



NEWSLETTER - May 2022

Welcome to our new and returning members

Thank you to all the members who have renewed their memberships for 2022/23. Any queries about membership to Sandra on tel: 07752 619241 please.

The start of season Good Friday tournament was a success with the winners being Martin Kearns and Matt Cross (see below) and now we are well into the summer match season.

Bingo Night

An enjoyable Bingo night is being organized by the Bowls section for **Friday May 27th at 8pm**. Great prizes and a raffle. DO go along to the bar in the main clubhouse and support the Club - and it's fun too!

Platinum Anniversary round robin

On the weekend of the Queen's Jubilee Anniversary there will be an enjoyable adult round robin event - **at 10am on Sunday June 5th**.

Sandwiches and cakes will be provided, *all free of charge*. And prizes for the winners too! No need to book in advance, just turn up.

Pickleball

Great news - we now offer the fun game Pickleball on the mini court. The net, bats and balls have been funded by **a grant from the Eric Wright Charitable Trust** - thanks to them.

Anyone interested in playing should ask to join the Whats App group set up by Julia - email her on julialbuxton@aol.com and see <https://lancastertennis.co.uk/pickleball/>

Summer match season

Thanks to the captains for our adult teams in the Fylde (Men's), Kendal (Men's A and B, Ladies, Mixed) and Lancaster (Mixed) Leagues and junior teams in the Fylde and Ribble Leagues.

The matches are well underway now, slightly hampered by rain unfortunately. For the full match schedule, which is updated regularly, see <https://lancastertennis.co.uk/adults/adult-fixtures-and-results/>

And for any queries contact Susan on email: lancstennis@gmail.com or tel: 07771 734920

New kit supplier

Good news. We have a new supplier of Club polo shirts, hoodies and t-shirts. There is even now a full kit option. A chance to look smart and promote Club when you play

Members can now order their kit directly on-line on <https://www.17sport.co.uk/collections/lancaster-tennis-club>

Winter Vets League successes

Our Eagles team (captain Derek Metcalfe) has **WON Division One** and our Falcons team (captain Andre Coltman) was very narrowly beaten into fourth place also in Division One in the 2021/22 Winter Vets league.

These are fantastic victories - **and well done to both teams and all the players**. The regular players throughout the winter were Sandra Eccles, Dave Clark, Chris Milburn, Californian Dave, Mark Braithwaite, Danny Welbourne, Steve Garland in addition to Derek and Andre.

Good Friday round robin

It was decent weather for the tournament with 16 players divided into two pools. An enjoyable day of tennis and a BBQ led to a final between Steve Garland & Paddy Maher against Martin Kearns & Matt Cross with M and M having quite an easy victory.

See here for the full report <https://lancastertennis.co.uk/great-day-of-good-friday-tennis/>

Social tennis sessions

The Club turn up and play sessions organized by Mary Rosenberg and Rose Parker are still very popular – **now every morning except Saturday from 10am** – on Mondays with U3A players & on Fridays with a Bolton le Sands group.

DO TURN UP and enjoy.

Any queries to Mary on marvinn@berkeley.edu or tel: 01524 845286. **And don't forget also the usual Sunday 10am and Friday 7pm sessions.**

Adult Coaching

There is no adult coaching with Eden Parkinson any more, but on Friday evenings at 7pm experienced Club players will usually be down to help beginner and intermediate players with their strokes and tactics. Any queries about this to Sandra on tel: 07752 619241 or email: Sandra.eccles10@gmail.com

Thanks

Thanks **very much** to Dave Clark and Maxine Norman (now Mrs Clark) for all their hard work in mowing the grass around the courts. It's takes a long time but makes the area look so much better.

Market Stall

The market stall in town | on **Saturday April 2nd** went well in reasonable weather and quite a large number of people were given information about the Club. Thanks to helpers Fang Liu, Mary Rosenberg (& her inspired idea to give balloons to children!), Pam Carillo, Julia Buxton, Sandra Eccles and Susan Lucas.

Open Day

The 2022 Open Day took place on **Saturday April 23rd** in decent weather. Large numbers of juniors and their parents attended and a small number of adults. So far none of the adults has joined, but a number of the children have joined *Edentennis* coaching sessions.

Many thanks to all the members who helped on the day. This was much appreciated – Julia Buxton, Helen Edmead, Mary Rosenberg, Sandra Eccles, Fang Liu, Andre Coltman, Steve Garland, Susan Lucas. **And an especial thanks** to Michaela and Eden Parkinson of *Edentennis* for coping with very large numbers of young children who had never held a racquet before!

Junior coaching

Eden and Michaela Parkinson of *Edentennis* are continuing their coaching sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Friday after school. On Saturday the new times are 9.30am – 10.30am & 10.30am – 11.30am. **Get full info on junior coaching & team training sessions from Michaela Parkinson on tel: 07443 467495 and see**

<https://lancastertennis.co.uk/juniors/coaching/>

Court booking calendar

Some schools are using our courts during the day, so PLEASE DO USE the court booking calendar to avoid any clashes etc. If you need to be added to the calendar, contact Steve Garland on Steve@stevegarland.co.uk. It can still be accessed on-line through the home page of <https://lancastertennis.co.uk/>.

Singles play

There is still a Singles WhatsApp group and if you are not already on this, please contact Steve on tel: 07722 541688. There is an adults Singles Ladder in the clubhouse between the Men's and Ladies changing rooms.

State of the courts

Thanks to everyone who is sweeping the courts after playing – we need to keep on top of the loose sand to make sure that they are safe to play on.

Club working party

We will be organizing a Club Working Party in the near future to tidy up the tennis clubhouse, courts & surrounding area. Any queries to Steve Garland on tel: 07722 541688.

Booking the function room

The function room in the main pavilion of Lancaster Cricket & Sports is available to book and is a great venue for parties & events, with catering.

Full information on the facilities available and catering options are on

www.lancastercricketandsportsclub.org/functionroom.aspx

Any queries to tel: 01524 65087 or email: lanc.csc@gmail.com