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ANNUAL
REPORT

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Chair's Welcome

It gives me great pleasure to introduce our Annual Report for 2022, following a year of substantial growth nationwide.

To steer the direction of the governing body, we strengthened our board with the appointment of four new non-executive directors. Sean Lineen, Michele Mair, Graeme Gault and Anja Vreg will be key in supporting the non-executive and executive colleagues to deliver the 2022–2026 strategy.

As we strive to enhance year-round accessibility in tennis, there has been substantial progress as work has officially started on the Moray Indoor Tennis Centre and Oriam at Heriot-Watt University, following investment through the Transforming Scottish Indoor Tennis fund (TSIT). Despite the challenges we faced during the pandemic, both indoor tennis courts are set to open this year, with plans in place to deliver more across the country.

The Scottish tennis community was lauded at the LTA Awards when Marjory Love was announced as British Senior Player of the Year after representing Scotland in her 20s and currently competing as a senior player. Emma Howat was runner-up in the Young Person of the Year category, and the Nairn goth Tournament was shortlisted as one of the top three competitions of the year.

The past year has proved to be an incredible year for our Scots on the international stage. Matt Rankin made his junior Grand Slam debut, Gordon Reid won 10 consecutive Grand Slam doubles titles, and Cam Norrie broke into the world's top-10, ending the year as the British No.1 singles player.

As we look to the year ahead, we hope to continue the growth of tennis in Scotland; providing new pathways into the sport through the increasing popularity of Padel and increasing the provision of courts across the country for anyone to begin a lifelong love of tennis.

Lastly, I would like to thank the LTA and **sportscotland** for their continued support in growing the game and thank you to the CEO and the staff of Tennis Scotland for all their commitment and efforts in delivering the ambitious tennis strategy for Scotland.

Graham Watson
Chair, Tennis Scotland

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CEO Introduction

I am delighted to present our Annual Report as we reflect on another successful year and celebrate memberships across the country reaching an all-time high of 75,000 in 2022.

As we all strive to grow and develop tennis across Scotland, I am delighted to report that the main key performance indicator of club membership nationally has seen another record year of growth. Congratulations to all the clubs and their committees, volunteers and coaches across Scotland for all that you are doing. Also it is also great to see new facilities being constructed to help with capacity building and infrastructure development both for indoor tennis and padel as per our strategy for tennis in Scotland in addition to record entries at a number of events. The project to deliver more public park courts led by the LTA is also a key area to deliver increased access and courts in our communities. The strategy for tennis in Scotland is focussed on the key areas outlined in the next page and it is working together across all these areas that will deliver the results for all to benefit.

Our performance pathway has grown from strength-to-strength, with Matt Rankin making his Junior Grand Slam debut at the Australian Open and Aidan McHugh going on to win the M25 Glasgow on home soil. Ali Collins had a breakthrough year, winning five ITF Doubles titles and after an 18-month break from the tour, Maia Lumsden made a welcome return to competition following illness, winning three titles and qualifying for Wimbledon.

Our National Academy players continued to reach new heights with 15-year-old Hephzibah Oluwadare climbing to world No.84 from 677, while Ella McDonald made steady progress, ending the year with three Junior ITF titles.

On the international stage, Cam Norrie cemented his position as British No.1 when he made the semi-final of Wimbledon and quarter-finals of the US Open for the first time in his career, while Andy and Jamie Murray continued to fly the flag at Grand Slams. Gordon Reid continued to dominate on the international wheelchair circuit, winning his tenth successive Grand Slam Doubles title with Alife Hewett at the French Open.

At club level, we had a packed competition calendar which included hosting competitions all over the country. Our premier club competition, the Scottish Cup, returned to Glasgow's Southside where Newlands LTC retained their title for a third successive year.

The year culminated at the TS Open Tour Finals at Scotstoun, where Phoebe Mitchell and Nicolas Rosenzweig won the coveted Sword trophies. In an effort to create a quality local competition calendar for all players, we look forward to an improved 2023 TS Open Tour with enhanced prize money across 18 events.

We are now entering year two of the four year strategy to develop tennis in Scotland. With the continuous support from the tennis community and from our partners in Scotland, much can be achieved in the coming years. My thanks to all the tennis supporters and contributors involved including our commercial partners who contribute much needed support, the Chair and the Board, **sportscotland**, and the LTA.

Blane Dodds
CEO, Tennis Scotland

Strategy

Vision

Tennis Opened up to Deliver The Legacy in Scotland

Mission

To grow tennis by making it relevant, accessible, welcoming and enjoyable:

- To build stronger venues at the heart of our community making tennis accessible
- To build a world-class player development pathway
- To develop a range of facilities and venues fit for the future of our sport making tennis relevant
- To grow and develop a world-class workforce
- To deliver a range of events and competitions to experience and showcase tennis making tennis enjoyable and welcoming
- To grow and develop resources to deliver an effective new organisation



In summary we want to see more people playing across clubs and pay as you go facilities. We want to see more quality facilities and world-class workforce development and coaching. We want to see an all year round sport in our communities with tennis a major or leading player in terms of community access to facilities. We want to see more Scottish players succeeding at the very top of the game in juniors and on the ATP, WTA and ITF wheelchair tours. We want an ambitious confident organisation working with all to create growth and investment to ensure a sustainable and healthy future for Scottish tennis.

Blane Dodds



Facility Development

We remain both ambitious and systematic in approach to enhancing facilities throughout the Country.

PROGRESS WAS MADE ON SEVERAL DEVELOPMENTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. INCLUDING THE FINALISATION OF OUR FACILITY STRATEGY FOCUSING ON:



INCREASING THE NUMBER OF COVERED/INDOOR TENNIS COURTS



INCREASING THE NUMBER OF COVERED/INDOOR PADEL TENNIS COURTS



IMPROVED PARK TENNIS PROVISION



INCREASED ACCESSIBLE OUTDOOR COURT HOURS (FLOODLIGHTING AND ALL-WEATHER SURFACES)



SECURED OPERATIONAL VIABILITY IN VENUES

The continued growth of tennis and now Padel tennis requires a network of quality, relevant venues offering what people want, and adapting to market trends.

Despite a challenging year across the sector as the economic impact of recovery was felt and material and construction supply in high demand. Progress was made on several developments across the Country.

Priorities for Scotland are formed in context of national, regional and local environments and mindful of existing facility provision, expected demand, social demographics, travel networks, population and maximising usable court time. Central to this approach is enablers — people, places and partners, that create the next generational progression in Scotland. Most notably these include Clubs, Venues, Local Authorities and Leisure Trusts, the LTA and the array of volunteers and coaches acting in support of the growth plans for Scotland growing the game.



Rosewell Tennis Club

Case Study

In 2022, Rosewell Tennis Club opened its site with the aim of growing a vibrant and inclusive tennis community in the Midlothian area. The Club is situated in Rosewell Park, where a group of parents decided to refurbish two disused and derelict tennis courts. The aim was to bring affordable and social tennis to the village.

Grant funding and donations were raised during 2021 and 2022 from Sports Scotland, Tennis Scotland, Valencia Communities Fund, Foundations Scotland — Clubs in Crisis and Foundations Scotland — Baillie Gifford. Two Polymeric Courts were laid in 2022, along with smart gate access and new LED floodlights fitted.

Although the courts opened in Winter, there are already 87 members and coaching taking place for active schools groups. In addition to this, the adult beginners and improvers classes are moving into their third sold-out sessions. Junior coaching will return for a second session in March. Outside of the membership, pay-to-play has also been a popular option.

There is a regular social tennis group in place, who are now playing several times per week, with players coming from across

Midlothian. Rosewell have also put in place a partnership with Dalkeith Tennis Club for Winter members.

The future is bright for tennis in Rosewell. As well as developing a Rosewell Tennis Club team, a number of sessions are planned with local youth groups to help continue to establish tennis in the community. The Club are also planning to organise tennis sessions for adults with special needs in the nearby LASC and partnerships are in place with the local primary schools to promote the sport via a series of roadshows.

In February 2023, Rosewell was named as a shortlisted nominee for the Tennis Scotland Park of the Year Award which we subsequently won.

*Juliette Paris-Newton
Rosewell TC Chair*

Get involved
[clubspark.lta.org.uk/
RosewellTennisClub](https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/RosewellTennisClub)

Success
Derelict park courts to quality local provision

Facility Development

Craigmillar Park Tennis Club

Craigmillar Park Tennis Club (CPTC) is a popular club situated in South East Edinburgh between Cameron Toll shopping Centre and Inch Park. The club has been in existence since April 1921 when a curling pond on Lady Road, Liberton was converted into three blaes tennis courts for the princely sum of £220.

The club remained in situ until 1981 when the development of the Cameron Toll Shopping Centre saw the courts move a few hundred yards towards Inch Park to accommodate the new petrol station. As part of the move a new clubhouse, four all-weather courts were built for the club, and that has been our home for the past 43 years.

Recent years have seen the club going from strength to strength with the membership rising from around 100 to circa 300 today. This has been driven by a thriving junior section, a growing number of students, and a steady increase in our adult memberships. In 2019 we started exploring the possibility of building a covered Padel Court in our grounds. Initially we were going to partner with a commercial Padel operator but after extensive discussions with the LTA/Tennis Scotland we decided to go it alone and build the Padel Court ourselves.

So armed with an LTA interest free loan, a **sportscotland** grant, and a substantial contribution from the club funds we embarked on the Padel Court project in the summer of 2022.

The Padel Court which will be the first one in South East Edinburgh should open to the public in early April. The Padel Court will be operated on a pay and play basis with discounted rates for members of CPTC.

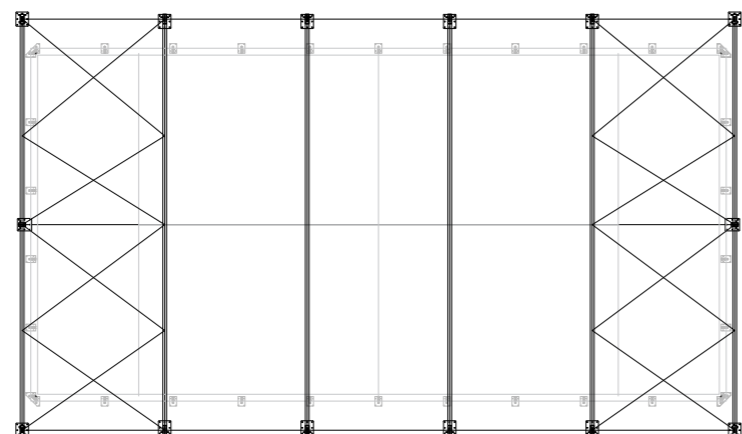
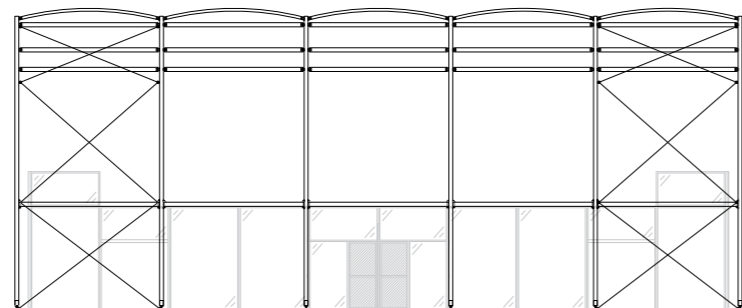
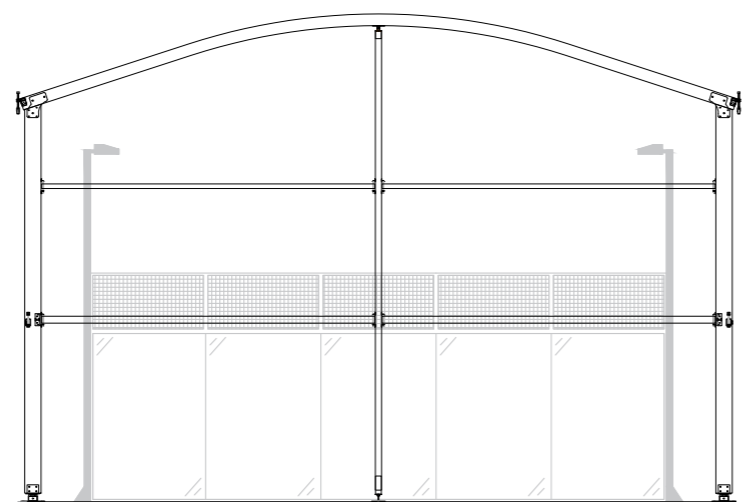
It is already generating considerable interest in the local community and beyond and we are looking forward to it opening.

Derek Edwardson
Chair

Case Study

Get involved
[clubspark.lta.org.uk/
CraigmillarParkLTC](http://clubspark.lta.org.uk/CraigmillarParkLTC)

Success
Covered and lit Padel court



Joppa Tennis Club

Joppa Tennis Club

Case Study

Following the resurface of our aging courts, Joppa Community Tennis Club were then faced with an influx of new membership requests. The quantity of requests was unmanageable for a two court club so our thoughts immediately turned to installing floodlights to increase playing capacity.

Due to the proximity of the residents, traditional floodlights had always been discounted but after some research we found a potential solution. 'Tweener' lighting was a fairly new concept from France and only in the very recent past had been trialled at a club in London.

The lights operate using LED strips attached to the fencing at the sides of the courts. They meet the required lighting specifications for matches and can be adjusted depending on preference.

We have been delighted with our new lights. Coaching, teams' practice and social play can for the first time ever, be played throughout the year at our club. The cost of running the lights is substantially lower than traditional lighting systems, less than a household oven for both courts!

The lights were installed over 2 days requiring no major works and most importantly no planning permission.

However, we went through the planning process with the help of the contractor. The playability is exceptional, the system includes uplighters to help with high balls and the lighting on court is very bright. In order to meet council environmental health regulations following a residential complaint we have made some adjustments to the lights. Therefore we don't have them working at maximum capacity, however, they are still very playable and have revolutionised our club.

We are proud to be the first club north of the border to install these innovative, economical and environmentally friendly lights. We look forward to thousands of hours of floodlit tennis at Joppa!

Chris Thomas
Committee

Get involved
[clubspark.lta.org.uk/
JoppaTennisClub](http://clubspark.lta.org.uk/JoppaTennisClub)

Success
Floodlight innovation

Facility Development



Oriam ITC

The availability of indoor tennis facilities for the community in Edinburgh is given a huge boost by the construction of a six court indoor tennis centre at the Edinburgh Campus of Heriot-Watt University.

After a number of years working on the project Oriam Sports Performance Centre are delighted to finally commission a six-court indoor tennis centre. Dating back to the original build of Oriam in 2016, the project had a number of hurdles to overcome. Thanks to the belief and persistence of the funding partners this project has been made possible through the Transforming Scottish Indoor Tennis Fund, including partners the LTA, **sportscotland**, and Tennis Scotland, and also from Heriot-Watt University.

The tennis centre itself will have 6 acrylic indoor courts housed under a frame fabric roof, similar to Oriam's iconic full size indoor synthetic pitch. The courts are situated in close proximity to changing rooms, S&C gym and function spaces that will add value to the tennis experience. The facility will open in late August 2023, following 12 months of construction led by Clarks as a main contractor and Spatial Structures as the specialist tennis building sub-contractor.

The facility will be largely utilised by the local community with a range of classes for all ages and abilities with a heavy pay as you play usage also expected. Further to this Tennis Scotland will utilise the centre to extend the regional and county tour competitions calendar, offer a variety of workforce development opportunities and enhance performance activity.

Tennis Scotland join a number of existing partners including the Scottish Football Association, Scottish Rugby Union,

Heart of Midlothian Football Club, the Scottish Institute for Sport, Scottish Squash and Scottish Handball.

Ross Campbell
Executive Director

Case Study

Get involved
oriamscotland.com/tennis/

Success
Indoor tennis courts x 6

Participation

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

74,560

NEW COACH
QUALIFICATIONS
COMPLETED

257

SCHOOL TEACHERS
TRAINED IN LTA
YOUTH SCHOOLS

507





Participation

Davis Cup

Capitalising on the Davis Cup at Emirates Arena September 22 to grow the game in Glasgow!

83

SCHOOLS INVOLVED IN FESTIVALS AT EMIRATES ARENA
(Including 14 for players with additional support needs)

2584

CHILDREN ATTENDED THE SCHOOLS FESTIVALS
at Emirates from all over Glasgow

295

SPORTS LEADERS TRAINED IN ADVANCE
by Glasgow Life and helped at the festivals



15

ACTIVE SCHOOLS MANAGERS ATTEND A NETWORKING MEETING
ahead of play to find out about our National schools programme

2584

COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS WERE AWARDED TO 83 SCHOOLS
across Scotland who applied for school trips

16

OPEN COURT DISABILITY VENUES
attend a network meeting to discuss future disability plans



Davis Cup Trophy Tour



GORBALS OPEN DAY AT THE END OF THE FESTIVALS

All school children that participated in festivals at the Davis Cup were invited to a Big Tennis Open Day at Gorbals and offered follow on opportunities to get involved in tennis.

8 & UNDER ROAD TO DAVIS CUP COMPETITION

took place across 9 districts that led to the National final during the event at Scotstoun Indoor tennis centre. All district winners got free tickets and were lucky to meet Andy Murray for a private Q&A.

COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS WERE AWARDED

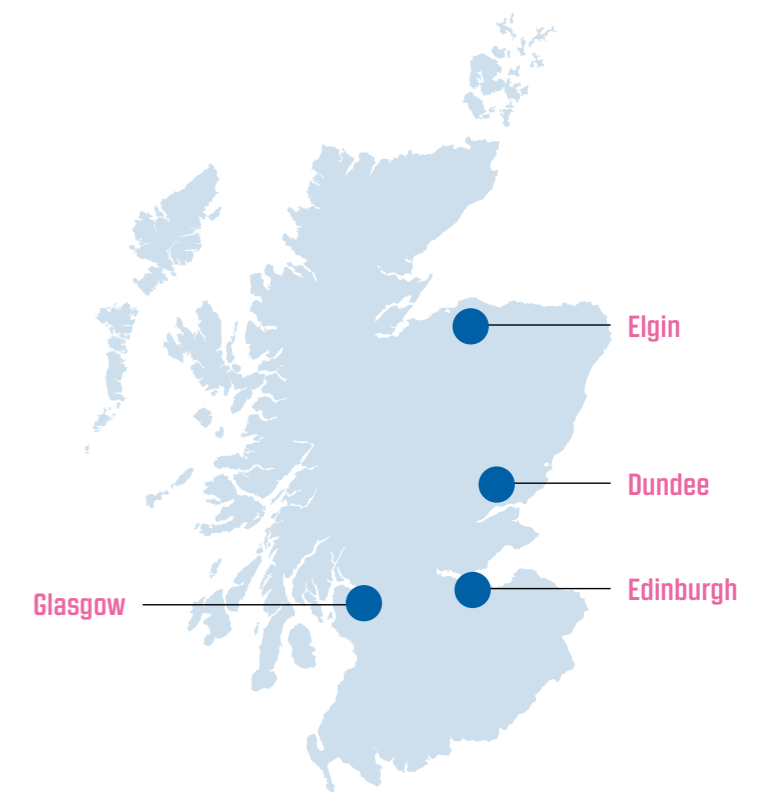
to LTA Youth quality coaching programme clubs, SERVES venues, Open Court Disability venues and workforce including officials, coaches, club and committee members throughout the week.

TS HOSTED A PRE MATCH DRINKS RECEPTION

on the final day to recognise the great work of our volunteers and players achievements over the last 2 years at the Grand Central hotel. This was attended by over 130 key people in Scottish tennis.

TS SELECTED PLAYERS TO DO A COIN TOSS

as a reward before play on every day of the event. This included a player from SERVES, the young volunteer of the year and worthy young children selected by clubs in the West of Scotland.



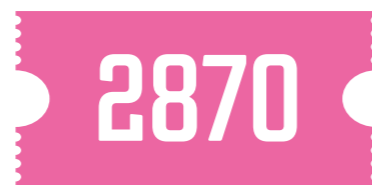
Participation

Billie Jean King Cup by Gainbridge Glasgow Emirates Arena 8–13 November 2022

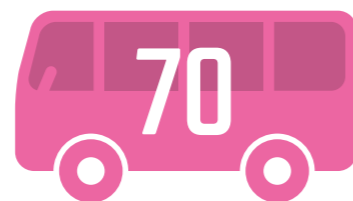


Tennis Scotland took advantage of this unique opportunity to profile female participation and female workforce of volunteers, coaches, and officials.

During the BJKC 70 schools took advantage of free schools' tickets and a transport grant to organise a school trip to the event. Over 2800 tickets were made available to schools. The school children watching the event really added to the atmosphere of the matches.



TICKETS WERE MADE AVAILABLE TO SCHOOLS



SCHOOLS TOOK ADVANTAGE OF FREE SCHOOLS' TICKETS AND A TRANSPORT GRANT

- A Female Youth Leadership Day was delivered as part of the BJKC activation. The day was led by TS Workforce manager Anna Myatt. 60 female high school pupils from 10 schools took part. At the same time the school teachers who attended with the pupils completed the Secondary schools teacher training course. Incoming LTA president Sandi Proctor assisted at the event and gave the girls an inspirational talk.



Female Workforce

- During the Billie Jean King Cup TS put a big emphasis on growing the female workforce. CPD topics of coaching females and performance standards were hosted with 68 coaches involved across the 2 courses. The coaching females CPD was attended by 50% female coaches. All coaches who attended CPD during the BJKC were rewarded with complimentary tickets.



Girl Guides Fun Day

- A female only Level 1 course started on the final weekend of the BJKC. The event was used to motivate more females to get involved on the coaching pathway.

- TS had a meeting with Pride Tennis and LEAP sports during the BJKC to discuss some of the barriers and challenges that exist for LGBTQ accessing tennis. Following the meeting all parties are looking at ways we can work together to make tennis more welcoming to the LGBTQ community.



Maree Todd
Minister for Public Health,
Women's Health and Sport

- A girl guides fun day was held at Scotstoun CITC as part of the BJKC activation. Girl guide units from across Glasgow were invited to attend and over 150 rainbows, brownies and girl guides attended with their leaders for the fun day. The girls were put through their paces by the coaching team and the girl guide leaders received starter tennis training they can use in their girl guiding units. Maree Todd, Minister for Public Health, Women's Health and Sport also visited the event to show her support.

- A girls team challenge event was held at Scotstoun on the Saturday morning with 14 clubs taking part in a fun girls set and match team challenge. The participants were invited to watch the GB semi-final match following the fun event. The 3 winning teams were invited on to the match court and presented by Sandi Proctor, LTA vice president and Maree Todd, Minister for Public Health, Women's Health and Sport.



Club Leaders
Networking Event

- TS held a club leaders networking event before the final of the Billie Jean King Cup. 150 volunteers from our club network came together for a light lunch and the opportunity to meet staff and other volunteers from across Scottish tennis community.



Participation

'She Rallies' exhibition launches in Glasgow

She Rallies — a public photo exhibition in partnership with the LTA and Getty Images — launched in the heart of Glasgow as the city geared up towards the Billie Jean King Cup Finals at the Emirates Arena.

The exhibition, with the support of Glasgow City Council, ran on Argyle Street from 1–13 November 2022, providing a visual journey through the history of the women's game.

Closing the visibility gap with an inclusive lens on women's tennis

Throughout history, female tennis leaders have had to fight for visibility in their sport.

Relentlessly breaking through gender barriers, activism continues to sit at the heart of women's tennis. Female tennis players, umpires, support staff and organisational leaders are leading on a more equitable and inclusive culture, driving conversations on gender pay equality, parenthood, body empowerment, mental health, participation, and many accessibility issues. Yet, the visibility gap remains.

68% OF SPORTS FANS now believe sports organisations and brands should do more to promote women in sport

Bringing transformative equity forward requires work on many fronts. We believe media companies, sports rights holders and brands can change the perceptions of women's tennis by changing the visuals they use.

In this exhibition, by choosing to shine a more inclusive and intersectional lens on women and girls involved in tennis at all levels, together we can close the visibility gap with equity.

People's perceptions of what is possible in tennis is shaped by who they are and what they want to see. Taking intersectionality into consideration is key because 68% of sports fans now believe sports organisations and brands should do more to promote women in sport, and top visual preferences are seeing women and girls of all age groups, body types and abilities engaging in sport. Women and girls are not one homogenous group, and there is not 'one' look to showing a woman in sport. Each individual has different layers of identity and to move representation meaningfully forward, an inclusive lens is needed.



Billie Jean King Cup Trophy Tour





ACHIEVE MORE SCOTLAND were invited to the DAVIS CUP — David Healy (17) one of AMS's Tennis Activators doing the coin toss ahead of GB tie against the Netherlands.

Community Tennis

Opening Tennis Up in Scotland

SERVES

Changing lives with Tennis in Scotland

Tennis Scotland is tackling lack of tennis provision in some of Scotland's most deprived areas with the continued roll out of LTA SERVES. By working in close partnership with some of Scotland's leading community organizations, Tennis Scotland are using LTA SERVES to improve the health and wellbeing of individuals across the country, to ensure a more inclusive and healthier nation.

In 2022, the number of LTA SERVES venues in Scotland more than doubled to a total of 24 active programmes. In addition to existing LTA SERVES programmes in Glasgow, Aberdeen, North Lanarkshire and Stirling, we are delighted to announce new partnerships in Dundee, Edinburgh, Inverness and rural Highlands... with many more in the pipeline for 2023 and beyond!

LTA SERVES organisations receive ongoing support from Tennis Scotland alongside £500 worth of tennis equipment, Tennis Activator training, plus access to a range of social impact measuring tools which enhances the positive impact of tennis on the lives of young people in Scotland.

We are looking forward to more development in 2023/24 with exciting new training opportunities for a growing community tennis workforce and plans to link LTA SERVES programmes with Scotland's impressive network for public tennis facilities.

ACHIEVE MORE SCOTLAND bring tennis to the East End of Glasgow with LTA SERVES!

Case Study

2022 was a big a year for tennis in the East of Glasgow. Top of the bill were two global tennis events taking place at the Emirates Arena, the Davis Cup and Billie Jean King Cup. However, while the world's best women's and men's tennis players battled it out, there was a new breed of players trying tennis for the first time in areas of Glasgow's East End.

Creating this buzz for tennis was ACHIEVE MORE SCOTLAND, a Glasgow based charity that delivers sports programmes to improve young people's physical and mental health and well-being.

In 2021, Tennis Scotland teamed up with ACHIEVE MORE SCOTLAND to set up LTA SERVES, so the charity could add tennis to their existing provision. The charity now delivers tennis to hundreds of young people at two LTA SERVES venues at Haghill Primary School and Cadder Community Centre.

The community tennis sessions allow participants to learn how to play a sport they don't often have access to. The skills

learned from team building practices are an important part of personal and group development in children. During team building activities, children had the chance to communicate with each other and work towards a common goal. By practicing how to be an effective team member and team leader, children develop confidence which is key for young people growing up in deprived communities. The skills learned at LTA SERVES sessions improve their life chances, whilst having an immediate impact in their performance in class. There is some good evidence that taking part in LTA SERVES activity is helping young people in terms wider engagement at school.

"I loved playing tennis! I hope I can make my sister play with me!"

PARTICIPANT, HAGHILL

"At school you see your friends but you don't really get to do things together because you are in different classes but here at the tennis or the camps we get to play and have a laugh and it's great. The coaches always help you and talk to you."

PARTICIPANT, CADDER

School teachers have said LTA SERVES activity has made a positive impact on:

- ✓ ABILITY TO LEARN
- ✓ ENERGY LEVELS
- ✓ BEHAVIOUR IN SCHOOL
- ✓ HEALTH AND WELLBEING
- ✓ SELF-ESTEEM, CONFIDENCE, AND RESILIENCE



"The difference in the children is massive. They are happier, less agitated and generally much better behaved. The children in this area have very little and there are a lot of struggles with poverty, violence, and other issues at home therefore the role of the school, community groups and key role models is so important."

HEADTEACHER

"There has been a big difference in the children's fitness and happiness. I think the 2 are linked. The children are happiest when playing a game with the Achieve More coaches, running about, learning and smiling. The variance of sports and games is fantastic and it helps us to manage some of the children with more challenging behaviour."

TEACHER

Community Tennis

Opening Tennis Up in Scotland

Rackets Cubed

Rackets Cubed provides advantage for youngsters in deprived communities through its new partnership programme with Tennis Scotland.

Tennis Scotland has partnered with Rackets Cubed to enhance the lives of school children in deprived areas of the nation through an innovative tennis programme. The programme aims to support fulfilment of academic potential whilst improving physical and mental wellbeing.

Rackets Cubed, a UK-registered charity currently operating south of the border, delivers integrated programmes comprising of racket sports, STEM (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) education and nutritious meals as part of its weekly activities. Founded in 2016, the organisation has a vision of ensuring that primary pupils perform to the best of their ability by benefiting from participation in sport, enhanced extracurricular lessons and an introduction to healthy eating. This is all driven by evidence that active children perform better in school, whilst a healthy diet has been proven to have a positive impact on classroom behaviour.

“Rackets Cubed is delighted to be partnering with Tennis Scotland to offer opportunities for young children from disadvantaged backgrounds to learn a new skill, and help open up tennis to a wider audience. Combined with additional tuition in a STEM subject, and a nutritious meal, all in an ‘aspirational’ location, we are delighted to launch the first two programmes in Glasgow and look forward to working closely with Tennis Scotland to develop many more.”

Geoff Newton

“Tennis Scotland’s mission is to open tennis up, and this exciting programme will enable us to take tennis to more disadvantaged communities and use tennis as a vehicle to raise wellbeing and attainment of young people. Over the last couple of years during the covid pandemic, many children have been less active and missed out on education. This exciting programme is a great opportunity to increase children’s physical activity, wellbeing and support extra education and nutrition resulting in a positive impact on the children.”

Blane Dodds

Research suggests that children in disadvantaged areas are less likely to participate in physical activity outside of school, subsequently leading to issues such as low self-esteem and obesity which can impact their academic achievements and overall wellbeing.

Designed to provide stability and project sport as a positive vehicle for change in communities, Tennis Scotland launched pilot sessions during 2022 of the Rackets Cubed programme in Glasgow and Prestwick. Pupils at St Paul’s Primary School in Shettleston, alongside students at Antonine and Camstradden primary schools in Drumchapel were the first to benefit from the initiative. The pupils involved in the Drumchapel programme continue their development outside of official school hours at Drumchapel Tennis Club, a facility that’s been selected as an ‘aspirational’ venue to host the sessions, aiming to increase youngsters’ confidence in joining and participating in activities at local community club.

The Drumchapel programme will see students continue their development outside of official school hours at Drumchapel Tennis Club, a facility that’s been selected as an ‘aspirational’ venue to host the sessions, aiming to increase youngsters’ confidence in joining and participating in activities at local community clubs.

Capitalising on increased interest in tennis and substantial growth of club memberships in recent years, the governing body also plans to roll out the programme over the next 12 months. Their aim is to continue increasing the provision of tennis activities to underrepresented groups, having already engaged around 350 youngsters from socially-deprived areas last year through the LTA SERVES initiative.

Blane Dodds, Chief Executive of Tennis Scotland, said: “Tennis Scotland’s mission is to open tennis up, and this exciting programme will enable us to take tennis to more disadvantaged communities and use tennis as a vehicle to raise wellbeing and attainment of young people. Over the last couple of years during the covid pandemic, many children have been less active and missed out on education. This exciting programme is a great opportunity to increase children’s physical activity, wellbeing and support extra education and nutrition resulting in a positive impact on the children.”

Geoff Newton, CEO of Rackets Cubed, shares: “Rackets Cubed is delighted to be partnering with Tennis Scotland to offer opportunities for young children from disadvantaged backgrounds to learn a new skill, and help open up tennis to a wider audience. Combined with additional tuition in a STEM subject, and a nutritious meal, all in an ‘aspirational’ location, we are delighted to launch the first two programmes in Glasgow and look forward to working closely with Tennis Scotland to develop many more.”



Tennis4RAD

Tennis 4 RAD (Race Against Dementia)

Tennis Scotland along with Tennis 4 RAD, have created content for the Tennis 4 RAD programme. Beginners and (former) tennis players alike are welcome at our sessions, which are designed to get participants thinking, moving and problem solving on court through a range of tennis exercises, drills and games. Above all, they are designed to be interactive and fun, and keep your mind and body active. You’ll stay socially active too.

Physical inactivity is one of the strongest lifestyle risk factors for developing dementia. The Lawn Tennis Association and the Alzheimer’s Society have promoted the benefits of tennis for dementia sufferers, as well as to help reduce the chances of developing dementia. Research shows that regular exercise can reduce the risk of developing dementia by 30%.

Any form of physical activity is beneficial for physical and mental health and healthy cognitive ageing. Regular tennis fitness sessions can improve the cardiovascular and bone health, as well as flexibility, balance and strength. NHS Choices recommends doing around 2.5 hours of exercise per week.

We want our tennis fitness sessions to make a meaningful contribution to The Scottish Government’s ambition to raise both the life expectancy and the number of years that all of Scotland’s people spend in good health.

Our next programme of sessions are running from early 2023 at the Gleneagles Tennis Academy, Auchterarder, PH3 1SD. Tennis Scotland will also deliver the roll-out of the initiative across a number of clubs in Scotland during 2023. If you are interested in attending a future session, or would like to find out more information, please get in touch via the contact section or contact one of the venues named above direct. You can also follow @tennis4rad on Instagram for updates.

Workforce

We have had a fantastic year of Coach Education with a huge number of coaches being qualified and attending CPD courses in all areas of Scotland.

Highlights for 2022

LTA Assistant (formerly Level 1)

12 COURSES RAN
in a great many areas including Glasgow, Edinburgh, Elgin, Broughty Ferry, Prestwick, Aviemore and the Scottish Borders

**In total 202 Level 1 coaches
attended qualifications**

LTA Instructor (formerly Level 2)

6 COURSES RAN
in Edinburgh, Glasgow and Inverness

**In total 46 coaches
attended the courses**

LTA Coach (Level 3)

We completed **1 COURSE**
in Edinburgh and started a **2ND COURSE**
across 4 venues — Dundee/Stirling/Glasgow

**In total 18 coaches attended the first course
and 15 have started the 2nd course
(to be completed March 23)**



Female Only LTA Assistant Courses

We have had big success running female only LTA Assistant courses (2 courses in Glasgow in August and November 2022) The second course was started in the week of the Billie Jean King Cup and candidates were invited to watch the tennis too!

The course have been a great way of promoting the tennis coaching pathway to women and getting them started as Assistant coaches. The courses have been really popular and many women are interested in pursuing their qualifications to LTA Instructor (level 2) next year.

In 2022, we achieved an overall total of 43% females attending the LTA Assistant courses. This is an increase from 29% in 2021.

Coach CPD Courses

Tennis Scotland have run a whole range of face to face LTA cpd courses including LTA Youth courses, Cardio courses, Coaching Better Doubles, Coaching females from Physique to Technique and Performance coaching standards. We have had courses in many areas of Scotland including St Andrews, Aberdeen, Scottish Borders, Moray, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Prestwick.

In total — 430 Coaches have attended the cpd courses in 2022 helping us to develop a well engaged and knowledgeable workforce. For several of the cpd courses, Coaches were also invited to attend a Coach network event to get together and share ideas with other local coaches. These have proved a great success and we will continue this in 2023.

During the Billie Jean King Cup, the LTA Head of Coach education — Jo Ward and 3 other senior Tutors including Kris Soutar delivered 2 cpd courses that over 60 coaches attended and then were given free tickets to watch the BJKC at the Emirates Arena. This was a great week for Coach learning and Engagement!

LTA Certificate in Tutor Skills Course in Scotland

Tennis Scotland hosted the latest LTA CTQ course for new qualification tutors to be trained. 4 Scottish tutors were accepted onto this very high level course and are in the process of becoming trained as new Tennis Scotland tutors to enhance our tutor workforce.

They are now shadowing our existing tutors on the new LTA Assistant and LTA Instructor courses and have thoroughly enjoyed their experience and have been helped a great deal by the existing tutor team. They will be a great addition to our current workforce.

LTA Padel Instructor Course (Level 2) Pilot Course at West of Scotland Padel

In August and September 2022, the LTA ran the 3rd pilot of the new LTA Instructor Padel course at West of Scotland Padel Club.

The course was a great success and 6 Scottish Coaches attended the course to be qualified as Padel Coaches in order to be able to coach groups of Adult and Juniors. The Course was run by an LTA team headed up by Jo Ward (Head of Coach Education) with Vincent Hivert – Tennis Scotland Padel tutor.

This LTA Instructor course is now being finalised and will be rolled out in Scotland for Tennis from Spring 2023.

Workforce

Spotlight on Tennis Scotland Apprentices 2022/23

Luke Turnbull



Playing Background

Luke has played tennis from an early age and plays for the Learning Disability National squad so attends training squads and regular tournaments across the UK.

Coaching Background

Luke is doing his Apprenticeship at 3 venues – North Berwick tennis Club, Longniddry Tennis Club and Craiglockhart Tennis Centre. Luke is currently on his LTA Instructor (level 2) course in Stirling. He is keen to develop all aspects of this Coaching and is learning rapidly.

Apprenticeship Aims

Luke is keen to develop in all areas of Coaching and in particular is interested in Coaching players with a disability and is working with coaches in this area at Craiglockhart Tennis Centre in Edinburgh to develop his knowledge and experience in this area.

Katie McKay | Wormit Tennis Club, Tayside



Playing Background

Katie has played from a young age and competed as a junior in many tournaments.

Coaching Background

She first started helping out at her Club as a volunteer aged 12 yrs with Stephen Birrell the Coach at her Club. She assisted with mini tennis sessions. After completing her level 1 (Aviemore), she has been working regularly with Stephen delivering weekly coaching and holiday camps. She attends cpd sessions delivered by Stephen with local coaches and is very keen to learn anything she can about coaching.

Apprenticeship Aims

Katie has wanted for a long time to become a full-time coach and the Apprenticeship would give her valuable experience in coaching and also the academic modules she would need to complete. She is being funded and mentored through the level 3 qualification as part of the course and is really keen to do this as this would allow her to become a coach full time and have a large range of coaching skills. Katie is also keen to encourage young girls and female players into the sport and would be able to do this as part of the Apprenticeship. She is really interested and enthusiastic about developing as a coach and taking her next qualification to become a full time coach.

Euan Donegan



Playing Background

Euan played as Junior with Adam Brown Tennis and competed in tournaments. He has been involved in coaching from a young age.

Coaching Background

Euan has been helping with Coaching sessions and tournaments at Dunblane TC for several years assisting the coaches there. He is passionate about learning to be a good coach and has completed his level 1. He is learning to be organised, plan lessons and deliver good on court demonstrations and progressions. Euan is in the process of completing his level 2 coaching qualification.

Apprenticeship Aims

Euan feels the Apprenticeship would give him valuable experience in coaching and also the academic modules would be of benefit to him. He would be mentored through his current level 2 qualification as part of the course and be able to move onto the level 3 course if he is ready. He is keen to spend more hours on court learning from all the team at Dunblane TC and the Apprenticeship would allow him to do this to develop his knowledge and experience in this area.

Disability & Inclusion

Open Court

OPEN COURT PROGRAMME

25 active Open Court Disability Venues

SUCCESSFUL INDOOR PROGRAMMES

at Aberdeen, Craiglockhart, Scotstoun and Prestwick

SMALLER CLUB PROGRAMMES

in Dundee, Dumfries and Galloway were funded to drive participation in Rural areas and aid those who may need to travel far for participation at indoor centres

SCOTTISH CLOSED LD AND LTA REGIONAL DISABILITY TOURNAMENT AT NEWLANDS

(59 entries)

2023 SEES THE TARGET FOR TS TO FUND 25+ VENUES THROUGH OPEN COURT

Additional LD, VI and WC events added to tournament calendar

25 ACTIVE OPEN COURT DISABILITY VENUES

59 ENTRIES FOR SCOTTISH CLOSED LD AND LTA REGIONAL DISABILITY TOURNAMENT AT NEWLANDS

25 2023 SEES THE TARGET FOR TS TO FUND 25+ VENUES THROUGH OPEN COURT



Educational Activities

NE Glasgow Sports Leaders Programme

Working closely with Active Schools Glasgow in the Northeast of the city, the creation of a school's tennis programme that not only introduces new players to the sport but also a potential future workforce, has been a major success. Utilising the Sports Leadership programme has enabled tennis to reach a much wider audience as well as help young people develop and hone their leadership skills whilst helping themselves and others stay physically active.



164



S5 & S6 SPORTS LEADERS

were trained to deliver a 4-week block of tennis in local primary schools

760



PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN FROM 15 PRIMARY SCHOOLS

have been engaged with through the project

2



TENNIS FESTIVALS WERE HELD

at the Gorbals Community Indoor Tennis Centre after the block was completed, where all 760 children took part

Sports leaders undergo 4 weeks training



Sports leaders deliver in local primary schools for 4 weeks



Schools are then invited to Tennis Festival at Gorbals



Pupils are then invited to Open Day at the Gorbals (where they can sign up to programmes)

Davis Cup Festivals 12th–16th September 2022

Working in partnership with Active Schools Glasgow and Glasgow Life, the 5-day long tennis festivals were a huge success. Primary Schools from across the city were invited along to the Emirates Arena to enjoy fun and exciting tennis sessions delivered by S5 and S6 Sports Leaders, as well as witness some of the top players in the world practice and compete.

295

S5 & S6 SPORTS LEADERS FROM 14 GLASGOW SECONDARY SCHOOLS received bespoke training to lead on the 5-day Davis Cup Schools Festivals at the Emirates Arena

2584

PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN FROM 70 PRIMARY SCHOOLS took part in the festivals

120

YOUNG PEOPLE FROM 14 ASN SCHOOLS took part in the ASN festival, also held at the Emirates

Educational Activities

507

Across 2022 507 teachers completed both the primary and secondary LTA Youth Teacher Training course in Scotland.

850

850 teachers in Scotland have gained the qualification to upskill them to deliver tennis within the school environment.



Teacher Training

- Across 2022 507 teachers completed both the primary and secondary LTA Youth Teacher Training course in Scotland.
- This was added to the cumulative total between 2021/2022 which meant that 850 teachers in Scotland have gained the qualification to upskill them to deliver tennis within the school environment and therefore enable them to create better school/club links.
- In conjunction with this, a number of face to face courses were delivered across the country and this included courses in Edinburgh, Stirling, Elgin, Aberdeen and Perth.
- We also created partnerships with a number of universities to deliver the teacher training course to their student teachers to upskill them to deliver tennis sessions when on placements and when they are fully qualified. This included courses to Glasgow University and the University of the West of Scotland with further courses scheduled for 2023.

- Many schools were offered the chance to attend the Davis Cup and Billie Jean King Cup in Glasgow as a result of completing the teacher training course. This was a huge success and enabled the schools to visit the event and watch world class tennis at the Emirates Arena.

The totals for each event were

- Davis Cup — 83 Schools/2584 tickets
- BJKC — 70 Schools/2870 tickets



Tennis Scotland Schools Roadshow Fund

- In 2022 Tennis Scotland re-launched the Schools Roadshow Fund which enables coaches and clubs to deliver school tennis sessions to promote their club and coaching programmes.
- Each club who applied gained £250.00 to deliver these school sessions.
- 20 clubs from across Scotland were successful in applying to this fund and delivered sessions to a variety of age ranges. A total of 53 schools and 3485 pupils received school tennis sessions from club coaches across Scotland in 2022 as a result of this fund.

School Events and Competitions

- Tennis Scotland supported and worked in partnership with several Local Authorities and clubs to deliver a number of tennis school events and festivals in 2022. Throughout the year 62 schools and 936 pupils took part in school tennis events.

University Partnerships

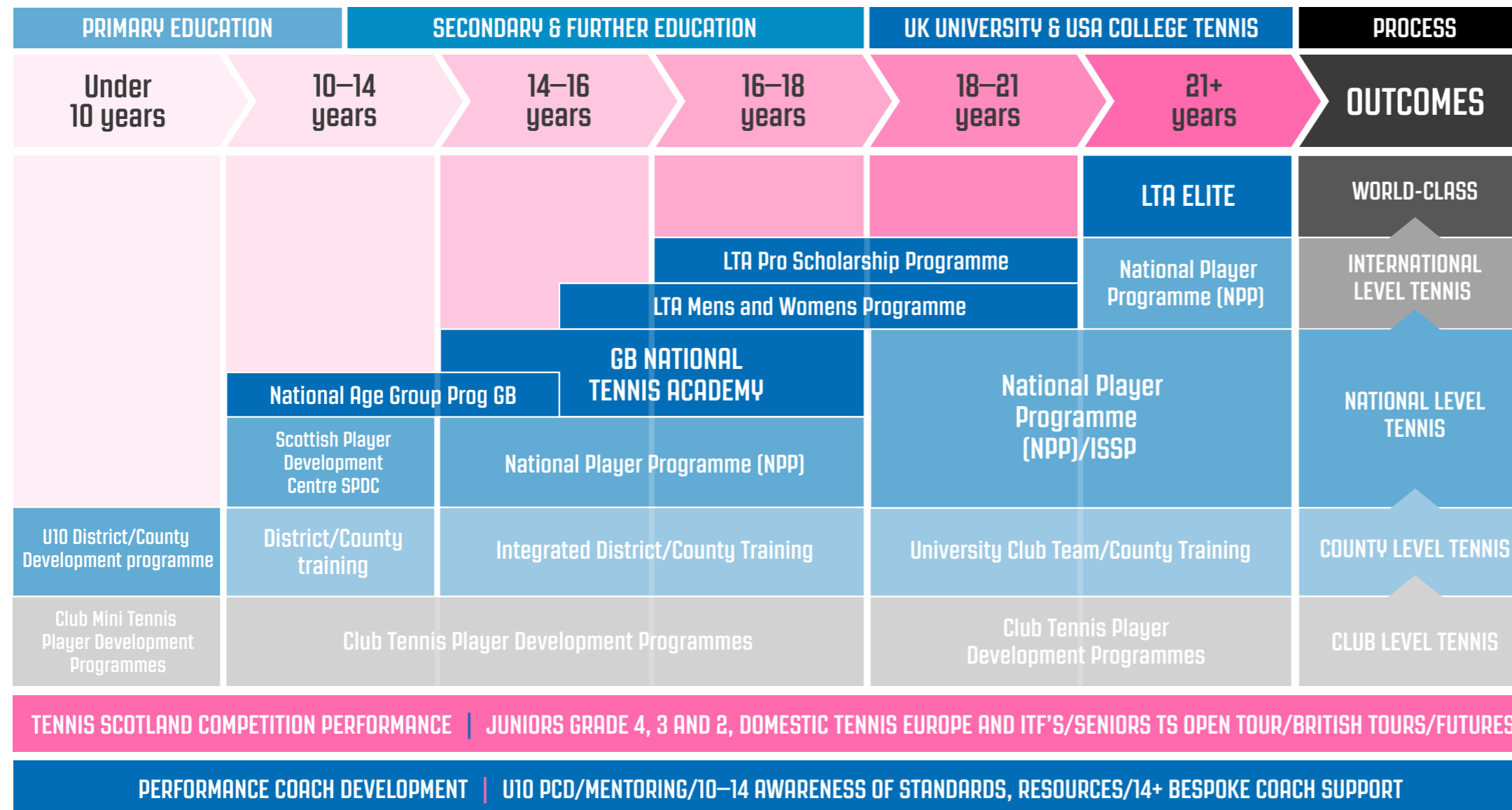
Tennis Scotland are working in partnership with several universities to develop tennis across key areas such as Participation, Competition, Performance and Workforce. This includes supporting participation tennis programmes and clubs for students, internal and external competition opportunities and providing a platform and programme to develop a workforce through the students at each University. The Universities that Tennis Scotland are working with are those who are part of the LTA University tier system such as Stirling, Edinburgh, St Andrews, Glasgow and Aberdeen University. We aim to build on this in 2023 to increase the number of Universities we are working in partnership with to increase tennis participation across a number of key areas.

Performance

Scottish Player Pathway

We continue to grow and evolve the Scottish Player Pathway to help nurture Scottish players.

This new and enhanced Performance structure and pathway is designed to take advantage of the talented players in Scotland and to build upon the significant infrastructure designed and delivered over the last four years and extend this to a wider audience across all age groups. The aim is to enhance opportunities for performance player development in Scotland supported by the LTA as part of the overall LTA Performance Strategy. As such we have been working with the LTA on the updated plan and structure to give as much of the appropriate support and assistance as possible for our players with most potential so that they are given the best chance of success within the game. We anticipate the new Scottish National Performance Pathway will be confirmed in the summer of 2023 and launched in 2024.



- LTA supported player pathway
- Scottish National supported player pathway
- District/County tennis
- Club tennis

Performance

U14

We launched our first **Team 10's event** which is a unique developmental competitive team event where coaches sit on court with players, there were competitive opportunities over the year linked to other Tennis Scotland events with 16 players involved.

The **Scottish Player Development Centre** embellished its support to the 10–14-year players by securing the services of a full time Physical preparation coach in conjunction with **sportscotland**. This person works across the pathway, but the focus is with the SPDC. The programme is also utilising the services of a mental skills coach on a part time basis.

The performance team supported **27 events** at the various age groups u14 over the year.

We had **13 players** at summer Nationals across the age groups and the u10 grade1.

10 players were invited to National Age Group activity weekends by the LTA.

We had quarter finalists at **G1 events** on the grass and indoors, Hanna Augustynska made the final of an **u14 Tennis Europe event** in Ireland and Ray Gallacher won a **Tennis Europe u12 doubles event** in Gran Canaria.

Murray Watters continued his progress winning titles u14 Tennis Europe in doubles and reaching latter stages of singles on numerous occasions.

There was continued linking with the districts to help support player development and the coach mentoring programme expanded to involve a new cohort of coaches whilst continuing to support the existing cohort.



Charlie Robertson

14+ Players

Charlie Robertson was accepted on to the Tennis Scotland GB National Tennis Academy and has gone from strength to strength within that programme reaching a career high within the top 150 at the end of the year (Currently 72 ITF World Junior Ranking).

Matt Rankin reached the semifinal of the US Open junior doubles and attained his first senior world ranking points. He will take up a position at Kentucky University on a tennis scholarship in August next year.

Ben Hudson and **Jack Deveney** won 4 ITF singles titles between them.

Ellie Robertson our top women's wheelchair player qualified for and played in the inaugural junior wheelchair girls' event at the US Open.



Gordon Reid

Gordon Reid missed some of the year through injury but still managed to secure x2 grand slam doubles titles at the Australian Open and French Open losing out in the finals of Wimbledon and the US Open.



Cameron Norrie

There was a career high of 8 ranking for Cameron Norrie alongside his first semifinal at a grand slam — Wimbledon where he lost to the eventual winner Novak Djokovic.



Andy Murray

Andy Murray continues to compete at the highest level on the men's tour, a remarkable achievement with a metal hip.



Jamie Murray

Jamie Murray whilst still competing and winning titles organised a successful battle of the Brits event in Aberdeen in December.



Performance

Doubles Spotlight

There was significant success for Scottish players in doubles over the year with 14 ITF doubles titles won. Particular mention to:

Ali Collins

Ali Collins who won 5 titles in 2022 and reached a career high inside the top 150.



Maia Lumsden

Maia Lumsden won 3 titles and gained a WC in the main draw at Wimbledon doubles winning a round.



Scott Duncan

Scott Duncan won 4 ITF pro doubles titles with partner Marcus Willis to finish the year ranked 393.



Jonny O'Mara

Jonny O'Mara who reached the quarter finals of Wimbledon in the mixed doubles.



Connor Thomson

Connor Thomson won the ITA All-American Doubles Championships with teammate Toby Samuel to give the University of South Carolina their first All-American title in program history. Connor finished the year ranked #1 in the doubles rankings as well as helping South Carolina finish inside the Top 10 team rankings after accumulating 21 singles wins and 19 doubles wins during an impressive dual season.



Jacob Fearnley

Jacob Fearnley topped the doubles rankings in the NCAA as well as finishing top 10 in the singles. Jacob won the Battle in the Bay Classic singles title to secure ATP Challenger wildcards. He helped his TCU team to their first ITA National Indoor title in program history as well as holding the number 1 team ranking for a large part of the dual season.



A further 3 titles were obtained in the ITF singles.

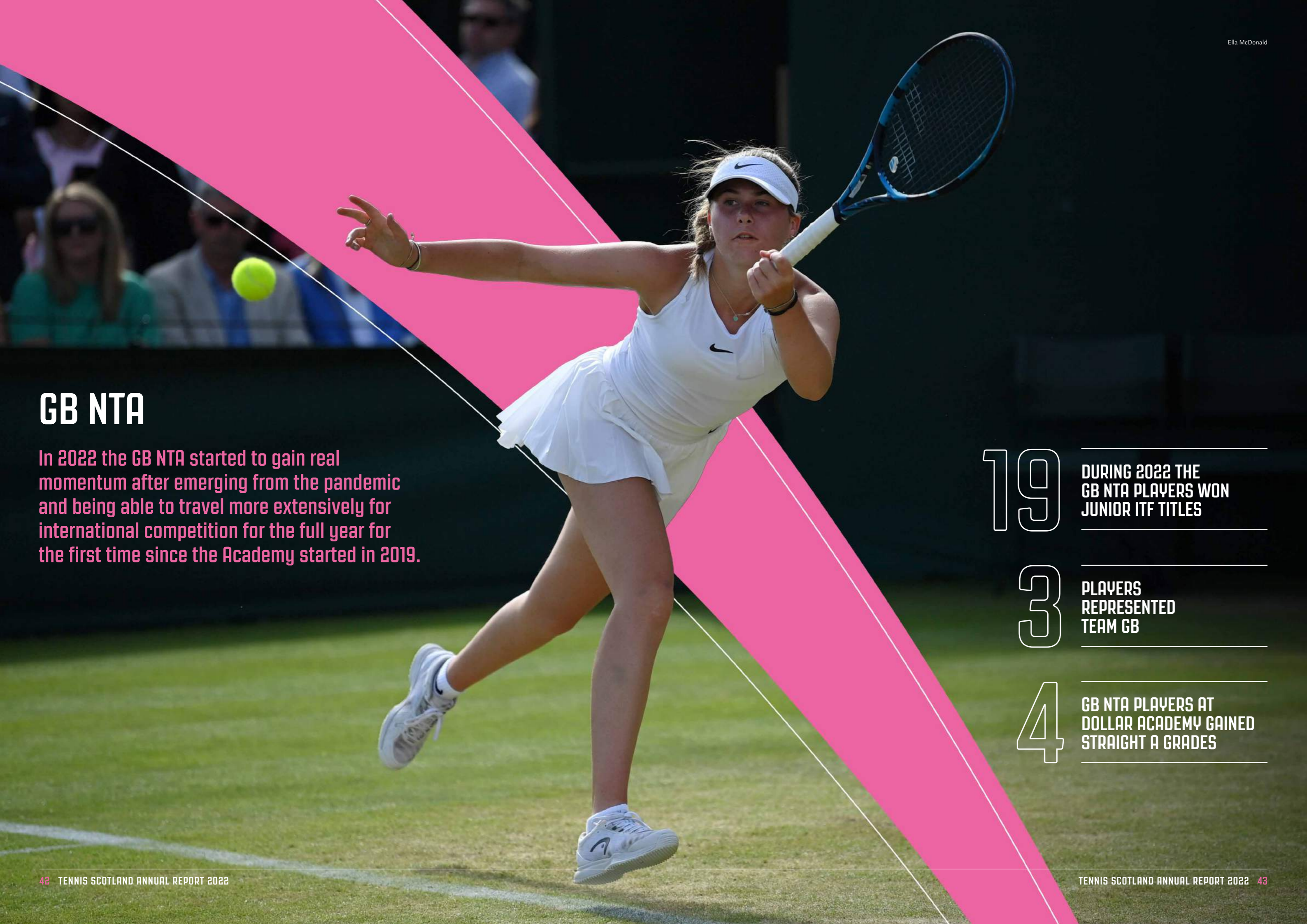
Ewan Moore won the BUCS singles title and Maia Lumsden won the pro league series.

4 Nations event took place in Glasgow amazing atmosphere and team spirit over the weekend. Scotland won the u18 event and finished 2nd overall.

U18 team – Matt Rankin, Ben Hudson, Jack Deveney, Sorcha Caves, Heather Barlow Eleanor Cochran. Captain Euan McGinn.

U14 team – Ollie Anderson, Sushanth Sirvrisan, Lucas Nolte, Anna McKnight, Hanna Augustynska, Freya Christie. Captain Joe Gill.

U12 team – Ray Gallagher, Lucas Rodgers, Caelan McKechnie, Jessica Currie, Becky Macleod, Lea Kochfar. Captain Karen Lamb.



GB NTA

In 2022 the GB NTA started to gain real momentum after emerging from the pandemic and being able to travel more extensively for international competition for the full year for the first time since the Academy started in 2019.

19

DURING 2022 THE GB NTA PLAYERS WON JUNIOR ITF TITLES

3

PLAYERS REPRESENTED TEAM GB

4

GB NTA PLAYERS AT DOLLAR ACADEMY GAINED STRAIGHT A GRADES

Ella McDonald had the incredible opportunity to be part of the GB Team captained by Tim Henman at the United Cup



GB NTA

Highlights

- During 2022 the GB NTA players won 19 Junior ITF Titles
- Ella McDonald, Hephzibah Oluwadare and Phoenix Weir all gained their first wins at professional level, with Ella and Phoenix achieving WTA and ATP rankings respectively.
- The GB NTA were represented by six current and two former scholars at Junior Wimbledon Ella McDonald, Phoenix Weir, Viktor Frydrych, Henry Jefferson, Millie Skelton, Hephzibah Oluwadare, Matthew Rankin and Talia Neilson-Gatenby.
- Ella McDonald won a wild card for the Women's Singles at Wimbledon which included a win against GB Billie-Jean King Cup player Alicia Barnett. Ella narrowly lost at Wimbledon to Coco Vandeweghe, a two-time Wimbledon quarter-finalist, as well as an Australian and US Open semi-finalist, in 3 sets and a thrilling match tie break 5-7, 6-1 7-6 (10-8)!
- Ella competed in French Open and US Open as she moved into the ITF Junior top 10 and the cusp of the PSP programme.
- Three players represented Team GB including:
 - o Ella McDonald and Phoenix Weir at the 18U European Championships in Klosters, Switzerland where Ella made the last 8 in Singles and Doubles.
 - o Phoenix and Viktor Frydrych played for GB in the respective 18U and 16U Tennis Europe Summer Cups.
- The GB NTA funded four additional ITF Junior tournaments delivered by TS 2022, including the first ever J3.
- Dollar Academy's academic flexibility enabled GB NTA players to travel extensively throughout the year including, most notably Ella McDonald completing SQA Higher Examinations whilst at the French Open.
- 4 GB NTA players at Dollar Academy gained straight A Grades
- The summer of 2022 Sam Reeve become the first player to graduate from the GB NTA. He gained tennis and academic scholarships to the University of Memphis where 5-time Grand Slam Champion Joe Salisbury graduated in economics.

Experiences

- Ella McDonald had the incredible opportunity to be part of the GB Team captained by Tim Henman at the United Cup and line up alongside TS International Player of the Year and GB No. 1 Cameron Norrie, TS ambassador Jonny O'Mara, Dan Evans, Harriet Dart and Katie Swan, providing great memories, lots of learning and motivation to take forward.
- Viktor Frydrych and Phoenix Weir trained on court with Andy Murray during a GB NTA training camp trip to the NTC with TS Coaches Adam Lownsbrough, Marko Strlic and David Rodriguez.
- Jamie Murray twice trained alongside TS supported players with Hephzibah Oluwadare benefitting on a return to Stirling and similarly Charlie Robertson and Ben Hudson at Gleneagles.



Hephzibah Oluwadare



Phoenix Weir

Workforce

- Noelle Van Lottum started as GB NTA Head Coach in January 2022. Noelle boasted a world class track record as a former WTA professional ranked 49, French National Coach and Head Coach of her own academy in Holland, where she worked with former WTA world no. 4 Kiki Bertens.
- Marko Strlic joined as GB NTA Performance Coach. Marko previously worked with former WTA world no. 1 Jelena Jankovic, ATP 26 ranked Filip Krajinovic and former ITF Junior world no. 1 and French Open Junior Runner-up Ivana Jorovic. Marko was National Age Group Coach and Team Captain for the Chinese and Hungarian Tennis Federation.
- David Rodriguez started as full-time NTA S&C Lead, with responsibilities for overseeing the complete pathway in Scotland as part of a step-change in provision alongside SIS full-time Physical Preparation Coach for Tennis in Allyn Preece.
- Yuri Syromolotov started the journey of transition from player to coach by completing his Scholarship at Stirling and starting as a Pro Hitter for the GB NTA. Yuri a former ATP ranked player and sparring partner for Roberto Carbelles (ATP no. 71) and Varvara Lepchenko (WTA no. 19).



Competition

Overview

Competition has been identified as a key area to improve and increase in Scotland. Competition is key to retaining players in the sport as well as for performance players to give them much needed match play experience throughout their development. The past twelve months has seen a huge increase in events at a local level to encourage more people to take part in competition.

6210

COMPETING PLAYERS

230

LTA V MATCHPLAYS
DELIVERED

(483 other matchplay events)

148

LOCAL TOUR EVENTS
DELIVERED

861

TOTAL GRADE 5
AND 6 EVENTS

5 JUNIOR
INTERNATIONAL
EVENTS
DELIVERED

4 WORLD
TENNIS TOUR
EVENTS
DELIVERED



Competitions

Professional Events

GB Pro-Series Glasgow \$25k – Scottish Open

Tennis Scotland, in partnership with the LTA and Glasgow Life, staged another very successful professional tournament at the Scotstoun Leisure Centre from 14th – 20th February. One of the combined men’s and women’s tournament in Great Britain’s on the 2022 World Tennis Tour, the event attracted players from across the world.

21 year old Scot Aidan McHugh was Scotland’s highest ranked player in the men’s main draw and also the number 1 seed. One of the wild cards was awarded to Matt Rankin, who had just returned from competing in the Australian Open Juniors. A strong Women’s draw consisted of former top 100 players in the world.

Anna Brogan from Glasgow couldn’t quite make it into the main draw, losing in the last round of qualifying in 3 sets. Scott Duncan, another local Scottish player from Edinburgh,

made his way through qualifying, beating fellow East player Matt Rankin en route, Scott couldn’t continue his run in the main draw, losing in the first round. Aidan, hoping to do well at this year’s event made it through to the semi-finals but lost to the big serving German Henri Squire. Aidan managed to put his disappointment behind him to win the doubles title with his partner Gijs Brouwer.

In the Women’s final, in form Sonay Kartal from Great Britain can through a close two set match against 17 year old Barbora Palicova to take the title 7–6 7–5.

The Men’s final involved another British player Alastair Gray who beat Henri Squire in another fantastic final which lasted over 3 hours, Alastair managed to win the match, 6–3, 6–7, 7–6. The crowd gave a prolonged applause for what was an incredible match by both players.

World Tennis Tour Event – Men’s \$25,000 and Women’s \$60,000

Tennis Scotland deliver a second open World Tennis Tour event in October, like the event held in February but with the women’s event being a \$60,000 event. The event was a huge success, with a local win from Aidan McHugh winning the men’s singles as well as fellow Scot, Ali Collins winning the women’s doubles with her partner Freya Christie. The event was also played by several women from the British, Billy Jean King Cup squad, who were looking for some match practice ahead of the BJKC finals.



Ali Collins and Freya Christie



Competitions

Adult Competition

Scottish Inter Club Challenge Cup 2022

Following on from the success of the 2021 Scottish Cup, this event was again hosted at Newlands Tennis Club, the main objective for holding the event back a club was to create a better atmosphere and allow a club to showcase their facilities. The day attracted over 200 spectators and was a huge success, with both players and spectators giving positive feedback about the day.

The women's final involved holders Newlands against Western. Newlands managed to secure a 2-1 lead after winning a close championship tie break, this gave Newlands the advantage they needed and managed to take all 3 matches in round 2 to win the overall tie 5-1. The Newlands team on the day was, Caitlin Steel, Jennifer Steel, Heather Lockhart, Rachel Pang, Riley Thomson and Eilidh McLaughlin.

In the men's final, 2021 winners Newlands were challenged by Thorn Park, who having won the final back in 2017 were keen to do the same in 2022. With both teams fielding world ranked players the proved to be as close on paper as it was on the day. Newlands, who won a close championship tie break 10 points to 8 in round 2 helped to secure a 4-2 lead after round 2, meaning only needed 1 more rubber to win overall. Newlands managed to take all 3 matches in round 3, which gave them an overall 7-2 victory. The Newlands team on the day was, Scott MacAulay, James Shemilt, Scott Duncan, James Mackinlay, Robert Dalgetty and Patrick Young.



Yuri Santiago Syromolotov
Netrebin and Ben Hudson

Scottish Open Indoor Championships 2022

Tennis Scotland's 2022 Indoor Championship, part of the TS Open Tour took place with Yuri Santiago Syromolotov Netrebin defeating Ben Hudson in the gents singles and Karen Lamb defeating Zoe Moffat in the ladies event with winner taking home £500 first prize and runners up £200 each. A total of 41 players plus those in the 4 linked TS500 events took part in the lead up to the finals weekend.

Doubles event allowed Ben Hudson to go a step further and claim winners spot with partner Scott Macaulay winning a tight and entertaining match against Liam O'Brien and Ross Young. It was a similar story in the ladies doubles with Zoe Moffat claiming the winners spot after losing out in the singles with partner Sarah Mcfadyen beating Sorcha Caves and Annemiek Sterk.



Sorcha Caves

The TS Open Tour – Scottish National Championships 2022

The TS 1000 Scottish National Championships took place at University of Stirling and was the second weekend of competition following the previous weekend's TS 500 qualifying events held in Aberdeen, Stirling and David Lloyd West End (Glasgow).

The doubles event took place on Friday night with 8 pairs playing down to Sunday's final. 16 player draws in the singles took place on the Saturday with the latter stages on Sunday. The event is certainly one of our strongest domestic fields with our highest prize fund out with the end of season Masters event.

Sorcha Caves won the women's singles, while the men's singles was won by Nick Rosenzweig.

Scottish Clay Court Championships – Brit Tour

The Scottish Clay Court Championships was an additional event for 2022. A Brit Tour level event which as part of the TS Open Tour received increased prize money than regular Brit Tour events.

The 4 day event was reduced to 3 due to day 1 falling on the day of the state funeral for the Queen.

The 3 day, 24 player event went very well with a good balance of senior and junior players participating. The draw attracted top University players with Liam Hignett beating Ewan Moore in a close men's final. The ladies final saw Tracy Zhang from London defeat Sorcha Caves.

These events do attract a wider player base which allows Scottish players to compete against different players which is a positive.



Nick Rosenzweig
and Phoebe Mitchell

Tennis Scotland Masters 2022

The Tennis Scotland Open Tour Masters took place on the 19th and 20th December. The Masters Event teams up with local Grade 3 Open competitions (TS Open Tour Leaderboard Tournaments) throughout the year to create a calendar of tournaments linked to the end of season Masters. The top 16 male and female players on the Leader Board at the end of the year get invited to compete in this prestige Masters event and to claim the Sword trophy.

Top seed Nicola Clarke was beaten in two close sets by Heather Barlow in the semi-finals. On the other side of the draw Phoebe Mitchell came through a close semi-final, winning the champions tie break 3rd set 11-9 Xiaotian Zang. Phoebe then went on to beat Heather in the final to claim her first TS Open Master title.

The men's event, made up of a very strong field of players had the number 1 seed (Nick Rosenzweig) and the number 2 seed (Euan McIntosh) meet in the final, with both players not dropping a set in their previous rounds, the final was sure to be a close match. Nick managed to be the stronger player on the day, winning 6-3 6-4 to win his first Masters title.

Competitions

Juniors



Scottish Inter-District Junior Team Championships 2022

Scottish Inter-District Junior Team Championships 2022

Having been postponed for 2 years, this was the first time the Inter District competition had been held since 2019. With a welcomed return this event always creates a great atmosphere with nearly 100 players taking part in this team event. West of Scotland finished as overall champions of the 46th Inter District championship, the first time since 2016, winning 2 out of 3 age groups. East of Scotland finished top of the 12U age group.

A crowd of nearly 200 people watched the final day's play at the Bridge of Earn venue which enjoyed four days of sunshine and near perfect conditions for the 250 matches played. 96 players representing 8 of Scotland's District Associations competed in what has become one of the most popular events in Tennis Scotland's calendar.



Final positions

- 1st West of Scotland
- 2nd North East & Tayside
- 4th East, Central & Ayrshire
- 7th Borders
- 8th Highlands



Scottish Junior Indoor Championships 2022

The 2022 Scottish Junior Indoor Singles Championships was played at Scotstoun Tennis Centre between Christmas and New Year.

Play was of a high standard in all events with nearly all of the top Scottish juniors participating along with a number of players from England and Wales, a total of 122 players took part. Scots won all 8 of the championships.

Aadya Iyer Chadalawada and Lance Nisbet won the girls and boys 18u events.

Scottish Junior Indoor Doubles Championships 2022

128 young players contested 8 events at the 2022 Scottish Junior Indoor Doubles Championships, staged by Tennis Scotland, on the 26th and 27th March.

The 12 & Under and 16 & Under events were held on Day 1 at Glasgow's Scotstoun Leisure Centre with the 14 & Under and 18 & Under events on Day 2. A compass draw format ensured three matches for every pair in each age group. Competition was fierce in all age groups with 19 matches being decided in third set match tie-breaks.

Scottish players emerged triumphant in 7 out of the 8 events with only the 18 & Under girls trophy going south of the border. Top performers over the weekend were Freya Cooper from Perth and Glasgow's Anna McKnight who won both 14 & Under and 16 & Under girls competitions respectively.

Scottish Junior Nationals (Closed)

167 players competed over 215 matches across 7 days across 14 events at this year's Scottish Junior Nationals (Closed) once again held at Strathgryffe Tennis Club.

The event had a new week in the diary, the week after county cup starting Sunday 24th – Saturday 30th July.

Players from all over Scotland travelled to compete with a fantastic display of tennis on show across all age groups. This year the event was re-named to highlight the importance within the calendar and to help grow and bring all Scottish juniors together.

As always, Strathgryffe host the event very well, accommodate our team, players and parents and give up their club for the week, thanks should go to them for hosting in the middle of the summer



Scottish Junior Open Championships 2022

The 2022 Scottish Junior Championships a Grade 2 Summer National Tour event, once again attracted over 500 entries of the most talented young players from throughout Great Britain. The Scottish Junior Open, has always been popular with players across all of GB, with most taking advantage of the series of events Tennis Scotland hosts at this level at the start of the school holidays. The Scottish players performed well across all age groups, however it was the older doubles age groups that the Scots took control of, Lanice Nisbet & Liam O'Brien won the 16U boys Doubles, Marcus McLaren and Cameron Fryer won the 18U boys doubles and Heather Barlow and Sorcha Caves won the 18U girls doubles.

The Tournament was played across 4 different venues with the 10 & Under event taking place across Western and Hillhead Tennis Club, other events took place at Craiglockhart Tennis Centre and Thistle Tennis Club. At the peak of the tournament a total of 30 courts were being used to host this national event, with over 800 matches played across the 8 days.

Tennis Scotland thanks all clubs and their members for successfully hosting events.

Tennis Scotland would also like to thank all tournament staff involved in delivering the Scottish Junior Open 2022.

Competitions

Juniors



Four Nations Juniors

Four Nations Juniors

Team Results

The Scotland U18 team finished top of the group with convincing wins over Ireland and Wales, and a draw with England. This was a real positive turnaround for the U18 team who had battled hard last year drawing all their matches but finishing fourth in the group losing out on sets/games countback in all the ties.

The Scotland U12 put up a tremendous fight losing out to a strong Welsh Team but beating Ireland (Ray and Lucas had a fantastic doubles win against players they had both lost to in the singles) and England to finish 2nd.

The Scotland U14 team battled hard with a lot of matches going down to the wire in match tiebreaks. The team lost to Ireland and England 2–4 and had a well earned draw against Wales. Despite a valiant effort and closely contested matches the team finished 4th.

Individual Results

Matt Rankin and Ben Hudson kept hold of their 100% record in the u18 event winning all their matches.

Scotland Team

18 & Under Captain: Euan McGinn	14 & Under Captain: Joe Gill	12 & Under Captain: Karen Lamb
Heather Barlow	Anna McKnight	Becky Macleod
Sorcha Caves	Hanna Augustynska	Jessica Currie
Eleanor Cochran	Freya Cooper	Lea Khochfar
Matthew Rankin	Sushanth Srinivasan	Ray Gallacher
Ben Hudson	Ollie Anderson	Lucas Rodgers
Jack Deveney	Lucas Nolte	Caelan Mckechnie

Final Standings

With a first place in the u18's, a second place in the u12's and a fourth place in the u14 event. Scotland narrowly missed out on the top spot finishing 2nd overall. There were some fiercely contested matches over the weekend across the age groups, with some brilliant tennis on show and a lot of team spirit on display. A special mention to all the players who competed unconditionally and to the captains for all their hard work off the court preparing the players and working their magic on the court — playing every point with their player(s)!!

Scottish Secondary Schools Tennis Team Champions 2022

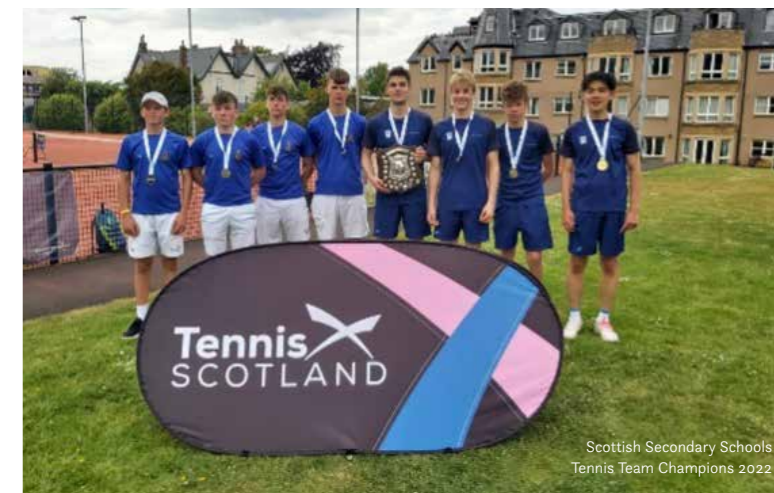
Scottish Schools Team Championships returned to its usual format and place within the calendar with 35 boys teams and 30 girls teams competing for this years event which represented a healthy uptake for the event.

Teams took part in a regionalised draw in the early rounds with a lot of excellent matches taking place.

The finals once again were held at Craiglockhart on Wednesday 15th June on an excellent sunny day.

The girls final was between Mearns Castle High School and Mary Erskine's with the boys event contested between Merchiston and Strathallan.

In 2 fantastic finals, Mearns Castle were too strong coming out 5–1 winners on the day. The boys final went down to the wire with Strathallan winning a match tie-break to level the scores at 3–3.



Scottish Secondary Schools Tennis Team Champions 2022

A doubles shoot-out was then required to crown the winners with Merchiston regaining their title after an epic day of tennis.

Thanks to all the schools, players and most importantly staff who arrange matches and travel in order to give the players the opportunity to compete.

Scottish Junior Inter-County Championships 2022

West of Scotland won the 2022 Scottish Junior Inter-County Championships with victory over holders North of Scotland in the final at Uddingston Tennis Club, Glasgow. The team event for 18 & Under players, usually referred to as the Tea Cup, was first played in 1966 for a trophy donated by the Tea Council of Scotland.

In semi-final matches, West overcame East of Scotland 12–0 with North beating South 10–2. Despite many closely fought rubbers in the final, West won all four singles rubbers and followed this up with victory in the girls doubles to ensure a 31st win for West in this very popular competition. East beat South to take 3rd place.



Scottish Junior Inter-County Championships 2022

The winning West team:

Jack Deveney; Kyle McKay; Finlay Watters; Liam O'Brien; Sorcha Caves; Heather Barlow; Eleanor Cochran; Olivia McGuire.



ITF Seniors Glasgow

ITF Seniors Glasgow – the Scottish Senior Players' championships

The 2022 Scottish Seniors' Open to place at Scotstoun Tennis Centre once again after being cancelled in 2021 due to Covid. The event was a great success with several Scottish players picking up singles and doubles titles. The event, an ITF Seniors 200 Event, attracted over 200 competitors from 12 nations.

Competitions Adult Competition



Senior Four Nations

Senior Four Nations

The renowned team competition, contested by Scotland, England, Ireland and Wales, unites the four home nations across various senior age groups. To welcome a return of the tournament, the event took place at two venues in England and Wales this year. In addition to players in the 55, 60 and 65 age groups (group B) competing at The Bolton Arena, the Junior Seniors (35, 45 and 50 age groups, group A) events will also take place between April 30 – 2 May, hosted at Wrexham Tennis Centre.

Both age group categories contested in some hard-fought matches throughout the weekend, the super seniors (group B) performed well across all age groups finishing 2nd in the

overall standings. The young seniors (group A) had some great success, 2 women's age groups, 35,45s won their respective groups, backed up with strong performances in the other men and women's age groups to finish joint overall champions with England.

There were so many outstanding matches throughout the weekend, with the highlight being Eilidh Smith (captain of the women's 45s team) who narrowly lost her singles match against the England number 1 on the Sunday, in an epic 18–20 match tie break, to then go back onto court and win the deciding doubles match (partnered by Jenny Duncan) to win the tie 2–1.

Finance Report

For the year ended 31 December 2022

Turnover for the year was £3,125,261 compared to £2,339,285 in the prior year, an increase of £785,976. This uplift in income reflects the increased activity for 2022 following the material impact that the COVID-19 pandemic had on the business and operations for the year to 31 December 2021.

Income for 2022 reflects the increased income from the LTA for funding following the investment made by Tennis Scotland in recruiting new staff to fill vacant posts of prior year and build on strengthening the staff team to achieve our ambitions. The investment made by LTA into the GB National Tennis Academy in Stirling continued as the organisation worked hard to continue training and support for the GB NTA players. Commercial income increased by £128,000 on the prior year as sponsorship income was directly impacted due to the pandemic and restrictions for Wimbledon in the summer of 2021. Other income was up on prior year due to activity in performance for trips and camps activities returning to pre pandemic levels and of note was increased competitions activities during 2022.

Our four-year funding agreement with **sportscotland** was renewed in March 2022, this secures funding at comparable levels until March 2026. Aligned with this was our continued and renewed agreement with the LTA which was approved in September 2022 covering an operational funding agreement for the four-year period to March 2026.

Expenditure has increased by £788,299 from £2,374,487 in the prior year to £3,162,786. This reflects the increase in spend in all areas with staffing costs up £154,829 following investment in this area as mentioned above. Performance expenditure saw an increase on prior year of £406,471 which aligns with the investment in performance and the GB National Tennis Academy. Competitions spend up £128,765 reflecting the increased activity in this area during 2022.

The balance sheet at 31 December 2022 shows a stable position with reserves of £470,904. Cash at bank is £732,800 compared to £771,865 in prior year. Cash flow being monitored and controlled throughout the year and decrease in cash in the year reflecting the year end deficit result.

2022 TURNOVER
£3,125,261

2021 TURNOVER
£2,339,285

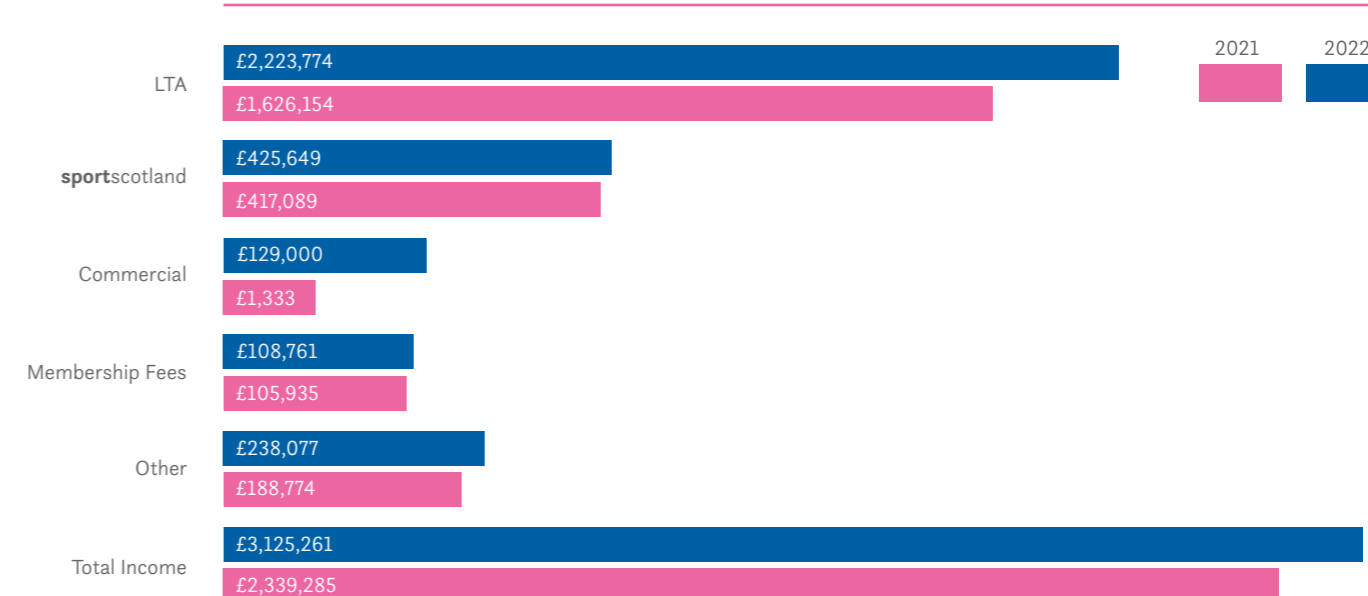
Overall, the Tennis Scotland accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 show a loss of £37,301 compared to a prior year loss of £35,016. This deficit has been deducted from the brought forward reserves of the company. The company has worked hard to achieve this financial position for the year. This has been achieved through cash flow management, efficiencies, and close budgetary controls. The Board in considering the reserves of the company are satisfied there are sufficient reserves and secured future funding in place to allow Tennis Scotland to continue operating for the foreseeable future. The Board and executive are continuously and carefully managing the business.

Copies of the profit and loss account and balance sheet as extracted from the audited accounts are included within this report. The full set of Tennis Scotland financial statements are available publicly from Companies House.

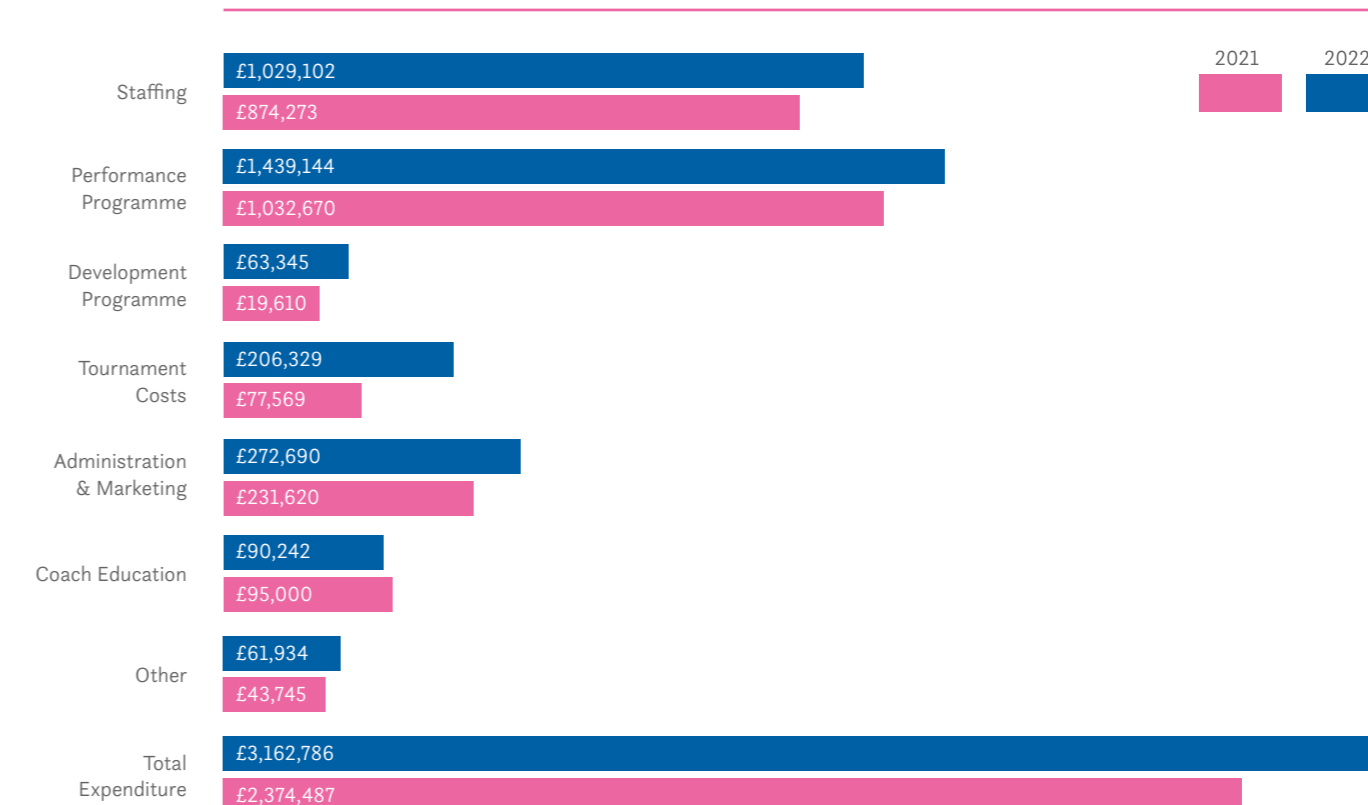
Finance Analysis

For the year ended 31 December 2022

Income Results



Expenditure Results



Profit and Loss Account

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
Turnover	£3,125,261	£2,339,285
Competition costs	(£322,665)	(£160,819)
Tennis costs	(£2,292,166)	(£1,658,267)
Administrative and marketing expenses	(£547,955)	(£555,401)
Operating (loss)/profit	(£37,525)	(£35,202)
Interest receivable and similar income	£224	£186
(Loss)/Profit before taxation	(£37,301)	(£35,016)
Taxation	–	–
(Loss)/Profit for the financial year	(£37,301)	(£35,016)

Balance Sheet

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	2022	2022	2021	2021
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	–	£60,355	–	£51,931
Current assets				
Debtors	£339,004		£361,677	
Cash at bank and in hand	£732,800		£777,865	
	£1,071,804		£1,133,542	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one Year	(£661,255)		(£677,268)	
Net current assets	–	£410,549	–	£456,274
Total assets less current liabilities	–	£470,904	–	£508,205
Capital and reserve	–	£470,904	–	£508,205
Profit and loss reserves				

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 27th March 2023 and are signed on its behalf by:

B Dodds (Chief Executive)
Director

G Watson (Chair)
Director

Tennis Scotland Awards

National Association Awards



Lifetime Achievement
Mike Aitken

Community & Park
Musselburgh Tennis Club

Competition
The Nairn goth Tournament

Volunteer
Michael Goldie

Official
Vikki Patterson

Senior Veteran Player of the Year
Mary Byrne-Leitch

Young Person
Emma Howat

Education (School/School Provider)
Strathallan School

Junior Player of the Year
Matt Rankin

Development Coach
Graeme Walker

Education (University)
University of St Andrews

Senior Player of the Year
Anna Brogan


Performance Coach
Karen Lamb

Disability
Carol Jones

International Player of the Year
Cam Norrie

Club
Montrose Tennis Club

Matt Rankin
Junior Player
of the Year



Nick Rosenzweig
The Scottish National
Championships
Men's Singles Winner

National Competition Results

National Competitions

Tea Cup, 18U Inter-County Championships

1st: West
2nd: North
3rd: East
4th: South

The Scottish National Championships

Men's Singles: Nick Rosenzweig
Women's Singles: Sorcha Caves
Men's Doubles: Liam Hignett and Sam Reeve
Women's Doubles: Heather Barlow and Sorcha Caves

Tennis Scotland Open Tour Masters

Men's Singles: Nick Rosenzweig
Women's Singles: Phoebe Mitchell

Four Nations Junior Championships

1st: Wales
2nd: Scotland
3rd: England
4th: Ireland

Scottish Schools Championships

Boys: Merchiston Castle School
Girls: Mearns Castle

Scottish Cup

Men: Newlands Tennis Club
Women: Newlands Tennis Club

Team Tennis (Open) Scotland

Men: Newlands Tennis Club
Women: Blackhall LTC

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