

2024 COUNTY HANDBOOK



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PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

It gives me very much pleasure to welcome you to the 2024 official handbook of Herefordshire and Worcestershire LTA.

An excellent report on tennis activities in the County in 2023 appears elsewhere in the Chairman's Report.

My thanks go to our Chairman, Ed Bradford and his team, for their hard work and support in the administration of our County LTA during 2023 - this is much appreciated.

On the playing side our Men's team, in the LTA Summer County Cup, competed in Group 6 at



Southsea and won promotion to Group 5 in 2024. Under the captaincy of Charlie Crisp, the whole team contributed to the team's success, However, the highlight of the week was the achievement of our 1st pair, Alex Parker and Alex Maggs in winning 15 matches out of 15 in the week. My congratulations go to the two Alexes and the rest of the team.

Our Ladies' team competing in Group 5 at West Worthing came close to gaining promotion. At the start of the final day we were in the exciting position of having any of the three outcomes (promotion, staying in the group or relegation) still possible. The team just missed out on promotion and finished in 3rd place. Under the captaincy of Kate Horsburgh, this young team should do well in future years.

Our young tennis star from Redditch, Felix Gill, has recently won back-to-back victories on the pro tour. He is now at a career high world ranking of 369. We wish him all the best for his future career.

Once again, may I thank all our Sponsors for their continued support which ensures that our programmes can be enhanced in so many ways for the benefit of tennis in our County. We are most grateful to them all. I also thank all our volunteers within the Clubs who work so tirelessly to support tennis in our County in so many areas. Their contributions are invaluable.

Finally, I wish all of you success, both on and off the court, during 2024.

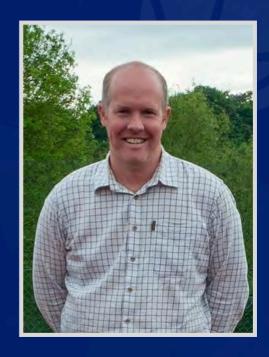
Ian King, President H&W LTA

HELLO FROM THE CHAIR

Welcome to the 2024 Herefordshire and Worcestershire LTA Handbook, which I hope you find an enjoyable and informative read.

The past 12 months have seen quite a bit of change to our management team, with some long standing servants moving on to enjoy other pursuits in life!

My thanks go to Jodie Cresser who has settled in well as our County Tennis Manager and we look forward to making further changes to how we operate during 2024, bringing in additional resources where necessary.



Whilst our numbers have shrunk slightly, I continue to be grateful for all that everyone does on the team and within the wider county community, but it does show how we are reliant on a handful of individuals. I would therefore welcome a conversation with you if you feel that you can volunteer to help in any way, be it related to a specific interest or project, or for a specified number of hours or length of time.

Money continues to dominate our discussions as a management team and 2023 saw the introduction of the LTAs new funding model. This has given us more financial certainty as a county which is pleasing, but means that we have to meet certain delivery objectives around the LTAs four pillars of Participation, Performance, Competition and Volunteering. We have now come to the end of our first year of the funding model and I'm pleased to say that we have managed to meet the LTAs objectives, as well as delivering our own local priorities.

Over the following pages you will read about the significant activity and success that has taken place over the past year. Our congratulations go to Jenny Frow on being awarded a British Empire Medal in the New Years Honours List for her work in tennis and to Pauline Fisher who became the World No.1 in the Over 70 age group- both fantastic achievements

MORE FROM THE CHAIR

Across the county, 2023 saw new facility projects such as the arrival of padel tennis in Hereford and our venues have continued to attract new members. We celebrate this success on an annual basis through our County Awards and I again took great pleasure in getting out on the road to present our winners with their certificates and prizes that were donated by HEAD.

Spending time with clubs and volunteers listening to all that they have achieved and about their plans for the future was truly rewarding and I wish to do the same again in 2024.

On this note, I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our awards evening at Worcestershire County Cricket Club in March.

Thank you to each and everyone of you for what you do for our sport in Herefordshire and Worcestershire and here's to a successful and enjoyable 2024.

Ed Bradford, Chair H&W LTA





Tickets are priced at £35 per head and includes a set three course dinner with tea/coffee and a live band.

Tables of 8, 10 or 12 people.

Booking deadline is 16th February 2024.

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Ian King (01527 591548)

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Ian King

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Senior County Teams

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JENNY FROW AWARDED BEM

A HUGE congratulations to Bewdley Tennis Club royalty Jenny Frow, who has been awarded the British Empire Medal (BEM) in the New Years Honour List for services to tennis in Worcestershire.

Jenny is among several others from across the British tennis community who have been recognised by His Majesty The King in the 2024 New Years Honour List.

Other honoured were, Christine Windmill who was awarded an OBE in recognition of her contribution to tennis in Scotland. Ian Hewitt, immediate past Chairman of the AELTC, and Sanjay Bhandari, LTA Board member, both were awarded MBEs.



Scott Lloyd, Chief Executive of the LTA said, "On behalf of the LTA and the whole of British tennis, congratulations to all of those honoured today. It's heartening that all of those who have been honoured have given so much of their time to British tennis in a voluntary capacity. All of those to receive awards today have made an important contribution to tennis in Britain, and their recognition in this year's honours list is thoroughly deserved."

For more than 45 years, Jenny has been a passionate and active member of Bewdley Tennis Club, and has served its members through multiple roles including committee chair and club president.

After decades of dedicated service to Bewdley Tennis Club and the Herefordshire and Worcestershire LTA, Jenny was awarded the 2022 LTA Lifetime Achievement Award.

She remains an ever-present figure around the club, continuing to help with club tournaments and activities.

H&W LTA Accounts

Balance Sheet as at 30th September 2023

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Income and Expenditure Accounts for the year ending 30th September 2023

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£	£
420	21,615
0	389
16,250	27,250
66,667	10,391
25,462	26,926
17,635	10,110
5,616	14,519
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5,447	3,915
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County Safeguarding

Once again there has been an increase in contacts from both regional LTA and from club safe guarding officers. Thankfully no serious incidents but awareness of guidance around safeguarding is getting through.

The issue of photo and video policies is a common reason for queries and problems; it needs to be clear and implemented properly, so when organising events or tournaments it should feature on the consent forms. The county has recently updated their policies including this one and ask for advice if you are uncertain.

Adrian Todd and I did a presentation in May for the club SOs. It covered various topics but importantly also informed club SOs of the new safeguarding templates that the LTA had been putting together. Clubs should be implementing these when updating websites or when having safeguarding support visits. In an ideal world, websites should be reviewed regularly and I am hoping most clubs will have updated their policies by the New Year. I have updated the county policies which are now on the website. The LTA are keen that low level concerns are reported in case there is a pattern and we have been following this guidance.

The county had its own safeguarding support visit in September 23. We were one of the last counties to be done and in fact there was a pressure of time as Regional SO Alyson O' Donnell was leaving. The preparation was a huge volume of work for myself and Adrian. We have not yet had the feedback as this includes a survey of clubs/volunteers/parents being sent out which is being included in the feedback, and at the time of writing this report the results were not available. I am aware of some necessary tweaking of our procedures and have already been made a start on this task. The code of conduct being one good example.

Please feel free to contact me for advice if you wish. My phone is 07939 027106 or email <u>alituck@btinternet.com</u>.

Many thanks to deputy CSO Adrian Todd on Adrian.Todd@outlook.com

Alison Tuck County Safeguarding Officer



2023 LTA Tennis Awards

H&W County Tennis Awards

On March 1st 2023, we were very proud to announce the H&W LTA Tennis Award Winners:

- Volunteer of the Year Neil Bates
- Development Coach of the Year Mike Langston
- Parks Award Lido Park Tennis
- School of the Year NEW College Worcester
- Official of the Year Scott Smith
- Rising Star Award Willow Brookes



Midlands Regional Awards

Many congratulations to Droitwich Tennis In The Lido Park, who were named as the Midlands Park Venue of the Year!

Progressing from more than 250 winners at the county stage of the awards, this year's successful regional winners, along with representatives from Tennis Wales and Tennis Scotland, will now go forward to be considered for the national shortlist in each of their respective categories.

The ultimate winners will be revealed at a ceremony on 4 July at the National Tennis Centre.

The Regional LTA Tennis Award presentations took place at the Rothesay Birmingham Classic on June 21st.





National Finals

The great and good of British tennis gathered at the LTA's National Tennis Centre on July 4th as the sport paid homage to inspirational figures that have made a difference in 2022.

The ceremony was hosted by LTA President Sandi Procter and presented by Leon Smith OBE, with several high-profile guests in attendance, including Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Gloucester.

With a raft of big-name sports and TV personalities, including Natasha Kaplinsky, Judy Murray, Sir Trevor McDonald, Lucy Shuker, Jeremy Bates, and Roger Taylor, presenting prizes to those in attendance.

Many congratulations to the Droitwich Lido Park team, who were runners-up in the Park Venue of the Year category.

A fantastic achievement for the whole team and doing H&W proud!











Worcester 'Team Up' Festivals

You may have seen or heard about this new localised initiative in and around Worcester which had over 100 children take part in 2023. Competition Organiser Training was also given to parents & tennis leaders, as well as the coaches.

Why was it introduced?

Encourage young players from 'social' coaching programmes to enjoy recreational competition appropriate for beginner and improver players, who aren't ready for formal competition and don't want to travel too far.

What is it?

A series of fun LTA Team Challenge events and competition festivals hosted at 5 club venues:

- Boughton Park
- Hallow
- Kempsey
- Ombersley
- Worcester LTC

A BIG well done to Jon Bradshaw, Sarah McCormick and Mike Langston for bringing this together.



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H&W 2023 CFS County Championships



A busy week of tennis at the CFS H&W County Championships ended with a series of thrilling finals on the last day at Manor Park.

For all those who entered, watched or supported, we hope that you enjoyed the event. Time for some thank-you's:

- To our friends at <u>Cane Furniture Studios</u> who kindly sponsored the event and presented the trophies and awards
- Manor Park for hosting the annual event and keeping all all fed and watered
- Our amazing referees Scott Smith and James McDonald
- Our Court Supervisors who did an amazing job over the week
- Jodie our County Administrator

Lastly, well done to everyone who competed, to the parents, coaches, helpers and all supporters.

Thanks for coming and we hope that you'll all be inspired to enter next year.

The full list of results can be found here.



2023 Roll of Honour

AGE GROUP	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
Men's Singles	Stuart Shannon	Joe Hart
Ladies Singles	Kate Horsburgh	Katy Lewin
Men's Doubles	Joe Hart & Stuart Shannon	Samuel Rayner & Matt Sime
Ladies Doubles	Katy Lewin & Sally Lewin	Kate Horsburgh & Imogen Sinclair
8U Boys Singles	Robin	Buddy
9U Boys Singles	Andrew	Luca
10U Boys Singles	Ruben	Sam
11U Boys Singles	Eshaan	Ruben
12U Boys Singles	Eshaan	Diego
14U Boys Singles	Harry	Oliver
16U Boys Singles	Harry	Oliver
18U Boys Singles	Samuel C	Sam L
8U Girls Singles	Florence	Jasmine
9U Girls Singles	Luna	Lottie
10U Girls Singles	Luna	Summer
11U Girls Singles	Ruby	Zoe
12U Girls Singles	Mia	Fikayo
14U Girls Singles	Kiah	Grace
16U Girls Singles	Kiah	Maddie
18U Girls Singles	Holly	Oliwia
10U Boys Doubles	Zander & Ruben	William & Sam
11U Boys Doubles	Dara & Eshaan	Benjamin & Daniel
12U Boys Doubles	Dhruv & Eshaan	Jack & Thomas
14U Boys Doubles	Harry & Callum	Ayrton & Oliver
16U Boys Doubles	Alfie & Oliver	Jack & Theo
18U Boys Doubles	Sam C & Sam L	Alfie & Oliver
11U Girls Doubles	Bethany & Zoe	Summer & Ruby
12U Girls Doubles	Leanna & Mia	Freya & Zoe



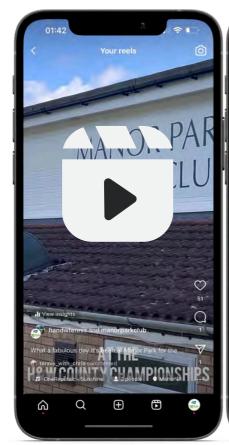
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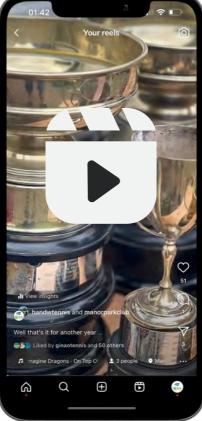
AGE GROUP	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
14U Girls Doubles	Gina & Maddie	Sofie & Kiah
16U Girls Doubles	Marina & Daisy	Gina & Maddie
18U Girls Doubles	Emma & Bethany	Marina & Da <mark>isy</mark>
9U Mixed	Andrew & Luna	William & Sam
18U Mixed	Owen & Bethany	Alfie & Maddie
Team of the Year	18U Boys & Girls	
Girl Player of the Year	Kiah	
Boy Player of the Year	Callum	Ruben

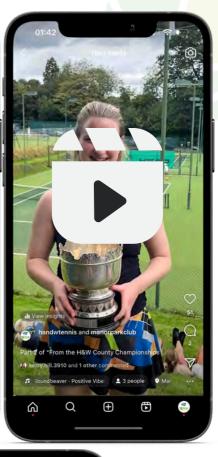




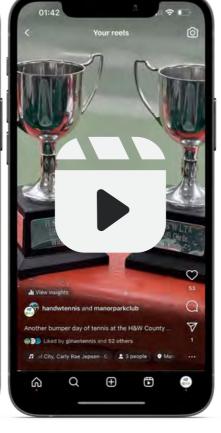
Check out the event Instagram reels













2024 H&W County Tournament Dates

APRIL 2024 SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

Senior County Doubles April 13/14

JUNE 2024

SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 County Mixed Doubles
June 8

AUGUST

2024

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17

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CFS County Championships August 25 - 30





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H&W County Mixed Doubles

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Over 50s

Winners: James Kerton & Angie Street Runners-up: Alice Davey & Jos Schlater

Open

Winners: Kate Horsburgh & Mike Langston Runners-up: Paul Burgess & Katy Lewin

Congratulations to everyone who participated, Manor park for Hosting and to Chris Barr-Hamilton for organising the event again.















H&W Seniors County Closed Doubles

On Sunday 23rd April, Manor Park hosted players from around the two Counties who were taking part in the Senior County Closed Doubles event.

With bragging rights up for grabs, the pairs battled it out in the 35's, 50's and 60's age group categories.

After a fun but competitive afternoon of tennis, the 2023 Champions were crowned.

Ladies Over 35's

Winners: Rachel Prudden & Jilly Witcomb Runners up: Dani Crooks & Faye Edwards

Ladies Over 50's

Winners: Emma Bowen & Janet Mason Runners up: Beverley Morris & Jo Skym

Ladies Over 60's

Winners: Kerry Hill & Janet Williamson Runners up: Sandy Foulkes & Ann Banner

Men's Over 35's

Winners: Paul Burgess & Chris Marlow Runners up: Chris Barr-Hamilton & Phil Mifflin

Men's Over 50's

Winners: Jon Edmondson & Mike Marks Runners up: Nick Jones & Matt Baum

Men's Over 60's

Winners: Barry Tuck & Geoff Smith Runners up: Bob Mannion & Julian Clapp







Many thanks to Manor Park Sports Club for hosting, to all the players and supporters and to Sarah McCormick and Chris Barr-Hamilton for organising another fab event.

Inclusive Tennis

Inclusive tennis continues to thrive and grow across H&W with 13 venues now actively involved with Open Court activity.

Active Registered Coaches

Tina Manning, Sarah McCormick, Neil Bates, Steve Bauer, James Griffiths, Paul Cowie, Tony Wright, Steve Barnett and Margaret Hughes.

Active Venues

- Barnt Green Tennis Club
- Bewdley Tennis Club
- Boughton Park Tennis Club
- Bromsgrove
- Callow End
- Cutnall Green Tennis Club
- Droitwich Lido
- Droitwich Tennis Club

- Hereford Whitecross
- Kidderminster Tennis Club
- Ledbury Tennis Club
- Manor Park
- New College Worcester
- Pershore
- RNC
- Worcester Tennis Club

Highlights

- Commitment to continue VI tennis with the link to New College Worcester into 23/24
- Active working relationship with RNC Hereford to build VI tennis
- New working relationship with Headway in Worcester
- Successful delivery of the National ABI Games for 150 participants at Worcester University
- Successful delivery of LTA Regional LD tournament at Pershore TC
- New working relationship with the British heart Foundation in Worcester
- First work in care home setting with Mews Care Home in Droitwich
- New walking tennis groups at Cutnall Green & Hereford TC

The growth of the Open Court programme in H&W during 2023 has been down to a fantastic effort by many clubs and dedicated individuals, who time and again have gone above and beyond to help those less fortunate than themselves get involved and play our sport.

In addition, behind the scenes support by both the County & National LTA has allowed sessions to be delivered to some who would have struggled, if not completely missed out on the opportunity to get involved in tennis. H&W is now firmly on the national map when it comes to Opening up our sport to as many different people as possible.

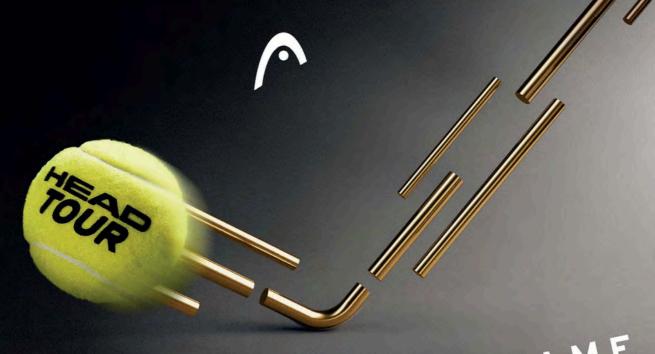
From my perspective, a huge thank you to clubs, coaches and especially those volunteers who through their amazing efforts have put a smile on someone's face who in many cases has never held a racket before!

Neil Bates

Open Court Lead







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HEAD Winter League 2022/23

The Head Herefordshire and Worcestershire County Tennis Leagues ran during Winter 2022/23 and Summer 2023 with approximately 2,000 players playing for clubs throughout the county each season.

Winter 2022/23

Ladies: 38 clubs, 115 teams and 884 players Men's: 41 clubs, 129 teams and 1135 players Mixed: 39 clubs, 99 teams and 1015 players

Summer 2023

Ladies: 31 clubs, 78 teams and 766 players Men's: 28 clubs, 87 teams and 869 players Mixed: 31 clubs, 87 teams and 943 players West: 12 clubs, 43 teams and 320 players



LADIES RESULTS		MEN'S RESULTS		MIXED RESULTS	
1	Manor Park A	1	Manor Park A	1	Worcester A
2	DL Worcs A	2	Stourbridge A	2	Halesowen A
3 East	Bromsgrove B	3 East	Droitwich B	3 East	Bewdley A
4 East	Old Hill A	4 East	Cutnall Green A	4 East	Wombourne A
5 East	DL Worcs B	5 East	Halesowen B	5 East	DL Worcs B
6 East	Wollaston B	6 East	DL Dudley B	6 East	Barnt Green B
7 East	DL Worcs C	7 East	Ombersley B	7 East	Wollaston A
8 East	Fladbury A	8 East	Wombourne A	8 East	DL Dudley B
9 East	Droitwich F	9 East	Barnt Green C	9 East	Bewdley D
10 East	Boughton B	10 East	Barnt Green D	3 West	Manor Park D
11 East	Droitwich G	11 East	The Lenches	4 West	Leominster A
3 West	Manor Park C	3 West	Hereford Whitecross A	5 West	Ross A
4 West	Goodrich B	4 West	Kempsey A	6 West	Leominster B
5 West	Manor Park D	5 West	Boughton B		
6 West	Manor Park E	6 West	Ledbury B		
7 West	Eardisley	7 West	Leominster C		

HEAD Summer League 2023

HEAD

LADIES RESULTS		MEN'S RESULTS		MIXED RESULTS	
1	Manor Park A	1	Stourbridge A	1	Worcester A
2	Madley A	2	Worcester B	2	Stourbridge A
3	Manor Park C	3	Cutnall Green A	3 East	Manor Park E
4 East	DL Worcs B	4 East	Worcester D	4 East	Stourport A
5 East	Hallow A	5 East	Stourport B	5 East	Barnt Green B
6 East	Hallow B	6 East	Hallow B	6 East	Ombersley A
7 East	Kempsey B	7 East	Ombersley A	7 East	Wollaston
8 East	Far Forest A	8 East	Barnt Green C	3 West	Hereford Whitecross A
3 West	Hallow A	9 East	DL Worcs C	4 West	Hereford Whitecross B
4 West	MSC A	10 East	Fladbury A	5 West	Leominster B
5 West	Ross B	4 West	Hereford Whitecross A		
6 West	Boughton B	5 West	Hereford Whitecross B		
		6 West	Ross B		







The HEAD H&W County Tennis League Competition Rules

General Purpose

- **1.** These Rules shall apply to all divisions in the Summer and Winter Leagues. Additional Special Rules applicable to EAST and WEST Divisions are set out after these General Rules.
- **2.** Should any point arise from these Rules, or otherwise, the League Committee's or League Organiser's decision shall be final. In this context "Rules" includes Special Rules applying to East Divisions or West Divisions only.
- **3.** The Management Committee of the Association have delegated all other decisions relating to the Leagues to the Clubs. Any changes in the Rules must be approved by a meeting of Club Representatives. This meeting shall be convened by the League Organiser as necessary or at the request of not less than two clubs. All decisions taken at such a meeting shall be ratified at the next possible Management Committee Meeting of the Association. For the purpose of a meeting of Club Representatives, all clubs who play in the HEAD Herefordshire & Worcestershire County Tennis League are entitled to vote on any issues and changes to the League Rules, one vote per club.

Entry of Teams

- **4.** The Competitions shall consist of three separate leagues, one for Ladies' Doubles, one for Men's Doubles and one for Mixed Doubles, run independently of each other. This arrangement will apply to a summer season and a winter season, each run separately from each other.
- **5.** An entry fee, fixed annually by the League Committee will be charged to clubs for EACH Ladies', Men's and Mixed team playing in each summer and winter season.

Note: Club X enters two men's summer teams and three ladies winter teams. Five entry fees would need to be paid.

- **6**. All entries must be submitted online to the League Organiser by the date specified for that season.
- 7. If a club withdraws a team, it is deemed to be their lowest team unless special circumstances prevail. Additional teams entered by a club will be placed in the lowest division as will teams entered by new clubs. The League Organiser may, however, use their discretion by placing a team in a higher division, provided that it does not involve the relegation of another team to a lower division.

Players

- **8.** During each summer or winter season:
- a. players must be bona-fide members of each club for which they play and registered as a player for each club via their British Tennis Membership profile
- b. players must hold a British Tennis Membership Number and must be associated via the LTA website with the club for which they play. All results involving players who do not have a valid BTM by the end of the season will be voided and where applicable those points will be awarded to the opposition.
- c. Players must not represent more than one club in the Ladies' or Men's or Mixed league. A player may represent a different club for the Mixed league than their Ladies or Men's club.

Note: A player may play for Club W in the Ladies' or Men's Summer League and Club X in the Ladies' or Men's Winter League, whilst playing for Club Y in the Mixed Summer League and Club Z in the Mixed Winter League.

- d. Clubs must ensure that all players are uploaded to each of the teams that they may represent so that results can be entered correctly over the course of the season.
- **9.** Clubs must nominate their 'A' team before their first match. If a nomination list is not received by the appropriate League Organiser, the team playing in the first match for the 'A' team will be deemed to be the nominated team. Regular County players shall not play in any other team than club 'A' teams, and 'A' team players cannot play for lower ranking teams. Where a club has more than one team competing in the league, any vacancies must be filled by promoting players from lower ranking teams, and after playing two matches for any higher team, no player may play for a lower-ranking team regardless of division. If any team infringes any part of this rule they will forfeit the appropriate matches.

Arrangement of Fixtures

10. Fixtures lists will be available online via League Planner prior to the fixtures meetings, the dates and venues for which will be notified to clubs in advance and published in the County Handbook. It is the responsibility of Club Match Secretaries to arrange the dates for fixtures at the fixtures meetings. Actual arrangements as to whether fixtures are played in the evening or at weekends are left to the clubs concerned. In the event of a club being unable to send a representative to the fixtures meeting it becomes the responsibility of that Club's Match Secretary to contact all of the other clubs within 2 weeks of the fixtures meeting to arrange their fixtures. If they do not comply then they may forfeit their matches at the discretion of the League Organiser. All fixtures must be entered online by no later than two weeks after the fixtures meeting. Mixed fixtures will be arranged between Club Mixed Match Secretaries. A contact list will be emailed by the Mixed League Organiser and all matches must be arranged and rescheduled online by the date notified.

Note: In the fixture lists, the first named team is the HOME team.

- **11.** "Intra Club" matches in the same division MUST be played before any other match is played. Otherwise, the FIRST MATCH on the fixture list of each club should be an 'A' team match.
- **12.** Once the date for any fixture has been agreed, if either team fails to fulfil the fixture, it shall forfeit the match, the only reason for postponement being courts unfit or unavailable for play. In the event of a fixture being postponed, the home team must offer three alternative dates. The away team must accept one of the dates offered or forfeit the match. The offered dates shall not include two successive dates.
- 13. The above rule shall apply to unfinished matches, except that the team responsible for the failure to complete the match will only forfeit the unfinished rubbers. In the case of unfinished matches, whether or not a result has already been reached, it is only necessary to play off the outstanding rubbers, and these must be resumed at the point at which they were left off. If for any reason 'Team X' does agree to arrange a fixture at the request of 'Team Y', then in the event of the match not being played by the end of the season for any reason, Team X may claim the match. In all cases the League Organiser must be notified when a fixture is not played.

Note: Unfit for play is deemed to be when a fixture is postponed due to weather, e.g. rain, ice or snow. Unavailable for play is deemed to be due to works being undertaken, e.g. resurfacing.

14. If the courts of the home club are unavailable for play on the date arranged for a match, the match may be played on some other courts nominated by that club.

Note: The courts nominated by the home club can be at a different venue.

Fixture Day

- 15. All matches shall be played in accordance with the rules of tennis as set out by the ITF.
- **16.** All matches must be played to the best of two tie-break sets and 1 match tie-break set (the first to 10 points provided there is a margin of 2 points).
- **17.** The home club must provide a minimum of four HEAD Tour or HEAD Tour XT balls per court for each fixture.
- **18.** In accordance with the current LTA Competition Regulations, immediately prior to a match, the players are entitled to a warm-up period not exceeding five minutes. Should a match be interrupted for reasons beyond the control of the players, a further warm-up period will be permitted immediately before the restart as follows:

0 to 15 minutes interruption: no further warm-up; 15 to 30 minutes interruption: three minutes further warm-up; and 0 or more minutes interruption: five minutes further warm-up.

19. Evening fixtures shall start by 6.30pm or later by mutual consent. In all matches, both evening and daytime, if a pair is not ready to commence play within 30 minutes of the start, it shall forfeit the first match.

Note: In extraordinary circumstances an application can be made to the relevant League Organiser for the rearrangement of an entire or incomplete fixture.

- **20.** Unless Captains have mutually agreed otherwise before the start of a fixture, matches should be completed without a break.
- **21.** The visitors have the right to stay on the same court for both matches of a fixture. In the event of a match not being completed due to bad light, the match must continue under floodlights, where available, unless this involves a change of court surface when the choice, as to whether to continue or not, is left to the away team.

Submission of Results

22. The home captain or match secretary is responsible for submitting the score online or a comment if the match is unfinished, within 48 hours of the match at http://lta.tournamentsoftware.com/member/login.aspx (link available at www.handwtennis.co.uk) otherwise all points may be awarded to the away team.

Note: It is recommended that both teams should keep a written record of the match result, signed by both captains at the fixture.

- **23.** In the case of the Summer Leagues, all fixtures must be completed by midnight on 7th September. In the case of the Winter Leagues, all fixtures must be completed by midnight on 14th April. If any fixture remains unfinished at the times given above, the score existing at that date shall determine the result, unless the League Committee decides otherwise.
- **24.** 2 points shall be awarded for winning the fixture and 2 points for each rubber won. No points will be awarded for incomplete rubbers. If completed rubbers are equal the winner of the fixture shall be determined by reference to the number of sets won. If the number of sets won is equal, then the winner of the fixture shall be determined by reference to the number of games won. If the number of games won is also equal, each team will receive 1 point.

Forfeiture or conceding of or failure to fulfil a fixture

25. In the event of a team forfeiting a fixture the team receiving the walk-over shall be deemed to have won all matches relating to the fixture.

26. In the Summer League:

- a. Failure to fulfil a fixture or conceding a fixture will result in 6 points (Divisions 1, 2, 3 and all East Divisions) and 4 points (all West Divisions) being deducted from the total number of points won at the end of the season.
- b. A second conceded fixture will result in automatic relegation but all other points, for and against, relating to that team will stand.
- c. The team to whom the fixture is conceded will be awarded 14 points (Divisions 1, 2, 3 and all East divisions) and ten points (all West Divisions). If a third fixture is conceded (as well as automatic relegation) all points relating to that team, for and against will be null and void.
- d. For clubs who do not field a complete team on more than one occasion, the team will lose 2 points in addition to the 4 points lost by conceding 2 matches. If this happens on a third occasion, the team will lose 4 points in addition to the 4 points lost by conceding 2 matches.

27. In the Winter League (and Mixed Summer):

- a. Failure to fulfil a fixture, by conceding the match, will result in 4 points being deducted from the total number of points at the end of the season.
- b. A second conceded match will result in automatic relegation but all points, for and against, relating to that team will stand.
- c. The team to whom the match is conceded will be awarded 10 points. If a third match is conceded (as well as automatic relegation) all points relating to that team, for and against will be null and void.
- d. For clubs who do not field a complete team on more than one occasion, the team will lose 2 points in addition to the 4 points lost by conceding 2 matches. If this happens on a third occasion, the team will lose 4 points in addition to the 4 points lost by conceding 2 matches.

Determination of Standings, Promotion and Relegation

- **28.** The winning team in a division is that which has scored the most points. At the end of a season, if two or more teams in any division have scored an equal number of points, the order of precedence shall be determined by the team which has the most wins, if still equal, by the number of rubbers won. Should the number of rubbers be equal, the percentage of sets won out of sets played shall decide and should the teams still be equal, the percentage of games won out of games played shall decide.
- **29.** In the Summer League, the winning team in Division 1 (Ladies' and Men's) will be the champion team and will hold the championship shield for one year. The top two teams in Divisions 2 and 3 (Ladies' and Men's) will be promoted to Divisions 1 and 2 respectively, and the bottom two teams in Divisions 1 and 2 will be relegated to Divisions 2 and 3 respectively. The top team in Divisions 4 East and 4 West (Ladies' and Men's) will be promoted to Division 3 and the bottom two teams in Division 3 will be relegated to Divisions 4 East and 4 West respectively and two teams will usually be promoted and relegated from Division 5 onwards. If there are fewer than six teams in any division, only one team may be promoted and relegated from that division.

NOTE: There may be instances when League Organisers need to rearrange divisions due to additional teams entering or withdrawing.

30. In the Winter League (and Summer Mixed), the winning team of Division 1 (Ladies' and Men's) will be the champion team and will hold the championship shield for one year. The top two teams in Division 2 will be promoted to Division 1 and the bottom two teams in Division 1 will be relegated to Division 2. The top team in Divisions 3 East and West will be promoted to Division 2 and the bottom two teams in Division 2 will be relegated. Two teams will be relegated from Division 3 East and Division 3 West respectively and two teams will usually be promoted and relegated from Division 4 onwards (Ladies and Men). If there are fewer than six teams in any division, only one team will be promoted or relegated from that division. Each division, except the bottom one, will normally consist of seven teams playing each other once.

Special Rules

- **31.** SPECIAL RULES applying to Summer Divisions 1, 2 and 3 and all Summer EAST Divisions: a) Each Team will consist of three pairs, with each playing only two matches as follows: Each 1st Pair plays the opposing 1st and 2nd Pairs, each 2nd Pair plays the opposing 1st and 3rd Pairs and each 3rd Pair plays the opposing 2nd and 3rd Pairs.
- **32.** SPECIAL RULES applying to all Winter Divisions and Summer Mixed Divisions:
 a) Each team will consist of two pairs, each playing two matches as follows: 1st pair plays opposing 1st pair and 2nd against 2nd, followed by 1st against 2nd and 2nd against 1st.

Kidderminster & District League 2023

	MEN'S RESULTS	MIXED RESULTS							
Division 1	Cutnall Green A	Division 1	Blakedown & Hagley A						
Division 2	Far Forest A	Division 2	Wall Heath B						
Division 3	Blakedown & Hagley B								

JP Indoor Tennis League 2022/3

	Mixed League	Ladies League						
1st	JP Specials	1st	Bees Behaving Badly					
2nd	Dumbstruck Unicorns	2nd	Spritzers					
3rd	Mixed Nuts	3rd	Walkers Wonders					



Pershore Indoor Tennis League 2022/3

	League A	League B							
Winners	Cool Cats	Winners	Pershore Plums						
Runners-up	Wildcards	Runners-up	Fladbury Flappers						

2023 Seniors County Cup

With the 2023 Seniors County Cup running from April to October, here's how the H&W teams got on:

Men's O45: Group 2A, 5th place Men's O55: Group 2A, 5th place Men's O60: Group 2B, withdrew Men's O70: Group 2B, withdrew Men's O75: Group 3: 5th place



Ladies O40: Group 2B, 5th place Ladies O50: Group 1A, 5th place Ladies O55: Group 1B, 2nd place Ladies O60: Group 2A, 5th place Ladies O65: Group 2B, 1st place

Many thanks to everyone who has played this year and a special mention to our organisers Sarah and Doug.





Latest seniors news



Read Article





Beyond the Baseline featuring Felix Gill



While Netflix's 'Break Point' series released earlier in the year focused on the international players at the very top of the sport, 'Beyond the Baseline' shines a spotlight on 10 Performance players in British tennis who are looking to breakthrough on the ITF and ATP/WTA Challenger Tours across a busy summer period in the calendar.

The opening episode features up-and-coming star Felix Gill, who takes us through his gruelling training program in Spain, whilst detailing the heart-breaking personal challenges he has faced.

Pauline Fisher, World #1

Pauline Fisher wins gold at the ITF World Championships in Mallorca.

Having championed the GB W70s Team, alongside Marjory Love and Susan Winters, to a Silver Medal in the ITF World Team Championships, Pauline went one further to win GOLD at the Individual Championships the following week! And with the loss of only one set in her four matches.

In the final Pauline defeated the long-standing World Number 1, ex-pro, USA's Tina Karwasky.

With this victory, Pauline rose to World Number 1.





Padel comes to Hereford!

On Saturday, 29th July 2023, Hereford Squash, Tennis & Racketball Centre officially opened their new Padel Courts, the first facility in H&W!

The club hold a Padel Club Night every Thursday from 6pm, with non members welcome at a cost of £5.

Pay and play sessions are £20 per hour and coaching courses are available to everyone. If you don't have a racket, don't worry as you can hire one from the club and balls can also be purchased.

Trevor Owens from BBC H&W paid a visit to the club in early August to check out and report on the brand new padel facility.



Jan Thomas, you're a star!

Jan started volunteering in the county over 20 years ago when she took on the running of our Ladies Winter Doubles League in 2004.

Following this, Jan became a member of our then executive committee, a role which she held until last year.

During this time, she has led the league organisers away from the dated processes of posting score cards and teams not knowing their league position, into using League Planner.



This proved to be a huge success with the leagues running more effectively and efficiently with captains inputting their results and players definitely keeping their eyes on the players statistics!! The Summer and Winter leagues continue to grow and flourish with many more teams taking part in the Men's, Ladies and Mixed leagues.

In 2010, Jan joined the Sponsorship Committee and in 2014 became chair when it was further developed into the Sponsorship & Marketing Team. This is an area where Jan committed countless hours, culminated in her achieving the highest income H&W have ever generated. During the uncertain times around Covid, where many County Associations suffered, Jan worked immensely hard to maintain this income, which was not an easy task.

Jan's dedication has enabled the county to support venues, coaches and players in areas they would not have been able to previously.

Aside from these key roles, Jan has stepped up and supported so many people and activities including Venue and Coach Forums, County Championships, Worcester City of Tennis Initiative, supporting the She Rallies Ambassador in increasing the number of girls playing tennis, captaining a Ladies Seniors team, and organised a Ladies doubles charity event every year. The list is endless!

Thank you for everything that you have done for tennis in H&W!

2023 Junior County Cup

Well done to all the players who represented H&W during the 2023 County Cup race, to all the coaches, captains and assistants and a big thank you to all the parents for their support.

	8U County Cup: Saturday 22nd April 2023												
Captain	Chris Marlow Assistant Harvey Ravenscroft												
Teams	Sam Boardman, Huo Speller, Robin and James Jemima, Jasmine, Julia and Ariana												
Result	Boys 3rd place and Girls 3rd place												





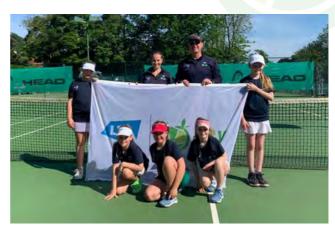
	9U County Cup: Saturday 26th March 2023												
Captain	Matt Tully Assistant												
Teams	Andrew, Luca, Harry, William Luna, Evelina, Lottie, Florence and Iona Boys 2nd place and Girls 1st place. Girls finished in 5th place in the North Area Finals												
Result													





	10U County Cup: 20-21 May 2023												
Captain	Matt Tully (Boys) Chris Marlow (Girls) Assistant Katy Lewin (Girls)												
Teams	Ruben, Zander, George, A Ruby, Summer, Luna, Alle			\ /									
Result	Boys 2nd place and Girls 2nd place												





	11U County Cup: 17-18 June 2023												
Captain	Matt Tully (Boys) Chris Marlow (Girls)	Assistant	Harvey Ravenscroft (Boys) Katy Lewin (Girls)										
Teams	Benjamin, Daniel, Lewis, Ruben and Eshaan Zoe, Beth, Ava, Summer and Ruby Boys 3rd place and Girls 2nd place												
Result													









	12U County Cup: 17-18 Sept 2023											
Captain	Matt Tully (Boys) Chris Marlow (Girls) Assistant Josh Price (Boys) Katy Lewin (Girls)											
Teams	Oliver, Eshaan, Jack, Dhru Grace, Mia, Halle, and Fika											
Result	Boys 4th place and Girls 2nd place											





	14U County Cup: 29-30 April 2023												
Captain	Matt Tully (Boys) Tony Ravenscroft (Girls)	Assistant	Andrew Griffiths (Boys) Katy Lewin (Girls)										
Teams	Callum, Harry, Ollie, Ayrton, Oliver and Tom Maddie, Gina, Grace, Kiah and Leila												
Result	Boys 1st place and Girls 1st place												









	18U County Cup: 3-5 March 2023												
Captain	Mike Langston (Boys) Tony Ravenscroft (Girls)	George Southall (Boys) Katy Lewin (Girls)											
Teams	Sam L, Joe, Callum, Owen, Sam C, Tom, Alfie and Finlay Paulina, Josie, Oliwia, Macy, Caoimhe, Bethany, Holly and Emma												
Result	Boys 4th place and Girls 1st place												





LTA County Cup Events 2023 Overall County Leaderboard (as of 27 Nocember 2023)

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12 Counties Championships 2022/3

The Herefordshire & Worcestershire teams again took part in this inter county competition at Corby Tennis Centre.

Each team consists of 8 players, 4 girls and 4 boys. All the teams scores are added together to get a final placing in their league which for this year was Division 2b.

This year our opponents were Cambridgeshire, Bedfordshire and Leicestershire.

10U Boys: 2nd place | 10U Girls: 2nd place 12U Boys: 4th place | 12U Girls: 3rd place 14U Boys: 2nd place | 14U Girls: 2nd place 16U Boys: 3rd place | 16U Girls: 3rd place 18U Boys: 3rd place | 18U Girls: 2nd place

View the full results here.





2024 County Cup Calendar

Junior County Calendar 2024

18U County Cup

Friday 1 to Sunday 3 March 2024

8U County Cup

Saturday 27 or Sunday 28 April 2024

9U County Cup

Qualifying events: Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 March 2024

Finals: Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 April 2024, TBC (North) and TBC (South)

14U County Cup

Play-Offs and Area Leagues: Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 April 2024 Finals: Friday 10 to Sunday 12 May 2024 (Nottingham, outdoors)

10U County Cup

Qualifying events: Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 May 2024

Finals: Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 June 2024, 2 x North Area and 2 x South Area

11U County Cup

Play-Offs and Area Leagues: Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 June 2024 Finals: Friday 5 to Sunday 6 July 2024 (Wrexham outdoor and indoor)

12U County Cup

Play-Offs and Area Leagues: Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 September 2024 Finals: Friday 27 to Sunday 29 September 2024 (Nottingham, outdoor and indoor)

12 Counties Championships 2024 - Division 2B

14U: Saturday 13th January 2024 18U: Sunday 25th February 2024 12U: Sunday 3rd March 2024 16U: Saturday 23rd March 2024

Senior County Calendar 2024

Men's and Ladies Summer County Cup: Monday 22 to Friday 26 July 2024

Over 35s County Cup

Women's: Saturday 3 to Monday 5 August 2024 Men's: Friday 9 to Sunday 11 August 2024

Men's and Women's Winter County Cup: Friday 22 to Sunday 24 November 2024

Seniors County Cup

Qualifying events: Monday 1 April to Monday 7 October 2024

Finals: Friday 25 to Sunday 27 October 2024

LTA Youth Schools 2023

Well done to all the schools and players who participated in the LTA Youth Schools Year 7&8 and Year 9&10 events.

Boys Year 7&8	Div 1	RGS Worcester
Boys Year 7&8	Div 2	St Mary's RCGS
Girls Year 7&8	Div 2	John Kyrle High School
Boys Year 9&10	Div 1	Bromsgrove School
Boys Year 9&10	Div 2	TBC
Girls Year 9&10	Div 2	TBC



LTA National League Winter 2022/3

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the LTA National League over the winter.

8U Mixed Div 1	Manor Park Reds	8U Mixed Div 2	Barnt Green
9U Mixed Div 1	Manor Park Oranges	9U Mixed Div 2	Bewdley
10U Mixed Div 1	Manor Park Greens	10U Mixed Div 2	Bewdley
11U Boys Div 1	Droitwich Warriors	11U Boys Div 2	Redditch
12U Boys Div 1	Droitwich Jets	12U Boys Div 2	Stourport
14U Boys Div 1	Droitwich Braves	14U Boys Div 2	Kempsey
16U Boys Div 1	Manor Park	16U Boys Div 2	Pershore
18U Boys Div 1	Redditch A	18U Boys Div	Redditch B
Open Men's Div 1	Manor Park A		

WHAT IS THE LTA NATIONAL LEAGUE?

LTA National League is primarily a singles-based team competition for all LTA registered venues (clubs, parks and universities).

It aims to provide players of all ages and abilities with regular league matches against players of a similar standard in a competitive team environment—an excellent way for venues to attract and retain players. There are different tiers across the competition that culminate in a National Finals.

HOW TO ENTER

Enter online or find out more at Ita.org.uk/compete/adult/national-league (adults and seniors) or Ita.org.uk/compete/junior/national-league (juniors). Login credentials will be sent to clubs and head coaches at LTA registered venues during the entry period. Please speak to the main contact at your club or your league organiser to find out more.

LTA National League Summer 2023

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the LTA National League over the summer.

8U Mixed Div 1	Manor Park Reds	8U Mixed Div 2	Hereford
9U Mixed Div 1	Manor Park Oranges	9U Mixed Div 2	Pershore
10U Mixed Div 1	Manor Park Greens	10U Mixed Div 2	Ombersley
11U Boys Div 1	Ombersley	11U Boys Div 2	Redditch
		12U Boys Div 2	Manor Park
		14U Boys Div 2	Evesham
		14U Girls Div 2	Redditch B
16U Boys Div 1	Manor Park	16U Boys Div 2	Pershore
18U Boys Div 1	Manor Park		
Open Men's Div 1	Manor Park A	Open Men's Div 2	Manor Park B
Open Men's Div 3	Redditch		





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LTA Rules for County Eligibility

A player is qualified to represent the County in competition if:

a.

- (i) he is a British citizen in accordance with the British Nationality Act 1981; or
- (ii) he is qualified to represent Great Britain under ITF Bye-Laws 4,5, and 4.6 or
- (iii) Great Britain has been his permanent place of residence for a period of twenty four consecutive months, (twelve months in the case of juniors) immediately preceding the relevant match or competition; and

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- (i) his place of birth or permanent residence at date of birth is in such County; or
- (ii) his place of permanent residence has for at at least one year immediately preceding the match or competition (six months in the case of juniors) been in such County; or
- (iii) at any time his place of permanent residence has for a period of five consecutive years been in such County; or
- (iv) he is serving full time in the British Regular Armed Forces and he has resided in such County for at least six months immediately preceding the match or competition; or he/she is the spouse or child of such a person and he/she has so resided with his/her spouse or parent.

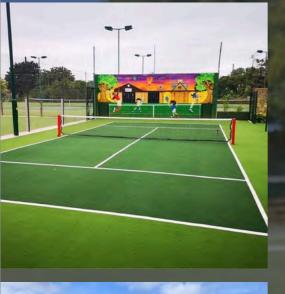
The above provisions are subject to the following:-

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- (i) War service or conscripted service under orders of the government shall be held not to break any period of residential qualification.
- (ii) A player who has once played under the birth qualification in (b) (i) may not exercise a birth qualification in another County in the event of change of boundary having taken place since the date of birth
- (iii) A player who has once played under either (b) (ii) or (iii) may continue to do so until such time as he exercises any qualification in respect of an other County when he shall forfeit all residential County qualifications previously exercised.
- (iv) No player may represent more than one County in any one competition and no player may represent a County if he has exercised a qualification in respect of another County during the previous twelve months (six months in the case of juniors).
- (v) A player is deemed to have represented another County if he has been nominated to play a match for that County and has accepted such nomination, and to have played in a County competition if his entry for the same has been accepted.
- (vi) A British citizen born abroad is entitled to adopt the County birth qualification of either parent (but this election may only be made once).
- (vii) Any person who, following a change of boundary or of the division of grouping counties under these Rules, acquires a qualification for a County for which he was not qualified immediately prior to such change, is subject to (c) (ii and (iv) permitted to adopt and exercise such qualification (or, subject to the consent of the Association, another qualification to which he is entitled) on the next occasion when he exercises a County qualification, notwithstanding that he may have exercised a different County qualification during the previous twelve months (six months in the case of juniors); and in the event of his playing in one County competition while another County competition in which he has played is still in progress he is permitted until the end of the competition which started first to represent the one County in one competition and the other County in the other.
- (viii) Residence at or in connection with an educational or training establishment does not itself constitute a residential qualification.



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ALFRICK & LUSLEY TENNIS CLUB

Ground: Village Hall, Clay Green, Alfrick, Worcester WR6 5HJ

Courts: M.1

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Welfare Officer: Bryony Gaskell, 07979 556703, bryonygaskell@hotmail.co.uk

BARNT GREEN SPORTS CLUB

Ground: Margesson Drive, Barnt Green B45 8LR. Tel: 0121 445 1978

Courts: A.2, AC.3, F.5.

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Welfare Officer: Nicholas Butcher, 07977 830326, nicholas.butcher@hotmail.co.uk

BELBROUGHTON TENNIS CLUB

Ground: Recreation Centre, Hartle Lane, Belbroughton, DY9 9TJ.

Courts: TT.4, F.4.

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Match Sec. L: Sarah Allen, 07966 495151, drsmallen@hotmail.co.uk Match Sec. MX: Karen Romain, 07818 648360, romainkaren22@gmail.com

Coach: Sam Thruston-Nend, inspire2coach, 07902 943323, samthrustonnend@gmail.com / Adam

Darby, inspire2coach, 07530 746815, amdarby96@hotmail.co.uk

Welfare Officer: Karen Romain, 07818 648360, romainkaren22@gmail.com

BEWDLEY TENNIS CLUB

Ground: 20 Stourport Road, Bewdley DY12 1BD, 01299 403419.

Courts: TT.3, AG.2, M.3, F.7

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Match Sec. MX: Michele Lace, 01299 269115, michelelace@btinternet.com

Coach: Katie Foster, inspire2coach

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BLAKEDOWN & HAGLEY TENNIS CLUB

Ground: The Sports Centre, Birmingham Road, Blakedown, DY10 3JN

Courts: M.3. F.2.

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Welfare Officer: Rosemary Brice, 07947 606627, rsbrice27@gmail.com

BODENHAM TENNIS CLUB

Ground: By Village Hall, Bodenham, Hereford.

Courts: M.2., F.1.

Club Contact: Phil Broomhead, 07980 558178, pbroomhead@btopenworld.com

Match Sec. M: Phil Broomhead, 07980 558178 Match Sec. L: Helen Spencer, 07816 773735 Junior Organiser: Phil Broomhead, 07980 558178

Coach: Tennis Hereford, 07971 182664

Welfare Officer: Phil Broomhead, 07980 558178, pbroomhead@btopenworld.com

BOUGHTON PARK TENNIS CLUB

Ground: Worcester Golf & Country Club, Bransford Road, Worcs, WR2 4EZ. 01905 422555

Courts: G.3, M.F.4

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BROMSGROVE TENNIS CLUB

Ground: St. Godwalds Park, St. Godwalds Road, Aston Fields, Bromsgrove. B60 3BW, 01527 878252

Courts: AG.3, AC.2, M.3, F.8

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COOKLEY LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Ground: Hanbury LTC Hanbury Crescent, Penn, Wolverhampton WV4 4BW

Courts: AG.2

Club Contact: Mr. D.A. Moreton, 07887 812974, damoreton@tiscali.co.uk

Match Sec: Mr. D.A. Moreton - as above Coach: Lee Moreton, 07990 971036

Welfare Officer: Lee Moreton, 07990 971036, leedersinsport@hotmail.com

CRIPPLEGATE PARK

Ground: Tybridge Street, St Johns, Worcester, WR2 4QQ

Courts: M.5.

Club Contact: Freedom Leisure

Welfare Officer: Matthew Rogers, matthew.rogers@freedom-leisure.co.uk

CUTNALL GREEN TENNIS AND SOCIAL CLUB

Ground: Addis Lane, Cutnall Green, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 ONB

Courts: AG.3, F.3.

Club Contact: Nigel Truswell, 01562 777838, truswelljude@yahoo.co.uk

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Match Sec. L: Rachel Truswell, 07932 616048, rltruswell@yahoo.co.uk

Mixed Match Sec: Nigel Truswell- as above Coach: Simon Higgett, 07778 547255

Welfare Officer: Rachel Truswell, 07932 616048, rltruswell@yahoo.co.uk

DAVID LLOYD BROMSGROVE

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Courts: AG.5, F.3.

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Match Sec: Matthew Baker - as above Coach: Matthew Baker - as above Welfare Officer: Simon Williams

DAVID LLOYD WORCESTER

Ground: Warriors Way, Hindlip, Worcester WR3 8ZE, 01905 459010

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Welfare Officer: Hannah Brewer, 01905 459010

DROITWICH SPA LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Ground: St. Peter's Church Lane, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 7AN

Courts: AG.8, F.4

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Coach: Lee Cowan, 07969 740702

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Courts: M.3.

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EARDISLEY TENNIS AND CROQUET CLUB

Ground: The Wharf, Eardisley, Herefordshire. HR3 6NS

Courts: M.3, F.2 + Mini Court

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EVESHAM ROWING CLUB

Ground: The Boathouse, Abbey Park, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 4ST, 01386 446131

Courts: A.3. M.3. F.6.

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FAR FOREST TENNIS CLUB

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Courts: M.2, F.2.

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FLADBURY TENNIS CLUB

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Courts: M.3. F.3.

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Coach: Andy Crowther, 07788 572974

Welfare Officer: Gary Lloyd, 07969 953144, fladburytennisclub@gmail.com

GHELUVELT PARK

Ground: Lavender Road, Worcester, WR3 7LB

Courts: M.2.

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GOODRICH TENNIS CLUB

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HALLOW LAWN TENNIS CLUB

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Welfare Officer: Anne Holmes, 07584 299574

HEREFORD WHITECROSS CLUB

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Coach: Andrew Griffiths, Tennis Hereford, 07971 182664

Welfare Officer: Val Finney, 07880 363690, val.finney@btinternet.com

INKBERROW LAWN TENNIS CLUB

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Courts: M.4. F.4.

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Coach: Luke Pettit, 07487 710447

Welfare Officer: Sian Price, 07791 858893, sianprice@btinternet.com

KEMPSEY LAWN TENNIS CLUB

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Men's Summer County Cup Report

This Summer, the Men's County Cup team ventured off to the recently transformed Southsea Tennis club.

Unfortunately, the weather only allowed a couple of days play on the beautiful grass courts but we were lucky enough to have back up Astroturf courts to ensure that all matches were played in the full format, being the only division across the whole country that managed to achieve this.

With depth in the team and the welcome reappearance of Oliver Nunn partnering Mike Lanston after a year off.

On the first 3 days, we narrowly won ties 5-4 with 9 straight wins from the stronger than ever Alex Parker and Alex Maggs. On his summer county cup debut, Stuart Shannon partnering Billy Wright to clench decisive wins against a very strong Avon, Wiltshire and Shropshire.

The remainder of the week was relatively smooth going losing just one match on each day to Cumbria and Oxfordshire. However, the nerves were heightened and the 2 Alex's inched closer and closer to their 1st 15 out of 15 wins, which they achieved to help secure a clean sheet to win the division and promoting Hereford and Worcestershire to division 5 next year.

Well done to the entire team: Alex Parker, Alex Maggs, Mike Langston, Oliver Nunn, Billy Wright, Stuart Shannon, Joe Hart and George Southall.

Charlie Crisp, Captain



Men's Winter County Cup Report

In November, the Men's county team set off to Nottingham Trent University taking on home county Nottinghamshire, Shropshire and Gloucestershire.

The first day was a hard fought battle, narrowly missing out on a few close 3 set ties and eventually going down 7-2 to Shropshire.

The following day was another 7-2 loss against Nottingham with the lower end of the order picking up the rubbers.

A final day showdown against Gloucestershire would determine whether we would remain in Division 5 or were relegated. Thankfully the team put in their best performances of the weekend and won 5 out of the 6 singles matches to guarantee the win and division status.

The team this year was, Charlie Crisp (Captain), Alex Parker, Oliver Nunn, Mike Langston, Stuart Shannon, Joe Hart, Billy Wright, George Southall and Paddy Hyde.

Well done to the whole team who fought hard and brought nothing but their best both on and off the court.

Charlie Crisp, Captain



Ladies Summer County Cup Report

This year's Ladies Summer County Cup event took place in West Worthing, and the squad (Katy Lewin, Sally Lewin, Paulina Jurkowska, Josie Ward, Imogen Sinclair, Beth Pye, Latesha Grant and me) was in high spirits and excited for the week ahead.

With rain stopping play early in the first fixture against the West of Scotland (the ultimate group winners) on Day 1, the format was shortened to Fast4 for most of the rest of the week, and we were moved from the grass courts to the indoor courts. Despite some close matches, the West of Scotland first pair (who won 14 out of their 15 matches across the week) proved to be too strong for all three of our pairs. With Latesha and Josie, and Imogen and I, securing fairly comfortable wins against the third pairs, Paulina and Katy pulled off a great three-set win over a strong Scottish second pair. Unfortunately, the other three rubbers didn't go our way – with the West of Scotland winning some frustratingly close matches, so the final result was a 6-3 loss.

On Day 2, we faced the North of Scotland, and the team was determined to bounce back after the previous day's tough result. We changed our pairings, with Josie and Paulina, Katy and I, and Beth and Imogen now teaming up. With the Fast4 format still in place, five of the nine rubbers ended up going to a deciding match tiebreak. With such close matches, we were thrilled to come away with a 7-2 win, playing solid doubles in the big moments to secure the win.

Going into Day 3, Berkshire had barely dropped a rubber, so we knew that it would be a tough ask for our team, but we were determined to perform well. Paulina and Josie pulled off a fantastic 10-8 win against the second pair, and beat the third pair comfortably, but, unfortunately, we were unable to pick up any other rubbers elsewhere. Imogen and Beth played well, just losing out 15-13 in the third set against the Berkshire 3s, and Sally and Katy battled hard to push the first pair to a tiebreak in their second set.

On Day 4, we faced South Wales – a fixture which we knew we needed to win to have the best chance of ensuring our place in the division for next summer. We all really stepped up our games, and were able to secure a 6-3 win, with Paulina and Josie winning 3 out of 3, Katy and I winning 2 out of 3 (just losing out 10-8 against the first pair), and Imogen and Beth edging their match tiebreak against the South Wales third pair. Some great tennis all round.

On the final day, thanks to our strong win the previous day, we were in the exciting position of having any of the three possible outcomes (promotion, staying in the division, or relegation) still on the cards. Having lost 6-3 to Dorset last year, we knew that we would have to play well to reverse the result – and so we did, with Paulina and Josie, Katy and I, and Latesha and Imogen all playing some strong doubles to clinch an 8-1(!) victory (special mention to Sally Lewin who stepped in to play with Katy in the final rubber against the Dorset number 1 pair, playing fantastically to secure a 4-1 4-1 win).

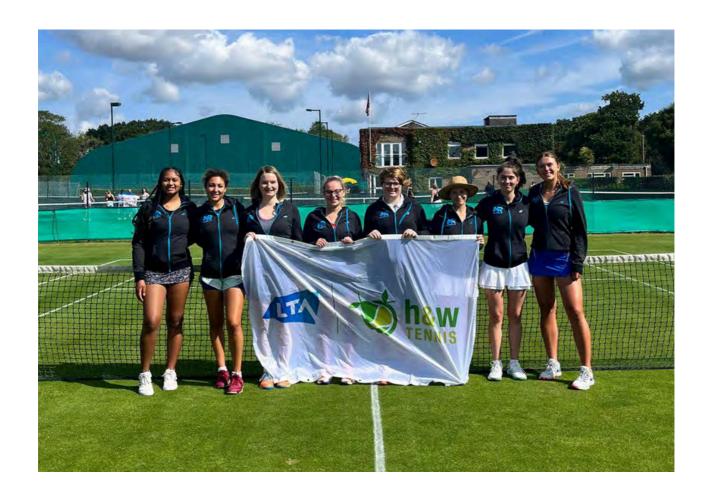
Having done all we could to challenge for promotion, we had a nervous wait as we all became honorary North of Scotland supporters for the afternoon in their clash with the West. Unfortunately, with the West of Scotland clinching a 10-8 match tiebreaker, we JUST missed out on promotion, but, all in all, a great result to finish in third place with such a young team.

I would like to thank all of the girls for their efforts throughout the week, and feel really excited to try to secure promotion again next summer!

Thanks to Imogen Sinclair and Katy Lewin for their support as 'vice captains', and for ferrying the team around in their cars.

Whilst we will certainly miss Paulina and Latesha (both out in the US on tennis scholarships) for the Winter event, I look forward to captaining the H&W team again in November.

Kate Horsburgh, Captain



Ladies Winter County Cup Report

This year, H&W ladies competed against Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Suffolk in Group 4a in the freezing cold bubble at Nottingham Tennis Centre. Alongside long-standing team members (myself, Katie Miles-Payne, Katy Lewin, Josie Ward, Beth Pye), we also saw debut performances in the senior ladies county squad for Emma McKay, Holly Stevens, and Oliwia Sztorc.

Day 1: Leicestershire

Beth and Holly were first on court on Friday morning, playing at no.5 and no.6 respectively. Despite their best efforts, their Leicestershire rivals proved to be too strong, leaving us 0-2 down. Katy (no.3) and Josie (no.4) were next up. Josie outpowered her opponent, winning quickly and comfortably. Katy was off to a flying start, winning the first set 6-2 with some very impressive ball-striking. Her opponent fought back well in the second set, taking the match to a deciding set. Despite some very gutsy play, Katy just lost out 4-6 in the third set in a match that could have gone either way.

At 1-3 down, Katie M-P (no.2) and I (no. 1) took to the courts. Katie's opponent was probably the hardest hitting player at the event, and was on fire in the first set in particular. Katie fought hard to put her under pressure in the second set, but ultimately lost out 2-6, 4-6. I very quickly found myself a set and 4-0 down against a very skilful opponent, but somehow managed to scrape through the second set 7-5 to force the match to a deciding set. Unfortunately, my opponent really upped her game in the third set, and was too good on the day. This left us 1-5 down after the singles, so we went onto the doubles keen to get some more rubbers on the board.

At third pair, Katy and Holly raced through their first set playing some great tennis, but were drawn back to one set all by their experienced opponents, and were just pipped at the post, losing their match tiebreak 9-11. Katie M-P and Josie were up against a strong Leicestershire first pair – despite playing some good tennis, they lost 3-6, 1-6. Emma and I had a very close match at second pair, playing a strong match tiebreak to scrape through 6-4, 3-6, 10-6. It was nice to end the day on a win after a hard day of tennis against some very strong opponents.

Day 2: Derbyshire

With Beth having gone home due to illness, we reshuffled our singles order, with Emma and Oliwia making their singles debuts at no.6 and no.5. Emma fought hard to make her second set competitive, rattling her opponent with a change of tactic, but fell short 1-6, 4-6. Despite some good tennis, Oliwia lost out to a very strong opponent 1-6, 0-6. At no.4 singles, Holly faced a very experienced opponent who proved to be too good, losing out 3-6, 2-6. Match of the day (certainly from a H&W perspective) had to be Katy Lewin's three-set victory against the Derbyshire no.3, showing real grit and determination to battle through. Katie M-P had a very entertaining match against the Derbyshire no.2, with some excellent displays of touch and feel on show, but lost out 4-6, 2-6. In my singles, I managed to capitalise on a slow start from the Derbyshire no.1 to win a fairly comfortable first set. She really upped her game and showed her class in the second set, but I just about managed to edge out the set in a tiebreak to secure a straight sets victory.

At 2-4 down going into the doubles, we knew that winning all three doubles would be an incredibly tough ask, and so it proved. The Derbyshire doubles pairings were too good, and despite our best efforts, all three pairs lost out in the doubles.

Despite the difficult results, we were excited to celebrate Emma's 18th in style at Pizza Hut and with the help of chocolate cake in the hotel before getting an early night to rest up for a big day ahead on the Sunday.

Day 3: Suffolk

In order to avoid relegation, we needed to beat Suffolk to remain in Division 4 next year. With Emma (no.6) and Oliwia (no.5) on first, we layered up for another freezing cold day in the bubble ready to do battle. Emma played some great tennis and had her chances, but just lost out 5-7, 5-7. Oliwia's opponent played some hard-hitting, accurate tennis to win 6-3, 6-0. With Josie (no.4) back from having gone home unwell the previous day, she fought well to recover from 3-5 down in the first set to win 7-5, 6-3. Katy's opponent at no.3 played exceptionally well, and despite some epic rallies, she was too strong on the day. Katie M-P (no.2) played a solid match to beat an opponent with a similar game style 6-4, 6-4. I was pleased to come away with a 7-6(5), 6-3 win against the talented Suffolk no.1 in a game which seemed to have countless deuces!

So we found ourselves at 3-3 going into the doubles, with all left to play for. Playing at third pair, Josie and Holly couldn't quite get a foothold in their doubles, losing out 3-6, 2-6. Emma and I put in a strong performance at second pair to win 6-1, 6-1. This meant that it was all down to Katy and Katie in a highly entertaining final match. They played some fantastic tennis and dug very deep, but ultimately came just short in a very close 4-6, 5-7 loss, meaning a 4-5 loss, and relegation to Division 5 next year.

Some very tough debuts for some of our younger players, but hopefully they have learnt from these experiences, and are keen to improve for future county cups. I would like to thank the team for their efforts in very difficult conditions in the bubble (with players in hats/coats/scarves/gloves both on and off court), and special thanks to Katie M-P and Katy Lewin for their help in team selection decisions and for ferrying the team around throughout the event. As always, a big shoutout to Wendy Bill for her support on the Friday and Sunday – it really is appreciated. We look forward to some (hopefully) warmer conditions in the summer!

Kate Horsburgh, Captain



Men's Over 35 County Cup Report

This year the over men's over 35's team travelled with a 4 strong team of Charlie Crisp, Chris Warner, Paul Cowie and Henry Myatt. After 2 hard fought singles battles against a strong Avon team the overall tie was lost 4-1 with Charlie and Chris picking up a double rubber.

Unfortunately, as we settled in to our stride and confidence grew on the grass, the opposition got stronger and some well-established doubles players and grass court players deprived us from winning any more of the 10 rubbers played over the weekend. However, there were some hard-fought matches and due to multiple rain delays meant the matches were shortened to a fast 4 format a point here and there was the only difference on several occasions.

Well done to the whole team who battled hard and who's attitudes and on court manor served the county proud.

Charlie Crisp, Captain



Ladies Over 35 County Cup Report

This year presented us with a tough group with Kent, Gloucestershire and Warwickshire along with tricky weather conditions with lots of wind and rain.

Team: Emma Bowen, Sarah McCormick, Katie Miles-Payne, Rachel Prudden, Jo Shepherd and Jilly Witcomb

Our first match was due to be on Saturday against Kent, however a day of rain postponed this match to Sunday. The format was reduced to short sets to 4 for all 5 matches. Jo Shepherd lost her singles on 2 tie breaks followed by a loss for Katie Miles-Payne in her singles against their number 1. The doubles matches were then played by Rachel Prudden and Jilly Witcomb and by Jo and Katie with Jo and Katie winning their match in the 3rd set tie-break. Overall loss of 4-1 and despite the short sets a late finish due to more rain delays.

Due to the weather both of the remaining matches had to be played on the final day so the format was reduced again to short sets and just the first round of 2 singles and 1 doubles. The first match was against Gloucestershire with Emma Bowen starting the singles followed by Katie with Katie narrowly losing out on the 3rd set tie-break. Rachel and Jilly then had an equally close doubles also narrowly losing out in the 3rd set tie-break. A 3-0 loss, however, 2 extremely close matches that very nearly went our way.

The final match was against Warwickshire who had beaten both Kent and Gloucestershire without the loss of any matches and we came to the same fate.

I would like to thank the players for displaying a fantastic team spirit despite the tough opposition and weather conditions.

Jo Shepherd, Captain



Play Your Way to Wimbledon



H&W County Finals

Congrats to the H&W Play Your Way to Wimbledon winners, who qualified for the National Finals at Wimbledon.

The County finals were held on Sat 8th July at Manor Park.

- 14U Boys Winner: Callum
- 14U Boys Runner-Up: Ayrton
- 14U Girls Winner: Maddie
- 14U Girls Runner-Up: Gina

Well done to everyone who competed.

The National Finals provide a fantastic opportunity for players to immerse themselves in the Wimbledon experience, from utilising courts and facilities usually reserved for players competing in The Championships, to personalised tours of the historic Grounds and Museum.

Special thanks to Manor Park for hosting and to referee Scott Smith.

In addition to the 14U Singles events, H&W sent two doubles partnerships off to SW19 for the National Finals.

Chris Barr-Hamilton & John Clarke were victorious in the adult event at Manor Park, whilst Alfie and Ben won the 18U event at Sutton Coldfield Tennis Club in Warwickshire.



National Finals

This year, we had H&W players through to the Finals in the 14U Singles, 18U Doubles, Men's Doubles and Women's Wheelchair events.

14U Singles - Callum and Maddie

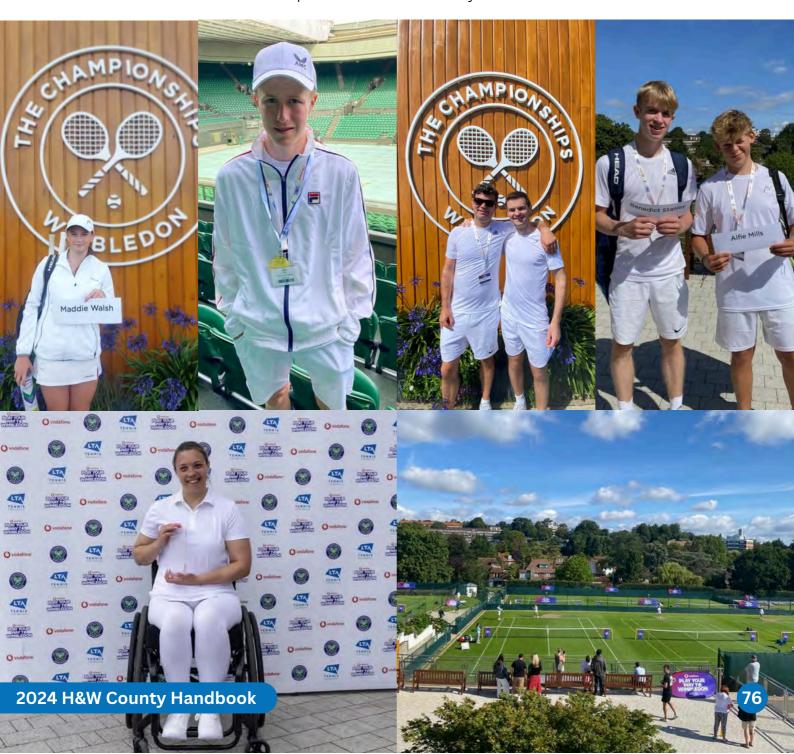
- Callum won his group, qualified for the main draw where he sadly had to retire due to injury in the OFs.
- Maddie finished 2nd in her group, qualified for the main draw but lost in a close R1 match.

18U Doubles

- Alfie & Ben finished 3rd in their group and sadly didn't progress to the main draw.
- Open Men's Doubles
- Chris Barr-Hamilton & John Clarke finshed 2nd in their group and sadly didn't progress to the main draw.

Women's Wheelchair

• Naomie Tarver finished in 2nd place with 2 wins and a very close loss.



H&W LTA RULES

1. Name

The association is called The Herefordshire & Worcestershire Lawn Tennis Association (hereinafter referred to as "The Association" or H&W LTA).

2. Definitions

2.1 In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:

"Associate" means an entity which is registered as an associate by The Association pursuant to the LTA Rules;

"Chairman" means the person elected from time to time to be the Chairperson of the Association in accordance with rule 6;

"County" means the combined Counties of Herefordshire and Worcestershire;

"County Secretary" means the elected person appointed from time to time to be the honorary secretary of the Association in accordance with rule 6;

"Game" means the game of tennis;

"LTA" means the Lawn Tennis Association Limited (the governing body of tennis within Great Britain, Channel Islands and Isle of Man) of The National Tennis Centre, 100 Priory Lane, Roehampton, London SW15 5JQ and its subsidiaries or such successor entity or entities as become(s) the governing body of the game of tennis within Great Britain, Channel Islands and the Isle of Man from time to time;

"LTA Disciplinary Code" means the disciplinary code of the LTA in force from time to time; "LTA Rules" means the rules of the LTA as in force from time to time;

"Management Committee" means those elected officers appointed to be the Management Committee of The Association under Rule 6;

"Member" means the members of the Association admitted from time to time to membership of the Association in accordance with rule 4.1;

"President" means the elected person appointed from time to time to be the president of the Association in accordance with rule 4;

"Treasurer" means the elected person appointed from time to time to be the honorary treasurer of the Association in accordance with rule 6;

"Trustees" means the persons appointed from time to time to be the trustees of the Association in accordance with rule 7.

2.2 Words denoting the singular number include the plural number and vice versa; words denoting the masculine gender include the feminine gender; and words denoting persons include bodies corporate (however incorporated) and unincorporated, including unincorporated associations of persons and partnerships.

3. Objects

- **3.1** The objects of the Association are:
- (a) to act jointly with the LTA as the governing body for the Game within the County, to advance and safeguard the interests of the Game, to promote increase in participation at all levels of the Game and generally to do all such acts, matters and things in connection with, or incidental, thereto;
- (b) to take and retain a membership interest with the LTA and to comply with and uphold throughout the County the LTA Rules and the LTA Disciplinary Code and the rules and regulations of any person or body to which the LTA is registered or affiliated;

- (c) subject to the LTA Rules and the LTA Disciplinary Code, to make, amend and revoke rules and regulations for the control and governance of the Game in the County and for the disciplining of players, officials, coaches and others involved within the Game, and to comply with and uphold these rules;
- (d) to accept all duties and powers delegated to it by the LTA and to appoint a representative for the County to the Council of the LTA to express his own views and those of the County at meetings of the LTA in accordance with any rules, regulations or bye-laws of The Association;
- (e) subject to the LTA Rules, the LTA Disciplinary Code and the LTA's wider jurisdiction, to consider and resolve disputes, and enforce any award or decision, arising in connection with the Game in the County or otherwise delegated to it by the LTA and to provide by these rules, regulations, byelaws or otherwise for a process to govern such disputes;
- (f) to acquire, dispose of, establish, own, lease, operate, use and turn to account in any way tennis court facilities within the County together with buildings and easements, fixtures and fittings and accessories as shall be thought advisable by the Management Committee;
- (g) to arrange, purchase and distribute tickets allocated to the County for The Championships at Wimbledon in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the LTA and the ticket terms and conditions issued by The All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club;
- (h) to promote, arrange and regulate inter-county matches, county championships, tournaments, inter-club and county competitions and junior activities at all levels and age groups and to select teams for inter-county matches and competitions and generally to do all such acts, matters and things in connection with, or incidental, thereto;
- (i) to promote the teaching of the Game and the development of tennis in the County and to promote, encourage and support coach education, the function of competition organisers, referees and umpires and the training of coaches, teachers, competition organisers, referees and umpires;
- (j) to advance and safeguard the interests of the players of the Game at all levels within the County and to work with the LTA in furthering the tennis career of any person or persons of any age ordinarily resident in the County; and (k) to do all such other things as the Management Committee thinks fit to further the interests of the Association, to advance and safeguard the interests of the Game, to promote increase in participation at all levels of the Game or to be incidental or conducive to the attainment of all or any of the objects stated in this rule 3.
- **3.2** The funds or other property of the Association shall be applied towards the furtherance of the Association's objects or for any similar charitable purpose.

4. Membership

- **4.1** An entity shall qualify for registration as a Member, and thereby for registration as an associate of the LTA, if the Management Committee of the Association deems (in accordance with the LTA's guidelines) that such entity provides organised tennis opportunities. Such an entity shall include, but not be limited to:
- (a) a members' or commercial tennis club;
- (b) a park-based tennis programme;
- (c) a school-based tennis programme for the community which operates out of curriculum hours;
- (d) an indoor pay and play tennis centre;
- (e) a tennis academy; and/or
- (f) a further education or higher education tennis club, provided, in each case, that it has a written constitution or set of rules governing its operation approved by the Management Committee.

- **4.2** If a dispute arises as to whether an entity qualifies to be registered as a Member, the Management Committee shall refer the matter to the President of the LTA whose decision on the matter shall be final.
- **4.3** Any person who wishes to become a Member must complete an on-line registration or submit an application in such form as the Management Committee shall decide. Subject to rule 4.1, election to membership shall be at the sole discretion of the Management Committee.
- **4.4** Each Member agrees as a condition of membership of the Association and association with the LTA:
- (a) to be bound by and subject to these rules (as in force from time to time);
- (b) to be bound by and subject to the LTA Rules and the LTA Disciplinary Code; and
- (c) to ensure that its underlying members, any unlicensed and unregistered coaches and, so far as reasonably practicable, players using its facilities (the "Member's connected parties") are bound by and subject to the LTA Rules and the LTA Disciplinary Code by obtaining the formal agreement of the Member's connected parties, as a condition of membership, association, registration, election or as otherwise appropriate, to be bound by and subject 37 38 to the LTA Rules and the LTA Disciplinary Code, such agreement to contain an express acknowledgement that the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 applies and that the LTA can enforce any breach at its option and in its sole discretion.
- **4.5** Rule 4.4 confers a benefit on the LTA and is intended to be enforceable by the LTA by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999. For the avoidance of doubt, the Members do not intend that any term of these rules, apart from rule 4 should be enforceable, by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, by any person who is not a Member.
- **4.6** The Management Committee may terminate the membership (and so association) of any person, or impose any other sanction they determine to be appropriate, in connection with the breach of any condition set out in this rule. The LTA may terminate the association of any person, or impose any other sanction it determines to be appropriate, in connection with the breach of any condition set out in this rule. Rule 6 shall not apply to such termination.
- **4.7** A Member may withdraw from membership of the Association on giving three months notice in writing to the Association. Membership shall not be transferable in any event and shall cease immediately on death or dissolution.
- **4.8** The Association may also admit as members of the Association:
- (a) The President of the Association
- (b) Honorary Past Presidents
- (c) Honorary Life Vice-Presidents
- (d) Individual subscribers
- (e) Friend members
- (f) Members of committees
- (g) Such other clubs, individuals or organisations as the Management Committee shall decide shall be entitled to become members If a person ceases to hold any of the posts named above they shall automatically cease to be member of the Association unless entitled to be under 4.1. Of those listed in 4.8, only the President and Members of the Management Committee may vote at annual general meetings and extraordinary general meetings.

5. Registration fee and subscription

5.1 The annual subscription for each type of Member referred to in rule 4.1 shall be determined from time to time by the Management Committee and shall be effective for that year. Such annual subscription may exceed the minimum annual subscription described below.

- **5.2** The minimum annual subscription for each Member referred to in rule 4.1, which shall be deemed to include any taxation which may be payable thereon, shall be calculated by multiplying the number of courts of each surface to which that Member has "regular access" (whether through a lease, user agreement and/or such other arrangement or understanding) by the applicable "court fee". Court fees shall be determined by the LTA; regular access means access on an exclusive basis for at least 15 hours per week (for at least 40 weeks per year).
- **5.3** In respect of Members referred to in rule 4.1 that do not have "regular access" to tennis courts, a fixed minimum annual subscription, determined annually by the LTA, shall apply.
- **5.4** Unless the LTA determines otherwise on a case by case basis, the annual subscription fee of Members referred to in rule 4.1 in respect of each year to 30 September shall be payable between 1 October and the following 28 February.
- **5.5** The annual subscription fee of Members referred to in rule 4.1 may be paid to the LTA as agent of the Association.
- **5.6** The annual subscription fee of Members referred to in rule 4.1 shall include the amount, if any, payable in respect of benefits or services provided by the LTA.
- **5.7** Any Member referred to in rule 4.1 whose first subscription remains unpaid for one calendar month after the receipt of notice of membership, or whose annual subscription in any subsequent year remains unpaid by 28 February, shall, if the LTA so resolves, cease to be eligible for grants and other advantages offered to Members by the LTA.
- **5.8** Any Member whose subscription fee is not paid by such date as the Management Committee shall decide each year shall be deemed to have resigned his membership of the Association.
- **5.9** For all other categories of membership, as described in 4.8, an annual subscription will be payable as determined by the Management Committee.
- **5.10** The Management Committee shall have the power to expel a Member from the Association if in its sole discretion it determines it would be in the best interests of the Association to do so:
- (a) A Member shall not be expelled unless he is given 14 days' written notice, which may be by electronic transmission with such notice containing details of the complaint that has been served.
- (b) The Member shall be given an opportunity to appear before the Management Committee to answer complaints made against him and must not be expelled unless at least two-thirds of the Management Committee then present vote in favour of his expulsion.

6. The Management Committee

- **6.1** The Association shall be managed by a Management Committee consisting of not less than 5 and subject to a maximum of 12 individuals. The members of the Management Committee may exercise all the powers of the Association for the purpose of the management of the Association. No person may serve on the Management Committee unless they are a member of either an entity within the County (as described in 4.1) or of the British Tennis Membership Scheme or of any such similar scheme operated by the LTA. This Rule shall not apply to the President or Trustees of the Association.
- **6.2** The following shall be members of the Management Committee:
- (a) the President
- (b) the Chairman
- (c) the Vice-Chairman
- (d) the County Secretary
- (e) the Treasurer (the Finance sub-committee Chairman)

- (f) the Senior Development sub-committee Chairman
- (g) the Junior Development sub-committee Chairman
- (h) the Sponsorship and Publicity sub-Committee Chairman
- (i) the County representative on the LTA Council
- (j) the Club Development sub-committee Chairman
- **6.3** The Association agrees that each member of the Management Committee, will be required, as a condition of election or appointment, to agree to be bound in writing by and subject to these rules, the LTA Rules and the LTA Disciplinary Code, such agreement to contain an express acknowledgement that the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 applies and that the LTA and the Association can enforce any breach at its option and in its sole discretion.
- **6.4** The members of the Management Committee may delegate any of the powers which are conferred on them by these rules to such person, or committee, by such means (including by power of attorney), to such an extent, in relation to such matters and on such terms and conditions as they think fit. If the members of the Management Committee specify, any such delegation may authorise further delegation of the members' powers. The members of the Management Committee may revoke any delegation or alter its terms and conditions.
- **6.5** The County Secretary shall send to the Members each year a nomination form for the election of members of the Management Committee and those officers in the place of those retiring. Those persons proposed to be nominated as members of Management Committee that have arisen must be proposed and seconded by Members on the form prescribed by the Management Committee and the nomination must be submitted to the County Secretary by such date as the Management Committee shall prescribe each year.
- **6.6** If there is only one candidate nominated to fill any particular post, that candidate shall be declared elected unopposed for that particular post at the next annual general meeting. If there is more than one candidate for any particular post there shall be an election at the annual general meeting for that position. Election shall be by simple majority of those present and entitled to vote. In the event of a tie, the President shall have the casting vote.
- **6.7** The Management Committee shall be elected at the annual general meeting in each year, and subject to termination of office by resignation, removal or otherwise, the members remain in office until they or their successors are re-elected or elected (as the case may be) at the annual general meeting following their re-election or election (as the case may be). Any person who has served 3 years on the Management Committee should retire at the annual general meeting following but may stand for re-election.
- **6.8** In addition to the members elected or appointed in accordance with this rule 6, the Management Committee may co-opt up to 3 further persons who shall serve until the next annual general meeting. Co-opted members shall be entitled to vote at the meetings of the Management Committee. The Management Committee may also request specific presence of others at meetings including those appointed by the LTA to work within the County (LTA Tennis Development Manager or equivalent role).
- **6.9** The Management Committee may appoint any person to fill any casual vacancy on the Management Committee until the next annual general meeting when that person shall retire but shall be eligible for re-election.
- **6.10** Retiring members of the Management Committee may be re-elected.

- **6.11** A member of the Management Committee shall be deemed to have vacated office if:
- (a) he becomes bankrupt or makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors generally; or
- (b) a registered medical practitioner who is treating that person gives a written opinion to the Management Committee stating that that person has become physically or mentally incapable or acting as a member of the Management Committee and may remain so for more than three months; or
- (c) by reason of that person's mental health, a court makes an order which wholly or partly prevents that person from personally exercising any powers or rights which that person would otherwise have; or
- (d) he resigns his office by notice to the Association; or
- (e) he shall without sufficient reason for more than three consecutive meetings of the Management Committee have been absent without permission of the Management Committee and the Management Committee resolves that his office be vacated; or
- (f) he is suspended from holding office or from taking part in any activity relating to the administration or management of the Association by a decision of the LTA; or
- (h) he is requested to resign by all the other Management Committee members acting together.
- **6.12** Any person accepting election or nomination to the Management Committee who has any financial interest in the Game must, before his election or nomination, state in writing to the Association all such interests. Failure to do so will lead to automatic disqualification from Management Committee membership. The Management Committee has the right to veto such an election if, in its opinion, it is not in the best interests of the Game.

7. Proceedings of the Management Committee

- **7.1** The Management Committee meetings shall be held as often as the Management Committee thinks fit provided that there shall not be less than 4 meetings each year. Any member of the Management Committee may call a Management Committee meeting by giving notice of the meeting to the other members of the Management Committee. Notice of the meeting must be given to each member of the Management Committee but need not be in writing.
- **7.2** The quorum of such meetings shall be 5. Unless a quorum is participating, no proposal is to be voted on, except a proposal to call another meeting. If the total number of members of the Management Committee is less than the quorum required, the members of the Management Committee must not take any decision other than a decision to appoint further members of the Management Committee in accordance with rule 6.8, above.
- **7.3** The Chairman and the County Secretary shall have discretion to call emergency meetings of the Management Committee if they consider it to be in the interests of the Association. The County Secretary shall give all the members of the Management Committee not less than 10 days' notice of a meeting.
- **7.4** The Chairman shall be the chairman of the Management Committee. Unless he is unwilling to do so, the Chairman shall preside at every meeting of the Management Committee at which he is present. But if there is no person holding that office, or if the Chairman is unwilling to preside or is not present within five minutes after the time appointed for the meeting, the Vice-Chairman shall preside. If there is no Vice-Chairman or if he is unwilling to preside, of if he is not present within five minutes after the time appointed for the meeting, the members of the Management Committee present may appoint one of the number to be chairman of the meeting.
- **7.5** Decisions of the Management Committee shall be made by a simple majority (and in the event of equality of votes the Chairman (or the acting chairman of that meeting) shall have a casting or additional vote).

- **7.6** The Management Committee may from time to time appoint from among its number such subcommittees as it considers necessary and may delegate to them such of the powers and duties of the Management Committee as the Management Committee may determine. All sub-committees shall periodically report their proceedings to the Management Committee and shall conduct their business in accordance with the provisions of these rules which govern the taking of decisions by members of the Management Committee. The Management Committee may give the subcommittee directions which prevail over these rules.
- **7.7** The Management Committee shall be responsible for the management of the Association and shall have the sole right of appointing and determining the terms and conditions of service of employees of the Association. The Management Committee shall have the power to enter into contracts for the purposes of the Association on behalf of all the Members.
- **7.8** The Management Committee may appoint Trustees, on such terms as the Management Committee may think fit, to hold office until death or resignation unless removed from office by a resolution of the Management Committee. The Chairman from time to time is nominated as the person to appoint new Trustees within the meaning of Section 36 of the Trustee Act 1925. A new Trustee or new Trustees shall be nominated by resolution of the Management Committee and the Chairman shall by deed duly appoint the person or persons so nominated as the new Trustee or Trustees of the Association and the

provisions of the Trustee Act 1925 shall apply to any such appointment. Any statement of fact in any such deed of appointment shall in favour of a person dealing with the Association or the Committee in good faith be conclusive evidence of the fact so stated. The number of Trustees shall not be more than four or less than two.

- **7.9** The members of the Management Committee shall be entitled to an indemnity out of the assets of the Association for all expenses and other liabilities properly incurred by them in the management of the affairs of the Association.
- **7.10** Any member of the Management Committee may participate in a meeting of the Management Committee by way of video conferencing or conference telephone or similar equipment which allows every person participating to hear and speak to one another throughout such meeting. A person so participating shall be deemed to be present in person at the meeting and shall accordingly be counted in the quorum and be entitled to vote. Such a meeting shall be deemed to take place where the largest group of those participating is assembled or if there is no such group, where the chairman of the meeting is.
- **7.11** The Management Committee shall select each year the representative that the Association is entitled to nominate to serve on the Council of the LTA and to fill any casual vacancies that may occur in such representation. The Association agrees that its Councillor will be required, as a condition of election, to agree to be bound in writing by and subject to these rules, the LTA Rules and the LTA Disciplinary Code, such agreement to contain an express acknowledgement that the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 applies and that the LTA and the Association can enforce any breach at its option and in its sole discretion.
- **7.12** The Management Committee can authorise the award of County Colours in the form of a colours badge (or other appropriate form) to persons on the recommendation of county captains.

8. Annual general meeting

- **8.1** The annual general meeting of the Association shall be held at such time as the Management Committee shall decide each year (in November/December) to transact the following business:
- (a) to approve the minutes of the previous meeting subject to any corrections and discussion of any matters arising;

- (b) to receive the Chairman's report of the activities of the Association during the previous year;
- (c) to receive and consider the accounts of the Association for the previous year, the auditor's/independent accountant's report on the accounts and the Honorary Treasurer's report as to the financial position of the Association;
- (d) to remove and elect the auditor/independent accountant or confirm that he remain in office;
- (e) to elect the members of the Management Committee;
- (f) to decide on any resolution which may be duly submitted in accordance with rule 8.2 below;
- (g) to deal with any special matters which the Management Committee desires to bring before the membership.
- **8.2** Notice of any resolution proposed to be moved at the annual general meeting shall be given in writing by the relevant Member or member of the Management Committee to the County Secretary not less than 28 days before the meeting.

9. Extraordinary general meetings

An extraordinary general meeting may be called at any time by the Management Committee and shall be called within 21 days of receipt by the County Secretary of a requisition in writing signed by not less than 6 voting Members stating the purposes for which the meeting is required and the resolutions proposed. If an extraordinary general meeting is called after receipt of a Members' requisition the only business to be transacted at that meeting shall be the resolutions proposed in the requisition. If a Members' requisitioned meeting is not called before the expiry of a period of 21 days commencing on the date of receipt of the request, the Members requisitioning the meeting may call the meeting at any time before the expiry of a period of two months commencing on the date of that request.

10. Procedures at the annual and extraordinary general meetings

- **10.1** The County Secretary shall send to each Member at his last known address written notice of the date, time and place of the annual or extraordinary general meeting together with the resolutions to be proposed thereat, and in the case of an annual general meeting, the names of the persons proposed to be elected as members of the Management Committee for the ensuing year, at least 21 days before the meeting. The accidental failure to give notice to any person entitled to notice, or the accidental omission of any such details in any notice, shall not invalidate the proceedings at the meeting.
- **10.2** The quorum for the annual and extraordinary general meetings shall be 12 Members or one-tenth of the membership of the Association (whichever is the greater number). No business other than the appointment of the chairman of the meeting is to be transacted at the annual or extraordinary general meeting if the persons attending it do not constitute a quorum.
- **10.3** The President shall preside at all annual and extraordinary meetings of the Association but if he is not present within 15 minutes after the time appointed for the meeting or has signified his inability to be present at the meeting, the Members present (and entitled to vote) may choose one of the other members of the Management Committee present to preside and if no other member of the Management Committee is present or willing to preside the Members present (and entitled to vote) may choose one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.
- **10.4** If the persons attending an annual or extraordinary general meeting do not constitute a quorum within half an hour of the time at which the meeting was due to start, or if during a meeting, a quorum ceases to be present, the chairman of the meeting must adjourn it. The chairman of the meeting must adjourn the meeting if directed to do so by the meeting. When adjourning an annual or extraordinary general meeting the chairman of the meeting must specify the time and place to which it is adjourned or state that it is to continue at a time and place to be fixed by the members of the Management Committee. The chairman must have regard to any directions as to the time and place of any adjournment which have been given by the meeting.

If the continuation of an adjourned annual or extraordinary general meeting is to take place more than 14 days after it was adjourned the Association must give at least 7 days notice to the persons to whom notice of the Association's meetings is required to be given in accordance with rule 12.1.

No business can be transacted at adjourned annual or extraordinary general meetings which could not properly have been transacted at the meeting if the adjournment had not taken place.

- **10.5** Members of the Management Committee may attend and speak at annual or extraordinary general meetings, whether or not they are Members. The chairman of the meeting may permit other persons who are not Members to attend and speak at a meeting.
- **10.6** The County Secretary, or in his absence a member of the Management Committee, shall take minutes at annual and extraordinary general meetings.

11. Voting at annual and extraordinary general meetings

- **11.1** Each Member present shall have one vote and resolutions shall be passed by a simple majority. In the event of an equality of votes the chairman of the meeting shall have a casting or additional vote.
- **11.2** No objection may be raised as to the qualification of any person voting at a meeting except at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote objected to is tendered, and every vote not disallowed at the meeting is valid. Any such objection must be referred to the chairman of the meeting.
- **11.3** Any Member not being an individual may by resolution of its committee authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at annual and extraordinary general meetings. A person so authorised is entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the Member as that Member could exercise as if it was an individual Member.
- **11.4** There shall be no right for a Member to vote by proxy. No person may represent more than one Member.

12. Alteration of the rules

These rules may be altered by resolution at an annual or extraordinary general meeting provided that the resolution shall not be passed unless carried by a majority of at least two-thirds of the Members present and entitled to vote at the general meeting, the notice of which contained particulars of the proposed alteration or addition.

13. Regulations, Bye-laws and Standing Orders

The Management Committee shall have power to make, repeal and amend such regulations, byelaws and standing orders as it may from time to time consider necessary, desirable or appropriate. Such regulations, bye-laws and standing orders shall have effect until repealed by the Management Committee.

14. Use of Facilities

The Association agrees that all unlicensed and unregistered coaches and, so far as reasonably practicable, players and other persons using the facilities of the Association or an associate will be required, as a condition of such use, to agree to be bound by and subject to these rules, the LTA Rules and the LTA Disciplinary Code, such agreement to contain an express acknowledgement that the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 applies and that the LTA and the Association can enforce any breach at its option and in its sole discretion.

15. Finance

15.1 All moneys payable to the Association shall be received by the person authorised by the Management Committee to receive such moneys and shall be deposited in a bank account in the name of the Association.

No sum (above an amount agreed by the Management Committee) shall be drawn from that account except by cheque signed by two of the three signatories who shall be the Chairman, County Secretary and Treasurer. Any moneys not required for immediate use may be invested as the Management Committee in its discretion thinks fit.

- **15.2** Subject to rule 18.3, the income and property of the Association shall be applied only in furtherance of the objects of the Association and no part thereof shall be paid by way of bonus, dividend or profit to any Member.
- **15.3** The Management Committee shall have power to authorise the payment of remuneration, honorarium and expenses to any officer, member of the Management Committee, Member or employee of the Association and to any other person or persons for services rendered to the Association. The remuneration of a member of the Management Committee, Member or employee of the Association or other person may take any form and may include any arrangements in connection with the payment of a pension, allowance or gratuity, or any death or sickness or disability benefits to, or in respect of that person.
- **15.4** The Association may pay any reasonable expenses that members of the Management Committee properly incur in connection with their attendance at meetings of the Management Committee or at annual or extraordinary general meetings of the Association or otherwise in connection with the exercise of their powers and the discharge of their responsibilities in relation to the Association.
- **15.5** The financial transactions of the Association shall be recorded in such manner as the Management Committee thinks fits by the Treasurer.
- **15.6** Full accounts of the financial affairs of the Association shall be prepared each year. A report on these accounts shall be prepared by an auditor/independent accountant. The accounts must be made available to every Member when notice concerning the annual general meeting is given.
- **15.7** The Management Committee may borrow and raise money in any manner on behalf of the Association for the purposes of the Association from time to time at its own discretion but with the sanction of an annual or extraordinary general meeting for any sum exceeding one hundred thousand pounds (£100,000).
- **15.8** When so borrowing the Management Committee shall have power to raise in any way any sum or sums of money and to raise and secure the repayment of any sum or sums of money in such manner and on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit, and in particular by mortgage of or charge upon or by the issues of debentures charged upon all or any part of the property of the Association.
- **15.9** The Management Committee shall have no power to pledge the personal liability of any Member for repayment of any sums so borrowed.
- **15.10** The Trustees shall, at the discretion of the Management Committee, make such dispositions of the Association's property or any part thereof, and enter into and execute such agreements and instruments in relation thereto, as the Management Committee may deem proper for giving security for such moneys and the interest payable thereon.

16. Property

16.1 The property of the Association, other than cash at the bank, shall be vested in the Trustees. They shall deal with the property as directed by resolution of the Management Committee and entry in the minute book shall be conclusive evidence of such a resolution.

16.2 The Trustees shall be indemnified by the Association and the Management Committee shall pay all costs, losses and expenses which any such Trustee may incur or for which he may become liable by reason of any contract entered into or act or thing done by him in good faith as such Trustee in accordance with the instructions of the Management Committee or of an annual or extraordinary general meeting of the Association or otherwise in the discharge of his or their duties. The Management Committee may give to any Trustee who has incurred or may be about to incur any liability at the request of or for the benefit of the Association such security by way of indemnity as may seem expedient.

17. Notices

- **17.1** The Association can send, make available or supply any notice, ballot paper, accounts, document, or other information by personal delivery, by posting it to the intended recipients' usual address, by sending it or supplying it in electronic form to an address notified by the intended recipient to the Association or by making it available on a website and notifying the intended recipient of its availability in accordance with this rule.
- **17.2** If any notice or other information is left by the Association at the intended recipient's usual address, it is treated as being received on the day it was left.
- **17.3** If any notice or other information is sent by the Association by post, it is treated as being received the day after it was posted if first class post was used, or 72 hours after it was posted if first class post was not used. In proving that any notice or other information was received, it is sufficient to show that the envelope was properly addressed and put into the postal system with postage paid.
- **17.4** If any notice or other information was sent using electronic means, it is treated as being received on the day it was sent. In the case of notices or other information available on a website, the notice or other information is treated as being received on the day on which it was made available on the website, or, if later, the day on which the notice of availability is treated as being received by the intended recipient in accordance with this rule.

18. Dissolution

- **18.1** A resolution to dissolve the Association shall only be proposed at an extraordinary general meeting and shall only be passed if carried by a majority of at least three-quarters of the Members present and entitled to vote.
- **18.2** The dissolution shall take effect from the date of the resolution and the members of the Management Committee shall be responsible for the winding-up of the assets and liabilities of the Association.
- **18.3** Any property remaining after the discharge of the debts and liabilities of the Association shall be paid or distributed as determined by the Management Committee to the LTA, any other non-profit making body with similar objects or any tennis related charity.

