



NEWSLETTER - May 2023

Welcome to our new and returning members

Thank you to all the members who have renewed their memberships for 2023/24. Any queries about membership to Sandra on tel: 07752 619241 please.

Good start to the summer season with an enjoyable Good Friday tournament (*see below*) and now we are well into the summer match season.

Winter Vets League success

Congratulations to our teams in the Lancaster & District Winter Vets League. Our A team (captain Dave Clark) were Division 1 Champions and our B team (captain Andre Coltman) came a very creditable 4th, also in Division 1. Congratulations to both of our teams and the players.

New coach appointed

Thank you very much to Eden and Michaela Parkinson of *Edentennis* for all their hard work and coaching over many years. And for supporting and developing the very successful junior teams.

To replace them, the Club has signed up the **Michael Cartmell Academy** as the new coaching team. Adult and junior coaching is now available (*see below*). Anyone wanting to sign up for coaching, please contact Michael direct on tel: 07523 866116 or cartmelltennis@gmail.com

Thank you Simon

Thank you very much to new member Simon Hicks and his company Grosvenor Partners Financial Services Limited for funding the purchase of new tennis balls for the Kendal League Mixed, Men's and Ladies teams. The full story is on <https://lancastertennis.co.uk/donation-received-from-grosvenor-partners/>

Thanks

Thanks **very much** to Paddy Maher for doing a great job painting the outside of our clubhouse. It looks so much better.

Thanks also to Dave & Maxine Clark for all their hard work in mowing the grass around the courts. It takes a long time but makes the area look so much better.

Open Day

The 2023 Open Day took place on **Saturday April 29th** in very pleasant weather. A large number of juniors and their parents attended as well as a small number of adults. Hopefully some of these will join the coaching and become members.

Many thanks to all the members who helped on the day. This was much appreciated - Helen Edmead, Mary Rosenberg, Sandra Eccles, Evelyn & David Kay, Fang Liu, Sharon Phillips, Steve Garland and organiser Susan Lucas. **And an especial thanks to Peter Nickson and Jonny Eastham** for coping with a large number of young children who had never held a racquet before!

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 for the junior team in the Fylde League.

The matches are well underway now. 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

Pickleball

We are planning a regular social Pickleball session on our outside court at 11am on Sundays. This is in addition to the ongoing sessions in the sports hall at the University of Cumbria.

Anyone interested in playing and not already in the Pickleball Whats App group should email Sharon on slphillips72@gmail.com and see <https://lancastertennis.co.uk/pickleball/>

Club kit supplier

Our new supplier of Club polo shirts, hoodies and t-shirts is now also offering a full kit option. A chance to look smart and promote our Club when you play

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

Good Friday round robin tournament

It was decent weather for our annual Good Friday tournament with 16 players divided into two pools. An enjoyable day of tennis and a BBQ (thanks to Paddy Maher for this) led to a final between Danny Welbourne & Susan Lucas against Martin Kearns & Kathy Byra, with Martin and Kathy winning easily.

See here for the full report <https://lancastertennis.co.uk/successful-open-day-2/>

Social tennis sessions

The Club turn up and play social tennis sessions organized by Mary Rosenberg & Rose Parker are still popular - **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 marvinr@berkeley.edu or tel: 01524 845286. **And don't forget also the usual Sunday 10am and Friday 7pm sessions.**

Adult Coaching

Coaching with Michael Cartmell is on Wednesdays at 5.30pm (Beginners) and Fridays at 7pm. 1:1 sessions are also on offer. Contact Michael directly to book - tel: 07523 866116

Market Stall

The market stall in town on **Saturday April 1st** went well in reasonable weather and quite a large number of people were given information about the Club. Thanks very much to helpers Fang Liu, Mary Rosenberg (& her inspired idea to give balloons to children!), Kathy Byra, Pam Carillo, Evelyn & David Kay, Sharon Phillips, Steve Garland, Sandra Eccles and organizer Susan Lucas.

Junior coaching

Full info on junior coaching is on <https://lancastertennis.co.uk/juniors/coaching/> and Michael Cartmell also has plans to organize summer junior camps, details to be confirmed.

Please book sessions with Michael on tel: 07523 866116 or cartmelltennis@gmail.com

Court booking calendar

The University social group and 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, please contact Steve Garland on Steve@stevegarland.co.uk. It's accessed through the home page of <https://lancastertennis.co.uk/>.

Singles play

There is still a Singles WhatsApp group and if you would like to play singles and are not already on this, please contact sheppard7.c@gmail.com

There is also an adults Singles Ladder in the clubhouse between the Men's & 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.

Club members facebook page

Any members not already able to access the Club Members FB page can be added by emailing Susan on lancstennis@gmail.com

Booking the function room

The function room in the bar of Lancaster Cricket & Sports Club is available to book and is a great venue for parties & events, with catering. **And don't forget that all Club members qualify for reduced price drinks in the bar.**

Full information on the facilities & catering options are on www.lancastercricketandsportsclub.org/functionroom.aspx

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