were made for the first time to Lewis Hill and Charlotte Leinster. The Junior section praised them for getting involved with junior nights and volunteering to provide practise partner for other members.

Congratulations to Lewis and Charlotte and thanks to our anonymous benefactor. We're sure that the shop vouchers were much appreciated!



LET'S GO VETS!

HUGE congratulations to our ever impressive and forever young Vets squad. The team in the league held off rivals Wrexham, Hoole and Chester to take the second title in consecutive years. Huge thank you to everyone who played and lets make it a three-peat!

Another thank you also has to go to the man at the helm, the amazing Martin 'Peter Pan' Caveen.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Last month we introduced our WhatsApp community. We have been pleased with the feedback and are committed to delivering timely and relevant information through the channel. We welcome member feedback; if there is information that you would find interesting, please do let us know.

Our goal is to replace email with WhatsApp as the primary communication channel for members, and over 50% of the adult membership are already members of the community. If you're not a member, please do sign-up.

If you would like to join the WhatsApp community, follow this link:
<https://play.heswalltennis.co.uk/whatsapp>



THE BLOOMIN' WEATHER!

Storm Darragh led to the cancellation of the Christmas party, but Debbie Peter's home baked was not wasted. Over 40 members spontaneously gathered in the HLTC Bar and Lounge the following evening for a complimentary supper and a lovely time was had by all.

Of course, since then, due to snowy and icy conditions the club has had to close its courts, however all our fingers and toes are crossed that good weather is just around the corner.

Through our WhatsApp channel we were able to deliver daily updates about the courts. For your safety and to avoid disappointment and wasted journeys, keep an eye out for those updates.

In the meantime, stay safe and we will see you back on court soon!



MEET THE TEAM

Name: Lewis Quail

Role: Assistant Membership Secretary

What have you brought to your new role?

Support and encouragement to new members

When did you start playing tennis?

18

Are you a Lefty or a Righty?

Lefty sort of

Favourite drink from the bar?

Bevie across the Mersey

When did you become a member of HLTC?

16 years ago (hiatus in-between)

Contact: membership@heswalltennis.co.uk

SAVE THE DATES

-New Members Afternoon

February 2nd

2pm-5pm

-Club AGM

February 3rd

Starts at 7:30pm. All members are welcome.

<https://play.heswalltennis.co.uk/2025amg-notice>

TIME TO GET QUIZICAL?

Did you know that a Wirral quiz league team plays their home games at the tennis club over the winter? Since 2023 Thingwall have been playing on alternate Mondays throughout winter, and this season changed their team name to Heswall in honour of their new home!

They are always on the lookout for new players so if we have any budding quizzers amongst our members then please email neil_elsby@yahoo.co.uk



Club Kit

HLTC CLUB Kit can be tried on, ordered and paid for direct with Sportville in Greasby now - 231 Greasby Rd, Greasby, Wirral CH49 2PG

YOU CAN ALSO FIND US ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS AT:
 INSTAGRAM: HESWALLLAWNTENNISCLUB FACEBOOK: HESWALL LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Barbara Wipes the 'Bloor' with Scotland!

Our highly decorated club champion, Barbara Bloor, was selected to play for England in the Four Nations Super Seniors tournament which took place in Bolton in November. She played three hard fought matches against Ireland, Wales and Scotland helping the England team to an overall victory.

Thanks to Julie Risely for making the trip to a very wet Bolton to support.

Barbara's dedication to tennis knows no bounds. She is over the moon to have been selected and represented her country. We are very proud of her.

Congratulations Barbara, long may your excellence continue!

(Barbara on the right)

