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Introduction—Editor’s View

Welcome to the Autumn 2022 edition of the Badshot Lea Tennis Club Newsletter!

The committee welcome our new members and hope you are enjoying the club and its facilities. The Clubs’ facilities improvements have been formally opened, open days held and with the darker evenings the floodlights are now in use. Enjoy your read!



Court Usage

Please remember to use the Google Calendar booking system. It guarantees you have the court when you want it, rather than turning up hoping for a free court. **You can now book time on both courts.**

Please sign the attendance sheet if you use any clubhouse facilities, including the ball machine(s).



Team Tennis

The Winter ADLTA League is running this year. BLTC has entered a mixed team. The dates are below. Helen is kindly organising the teams, so please let her know if you are able to play. These matches are against other local friendly clubs. There are just two pairs from each club and play two sets against each pair from the opposing club. Reminder £2 match fee—to club bank account please.

~~Wed 28 Sep 18:30 away at Farnborough~~ withdrew no team

Wed 19 Oct 13:00 home v Aldershot Methodists

Tue 9 Nov 18:30 away at Rowledge

Sat 20 Nov 13:00 home v Elstead

Sun 4 Dec 13:00 home v Farnborough

Wed 11 Jan 18:30 away at Aldershot Methodists

Sun 5 Feb 13:00 home v Rowledge

Mon 20 Feb 18:30 away at Elstead

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Club Sessions

The Saturday club sessions are now a regular fixture so please come down and join in.

The Thursday evening club sessions continue and are at, **6pm** . Please come and join us.

Big Tennis Weekend

The Club recently held Sunday Open Tennis afternoons as part of the nationwide LTA Big Tennis Weekends - "give tennis a go". With blue summery skies, many visitors came along to enjoy an excellent afternoon of free tennis and coaching. Those not on court enjoyed the friendly atmosphere meeting new people and catching up with old acquaintances.

All enjoyed the refreshments on offer. A big welcome to all the new members, and a huge thank you to all club members and the LTA tennis coach for their help in making these events successful.



Clubhouse Refurbishment and Floodlights—formally opened



Local Paralympian Rachel Morris OBE was recently guest of honour at the formal opening of Badshot Lea Tennis Club's floodlights and new accessible facilities. The event was attended by many club members, supporters of the recent fund raising campaign and local councillors including Mark Merryweather and Catherine Powell. Other local representatives included David Gill chair of Farnham Sports Council and Brian Grieg from Surrey Playing Fields.

Tennis club chair, Gillian Hyman welcomed everyone and thanked all for their support and hard work over the last few years in achieving the Club's vision of floodlights and accessible facilities. Rachel Morris thanked the Club for becoming accessible and inclusive whilst this remains a problem in sport.

Farnham Town Mayor, Cllr Alan Earwaker congratulated Gillian and the club on an excellent job in improving facilities for the local community and presented a funding grant on behalf of Farnham Town Council. Gillian was presented with a wonderful bouquet from members in recognition for all her hard work in recent years to enable the vision to become reality.

The guests then enjoyed a BBQ and refreshments. It was a great time for socialising and exchanging ideas for future club events.



Articles are welcome for our Autumn edition of the club newsletter. Please send through to Gillian for their review and inclusion.



Newsletters

Copies of previous issues of the Club's newsletter can be found on the Club website, see footer of web page.

Club Reminders



Ball Machines

We are fortunate to have an excellent ball machine at the club. Have you used it yet? It can give you a variety of ball deliveries to help improve your returns. The pre-season check-up found lots of balls jammed inside. If that starts happening again, please report it to the committee for repair. There is an instruction sheet in the clubhouse.



To help the longevity of the tennis balls we also have a ball pressuriser. Again there is an instruction sheet in the clubhouse.

Please try and use this after you have used the ball machine. Contact Gillian if you wish to have a walk through on how to use it.



Both ball machines now have a remote control, so you can start and stop them from other end of court!

[To enable it: turn on the "Remote Control" switch, then press the A

Club Clothing

Why not promote the club ? - we have our own club clothing range. Please see our [website](#). Click on 'Tennis Kit' on the top menu.



LTA and Wimbledon Ballot

All members are encouraged to belong to LTA as an Advantage Play+ member and affiliate to the Badshot Lea Tennis Club. **It is free!** This will give you free entry to the Wimbledon Ballot in 2023 and many more exclusive venues and offers.



<https://www2.lta.org.uk/advantage/> then Click on Advantage Play—it is FREE!

Quick Tennis Quiz

1. Which male tennis player has the best serve?
2. Who has had the most double faults in a match?
3. What's the longest tennis match in history?
4. Who is the current male no 1 in tennis?
5. In which year was the first men's Wimbledon championship?

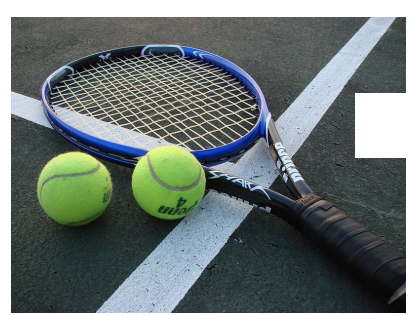


Fundraiser and Social Quiz Evening

Club member Richard and wife Nicki's quiz and drinks evening will be scheduled for later in the year. Watch this space!



<https://www.nibbsspirits.co.uk/>



Club Fundraising

Please share this fund raising page with friends and family to help continue to raise revenue for the club and the court resurfacing fund. Thank you.



We are continuing to Fundraise for the Club

Members registered with **easyfundraising** and shopping online are raising quite a few £s for the Club. Have you joined yet?

If you're not supporting Badshot Lea Tennis Club yet, please sign up now. It takes 2 minutes & 6,000+ shops will donate to us for free every time you shop with them!

You can find our easyfundraising page at

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/badshotleatennisclub/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_medium=email&utm_content=gs-e1

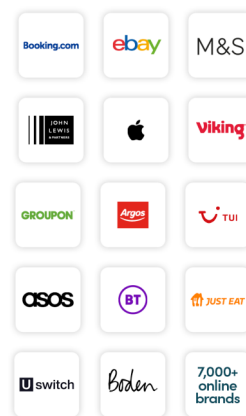
There are over 6,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation – including **eBay, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, Screwfix and M&S** – and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds.

There are no catches or hidden charges and Badshot Lea Tennis Club will be really grateful for your donations. Please invite your friends and family to join and help us raise funds for the Club.

Thank you for your support.

See your favourite brands donate to us whenever you spend with them

Find out more



Localgiving is the UK's number one support network for local charities and community groups. The National Lottery Magic Little Grants have awarded Badshot Lea Tennis Club £500 towards the improvement project. As part of this there is a Localgiving website for the Club providing more details on how to donate and help the club.

Please see our site <https://localgiving.org/charity/badshot-lea-tennis-club/>



My Club Market is an eShop where you can buy anything sports-related; get a great deal, AND raise money for us. **10% from every sale supports Badshot Lea Tennis Club.**

We have already funded 4 Junior Rackets for the Club through this site.

So when you're doing your shopping, please think of using our Outlet, and asking your friends and family to do the same. Every little helps - so thanks for your support!

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Quiz Answers

1. US Open 2022 hit by Russian-Kazakhstan tennis player Alexander Bublik, clocking in at 141 mph.
2. Anna Kournikova—31, in a clash against Miho Saeki
3. Five sets, three days and a 138-point tiebreaker. John Isner outlasted Nicolas Mahut in a first-round match at the 2010 Wimbledon men's singles tournament that spanned 11 hours and five minutes.
4. Carlos Alcaraz from Spain
5. 1877