

# 2025 COUNTY HANDBOOK



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### **PRESIDENT'S WELCOME**

It gives me very much pleasure to welcome you to the 2025 official handbook of Herefordshire and Worcestershire LTA.

This Handbook provides a wealth of information relating to tennis activities across the two counties.

Our Chair, Ed Bradford, has provided in his Report for this Handbook, a very full summary of the activities of our County during 2024. It is not my intention to repeat an contents of Ed's report.

Felix Gill continues to improve on his ranking on the ATP Tour and has recently reached No 306 which is highly creditable.

Pauline Fisher, who plays in world age events, is currently No 1 in the world in both the over 70's Ladies' Singles and Doubles.



At this stage, I want to remind you of the name of a Worcestershire player of whom so many involved in Herefordshire and Worcestershire tennis are unaware. In the 1930's, Dorothy Round won the Ladies' Singles at Wimbledon in 1934 and 1937 and she also won the Ladies' Singles in Australia in 1935 and twice won the Mixed Doubles at Wimbledon with Fred Perry. There are very few counties who have produced such a record over the last one hundred years.

I always report, in my foreword, on the County's performance each year in the Summer County Cup and the Winter County Cup. In 2024 our Men's team were winners of Group 5 and this was the second year running that the team has been promoted. They now have a good all round team with strength in each of the three pairings. They are well lead by Charlie Crisp and are fortunate to have a very strong first couple in Alex Parker and Alex Maggs. This pair were unbeaten in 2023, winning all fifteen rubbers and were heading in the same direction in 2024 when Alex Parker was injured after two days of the event but managed to turn out in the remaining matches serving underarm and still won six out of seven of their rubbers on those days - quite a wonderful effort!

Our Ladies played in Group 5 and they stayed in the Group.

Our Men's team also won promotion from their group in the Winter County Cup held in November.

I attended the Finals of the CFS Junior County Championships in August and I was particularly impressed by the number of young talented players coming through, many of whom will be County players for us in the years ahead.

Finally, my best wishes go to all players at all levels in our County and I hope they will be able to enjoy, in the year ahead, good competition and even better weather.

### Ian King, President H&W LTA

## **HELLO FROM THE CHAIR**

It has been another busy year for the county and for venues across Herefordshire and Worcestershire, with the introduction of padel courts at Barnt Green and Bewdley celebrating their 100th anniversary- congratulations to both of them!

From Ali and Adrian who lead our valuable work as County Safeguarding Officers, to Neil who leads our excellent Open Court programme, to Ade who looks after our marketing and communications, to Tony who is looking after competition, to our league organisers, to those on the management committee and to our county coaches led by Chris Skinner and all of our team captains across our adult teams- thank you for your work and support!



As you will be aware, we receive funding from national LTA each year around the four pillars of volunteering, performance, competition and participation and we are now well into our funding arrangement with them.

As a team we've spent time looking at how we deliver the three main strands of performance, competition and participation and I'm pleased that we are now beginning to see the fruits of our labours.

Our county performance programme continues its excellent work under Chris Skinner in his role as our County Coach and the wider team of coaches, who deliver our county training programme and who lead our junior age group teams and talent ID programmes. We continue to deliver sessions across the board and earlier this year we made administrative changes to help streamline the parent experience in terms of being able to book and pay for courses online via the LTAs clubspark platform. My thanks go to Chris and his team for their efforts.

Our efforts under the competition pillar have taken a leap forward this year under the leadership of Tony Ravenscroft.

### **MORE FROM THE CHAIR**

Tony has had great success in developing our mini and other junior leagues, running them out of central venues across the county and which have seen some terrific numbers. Obviously the competition pillar encompasses our junior and adult teams and I would like to thank all of the age group captains who ensure the flag is flown for H&W (quite literally in some of the photos) up and down the country throughout the year. Closer to home, our county leagues continue to thrive with some 2,000 players turning out for venues across the winter and summer seasons and my thanks go to all league organisers, in particular Jackie Styles who has sadly been unwell. This year has seen us make some changes to our online entry process and we have recently consulted on some amendments to league rules, which have now been, belatedly, shared with clubs- thank you for your patience.

Over the past couple of years it personally feels as if we have been receiving less and less support from the regional LTA. We've spent some time thinking about what we need to do and how we do it in terms of participation and I'm pleased to say that Sarah McCormick and Tina Manning have agreed to support us with our efforts in this area. Sarah and Tina will complement the excellent work that Neil Bates has been doing for a number of years in his role as Open Court lead and whose work is gaining national recognition- well done Neil! Sarah and Tina will be working with our venues, volunteers, schools and coaches on a number of projects over the next twelve months so keep a look out for more information!

As you will know, keeping the county going relies on a number of volunteers. I'm sad that Jo Marks is stepping down as our LTA Councillor next month, but I'm pleased that Tina has agreed to take on the task. My sincere thanks go to Jo for all of her help over the years and for being our eyes and ears and for standing up for H&W in Roehampton.

Whilst we have managed to fill this important role, we are being challenged, like all counties, on our governance and most recently in terms of our succession plans. Management committee members are limited to 9 years in their roles, which has either passed or is rapidly approaching for a number of us. This does cause us a considerable headache and we therefore do really need others to step forward and offer their support.

Thank you once again to everyone who makes tennis happen in H&W.

### Ed Bradford, Chair H&W LTA

## **H&W LTA, Est 1976**

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#### Chairman

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#### Past President of the LTA

Ian King

#### **Ex Officio Member**

Ian King (President)

#### Hon. Life Vice-Presidents

Miss Lesley Charles
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Jane Poynder
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#### **County Safeguarding Officer**

Richard Herriman

Lead: Ali Tuck (07939 027106)

Deputy: Adrian Todd (adrian.todd@outlook.com)



#### **Senior County Teams**

Men's Selection Committee: Charlie Crisp and Mike Langston

Ladies Selection Committee: Kate Horsburgh, Katie Miles and Charlotte Lines

#### Over 35s

Men's Captain/Organiser: Doug Evans, 01562 864863, daevans@blueyonder.co.uk Ladies Captain/Organiser: Jo Shepherd, 07803 60223, newmaldenmum@yahoo.co.uk

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## Jan Thomas awarded Meritorious Service Award in the LTA Tennis Awards

We are thrilled that Jan Thomas was awarded a Meritorious Service Award in the LTA Tennis Awards 2024!

Meritorious Service Awards are given at the discretion of the President for long service to tennis at a County, Regional and National level.

Jan was 1 of 8 individuals who were awarded the discretionary honour in 2024.

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



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.

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.

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!

## **H&W LTA Accounts**

#### **Balance Sheet as at 30th September 2024**

		2024	<u> </u>		2023
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	2		13,513		13,580
Current Assets Sundry Debtors and Prepay Club loans VAT Current Bank A/C Deposit A/C Dinner Dance A/C Paypal A/C Cash in Hand  Less: Current Liabilities Sundry Creditors		8,118 12,000 0 500 112,030 0 6,037 40 138,725	.5,0.10	25, 1, 67, 3,	147 000 863 500 655 015 50 40
VAT	-	111 25,029			0 483
Net Current Assets			113,696		105,787
Net Assets		_	127,209		119,367
Income and Expenditure In Balance at 1st October 202 Add: Excess of Income over	3		119,367 7,842		103,327 16,040
Note to Balance Sheet		2024 £	127,209 1 £	<u>2023</u> £	119,367
Fixed Asset					
Office Equipment As at 30th September Additions:  Less: Depreciation for  Building Costs - Assoc covered Court Cent	the Year iated with County	667 0 667 -67	600		667
	ment for the court time	253,750 115,000	-	253,750 115,000	
Less: Amortisation to	30th September 2020	138,750 138,750		138,750 138,750	
County Office Building Less: LTA Grant		42,913 30,000	0	42,913 30,000	0
			12,913		12,913
		_	13,513	_	13,580

#### Income and Expenditure Accounts for the year ending 30th September 2024

INCOME	2024 £	2023 £
Registration Fees	0	420
Subscriptions	50	0
Sponsorship	22,100	16,250
LTA Grants	69,250	66,667
Income from Coaching	22,172	25,462
Tournament Income	19,407	17,635
Other Income	11,669	5,616
	144,648	132,050
EXPENDITURE		
County Centre Club & Junior Development,	9,324	5,447
Coaching & Performance	6,354	3,359
Competitive Programme	49,356	42,565
Performance Programme	23,058	21,641
Administration	24,745	25,032
Other Expenditure	23,969	17,966
	136,806	116,010
(DEFICIT) / SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	7,842	16,040



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# Boughton Park Lawn Tennis Club receives prestigious LTA Youth Recognised Venue Award!

Boughton Park LTC has been recognised as an outstanding tennis venue for young people by adopting and delivering the LTA Youth Programme to the highest standard.

LTA Youth Recognised Venues have demonstrated that they are committed to delivering an excellent junior programme that offers high quality coaching and regular competitive opportunities for young players.

Boughton Park Lawn Tennis Club, based in the beautiful grounds of Worcester Golf and Country Club in St.Johns, Worcester, is the first club in Hereford and Worcester to receive this award and is only one of six in the Midlands. Only 20 clubs have received national recognition.

Head Coaches, Tina Manning and Sarah McCormick together with Chair and Safeguarding Officer Jean Walters and Jo Ringshall, have worked tirelessly with the LTA to reach the highest standards of quality both on and off court.

The junior coaching team were put through their paces to implement the necessary standards to meet this status. They strive to continuously improve the experience for their players and parents through the LTA Youth programme, which is designed to help more young people enjoy the benefits of playing and staying in tennis.

Scott Lloyd, Chief Executive Officer at the LTA said, "Your LTA Youth programme is a credit to both the LTA and tennis in Britain and you should be proud of achieving this status".



## **County Safeguarding**

Year 23-24 has been a little quieter from the safe guarding point of view. Last year many of the issues revolved around different clubs and how they organised their safeguarding strategies and incidents at clubs. This year incidents seem to be more around different individuals thankfully nothing major as far as I know but hopefully each time there is one of these incidents one learns.

Taking pictures and videos continues to be an issue. Do please be aware that if a tournament or competition is running at your club folk should not be taking pictures without the permission of players or those whose pictures are being taken. There have been one or two reports of, adults taking pictures without consent. I'm sure these are genuine errors rather than malice a forethought but one needs to exercise constant vigilance with regard to cameras and videos. The same applies to posts on social media.

In May Adrian and I presented an update for Club Safeguarding Officers. This was a hybrid meeting and some people did take the time and trouble to come in person to Manor Park. It was mostly an update on policies, templates etc but also an opportunity to share issues and problems.

I recently attended the LTA National safeguarding conference. This took place on Saturday, October 5 and had some very interesting and stimulating presentations. Of particular note was a presentation entitled Bystander Theory. I would wholeheartedly recommend it to anyone involved in organising tennis and any club tennis committees. The session explained it much more succinctly than I can in this report, but studies show that if there are many people in an area where an offence takes place then everyone leaves it to someone else to sort out. The session revolved around how to stand up to what initially maybe a minor misdemeanour but makes you feel uncomfortable and how to call out and challenge such behaviour. The LTA are also keen to promote young peoples' ambassadors.

I also recently attended a multi sports session organised by Herefordshire and Worcestershire sports welfare group. There were a variety of safeguarding officers there from a multitude of sports. My perception is that the LTA is probably ahead of the game in that it has good structure and clear guidance about how to report concerns, etc. The session lasted around an hour and a half and one useful contact I made was the safeguarding officer for Worcestershire County cricket. Cricket, I suspect is on a similar pathway to the LTA, however there is always possible learning to be shared.

Finally, just to say thank you to deputy Adrian and to all the club SOs who all give time voluntarily.

Alison Tuck County Safeguarding Officer



### **2024 LTA Tennis Awards**

#### **H&W County Tennis Awards**

On March 16th at the Worcester County Cricket Club, we were very proud to announc<mark>e the H&W LTA Tennis Award Winners:</mark>

#### Volunteer of the Year

Sarah McCormick

#### Club of the Year

Belbroughton Tennis Club

#### Performance Coach of the Year

Mike Langston

#### **Development Coach of the Year**

**Anthony Wright** 

#### **Connecting Communities Award**

Lido Park Tennis

#### **Park Venue Award**

Lido Park Tennis

#### Official of the Year

Tom Potts

#### Competition of the Year

Pershore Tennis Centre

#### **Tennis For All Award**

Boughton Park Coaching Team

#### Volunteer of the Year Highly Commended

Margaret Hughes

























## Bewdley Tennis Club celebrated their 100th anniversary

Nearly 200 current and past members of Bewdley Tennis Club gathered to mark 100 Years of the Club on Saturday 15th June 2024.

The typical British weather couldn't dampen spirits and there was a centenary tournament and afternoon tea followed by a group photo to mirror those that had been taken during significant years throughout the club's history.

To officially mark the occasion the Mayor of Bewdley joined the Clubs President and Chair along with the LTA Lifetime Achievement Award winner Dr Jenny Frow who was awarded a British Empire Medal in the New Years Honours list earlier this year, to cut a celebration cake which was created by one of the clubs members



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## **H&W 2024 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.



## **2024 Roll of Honour**

AGE GROUP	WINNER	RUNNER-UP	
Men's Singles	Joe Hart	Stuart Shannon	
Ladies Singles	Kate Horsburgh	Katy Lewin	
Men's Doubles	James Atwood & Billy Wright	Sam Laidler & Sc <mark>ott S</mark> mith	
Ladies Doubles	Kate Horsburgh & Emma Mckay	Katy Lewin & Sally Lewin	
8U Boys Singles	Jake	James	
9U Boys Singles	Robin	Sam	
10U Boys Singles	Andrew	Sam	
11U Boys Singles	Ruben	Andrew	
12U Boys Singles	Eshaan	Ruben	
14U Boys Singles	Oliver A	Oliver S	
16U Boys Singles	Harry	Toby	
18U Boys Singles	Callum	Harry	
8U Girls Singles	Ariana	Isla	
9U Girls Singles	Ariana	Florence	
10U Girls Singles	Luna	Georgia	
11U Girls Singles	Allegra	Ruby	
12U Girls Singles	Allegra	Summer	
14U Girls Singles	Kiah	Grace	
16U Girls Singles	Sofie	Gina	
18U Girls Singles	Holly	Daisy	
10U Boys Doubles	Luca & Andrew	William & Sam	
11U Boys Doubles	Zander & Ruben	Luca & Andrew	
12U Boys Doubles	Ruben & Eshaan	Benjamin & Daniel	
14U Boys Doubles	Oliver & Aryton	Thomas & Oliver S	
16U Boys Doubles	Callum & Christian	Harry & Oliver	
18U Boys Doubles	Sam L & Oliver	Harry & Toby	
10U Girls Doubles	Luna & Florence	Lottie & Eva	
11U Girls Doubles	Allegra & Ruby	Constance & Summer	
12U Girls Doubles	Allegra & Summer	Bethany & Zoe	



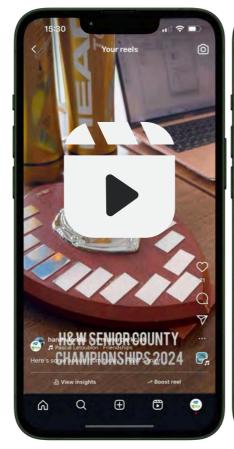
## **2024 Roll of Honour**

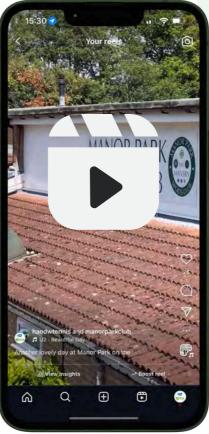
AGE GROUP	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
14U Girls Doubles	Grace & Kiah	Leila & Mia
16U Girls Doubles	Sofie & Daisy	Gina & Kiah
18U Girls Doubles	Bethany & Holly	Maddie & Ma <mark>rina</mark>
9U Mixed	Robin & Buddy	Hugo & Sam
18U Mixed	Callum & Gina	Oliver & Holly
Team of the Year	18U Boys	
Girl Player of the Year	Gina O	
Boy Player of the Year	Harry E	

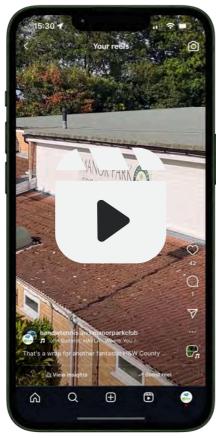




## Check out the event Instagram reels











## 2025 H&W County Tournament Dates

Senior County Doubles March 23 at Manor Park

County Mixed Doubles
June 7 at Manor Park

County Padel Championships June 28-29 at Barnt Green

County Tennis Championships August 24 - 29 at Manor Park

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## **H&W CFS County Padel Championships**

Well done to everyone who competed in the inaugural H&W Padel County Championships, sponsored by Cane Furniture Studio.

Our thanks to Hereford Squash, Tennis and Racketball Centre for hosting, event organiser/referee Tony Ravenscroft, Referee Andrew Griffiths and to all the helpers and supporters.

#### Men's Doubles

Winners: Joe Hart & Harvey Ravenscroft Runners-up: Stuart Shannon & Oliver Stratford

#### **Mixed Doubles**

Winners: Robert McCarthy & Lisa Davies Runners-up: Tom Griffiths & Kiah Probert

#### Women's 40+ Doubles

Winners: Lisa Davies & Mary Warner Runners-up: Fiona Hanks & Rita Orr

#### Women's Doubles

Winners: Lisa Davies & Mary Warner Runners-up: Maya Hart & Bethany Pye

#### Men's 40+ Doubles

Winners: Andy Hart & Andrew Speake Runners-up: Steve Alderton & Robert McCarthy

#### Men's 60+ Doubles

Winners: Tommy Burton & Martyn Langston Runners-up: Steve Alderton & Nick Williams























## **H&W County Mixed Doubles**

A fab day on Saturday 10th June for the H&W County Mixed Doubles Tournament, **sponsored by Malvern Gin**.

#### Over 50s

Winners: Jon Guppy & Emma Bowen Runners-up: Rory Guilding & Alice Davey

#### Open

Winners: Kate Horsburgh & Mike Langston

Runners-up: Paulina Jurkowska

& Harvey Ravenscroft

#### Consolation

Winners: Kiah & James Douglas-Osborn



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 2024 Champions were crowned.

#### Women's 35+

Winners: Caroline Forester-Smith & Tracey Lloyd

Runners up: Emma Bowen & Liz Lewin

#### Women's 60+

Winners: Alison Earp & Penny Smith

Runners up: Sandra Foulkes & Deborah Salem

#### Men's Over 35's

Winners: Paul Burgess & Chris Marlow Runners up: Mike Marks & Chris Skinner











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 14 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**

- Pershore
- Barnt Green
- Manor Park
- ·Ross
- Droitwich Lido Park
- Droitwich Tennis Club
- ·Cutnall Green

- Ledbury
- ·Evesham
- ·Bromsgrove
- ·Boughton
- ·Kidderminster
- ·Hereford
- ·Bewdley

#### **Highlights**

- Commitment to continue VI tennis with the link to New College Worcester into 24/25
- Active working relationship with RNC Hereford to build VI tennis
- Successful ongoing working relationship with Headway in Worcester
- Tennis provider for the National ABI Games in August 25
- Successful delivery of LTA Regional LD tournament at Pershore TC
- New working relationship with SENSE delivering sensory in the County
- Inter County walking tennis events now taking place.
- Relationships now built on the ground with numerous special schools & organisations

The growth of the Open Court programme in H&W during 2024 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 with over 400 players taking part during 2024

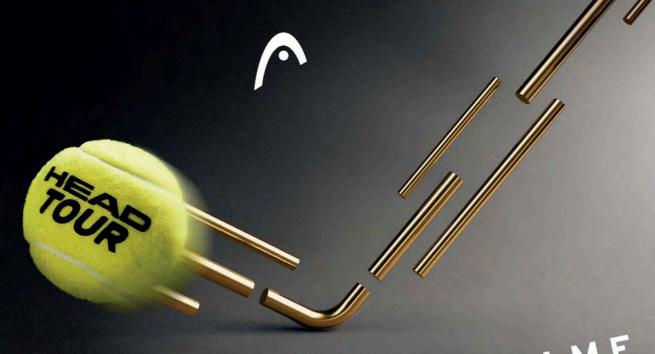
From my perspective, a huge thank you to clubs, coaches and especially those volunteers who through their amazing efforts have put a smile on someone's face who in many cases has never held a racket.

#### **Neil Bates**

Open Court Lead







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## **HEAD Winter League 2023/4**

The HEAD Herefordshire and Worcestershire County Tennis Leagues ran during Winter 2023/24 and Summer 2024 with approximately 2,000 players playing for clubs throughout the county each season.

40 clubs entered 285 teams in the Summer 2024 season with 1,011 fixtures being scheduled across 46 divisions.



LADI	LADIES RESULTS		MEN'S RESULTS		IXED RESULTS
1	DL Worcs A	1	Stourbridge A	1	Manor Park A
2	Manor Park C	2	Halesowen A	2	DL Broms A
3 East	Halesowen A	3 East	Belbroughton A	3 East	Bromsgrove A
4 East	DL Worcs B	4 East	Worcester D	4 East	Stourport A
5 East	Boughton A	5 East	DL Dudley B	5 East	Barnt Green B
6 East	Stourport A	6 East	Cookley	6 East	Wollaston A
7 East	Far Forest A	7 East	Belboroughton B	7 East	Wollaston B
8 East	Stourport C	8 East	Barnt Green C	8 East	Cutnall Green A
9 East	Belbroughton A	9 East	Barnt Green D	9 East	Barnt Green C
10 East	Far Forest B	10 East	Ombersley B	3 West	Hallow A
11 East	Boughton C	11 East	Stourbridge E	4 West	Ross A
3 West	Ledbury A	12 East	Wollaston D	5 West	Leominster B
4 West	Ross A	3 West	Ludlow Castle A	6 West	Boughton C
5 West	Manor Park E	4 West	Boughton Park A		
6 West	Manor Park F	5 West	Hallow C		
7 West	Hallow C	6 West	Kempsey C		
		7 West	Hereford Whitecross C		

## **HEAD Summer League 2024**

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1	Manor Park A	1	Worcester A	1	Manor Park A	
2	Goodrich A	2	Stourport A	2	DL Worcester A	
3	DL Bromsgrove A	3	Stourbridge B	3 East	Droitwich A	
4 East	Stourbridge C	4 East	DL Bromsgrove C	4 East	Barnt Green B	
5 East	DL Worcester C	5 East	DL Dudley B	5 East	Ombersley A	
6 East	DL Dudley A	6 East	Droitwich C	6 East	Wollaston A	
7 East	Far Forest A	7 East	DL Worcester B	7 East	Manor Park F	
8 East	Ombersley B	8 East	Hallow C	8 East	Wollaston B	
3 West	Hallow A	9 East	Droitwich D	3 West	Ledbury A	
4 West	Hereford Whitecross A	10 East	Manor Park G	4 West	Leominster B	
5 West	Ledbury A	11 East	Kempsey D	5 West	Ross A	
6 West	Leominster B	4 West	Hereford Whitecross A	6 West	Woolhope B	
		5 West	Hereford Whitecross B			
		6 West	Ross B			









## The HEAD H&W County Tennis League Competition Rules Summer 2025

#### **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, then this will be dealt with by the relevant League Organiser. Should any appeal be considered necessary then this will be directed to another League Organiser for review and a final decision made.
- **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. Teams that are entered must be from LTA registered venues.

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. Players must be 12 years of age or older or turn 12 within that season to compete.
- 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 *club* 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. Clubs will be notified in advance of when League Organisers intend to publish the list of fixtures for the season. League Organisers will notify clubs when the fixture lists are published and how they can be accessed. It is then the responsibility of Club Match Secretaries or Team Captains to contact all opposing clubs, preferably by email, within two weeks of the fixtures being published to arrange a date. If Clubs do not comply then they may forfeit their fixtures at the discretion of the League Organiser. Home teams should offer a same list of dates to all away teams within the division, with three more dates being provided than the total number of dates required. The offered dates shall not include two successive dates. All such dates should then be held until all matches have been organised within the division, after which the dates can be released for use for home fixtures across other teams. All fixture dates must be entered online within four weeks of the fixtures being published. Actual arrangements as to whether fixtures are played in the evening or at weekends are left to the clubs concerned.

As per the past few seasons, there will not be a fixtures meeting.

- **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.** For both summer and winter leagues, all fixtures must be completed by midnight on the date notified by the League Organisers. 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 2024

	MEN'S RESULTS	MIXED RESULTS							
Division 1	Stourport A	Division 1	Blakedown & Hagley A						
Division 2	DL Dudley A	Division 2	Hanbury A						
		Division 3	Woodfield A						

# JP Indoor Tennis League 2023/4

	Mixed League	Ladies League							
1st	JP Specials	1st	Spa Rackets						
2nd	Chip and Charge	2nd	Bees Behaving Badly						
3rd	Dumbstruck Unicorns	3rd	Studley Spritzers						



# **2024 Seniors County Cup**

With the 2024 Seniors County Cup running from April to October, here's how the H&W teams got on:

Men's O55: 3rd place in Group 3 Men's O60: 1st place in Group 3a Men's O70: 1st place in Group 3b Men's O75: 5th place in Group 2b

Ladies O40: 4th place in Group 3a Ladies O50: 3rd place in Group 2b Ladies O55: 4th place in Group 1b Ladies O60: 6th place in Group 2a Ladies O65: 1st place in Group 1a



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



Many congratulations to the H&W Ladies O65 team, who have been crowned the O65 County Cup National Champions following their 4-1 win over Hampshire & IOW.

A huge win from the team of Pauline Fisher, Dee Smith (C), Sarah Snell and Janet Williamson

### **Thanks Van!**

We'd like to give a BIG shout-out to Van Willerton, who served his final day at the LTA on March 28th having sadly been made redundant due to a restructure.

Van has been our go-to guy for many years as our LTA Participation Development Partner, and will be greatly missed.

Van, our sincere thanks, from your friends within the H&W Tennis Community. We wish you all the best in your next venture

A final few words from Van:

"Before I leave, I wanted to reach out to express how much I've enjoyed working with you within my 20 years with the LTA. I will miss working within such enthusiastic and positive people with shared community values.

The one thing we all have in common is making a difference in our sport. My passion is for making social impact through the power of community – and it's been through working with you that has inspired so many more people to get involved.

It's been a joy getting to know new tennis friends better and working with so many longstanding and committed tennis enthusiasts over the years.

I hope to see some of you court soon (and so keep working on that backhand) and to everyone - thanks for being ACE!"





# **Padel mania hits Barnt Green!**

The club has 3 brand new padel courts which opened in August 2024. They are the only members club currently in Worcestershire to have them, as well as offering Tennis, Squash, Badminton and Table tennis.

For Pay & Play, peak rates are £28 per 75 mins and off peak at £24 per 75 mins including lights.

As it's a new sport, they have padel rackets for hire so members /non members can try before buying their own racket. Padel balls are available to purchase from the bar.

To find out more and book a court, please click here.



# **H&W LTA Awards Night**

It's celebration time!

On Saturday 8th March, we'll be announcing the County Tennis Award Winners and presenting the trophies to the Summer 2024 and Winter 2024/25 League Winners!

We're back to the Worcester County Cricket Club where you'll enjoy a three-course set meal with tea/coffee and be able to strut your stuff on the dance floor to Anna and the Tonics!

Last year was a fabulous evening, so don't miss out on the must attend H&W event of the year! We've even held the ticket price of £35 per head.

Tables of 8, 10 or 12 people are available and the optional dress code is black tie for the gents and posh frocks for the ladies.



# **2024 Junior County Cup**

Well done to all the players who represented H&W during the 2024 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: Sunday 28th April													
Captain	Chris Marlow	Assistant	Harvey Ravenscroft											
Teams	David, Ashwin, Rishi and James Louisa, Chloe, Ariana and Poppie													
Result	Boys 1st place and Girls 1	st place												





9U County Cup: Sunday 24th March												
Captain	Matt Tully	Assistant	Harvey Ravenscroft									
Teams	Hugo, Buddy, Robin and David Jemima, Eleanor, Jasmine and Eva Mae											
Result	Boys 2nd place and Girls 4th place											





	10U County Cup: 18-19 May													
Captain	Matt Tully (Boys) Chris Marlow (Girls)	Assistant	Katy Lewin (0	Girls)										
Teams	Sebastien, William, Andrew, Harry, Luca and Sam Luna, Evalina, Iona, Florence and Georgia													
Result	Boys 3rd place and Girls 4th place													





11U County Cup: 15-16 June												
Captain	Matt Tully (Boys) Chris Marlow (Girls)	Assistant	Josh Price (Boys) Katy Lewin (Girls)									
Teams	Zander, Ruben, Luca, Andrew and Ben Allegra, Ruby, Summer, Luna and Lizzzie Boys 5th place and Girls 4th place											
Result												







12U County Cup: 14-15 Sept													
Captain	Tony Ravenscroft (Boys) Chris Marlow (Girls)	Assistant	Harvey Ravenscroft (Boys) Katy Lewin (Girls)										
Teams	Benjamin, Reuben, Daniel, Eshaan and Austin Allegra, Ruby, Summer, Bethany and Eleanor												
Result	Boys 1st place and Girls 3rd place												





14U County Cup: 27-18 April												
Captain	Matt Tully (Boys) Tony Ravenscroft (Girls)	Assistant	Andrew Griffiths (Boys) Katy Lewin (Girls)									
Teams	Harry, Aryton, Thomas, Oliver A and Oliver S Grace, Kiah, Leila and Mia Boys 4th place and Girls 5th place											
Result												





18U County Cup: 1-3 March													
Captain	Mike Langston (Boys) Tony Ravenscroft (Girls)	Assistant	George Southall (Boys) Katy Lewin (Girls)										
Teams	Sam, Harry, Callum, Sam L, Joe, Toby, Oliver and Ollie W Macy, Caoimhe, Beth, Holly, Oliwia, Maddie, Josie and Marina												
Result	Boys 1st place and Girls 4	th place											





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H & W = Herefordshire & Worcestershire

 BP = Base Points
 QP = Qualifying Points

 GP - Group Points
 FP = Finals Points

# 12 Counties Championships 2023/4

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 Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire and Nottinghamshire.

10U Boys: 1st place | 10U Girls: 1st place 12U Boys: 4th place | 12U Girls: 3rd place 14U Boys: 3rd place | 14U Girls: 2nd place 16U Boys: 3rd place | 16U Girls: 3rd place 18U Boys: 2nd place | 18U Girls: 3rd place

View the full results here.





# **2025 County Cup Calendar**

#### **Junior County Calendar 2025**

#### **18U County Cup**

Friday 21 to Sunday 23 March 2025

#### **8U County Cup**

Saturday 26 or Sunday 27 April 2025

#### **9U County Cup**

Qualifying events: Saturday 1 and Sunday 2 March 2025

Finals: Nottingham (N) and Southampton (S), Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 March 2025

#### 14U County Cup

Play-Offs and Area Leagues: Saturday 3 & Sunday 4 May 2025

Finals: Friday 16 to Sunday 18 May 2025 (Nottingham, outdoor & indoor)

#### **10U County Cup**

Qualifying events: Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 May 2025

Finals: 2 x North Area and 2 x South Area, Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 June 2025

#### 11U County Cup

Play-Offs and Area Leagues: Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 June 2025 Finals: Nottingham (outdoor and indoor), Friday 4 to Sunday 6 July 2025

#### 12U County Cup

Play-Offs and Area Leagues: Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 September 2025 Finals: Nottingham (outdoors & indoors), Friday 26 to Sunday 28 September 2025

#### Senior County Calendar 2024

#### Men's and Ladies Summer County Cup

Monday 21 to Friday 25 July 2025

#### **Over 35s County Cup**

Women's: Saturday 2 to Monday 4 August 2025 Men's: Friday 8 to Sunday 10 August 2025

#### Men's and Women's Winter County Cup

Friday 21 to Sunday 23 November 2025

#### **Seniors County Cup**

Qualifying events: Monday 7 April to Monday 6 October 2025

Finals: Friday 24 to Sunday 26 October 2025

# **LTA Youth Schools 2024**

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	Lucton School								
Girls Year 7&8	Div 1	Bromsgrove School								
Girls Year 7&8	Div 2	The Kings School Worcester								
Boys Year 9&10	Div 1	Bromsgrove School								
Boys Year 9&10	Div 2	John Kyrle High School								
Girls Year 9&10	Div 1	Bromsgrove School								
Girls Year 9&10	Div 2a	John Kyrle High School								
Girls Year 9&10	Div 2b	Bromsgrove School								



# **LTA National League Winter 2023/4**

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

8U Mixed Div 1	Droitwich	8U Mixed Div 2a	Ombersley A
		8U Mixed Div 2b	Stourport
9U Mixed Div 1	Manor Park	9U Mixed Div 2	Ombersley A
		10U Boys Div 2	Bromsgrove
11U Boys Div 1	Manor Park B		
12U Boys Div 1	Manor Park	12U Boys Div 2	Redditch B
14U Boys Div 1	Droitwich	14U Girls Div 1	Redditch
16U Boys Div 1	Droitwich	16U Girls Div 1	Redditch
18U Boys Div 1	Manor Park		
Open Men's Div 1	Redditch		



# **LTA National League Summer 2024**

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

8U Mixed Div 1	Inkberrow	8U Mixed Div 2a	Stourport
		8U Mixed Div 2b	Redditch
9U Mixed Div 1	Bromsgrove TC	9U Mixed Div 2	Redditch
		9U Mixed Div 2b	Bromsgrove School
10U Mixed Div 1	Manor Park	10U Mixed Div 2a	Stourbridge
		10U Mixed Div 2b	Redditch
11U Boys Div 2	Stourport	11U Girls Div 1	Redditch
12U Boys Div 1	Manor Park	12U Boys Div 2	Worcester TC
		12U Girls Div 2	Droitwich
14U Boys Div 2a	Redditch B	14U Boys Div 2b	Redditch A
14U Girls Div 2a	Kidderminster	14U Girls Div 2b	Manor Park
16U Boys Div 1	Droitwich Rhinos	16U Boys Div 2a	Hallow
16U Boys Div 2b	Droitwich Crocodiles	16U Girls Div 2	Redditch
18U Girls Div 2	Redditch		
Men's Div 1	Worcester LTC	Men's Div 2	Manor Park A
Men's Div 3	Manor Park B		





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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

b.

- (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:-

C.

- (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

Club Main Contact: Dympna Jardine, 07811 560269, dympnajardine@btinternet.com

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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Match Sec. MX: Chris Davis, cdavis2707@gmail.com, 07547 105953 Coach: Paul Cowie, 07969 815908, Paul.cowie86@gmail.com

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.

Club Contact: John Lloyd, 07711 993475, johnlloydtennis@outlook.com Match Sec. M: Nick Thomas, 07918 601139, nickthomastennis@gmail.com

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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

Club Contact: Jo Marshall, jo.marshall@live.co.uk

Men's Captain: Andy Minchin, 07974 170618, andyminch@hotmail.com

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Coach: Katie Foster, inspire2coach

Welfare Officer: Audrey Bradley, 07798 916250, bradaud@gmail.com

#### **BISHOPS MEADOWS COMMUNITY SPORTS PARK**

Ground: Wye Street, Hereford, HR2 7RB

Courts: M.3, G.7

Club Contact: Steve Barnett, 07814 534998, info@activatesportseducation.co.uk

#### **BLAKEDOWN & HAGLEY TENNIS CLUB**

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

Courts: M.3. F.2.

Club Contact: Neil Allsop, blakedownhagleytennis@gmail.com Match Sec. L/M/MX: blakedownhagleytennis@gmail.com

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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Welfare Officer: Martin German, 07745 238103, mrmgerman@hotmail.com

#### **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

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#### 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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#### **DAVID LLOYD BROMSGROVE**

Ground: Slideslow Drive, Bromsgrove B60 1GJ, 01527 573620

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

Courts: 3 Indoor, 5 Outdoor

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Welfare Officer: Hannah Brewer, 01905 459010

#### **DROITWICH SPA LAWN TENNIS CLUB**

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#### **DROITWICH TENNIS IN THE LIDO PARK**

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Courts: M.3.

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#### **EARDISLEY TENNIS AND CROQUET CLUB**

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Courts: M.1, AG.2 + 2 Mini Court

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#### **EVESHAM ROWING CLUB**

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

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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**

Ground: Tufts Lane, Goodrich, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire HR9 6JA

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#### **HALLOW LAWN TENNIS CLUB**

Ground: Main Road, Hallow, Worcs. WR2 6PW.

Courts: M.5, F.5.

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Welfare Officer: Anne Holmes, 07584 299574

#### HEREFORD WHITECROSS CLUB

Ground: Sollars Close, Whitecross Road, Hereford HR4 OLX, 01432 276389

Courts: M.4. F.4.

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#### **KEMPSEY LAWN TENNIS CLUB**

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Coach: Jon Bradshaw, 07968 469995

Welfare Officer: Ed Bradford, 07752 492993, ejbradford@hotmail.com

#### KIDDERMINSTER TENNIS CLUB

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# **Men's Summer County Cup Report**

This Summer, the Men's County Cup team headed off to West Worthing ready for battle with an ominous weather forecast ahead.

Although initially the rain played away from our favour on day one against North Wales, that subjected some of our more grass court specialists to play against opponents that were otherwise inclined and played a very solid hard court game.

However, after a 0-3 start the fast 4 format played in our favour and we ended up with a surprising 6-3 win on day 1.

Confidence was high rolling in to day 2 with an 8-1 win against Dorset.

Devon, who turned out to be the overall group winners by a considerable margin were a chance for us to try some fresh pairings out after loosing Mike Langston.

Sam Rayner stepped into Mike's shoes and delivered a fabulous performance which ignited the team to take a vital 8-1 win against Lincolnshire and virtually securing promotion that was confirmed on the final day against Dorset.

This will be the first time H&W men have been up to Division 4 in well over a decade and with a young and still improving team there are exciting times ahead.

A special mention to Alex Parker, who despite an injury on day 3 and resting only 2 matches, played the remainder of the week with his partner Alex Maggs, a pair that are an absolute thrill to watch, won 5 out of 7 matches with an underarm serve.

Team: Charlie Crisp (Captain) Alex Parker, Alex Maggs, Mike Langston, Oliver Nunn, Stuart Shannon, Billy Write, Sam Rayner and George Southall.

Charlie Crisp, Captain

# **Men's Winter County Cup Report**

This Winter, the Men's County team reunited with Alex Maggs for the first time in 6 years after his college stint in the States and was a force to be reckoned with.

Although some tight battles, the singles was enough to secure promotion alone winning all 3 days 5-1 and only dropping 2 further doubles matches the whole weekend.

The team will move up to Division 4 next year for the first time in over a decade and pushed past North Wales, Wiltshire and Cumbria.

Team: Charlie Crisp (Captain), Alex Maggs, Alex Parker, Callum Treasurer, Joe Hart, Mike Langston, Stuart Shannon and Sam Rayner.

#### Charlie Crisp, Captain



# **Ladies Summer County Cup Report**

The team came up against a strong East of Scotland team on day 1. There were on and off showers which meant it was actually hard to get started, but we managed to get through all the matches and unfortunately lost 6-3 to the eventual winners of the group. Our first pair of Paulina and Josie won 2 of their 3 matches and Katie and Katy won a tight match on a third set tie-break.

On Tuesday we played Essex who were another strong side and had three similarly strong pairs. The team fought hard but lost 7-2, with Paulina and Josie winning 2 rubbers again.

Day 3 was another hard-fought loss against Durham and Cleveland who's first pair impressively won all 15 of their rubbers this year as well as winning all 15 the previous year. Despite this the team fought hard going down 5-4 with all three of our pairs picking up a win for the first time.

Despite three loses the team could see they had played the strongest teams first and so there was all to play for on the last two days. Thursday saw a great 6-3 victory over Suffolk, with their 1st pair winning their 3 rubbers, only beating our firsts on a third set match tie break.

On Friday the team beat South Wales 6-3 to avoid relegation and secure our place in Group 5 again next year.

I would like to thank all the players – we took 9 players and everyone was keen to play but respectful that not everyone could play all of the matches. All 9 players won a match which is a great effort from everyone in a strong group 5 as there were no easy matches. Paulina and Katy played all 15 matches which was a great effort. The team had a great time in Ilkley – it was Emma and Maddie's first county week and they were both great assets to the team.

Thanks to Kate Horsburgh who organised the team and accommodation, I was only captain for the event as Kate was unable to play due to exams.

Team: Latesha Grant, Josie Ward, Sally Lewin, Imogen Sinclair, Katie Miles-Payne, Katie Lewin, Paulina Jurkoswka, Emma McKay and Maddie Walsh.

#### Katie Miles-Payne, Captain





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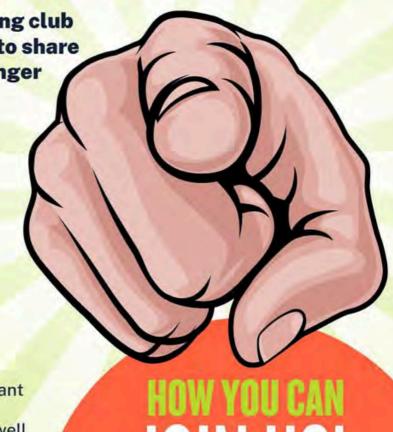
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# **Ladies Winter County Cup Report**

**Squad members:** Kate Horsburgh, Katy Lewin, Katie Miles-Payne, Ali Sanders, Bethany Pye, Holly Stevens, Emma McKay and Daisy Williams.

## Day 1 - North of Scotland

On Friday morning, the team arrived at the centre ready to take on the North of Scotland team.

First on were Holly and Emma for no. 5 and 6 singles. Despite their best efforts, and Holly fighting back well to push her match to a third set, we ended the first round 0-2 down.

Beth took to the court at no.4, and had a very closely fought match which could have gone either way, but ultimately she fell just short, with a 4-6, 6-4, 4-6 loss.

Our secret weapon - Ali Sanders - went on at no.3, making her H&W county debut. With no signs of any nerves, she put in a fantastic performance to beat a strong opponent in straight sets, getting us a much-needed rubber on the board.

Katy L took to the court at no.2, and had a comprehensive 6-2, 6-2 win against a strong Scottish opponent. A dominant performance.

I played at no.1, and, in typical me fashion, had a 3h30 min marathon match. In a topsy-turvy match, I ended up losing 4-6, 7-6, 4-6. A frustrating result, but we had no time to dwell, as we knew that we still had a chance to get the win for the team if we were able to win all three doubles.

Holly and Katie M-P played at third pair, and had finished their match in the space of about a set of my singles(!), winning 6-2, 6-2.

Ali and Katy L took on the first pair, and Emma and I played at second pair. Ali and Katy L had a fantastic match tiebreak win, with both girls upping their games in the pressure moments.

With the tie levelled at 4-4, it was all down to our final doubles, which involved yet another third set. Unfortunately, we were pipped at the post, with a 10-8 loss in the match tiebreak.

A disappointing end result, but spirits remained high as we dashed straight from the centre to our team dinner at 8.30pm - a long day! With a 5-4 result in the other tie in our group, we knew that the whole group was likely to be very evenly matched.

#### Day 2: Derbyshire

On Saturday, we took on Cornwall. Saturday saw Daisy Williams make her debut, playing at no.6 singles for the team. And what a debut it was! Showing no sign of nerves, Daisy fought through a very close first set on a tiebreak, and then won the second set 6-2. A great performance.

Holly had a dominant win over her opponent at no.5, outfoxing her opponent with her impressive variety.

Beth had a tough match at no.4 against a strong opponent, but gave her a bit of a scare in the second set. Ali had another dominant win at no.3, showing her class and experience.

Whilst I was on court myself for most of it, match of the day had to be Katy L's singles against Cornwall no.2, which culminated in Katy winning in a third set tiebreak. Having had match points to win at 6-2 5-2 up, her opponent suddenly massively raised her game, taking the second set 7-5. Katy did so well to maintain her composure to win the marathon third set. A really gutsy performance, and I was cheering her on during the change of ends from my singles!

The Cornwall no.1, a full-time player who'd just come back from France, was too strong for me. Whilst some long deuce games meant that the score didn't feel fully reflective of the nature of the match, she has a fantastic game, and I was soundly beaten!

This left us 4-2 up going into the doubles.

Katie M-P and Beth played at first pair, with the Cornwall no.1 and no.4 proving to be too strong.

Ali and Katy had another highly entertaining doubles at second pair, with fantastic quality tennis on show. Unfortunately, with the match coming down to another match tiebreak, they just fell short, losing 6-1, 5-7, 5-10.

Emma and I beat the third pair 6-4, 6-1, meaning a 5-4 win overall - a great result, which meant that Sunday's results would determine which team would be promoted or relegated.

## Day 3: Shropshire

By Sunday, we certainly all had some achey bodies/niggling injuries, but I was impressed by the way the team - with the help of some upbeat music - got themselves energised ahead of an important day of tennis against the home county, Shropshire.

Daisy continued her fantastic debut by playing a great match at no.6, winning in style and playing an attacking brand of tennis. Holly fought well at no.5 against a strong opponent in a high quality match, but lost in straight sets.

Beth had a great win against a tricky opponent at no.4, staying patient in some epic rallies! Ali continued her fantastic form to beat a strong no.3 for Shropshire.

Katy L took on a very strong opponent at no.2, who had been full-time prior to injuries. Katy put on an amazing display in the second set, taking the Shropshire no.2 to a tiebreak. Some fantastic tennis - with both girls hunched over after some physically brutal points!

I had my chances against the Shropshire no.1, but lost in a closely fought match - 6-4, 6-3.

So we went into the doubles at 3-3 - all to play for! My thanks to Katie M-P for helping me deliberate over the most sensible strategic decision for doubles pairings - thank you for your patience with me!

Katy L and I played at first pair, and it was certainly my best performance of the entire event (Katy had too many to choose between!). We played a great match, beating a highly experienced doubles player and coach and the Shropshire no.3 6-2.

Beth and Katie M-P played at second pair, playing the Shropshire no.1 and no.5 from the singles. Despite their best efforts, the Shropshire pair proved to be too strong.

As seems to be a theme in these events (certainly for H&W in recent years!), it was all down to the final doubles, with Ali and Holly pairing up at third pair. They played a brilliant match and combined as a scratch pairing really well, and won in two closely contested sets. A fantastic 5-4 win to finish the event on a high!

As each team had lost a tie throughout the event, it came down to total number of rubbers won. Unfortunately, a 6-3 win for Cornwall on the final day against the North of Scotland meant that Cornwall just edged ahead of us, with 15 rubbers to our 14. So close to promotion - having beaten the group winners, but lost to the group which were relegated. I look forward to fighting for promotion with the team again next year in Group 5!

Thank you so much to the girls for their efforts and attitude throughout the event (and for the card and present from the team!). We had brilliant debuts from Ali and Daisy, who proved to be real assets to the team - both on and off the court. Excited for the summer of doubles!

## Kate Horsburgh, Captain



## **Men's Over 35 County Cup Report**

Team – Chris Warner (C), Charlie Crisp, Paul Siviter, Adam Dudek and Paul Cowie.

Following a tough relegation down to Division 5 in 2023, the Men's Over 35 team was looking to regain their status in Division 4 this year with a promotion. The 1st morning started with rain which delayed proceedings and meant that the first fixture against Lincolnshire was reduced to Fast4 scoring. 1st match up in typically windy Eastbourne conditions and making his debut for the team, Adam got things off to a perfect start with a close 3rd set tie break singles win, a theme that would run throughout the day. Charlie backed that performance up with an excellent win, again in a tie break 3rd set against a strong Lincolnshire number 1. 3 more third set wins in the doubles, 2 from Chris and Paul S and one from Charlie and Paul C sealed a perfect 5-0 start.

Day 2 v Nottinghamshire couldn't have been more of a contrast weather wise, with blazing sunshine from the off, but the results stayed the same with Adam and Charlie once again polishing off both singles wins and Chris and Paul S completing the fixture victory with a comprehensive doubles success. The last 2 doubles matches were split, with a win for Adam and Paul C to end the day with a 4-1 victory for H&W.

Knowing that just 1 rubber win would seal promotion for the team, Adam competed well in the 1st singles of the day but went down to the Gloucestershire number 2. Charlie then battled to the all important win guaranteeing the return to Division 4 that the team had targeted at the beginning of the weekend. There was a further doubles win for the two Pauls which meant that although the team suffered a 3-2 loss on the day to local rivals Gloucestershire, it was enough to top the group.

## Chris Warner, Captain



## **Ladies Over 35 County Cup Report**

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

Our first match was on Saturday against Cambridgeshire, however due to rain in the afternoon only 1 match was completed and the format was reduced to only 2 singles and 1 doubles. Emma and Jo both won their singles 6-3, 6-4 followed by close match loss for Rachel and Jilly in the doubles giving a 2-1 win for the team on Sunday morning.

Sunday afternoon we moved on to play Dorset where the match format changed back to 5 matches (2 singles and 3 doubles) however the final 2 doubles were short sets to 4. The match was won after the first round with Emma and Jo winning their singles and Rachel and Jilly winning their doubles with 2 of the matches being won on 3rd set tie-breaks providing some exciting tennis. A 3-2 win against Dorset.

On the final day we played for promotion against North of Scotland who had also beaten both Dorset and Cambridgeshire without the loss of any matches and we came to the same fate though Emma had an extremely close match and only lost in the 3rd set tie -break. 3-0 loss to the North of Scotland.

Overall our 2 wins ensured we came 2nd in the group. I would like to thank the players for displaying a fantastic team spirit despite a few injuries in the team and some tricky 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 14U County finals were held on Sat 14th July at Manor Park and the 18U Area Doubles at Sutton Coldfield on 22nd June.

- 14U Boys Winner: Ayrton
- 14U Boys Runner-Up: Tom
- 14U Girls Winner: Kiah
- 14U Girls Runner-Up: Leila
- 18U Girls Doubles Winners: Beth & Macy
- 18U Boys Doubles Winners: Alfie & Ben
- 18U Boys Doubles Runners-up: Sam & Oliver

Well done to everyone who competed.

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

In addition to the 14U Singles and 18U Doubles events, H&W sent two doubles partnerships and one wheelchair tennis player off to SW19 for the National Finals.



## Play Your Way to Wimbledon National Finals 2024

Another amazing experience for the H&W players, who had the opportunity to step foot on the grass courts at Wimbledon to compete in the National Finals.

## 14U Girls Singles

Kiah was 2nd in her group and lost in the main draw Round of 16 Leila was 2nd in her group and lost in the main draw Round of 16

## 14U Boys Singles

Ayrton was 2nd is his group and lost in the main draw Round of 32

#### 18U Girls Doubles

Sofie and partner won their group and lost in the QF

## **18U Boys Doubles**

Alfie & Ben won their group and lost in the QF

#### Women's Doubles

Caroline Forester-Smith & Rachel Prudden won their group and lost in the QF

#### Men's Doubles

George Carroll & Alex Hills won their group and lost in the SF

## Women's Wheelchair

Naomie Tarver was runner-up





## 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.

