

May News 2018

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Our Tennis Club



LTA Regional Coach of the year for the North

50 volunteers, coaches, officials and venues have been recognised as regional British Tennis Awards winners, for the invaluable role they play in creating opportunities for the nation to get on court.

The British Tennis Awards celebrate the achievements made by outstanding individuals and venues across the country throughout the past year.

Launched in 2015 with the help of former LTA president Cathie Sabin OBE and Britain's leading tennis charity the Tennis Foundation, the British Tennis Awards are in place to thank those supporting the grassroots of the game.

A record-breaking total of 1,460 nominations were cast last autumn, before county British Tennis Award winners were named from December to March. Those winners were then whittled down to 50 regional winners.

Our very own Ben Bush has been awarded regional coach of the year for the North. He has done exceptionally well to be recognised in this way by the LTA.

All regional, along with Tennis Wales and Tennis Scotland's winners will now be in for a shot to be crowned a national winner in the final stage of the LTA Awards.

The national finalists will be announced in May and June, with the eventual winners being announced at the official Awards Ceremony at The Championships, Wimbledon, July 3. Good luck Ben!

General Data Protection Regulations - DLTC policy update for members

DLTC has published its policy, in line with LTA guidance. The link to this privacy policy has been emailed to members ahead of the 25th May when the new regulations come in. It is also available on the DLTC website with a link from the homepage, and a paper copy is on the clubs notice board. It is also being provided to new members when they join the club. The club collects personal data at the time of membership application and is updated as required when members inform us. It is only used for internal administrative purposes and is not shared outside of the club. Any questions about the policy or your personal data please contact either Julia Chruszcz (Membership Secretary) or David Sykes (Club President).

Membership renewal reminder

If you haven't already done so you should have renewed your membership that goes from the 1st April. The renewal notice was sent out in March via email and a reminder appeared in the last

newsletter. It isn't too late to fill in the renewal form now and follow the instructions on the form re payment. Any questions contact Julia Chruszcz (0161 292 8790) or Martin Johnson (0161 483 5118)



Note the new shoe tags for this year are orange. They are being handed out at social tennis evenings and Saturdays and for the Juniors by Ben Bush. Please wear them whenever you are playing.

Thank you.

Marjorie Turner Opening Tournament

We held the Marjorie Turner Opening Tournament on Saturday 7th April. There was a great turn out and it stopped raining just in time for play.



Jill Lockwood and Aidan McWilliams were our winners of the Marjorie Turner trophies presented by David Sykes, Club President.



Thanks to Sid Beales, his timekeepers, Sue and David, and to those that baked, for making it a memorable afternoon.

More Cheshire News!

Congratulations to Jim Gibbs and his partner who won the over 60s Mixed Doubles at the Cheshire Championships, and Jim was also runner up in the over 65 singles and men's over 65s doubles.

John Harrison and Laura Millington lost in the semi-final of the over 60s Mixed Doubles in 3 sets.

New Members



Welcome to the following new recruits to the club.

Juniors: Max Kirby; Finlay and Emilia Jarvis

Seniors: Susan Brooker; Anthony O'Reilly; and Matt Jarvis

Hope you enjoy joining in the play and events at DLTC.

Tennis Camps – Whit and Summer Holidays

29 May – 1 June

30 July – 3 Aug

13 – 17 Aug

28 – 30 Aug

Bookings NOW OPEN!

Fun, action packed tennis camps aimed at all abilities. Half days, full days, early drop offs and late pickups available. Suitable for ages 4-16yrs.

No need to worry about the weather as the camps run regardless of rain or snow. We offer indoor activities if the weather prevents us from being outside.

Tennis Camp Application forms can be found in the clubhouse and on the website under the Coaching Page.



A Message from our Coach Ben

Spring Coaching is now under full swing with group sessions throughout the week.

Call Ben if you'd like to be included in a group session.

LTA Quorn Family Cup – Sunday 15 April

We had 32 players competing in this fun parent/child doubles event. All the matches were played on a mini tennis court with mini rackets. The aim of this was to give our younger players a taste of their first competition.

The event Winners and runners up were:

Leila & Kevin Green (winners) and Jess & Dave Pennington (R-up)

Imogen & Hayley Sharpe (winners of younger event) and Lexi and Jem Bentham (R-up)



Tie-Break Tens Tournament – Sunday 29th April

This Open Doubles event was aimed at our teenage players. Our guys performed extremely well across the two age groups. The eventual finalists were:

U16: Lewis Wilson & Nick Bradley (Davenport/Queensgate) beat Olivia Firth & Max White (Davenport)

U13: James Doyle & Max Kirby (Davenport) beat Will Bingham & Will Rayner (Davenport)



Junior April Match Results (so far)

Sat 21	H	Bramhall Lane	U13 Boys 1	Rescheduled
Sun 22	H	Lindow	U13 Boys 2	Lost 7-1
Sun 22	A	Pownall Park	U15 Boys 1	Won 8-0
Fri 27	A	Bramhall Lane	U18 MXD	Lost 8-0

Coaches Tip of the Month

Making your serve less predictable

Developing serve variations can take time and lots of practice. You need to be competent with your basic serve action first. Are you able to hit one serve to the forehand, another to the backhand and another to the body? If so that's 3 variations. If you can hit a slice serve as well as a flat one then that's 6 variations. Can you alter the pace of your serve? Adjust where you stand on the baseline too?

Suddenly you have plenty of variations. Switching between a handful of these options makes it more difficult for the returner – mainly due to the fact that they can't plan ahead!

For help on this or any other coaching information contact Ben now on 07966 973901 or bbushtennis@yahoo.co.uk.

Summer Team Tennis

The President's Prize is back for the 2018 Season!

All team players' results are recorded and the awards will go to the best 'sets won percentage' over the season - there will be a winner and runner up in the Men's and Ladies' sections. A minimum of five appearances are required to qualify for the awards which will be presented at the 'End of Season Bash' in the autumn.

Good luck and an excellent season to all our team players! We have 8 teams: 3 ladies and 5 mens.

The Captains for 2018 are:

Ladies 1st team – Sara Sotoudemeher

Ladies 2nd team – Emma West

Ladies 3rd team – Ruth Connor

Mens 1st team – Chris Townend

Mens 2nd team – Adam Tomlinson

Mens 3rd team – Nathan Scarll

Mens 4th team – Iain Taylor

Mens 5th team – Barry Stead

April Match Results

Team	Date	Opponent	H/A	Time
M1	27 th	Mere 1	H	Lost
M2	4 th	Poynton 1	H	Cancelled
M2	19 th	Macclesfield 1	A	Won 9-2
M2	23 rd	Bowdon 1	H	Lost 4-8
M3	9 th	Queensgate 4	H	Won 10-2
M3	22 nd	Alderley Edge 3	H	Lost 5-7
M3	25 th	Bramhall Park 3	A	“
M4	11 th	Northern 5	H	Lost 4-8
M4	25 th	Poynton 2	H	“
M4	29 th	Brabyns 3	A	10.30
M5	13 th	Styal 1	H	Won 9-1
M5	26 th	West Heaton 4	A	“
L1	16 th	Albert 1	H	Lost
L2	18 th	Hale 3	H	Won 9-3
L3	6 th	West Heaton 2	H	Drew
L3	20 th	Macclesfield 4	H	Won 10--2

May Match Schedule

Date	Team	Opponent	H/A	Time
14 th	M3	Hale Barnes 1	A	
	M4	Knutsford 2	H	7pm
15 th	L2	Albert 2	A	
16 th	L1	Cheadle 1	H	7pm
17 th	M5	Baxter Park 1	A	
21 st	L1	Prestbury 1	A	
	L2	Priory 1	H	7pm
24 th	L1	Mere 1	A	
25 th	M4	Hazel Grove 2	A	
29 th	M5	Mere 2	A	
30 th	M2	Cheadle 2	A	
31 st	M4	Lindow 1	A	

Acton Cup

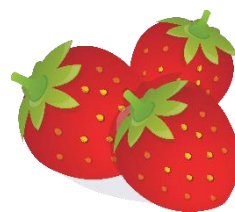
Note that our first match of this knockout competition takes place on Sunday 20th May away at the Albert club in Didsbury. Good luck to our players.

Social Tennis

If you are new to the club or just haven't got round to joining in any of the social tennis, either on Tuesday or Thursday evenings from 7.00pm or on Saturday afternoons please come and join in. All abilities are welcome and it is an excellent way to get to know more people at the club. There is usually an organiser about so just make yourself known. Don't hesitate, you'll enjoy it once you start.

The following are dates for the diary:

Date	2.00pm Start	Organiser
5 th May	<i>Club Tournament will be in full swing. Details on clubhouse notice board with signup sheets. Other details will be emailed to all members.</i>	
12 th May	May Finals Day	
17 th May	tbc	
24 th May	tbc	



May Finals Day – Saturday 12th

is a day for everyone to enjoy. Come down with the family and watch some excellent tennis and join in the social buzz. Strawberries and ice-cream

along with tea and cakes is always a good excuse to come along!!!

Get these dates in your diary:

President's Day - Saturday 23rd June

Captains Day Tournament – Saturday 28th July

Other Club News

Gordon Lindsay-Jones

Following the announcement of the death of our member Gordon Lindsay-Jones it was, unfortunately, not possible to circulate details of funeral arrangements as Gordon had specified in his wishes a 'family only' funeral.

The Committee will be discussing in due course a suitable way of remembering Gordon's contribution to life at the Club.

David Sykes



Coffee Morning

This takes place on the third Tuesday every month with the same format of £1.50 entry for tea/coffee and biscuits, with the proceeds going to charity. Come and enjoy a coffee with local residents. Open to all.

Davenport Derby Success

Thanks to everyone who joined us for the Davenport Derby Race Night on Saturday 21st April.

We enjoyed 10 horse races, cheese and biscuits and plenty of prizes.

We made £132.50 profit from the night to put towards our end of season bash so thanks to all those who supported the night.

A special thanks goes to John and Dave S for manning the bar, for Rosie and Ruth for helping organise and Nathan for his superb stewarding of the races, bets and cash prizes.

