

Tennis report 2024

It's been another great year for the Broxbourne tennis club. We've again added many new members and now have our highest number across the different packages with over 185 juniors and over 215 adults, totalling over 400 members. It feels we're positively bursting at the seams and we still have a steady flow of people making inquiries and interested in joining.

With a breadth of new and existing members with a range of levels and abilities we'd like to thank Dom, Harry and all the coaching team who have again done a fantastic job in welcoming and helping integrate members by running training sessions, social activities and club tournaments for all to enjoy. As usual these activities have had a massive uptake and have been a great success.

A big warm welcome to Jamie Fallis who joins the talented coaching team in the summer from Gosling bringing a wealth of experience across county level training.

For more detail and some special achievements please see the coaching report below.

Thanks to the continued support from the main club, committee and ground staff for the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of our section which is always kept in good order.

We had another wonderful (extended) season on the grass courts, not blessed as much this year with the weather but the courts played fantastically well and held up long passed our usual cut off end of season. We'd again like to thank the grounds team, Dave, Ray, Jamie and team for doing such a great job!

We had another fantastic summer club finals day, played and watched by so many this year. Thanks to all those who took part, and those who supported and watched. Congratulations to all who played and of course those that won!

Ladies captain report.

The ladies' teams had a successful summer over several different leagues, 19 ladies including some juniors represented Broxbourne in the Herts League. We had 4 Hot Rackets teams and a team in the National League. Our 4th team look set for promotion!

The winter season has just started with all the ladies' senior teams off to a winning start. We also have 4 mixed teams entered this year.

Men's captain report

Summer league: 3 pairs & 2 pairs format very similar

Mens 1 Remained in Div 1

Mens 2 Remained in Div 2

Mens 3 remained in div 4

Mens 4 remained in div 5

Mixed 1 stayed in div 2

Broxbourne have also entered a new men's league of 1 singles 1 doubles to improve our offering.

We'd like to thank everyone who captained a team and those who played and represented the club over the last year with a special thanks to Karen Goodall on our committee for her continued support, who has the challenging job of allocating and managing court bookings across a very busy schedule of teams and matches!

A special thanks again to our membership secretary Gemma Robson. Through her contacts within the LTA coaches, during the summer we have now hosted more regional and national Junior LTA tournaments at Broxbourne which have been a great success and fantastic addition and exposure for the club, with further competitions being planned for this winter and ongoing into 2025.

The LTA organiser has fed back some fantastic feedback from the competitors parents along with raising considerable revenue for the club. Long may it continue.

Coaching Report 2024

It's been another successful year of coaching at Broxbourne Sports Club!

With the introduction of our Allstars League, we are encouraging more children to play representing their clubs but also as a way of joining them as members.

We are running our Allstars League events once a month for ages 5 - 12 years, run by the coaching team, and entering teams into the Herts leagues for 13+ juniors as a way of keeping them competing and playing other children in the area.

Our continuation of adults teams has again been a great success, seeing many of our Rusty Racket members (not so rusty anymore) now playing in teams for men's and ladies hot rackets, mixed and summer league teams.

Monday night coaching and social tennis is still a huge success with the majority of new members coming through this group and integrating into the club.

We've seen another great year of juniors who have followed our coaching pathway and are now representing the club in adult teams. Special mention to:

Mylie Robson, James Hadju, Ryan, Zach Burn, Elliot Frances, Zara, Emily House, Josh Young and Constantine Walker.

Individually, special mentions for:

Pearl Hunt - Representing Herts County, and winning a number of external tournaments

Olive Clark - Representing u9 Herts County and winning a number of 8u and 9u tournaments.

Ivy Clark - Competing in regional and national events

Mylie Robson - having success on national and tennis Europe events (coming runner up in tennis Europe u14 girls doubles)

With the help of Gemma Robson, who has done a fantastic job with membership, we have built (and are continuing to build) our 10u membership as well as membership throughout the club.

The club have seen another great year of running tennis events, such as James Woods, Don Graham, Topsy Tennis and the Club Champs with the help of our incredible coaching team; Millie, James, Nicole and Jamie.

We have introduced Jamie Fallis onto our coaching team this year. Jamie has joined us from Gosling where he taught county through to national juniors and we are so excited to have his experience and expertise at Broxbourne to help our juniors and adults achieve their tennis goals.

Dom and Harry

As always, thanks to all our members for your continued support this year and we look forward to another successful year at the club.

There is a fantastic feel at the club at the moment, and its credit to our tennis committee, a great coaching team, and our amazing members!!

We are always looking for more support from our members to join the committee and share some of the tasks, so if anyone is interested to find out how they could contribute and help out in anyway, please do get in touch.

Thank you all for a great year and we look forward to moving forward in 2025.

Jim, Dave, and the committee team, Dom, Harry and everyone at BTA Tennis Coaching