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Withnell Fold Sports & Social Club

# Newsletter

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## FUN APLENTY AT 120!



**W**OODEN racquets, cries of "Service" and period dress were in evidence on court when we celebrated 120 years of sport at Withnell Fold.

It was fabulous to see so many people getting into the spirit of the occasion, even though the racquets and restrictive dress proved quite a challenge for the

players. The tournament games (thankfully not in costume) were closely contested, with Clive Bass running out the eventual winner on points.

See more photos (in colour) on Page 2.

Thankyou to all who joined in on the day and special thanks to the volunteers who organised this magnificent event.







# Anniversary antics for Folders





# Cricket is in full swing



**PITCH PERFECT:**  
Chris Rainford  
took this fab drone  
pic last weekend

THE cricket season has finally got going despite the best efforts of the weather to dampen spirits.

Home practice is scheduled for Tuesday evening from 6pm – all welcome!

Some players are often up on other nights using the bowling machine, so if you can't make Tuesday do let us know.

Junior sessions take place on

Friday evenings – under eights from 6pm-6.45pm and over eights from 7 to 8pm.

The older group are making great strides – the first one of them played senior cricket earlier in the season and we hope to have some friendly games with a mix of adults and juniors in the not-too-distant future.

You may have noticed that we

have cricket matches on each Saturday this year – that's because we are sharing our ground with BAC Preston this season. They can't currently access their own ground due to engineering works on the River Ribble.

The bar opens at 4pm each Saturday, so come along, catch some live sport and enjoy our beautiful surroundings.

## Call-out for extra tennis players

OUR East Lancs Ladies team is currently sitting mid table, unfortunately having had to concede one as we were unable to muster a team for a bank holiday Friday night match.

New players are always welcome – this is more of a "social" team and we are definitely not trying for promotion!

In the Ribble Mixed league, we are struggling to find the winning formula in the first half of the season.

Let's hope the reverse fixtures signal the start of a run of form.

Coaching for all ages and abilities continues on Mondays. Keep an eye out for new courses starting soon, including an opportunity for FREE beginner lessons thanks to some LTA funding via the East Lancs league.

## Fun fitness

NEW fitness circuit sessions start on Friday June 7 at 9am on the cricket field.

The fun sessions are adaptable for all abilities and babies and toddlers are welcome.

Call Emily on 07528 387233 to book.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

★ GET your thinking caps on and grab a drink from the bar to loosen your brain cells at our next quiz night on Friday June 28 from 8pm. Bar opens at 7.30pm for pre-match refreshment.

★ THE next summer willow weaving session will be held on Sunday June 30.

★ WITHNELL Fold Primary School's PTFA summer fair is on Friday July 5 at the club.

## Afternoon concert in clubhouse

WE are pleased to be holding a piano recital by classical concert pianist Andrew Wilde on Sunday August 11 at 3pm.

Andrew studied at Chethams school of music and the Royal Northern, he has a wide concert repertoire and has played here before and loved it! so this should be a lovely relaxing afternoon.

Entrance price of £10 includes a cream scone and a tea or coffee.

Andrew's fee will go to his music charity The North West Music Trust which aims to widen access to classical music across our area.

The bar will be open before and after the concert but not during.

There will be two 40-minute recitals with an interval in between.

To book, visit our website – [wfssc.org.uk](https://wfssc.org.uk) – and click on the events link or you could use the QR code, right.

Numbers are limited so don't delay!



## AFTERNOON CLASSICAL PIANO RECITAL

Join us for an afternoon with internationally celebrated classical pianist Andrew Wilde who returns to delight us with a much loved selection of evergreen classical favourites.

**Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 at 3-00pm**

Withnell Fold Sports and Social Club, PR6 8BA



Admission £10 including scone and tea or coffee from <https://wfssc.org.uk/recital-payment>

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