



Top Spin

Introduction—Editor's View

Welcome to the Spring 2023 edition of the Badshot Lea Tennis Club Newsletter! The committee look forward to seeing you at the club and on court now the nights are drawing out and the days are getting warmer. 2023 is set to be another exiting year for the club ... we hope you are able to be part of it.



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).



Club Sessions

The Saturday club sessions, 10:30am, are now a regular fixture so please come down and join in.

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

AGM

The Badshot Lea Tennis Club AGM will be held on **Thu 23th March, 7:30pm for 7:45pm, at the Clubhouse.** Please check your emails for further details. The notification email was sent 26th Feb.

The committee look forward to seeing you then when they can provide the update on the club improvements and plans for the future.



Club Landscaping Project

To complete the new look for the Tennis Club, a landscaping project has been launched. This is to improve the area surrounding the Clubhouse making the surface weed resistance and even. The Club has the backing of the Landlord, WBC.

Grants have been applied for with Waverley CIL and Farnham Town Council—successful with Farnham Town Council, £1000. Unfortunately we were not able to secure any funding with our Waverley CIL application.

A grant of £500 has been received from the Postcode Lottery—Magic Little Grants to start the fund raising.

The committee would like any member who can recommend a landscaper to get in touch please. A couple of quotes have already been received, but a couple more would be great.



Fundraiser and Social Quiz Evening



Club member Richard and wife Nicki ran a quiz and drinks evening for the tennis club on **Friday 3rd February, in St Georges Church Hall. This was very well supported with members, friends, family and past members. Despite there being some tricky questions everyone enjoyed the evening, and we raised £230 for club funds. Thank you to you all, especially Nicki, Richard, Emma and Andy. Cheers!**

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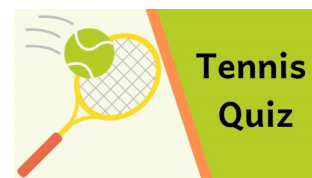
Club Coaching

Barney, the Club's affiliated LTA coach has several places available in his group sessions of a Saturday morning. The sessions commence at 9am, weather permitting. Please let Gillian know if you would like to be added to the weekly invite email. Barney is also available for one to one coaching—again contact Gillian for details.

Quick Tennis Quiz

Please give the quiz a go:

1. Who is sponsoring the Birmingham Ladies tournament in 2023?
2. How many days does the Wimbledon tournament run for?
3. Why are tennis balls yellow? (bonus point for the year they were introduced).
4. Which Grand Slam is traditionally held in January?
5. Who was the first male American tennis player to win 3 straight titles at Wimbledon?



Articles are welcome for our Summer 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 button on the fob to enable/disable ball feed, or C for the oscillator].

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!

Have you won tickets in the Ballot? Congratulations if you did and have a great experience at Wimbledon.



Login to your Advantage Home using your *LTA Username and Password*

Head to your benefits page and click on the 'LTA Wimbledon Ballot Opt In' benefit

Once there, simply click on the *Opt In button*

Quiz Answers

1. Rothesay
2. 14 days
3. Historically, balls were either black or white in colour, depending on the background colour of the courts. In 1972 the ITF introduced yellow tennis balls into the rules of tennis, as research had shown these balls to be more visible to television viewers.
4. The Australian Open
5. Peter Sampras

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 & 7,000+ 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 7,000 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.

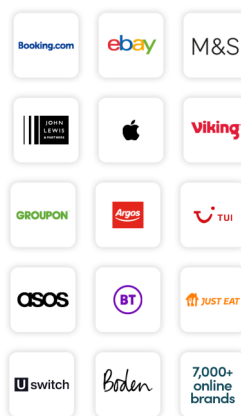
There are no catches or hidden charges and Badshot Lea Tennis Club will be really grateful for your donations. Please invite your friends and family to join and help us raise funds for the Club.

Thank you for your support.



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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 landscaping 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/>

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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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