

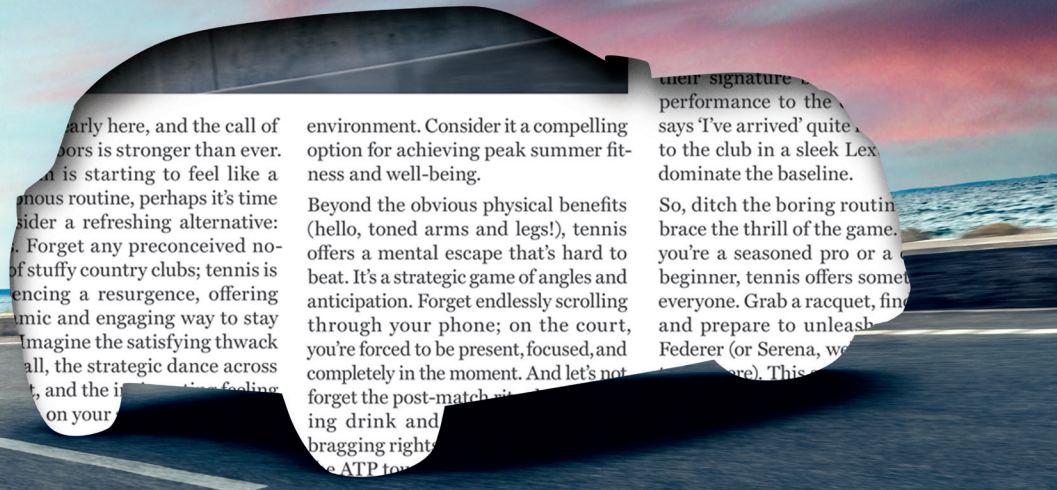
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On behalf of the LTA, I'm delighted to welcome you to the Lexus Nottingham Tennis Centre for the Lexus Nottingham Open.

This promises to be another year of high quality women's and men's tennis. We continue to invest in the tournament and the Lexus Nottingham Tennis Centre. We know how valued the centre is by the local community and it's important to us that it remains a venue for local players of all ages and abilities as well as a centre for international and national competitions.

I would like to thank Lexus and all our commercial partners for their support of the event, along with all the players, officials, tournament staff, volunteers, and fans who make these events so welcoming. We all hope we will see a memorable tournament.

Enjoy your visit,
SCOTT LLOYD
CHIEF EXECUTIVE | LTA



It is with huge excitement that I welcome you to the Lexus Nottingham Open, an event which forms part of the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) Grass Court Season, and a significant milestone in our partnership with the LTA.

As we gather at these iconic venues, we look forward to witnessing the passion and talent that define British tennis, and as lead partner to the LTA we continue to celebrate all aspects of the game; from emerging to established players, from those picking up a racket for the first time, to those lifting a trophy.

We wish all players and fans a spectacular summer filled with thrilling matches and unforgettable moments.

CHRIS HAYES
DIRECTOR | LEXUS UK

WELCOME



DEAR TENNIS FANS,

On behalf of the Hologic WTA Tour, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Lexus Nottingham Open.

As the global leader in women's sport, the WTA is proud to once again showcase the very best of women's tennis here in Nottingham. The WTA boasts an incredibly diverse array of players and personalities, many of whom you will see here competing at the Lexus Nottingham Open, from established global superstars to emerging new talent eager to make their mark on the sport.

With the season approaching the halfway mark, the Lexus Nottingham Open provides players with the chance to add vital points on the PIF Race to the WTA Finals Leaderboard in their quest to qualify for our thrilling end-of-season WTA Finals Riyadh in November.

The dedicated tournament team at the Lexus Nottingham Open

takes great pride in delivering an unforgettable experience for players and fans alike. I would like to thank all the partners, sponsors, staff and volunteers, who continually raise the bar in our collective mission of championing women's sport.

Finally, I would like to thank you, our loyal fans, for your tremendous support and passion for the WTA.

Whether you've been a life-long supporter of women's tennis, are joining us for the first time this season, or somewhere in between, welcome to the 2025 Hologic WTA Tour.

All the best,

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Welcome to the Lexus Nottingham Tennis Centre. The team and I are delighted that you've joined us at the Lexus Nottingham Open!

2024 marked another record year for Nottingham Tennis Centre as we continue to drive our vision of "Tennis Opened Up". The construction of our three covered Padel courts has enabled a whole new group of players to join the tennis family, with over 7,500 courts booked already! The development doesn't stop there, as plans have been submitted to construct a further three courts later this year.

The fantastic Operations Team and Tennis Coaches at Nottingham have been working tirelessly to engage with our community by growing our weekly

coaching programme to over 1,500 members, launching our own Tennis Leadership Academy to train the next generation of coaches and officials, and expanding our delivery of Barclays Free Parks Tennis to a second site!

It continues to be an exciting time for the Centre with a host of other new developments and initiatives planned for 2025 as we continue our quest to give you a world-class facility that you can be proud of! Why not follow us on our social media channels to keep up to date with the latest news – Instagram @thenottinghamtenniscentre – Facebook @TCNottm

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Throughout June, we'll be celebrating LGBTQ+ communities in tennis as part of Pride Month, including once again holding 'Friday Pride Day' at our events and telling stories from these communities, showing that tennis is a sport where everyone is welcome.

PLAYER PROFILES

WOMEN



PETRA KVITOVA

AGE: 35
NATIONALITY:
CZECHIA

A two-time winner of the Wimbledon singles title, Kvitová won the big prize at The All England Club in 2011 and 2014.

She achieved a career-high ranking of No.2 in October 2011 and is a two-time winner of the LTA's Birmingham Open (2017, 2018), as well as the LTA's Eastbourne Open (2022).



CLARA TAUSON

AGE: 22
NATIONALITY:
DENMARK

Tauson has enjoyed some impressive results over the last year, with her run to the fourth round at the 2024 French Open her best in a Grand Slam tournament.

She reached the final of the WTA 100 tournament in Dubai in February of this year, in a run that included a win against world No.1 Aryna Sabalenka.



BEATRIZ HADDAD MAIA

AGE: 29
NATIONALITY: BRAZIL

Haddad Maia broke into the top 10 of the WTA rankings for the first time in her career in June 2023 after a run to the French Open semi-finals.

She has won four titles on the WTA Tour and two on grass, as she won the 2022 Nottingham Open and lifted the title in Birmingham a year later.



ELISE MERTENS

AGE: 29
NATIONALITY:
BELGIUM

She achieved a career-high ranking of No.12 in November 2018, in a year that included a run to the semi-finals of the Australian Open.

Mertens has won nine WTA Tour titles in singles and is a four-time Grand Slam doubles champion, with a win at Wimbledon alongside partner Hsieh Su-wei in 2021 a career highlight.



LEYLAH FERNANDEZ

AGE: 22
NATIONALITY:
CANADA

Fernandez enjoyed one of her finest moments on a tennis court when she led Canada to victory in the 2023 Billie Jean King Cup.

A finalist at the 2021 US Open, she was beaten by Britain's Emma Raducanu in a memorable contest in New York. That run helped her to achieve a career-high WTA ranking of No.13.



LINDA NOSKOVA

AGE: 20
NATIONALITY:
CZECHIA

A quarter-finalist at last year's Australian Open, Nosková won her first WTA Tour title as she lifted the title at the Monterrey Open in Mexico last August.

She has some impressive wins on her record, including victories against Iga Swiatek, Jessica Pegula and Ons Jabeur.

PLAYER PROFILES

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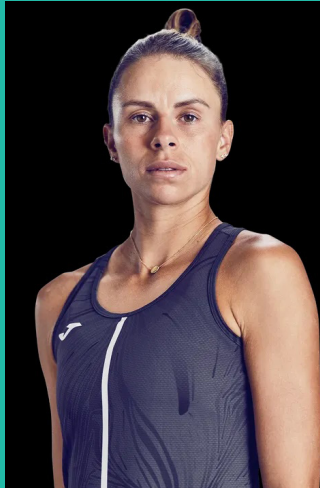


YULIA PUTINSEVA

AGE: 30
NATIONALITY:
KAZAKHSTAN

Putintseva highlighted her abilities on grass courts as she lifted the title at the LTA's Birmingham Open last year, beating Ajla Tomljanovic in the final.

She went on to beat top seed Iga Swiatek at Wimbledon last summer and also recorded a win against Coco Gauff at the WTA 1000 tournament in Cincinnati last August.



MAGDA LINETTE

AGE: 33
NATIONALITY:
POLAND

A semi-finalist at the 2023 Australian Open, the run in Melbourne helped Linette to secure a career-high ranking of world No.19 in March of that year.

She has won three WTA Tour titles, with the first coming at the Bronx Open before she claimed victory in the Hua Hin Championships in 2020. She went on to win the Prague Open last June.

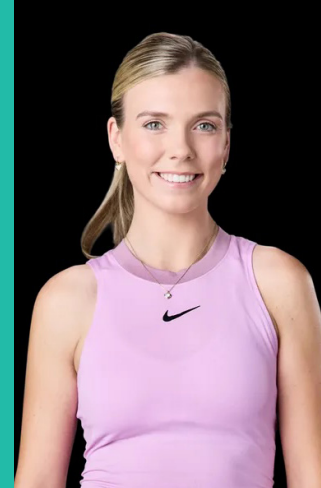


OLGA DANILOVIC

AGE: 24
NATIONALITY:
SERBIA

Danilovic started this year in impressive fashion with a run to the fourth round at the Australian Open, as she continued her rapid rise up the WTA rankings. That run in Melbourne included a win against world No.6 Jessica Pegula.

She has won two WTA Tour events, with the most recent coming with a victory at the Guangzhou International Women's Open in April.



KATIE BOULTER

AGE: 28
NATIONALITY:
GREAT BRITAIN

A two-time champion at the Nottingham Open, Boulter defended her title in impressive fashion last year as she beat Karolina Pliskova in the final.

She won her first WTA 500 title in the San Diego Open in March 2024 and she collected her first title on a clay court when she won the Clarins Open in France in May.



LULU SUN

AGE: 24
NATIONALITY:
NEW ZEALAND

Sun highlighted her prowess on grass courts last summer as she came through qualifying and made it through the quarter-finals at Wimbledon, beating Britain's Emma Raducanu in the fourth round.

She reached her first WTA Tour final last September, losing out against Linda Noskova in the Monterrey Open in Mexico.



SONAY KARTAL

AGE: 23
NATIONALITY:
GREAT BRITAIN

Brighton-born Kartal has been one of the stand-out performers in British tennis over the last year, breaking into the top 100 of the WTA rankings and winning her first WTA Tour title in Tunisia last September.

She is a fine grass court player and reached the third round at Wimbledon last year after coming through qualifying.

Kartal also made her Billie Jean King Cup debut for Great Britain in March, winning both of her matches as the team qualified for the finals.

STORYLINES IN THE MEN'S DRAW

THE ATP CHALLENGER TOUR HAS THROWN UP SOME COMPELLING STORYLINES THIS YEAR AND ANOTHER CHAPTER WILL BE ADDED AT THIS WEEK'S LEXUS NOTTINGHAM OPEN.

The list of former winners for this tournament includes some of the biggest names in tennis, with Andy Murray's memorable win here in 2023 proving to be the last title he won on his illustrious career.

Murray succeeded his fellow Brit, Dan Evans, as champion here in Nottingham, with America's Frances Tiafoe another notable winner in 2021.

Australia's Alex de Minaur has his name on the Nottingham Roll of Honour from 2019, with recently retired Frenchman Richard Gasquet and Britain's Greg Rusedski among the two-time winners of this tournament.

Britain's Jacob Fearnley was a hugely impressive champion here last year and now the race is on to lift the silver trophy that means so much this week.

The ATP Challenger Tour offers a stage for players looking to break through at the top of the game and



also provides a platform for players who have slipped down the rankings with a chance to climb back to the top.

Marin Cilic is one of those in the second category, as the 2014 US Open champion is eager to show he is still

●
Marin Cilic

●
Luca Nardi with
Novak Djokovic

●
Adrian Mannarino

●
Lloyd Harris

●
Christopher
Eubanks

a threat on his favourite surface at the age of 36.

The Croatian is a two-time winner of the LTA's Queen's Club tournament and he was a finalist at Wimbledon in 2017, where he lost against Roger Federer.

Luca Nardi is another player to look out for this week, with the Italian enjoying the finest moment of his career so far in March 2024, when he beat Novak Djokovic at the Indian Wells Masters.

Nardi is a seven-time winner on the ATP Challenger tour and has a career-high ranking of No.67.

American Brandon Holt ranks highly among the players who have won the most matches in Challengers in 2025 and he has also lifted two titles this year and he impressed once again at the Lexus Birmingham Open last week.

Christopher Eubanks is another player with a great story behind him, with his career hitting new heights in 2023 as he reached the quarter-finals at Wimbledon.

Eubanks is a polished broadcaster and offers impressive insight into the players at the top of the sport, but he still has ambitions on the court as well and will be keen to confirm that this week.

Veteran Italian Fabio Fognini posted his intention to play in Nottingham a few weeks after he waved an emotional farewell to his home fans as he played at the ATP 1000 Masters tournament in Rome for the last time.

Fognini achieved a career-high ranking of No.9 and has won nine titles on the ATP Tour, including the ATP Masters 1000 title in



Monte-Carlo in 2019 and he is not the only veteran playing here this week.

France's Adrian Mannarino will toast his 37th birthday later this month and he has shown he can produce some magical tennis on grass courts.

His win against Taylor Fritz at Wimbledon two years ago was one of his highlights on this surface and he has won two ATP Tour titles on grass courts.

South Africa's Lloyd Harris achieved the best result of his career as he

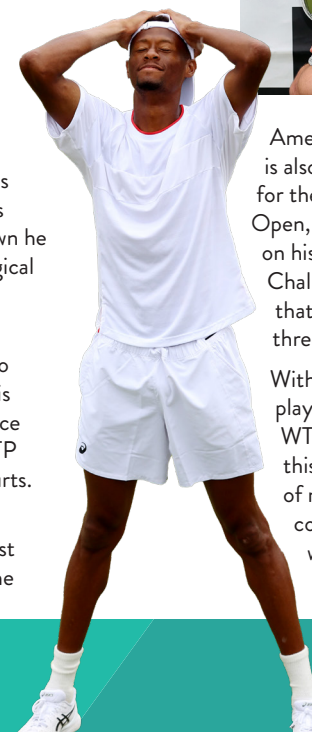
reached the quarter-finals at the 2021 US Open and he confirmed he relishes the chance to play on grass courts after winning the LTA tournament at Surbiton last year.

Hungary's Marton Fucsovics will also be eager to flex his grass court muscles this week, with the 2021 Wimbledon quarter-finalist an inventive player who has wins against top ten rivals Daniil Medvedev, Taylor Fritz and Andrey Rublev on his record.



America's Emilio Nava is also on the entry list for the Nottingham Open, as he looks to build on his impressive ATP Challenger Tour record that has seen him win three titles this season.

With some top quality players taking part in the WTA 250 event here this week, the blend of men's tennis will complete a perfect week at 2025 Lexus Nottingham Open.



HOW BRITISH TENNIS HAS CHANGED

IN NOVEMBER 2024 THE INTERNATIONAL TENNIS FEDERATION RELEASED THEIR GLOBAL TENNIS REPORT WHICH GIVES AN INSIGHT INTO TENNIS PARTICIPATION AROUND THE WORLD.

In that report, Britain ranks number one in the world for adult tennis participation per capita. Meaning more people are playing tennis here, per head of population, than nations such as the USA, Australia, France, Spain and Germany.

It's a powerful statement about the popularity of the sport and the turnaround in its fortunes in recent years.

Go back to 2019 and tennis participation had been falling for a number of years. The competition for people's leisure time was more intense than ever. Whilst Andy Murray had been an exceptional champion at the top of the game, Britain deserved more strength in depth in the professional game.

That year, following a review of the game, the LTA put in place a new vision for the organisation and a new strategy to grow tennis in Britain. The vision was 'Tennis Opened Up' and

the LTA's mission became growing tennis by making it relevant, accessible, welcoming and enjoyable. This approach gave everyone involved in tennis, whether they be players, coaches, officials, volunteers or administrators a clear direction to get behind.

There has been lots of hard work since then, and challenges to overcome, not least the pandemic. But the game is now in a stronger place.

At grass-roots level there has been huge growth in participation with 5.6million British adults playing tennis every year, a growth of 43 per cent over the last six years. Notably there has been growth across all demographics. 3.8million children now pick up a racket and play every year with a record high of 1.6million playing at least once a month.

Tennis is getting into more schools, through the LTA

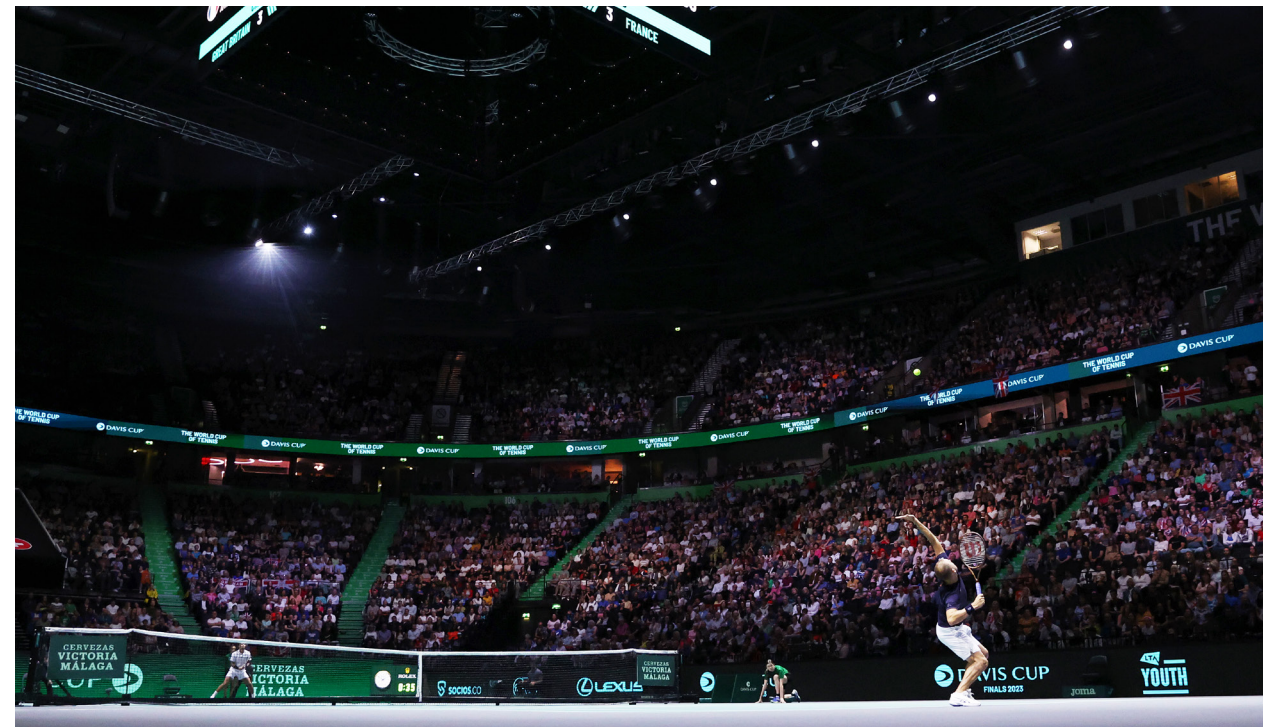


Tennis in the Community

3 Dan Evans serves at the Davis Cup in the AO Arena, Manchester
Emma Raducanu

Youth Schools programme, which delivers teacher training and vouchers for equipment. Over 50 per cent of schools in Great Britain have now signed up and the programme has trained over 28,000 teachers.

In 2023 the LTA launched a parks tennis programme with the UK Government designed to address the state of the nation's park courts, many of which had



fallen into disrepair and were in danger of being lost altogether. Using a combination of funding from Government, the LTA Tennis Foundation and local authorities, over 3,000 park tennis courts have been bought back to life and are now available for local communities for the long term.

At the elite level, performances on court continue to inspire the next generation. There have been outstanding performances in recent

years from the likes of Jack Draper, Emma Raducanu, Katie Boulter, Alfie Hewett and many more. In 2024, Great Britain had 11 players in the top 100 – the highest number since 1978. British players are now

regularly enjoying strong runs at events around the world.

During the past six years the LTA also launched the LTA Tennis Foundation to help improve lives through

tennis, and became the national governing body for Padel, now one of the fastest growing sports in Britain. There are over 850 courts in Great Britain compared to 50 back in 2019 and annual participation has grown from 15,000 to 400,000.

The LTA is committed to continuing to grow padel and tennis at all levels and build on the on-court successes of recent years, whilst the sport is reaching more people and communities across the length and breadth of Britain. There is further to go but the future for British tennis looks bright.



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Katie Boulter,
BRITA UK Ambassador



for women and girls from underserved communities to get involved in tennis.

Alongside this, the number of players playing monthly in the LTA's Open Court Programme, a national scheme that actively promotes and delivers opportunities for disabled people to get involved in tennis, reached a peak of more than 16,000 in 2024. Both of these programmes are supported by Sport England.

Elsewhere, the LTA hosted the second Tennis Black List event at the National Tennis Centre last June to celebrate tennis role models from the black and mixed black heritage communities. It also hosted the inaugural meeting of the Black Tennis Collective where five pioneering organisations from the black tennis community came together in the start of a powerful collaboration with LTA.

Over the next year and beyond the LTA will continue to engage with these and other diverse and underserved communities across the board to ensure tennis is opened up to as many people as possible.



Scan here to read more on the LTA's Inclusion Strategy!

OPEN FOR ALL

INCLUSION IS AT THE HEART OF EVERYTHING THAT THE LTA DOES.

Wide ranging actions have been delivered as part of the LTA's Inclusion Strategy to drive participation and engagement with women and girls, underserved communities and people with an impairment.

The LTA's She Rallies ambition continues to lead the way towards tennis becoming a truly gender balanced sport with a focus on the areas where the LTA can make the most difference – participation, workforce and the visibility of tennis.

The LTA has also launched further initiatives to open tennis up to underserved groups through its Breaking Down Barriers plan and to open up tennis to more people with an impairment through targeted actions in its Open for All plan. Alongside

this, it has continued to build on collaborations with organisations such as Pride in Tennis.

The successful LTA SERVES programme, which helps young people who might not previously have had the opportunity to experience tennis, continues to see high numbers of players on court each month. There were 701 venues delivering the programme in 2024 in community centres, youth clubs, faith venues and other places for a record total of 33,676 children and young people.

More than 100 children across London came together at a tennis festival last summer as part of the LTA SERVES Level Up London project – funded by the LTA Tennis Foundation – which provides more opportunities

ACE-ING GENDER EQUALITY

ON AND OFF THE COURT, TENNIS HAS SET THE AGENDA FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SPORT FOR WELL OVER 100 YEARS. PLENTY OF PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE BUT THE LTA WANT TO DO EVEN MORE TO ENCOURAGE WOMEN AND GIRLS OF ALL AGES TO BE INVOLVED IN THE SPORT.

The LTA believes that sport can be one of the most powerful platforms for promoting gender equality and empowering women and girls. However, in an era when we're now seeing women's sport in general getting a greater, but not yet fair, share of the headlines and coverage, there's still work to be done, including in tennis.

That's why, in June 2022, the LTA launched *She Rallies*—the LTA's commitment to making British tennis fully gender-equal at every level. This initiative is a key part of the LTA's vision, *Tennis Opened Up*, and is at the heart of everything being done, looking deeper into the areas where positive change can be affected. To drive meaningful change, this summer, the LTA is refreshing the *She Rallies* plan with bold, targeted actions that will accelerate progress toward gender parity. The focus remains on delivering impactful initiatives that create lasting change, ensuring a more inclusive and equitable future for women and girls in tennis.



The core of *She Rallies* revolves around three pillars that together will help ensure tennis becomes even more relevant, accessible, welcoming, inspiring and enjoyable for women and girls:

- **Participation:** Targeted activity to increase participation in tennis among women and girls, to close the gender gap
- **Workforce:** Provide the support and

opportunities needed for more women to join and progress within the tennis workforce, and supporting the whole workforce to better understand and cater for female needs.

- **Visibility:** Inspiring women and girls through increased female representation, driving greater visibility of women's tennis reflective of its status as a leading women's sport.



At the elite level, women's tennis in Great Britain has gained momentum with the launch of a new WTA 500 tournament, The HSBC Championships at The Queen's Club which is set to showcase top-class women's tennis at one of the most iconic venues in the country. The HSBC Championships is the highest level of tournament in Great Britain outside of Wimbledon. These moments are crucial in inspiring more girls to see a future for themselves in the sport. Since 2022, the *She Rallies* initiative has seen major milestones, especially in boosting visibility. Hosting the Billie Jean King Cup

Finals in Glasgow was a standout moment, with Team GB reaching the semi-finals for the first time since 1981 — a feat they repeated last year in Malaga. British talent has also made a mark globally, with five players — Emma Raducanu, Katie Boulter, Harriet Dart, Sonay Kartal, and Jodie Burrage — breaking into the WTA top 100.

There has been a strong focus on supporting female coaches at all levels of the game, from championing the WTA Inclusion Programme to prepare female coaches for life on the WTA tour to the recruitment of female activators who deliver sessions in local parks.

Exciting progress has been made in breaking down barriers for girls thanks to programmes like *Prime Video LTA Youth Girls*— supported by Amazon. Following Emma Raducanu's inspiring US Open victory, 10,000 new girls have been inspired and introduced to tennis, sparking a new wave of enthusiasm.

The LTA is working closely in partnership with Women in Sport to build understanding and expertise on female participation in sport. In 2024 the LTA launched a groundbreaking new course for coaches which examines the psychosocial factors influencing girls' participation and supports coaches with practical ways to positively address barriers and build confidence and competence with young girls.

More women on committees, as coaches, as officials and on the courts will set the foundation for tennis to become truly gender equal at every level. Increasing the number of women playing regularly remains a key priority. There's still more to achieve, but with each step forward, the LTA is committed to making tennis in Britain a sport where women and girls can thrive.

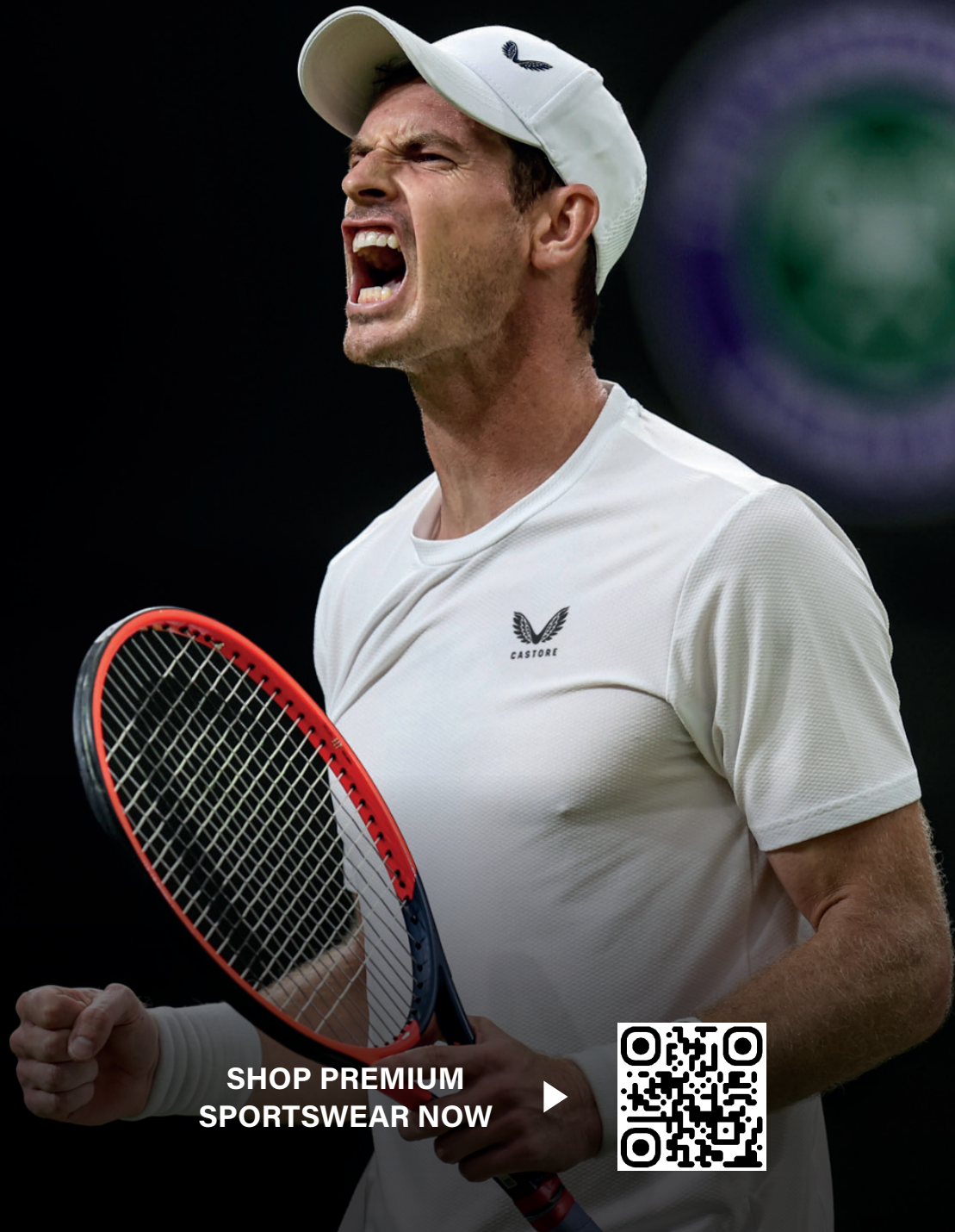


You can find out more about LTA's *She Rallies* here.



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LTA Open Court is the national programme that actively promotes and delivers opportunities for disabled people to get involved in tennis and padel. Partnered with and jointly funded by Sport England and the LTA Tennis Foundation, the programme provides disability-specific sessions for tennis and padel – including learning disability, wheelchair, para-standing, visually impaired, deaf, walking and sensory tennis.

The LTA is also expanding the programme into other long-term health conditions and mental health. Through the LTA's national partnerships they are working to open the sport up to a wider range of audiences including Parkinson's UK, AOC Sport, Sense, Access Sport, Sport in Mind and Youth Sports Trust.



LTA Open Court is one of the largest disability programmes of its kind in any sport. Last year alone:

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HOMEGROWN HEROES

THE 2024 NOTTINGHAM OPEN BATTLED AGAINST ADVERSE WEATHER THROUGHOUT A CHALLENGING WEEK, BUT IT ENDED GLORIOUSLY FOR BRITISH TENNIS AS TWO HOMEGROWN SINGLES CHAMPIONS WERE CROWNED.

In the WTA 250 tournament, British No.1 Katie Boulter retained her Nottingham singles title in style, while Jacob Fearnley won his first ATP Tour Challenger title on home soil as he kicked off what proved to be a breakthrough summer for the Scot.

Boulter and Fearnley's victories ensured Nottingham toasted two British singles winners for a second successive year, with Boulter and Andy Murray lifting the titles in Nottingham in 2023.

It is also the first time a British woman and man won a tour-level event on the same day since Roger Taylor and Ann Jones in 1971 – after Jack Draper captured his first ATP title in Stuttgart on a memorable Sunday of tennis.

Boulter had a huge task in front of a big crowd at the Lexus Nottingham Tennis Centre on finals day, as 2016 champion and former world No.1 Karolina Pliskova proved to be a formidable opponent before the British No.1 won 4-6, 6-3, 6-2 in an hour and 56 minutes



to lift the Elena Baltacha Trophy once again.

It ensured she became the first player to win the WTA Tour event in Nottingham in consecutive years, after she became one of only three British players to lift the trophy after Baltacha and Johanna Konta.

With the schedule falling behind due to persistent rain in Nottingham, Boulter needed to win two matches on the final day to seal her win.

After coming from a set down to defeat fellow Brit Emma Raducanu, she then sealed a thrilling win against the 2021 Wimbledon runner-up Pliskova.

"This is a little bit of deja vu, I'm not exactly sure if I'm dreaming or if this just happened," said an elated Boulter after her win. "It's great for me. I came here to get a couple of matches, but I maybe didn't expect this straight away.

"I'm very happy to win this title. I never thought it would happen again. I thought it would be one time in Nottingham, but this one is very special to me."

In the men's tournament, it was a thrilling week for Fearnley in the ATP Tour Challenger tournament, who also had to play two matches on the final Sunday to lift the biggest title of his career.

After defeating Italy's Mattia Bellucci 6-3, 6-1 in the semi-final earlier in the day, Fearnley returned just a few hours later to defeat fellow Brit, Charles Broom, in two hours and one minute.

Fearnley's win saw him become the fourth British man to win the Paul Hutchins trophy, as he followed in the footsteps of Andy Murray (2023), Dan Evans (2019 & 2022) and Greg Rusedski (1997 & 2003).

"This is the best tournament I've ever played and it was

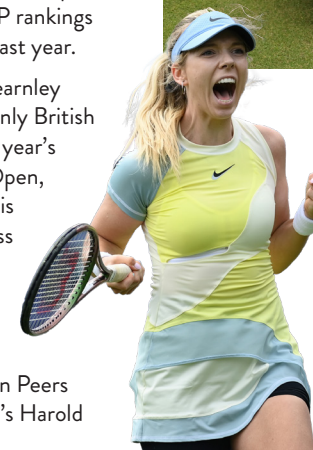


a privilege to play on these grass courts," Fearnley said.

"If you told me at the start of the week that I was going to be the champion I would have laughed. I am just super happy and can't believe it."

The young Brit from Edinburgh has enjoyed a stellar year since his breakthrough win in Nottingham, as he won his first match at Wimbledon last summer and broke into the top 100 of the ATP rankings by the end of last year.

Boulter and Fearnley were not the only British winners at last year's Nottingham Open, as Marcus Willis enjoyed success in the men's doubles as he teamed up with Australia's John Peers to beat France's Harold



Mayot and Australia's Luke Saville 6-1, 6-7(1), 10-7 in the final.

In the women's doubles, top seeds Canada's Gabriela Dabrowski and New Zealand's Erin Routliffe defeated Britain's Harriet Dart and Diane Parry 5-7, 6-3, 11-9 in an hour and 42 minutes to lift the trophy.

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While the professional players may grab the headlines and the glory, it is the volunteers at the LTA's network of parks, clubs and venues across the country who are the lifeblood of the game and drive participation. The awards celebrate innovation, community engagement and growth across venues and programmes.

This year's grassroot winners, selected from more than 2,000 nominations across 12 different categories, were honoured at a glittering ceremony at the National Tennis Centre in Roehampton. Guest presenters such as Sue Barker, Laura Robson, Andrew Castle and Sir Trevor McDonald handed out the coveted trophies.

Nine British tennis and padel stars were also honoured in the elite player categories. Katie Boulter was named Female Player of the Year after a standout season including her first WTA 500 title in San Diego.



Jack Draper was named Male Player of the Year after winning his first ATP title, reaching the US Open semi-final, and becoming British No.1. Doubles Player of the Year went to Henry Patten. The sportsman swept up three ATP titles and a maiden Grand Slam title at Wimbledon.

Alfie Hewett won Wheelchair Player of the Year after completing a career Grand Slam with his first Wimbledon singles title.

Sandi Procter, as President of the LTA, oversees the awards. She believes that recognising champions at all levels of the game is very important.

She said: "I'm passionate about grassroots tennis and I'm always keen to recognise the dedication, hard work and achievements of our volunteers.

"The awards are an opportunity to celebrate the people that make our sport what it is. They are vital in helping us to encourage people to pick up a racket regardless of their age or ability, or who they are, or where they come from."



Scan the QR code to find out more about the 2025 LTA Awards.

KATIE'S COMING HOME

KATIE BOULTER IS INSPIRED WHEN SHE STEPS ON A GRASS COURT AT THE LEXUS NOTTINGHAM OPEN.

Leicester-born Boulter enjoyed the biggest moment of her career when she beat her friend and fellow Brit Jodie Burrage to win her first WTA Tour title here in 2023, with her career going on a huge upward trajectory after that victory.

A move into the top 30 of the world rankings ensured entry to the biggest tournaments in the sport and she has maintained that position with her first WTA 500 title victory and the successful defence of her title here at the Nottingham Tennis Centre last June, beating 2021 US Open champion Emma Raducanu and former Wimbledon finalist Karolina Pliskova en-route to that victory.

"To win your home tournament, at a venue where you used to train as a kid, is something I can't even begin to describe," Boulter said.

"Last year was so incredible – to lift my second title in Nottingham, in front of my friends, family and the British crowd is a memory that I will cherish forever.



"The LTA's Lexus Nottingham Open is one of my favourite events of the year and I always love coming back. I've become too attached to this trophy now and I am ready to give it all out there to keep it. Nottingham has a strong history of British champions, and I want to become the first player to win this title three years in a row."

Boulter enjoyed a thrilling moment in her career last month as she won her first title on clay in a W125 event

in Paris, with that success ensuring she now has won tournaments on all surfaces.

"I've always known clay is going to be my toughest surface but I never really gave myself the chance to play well on it and build on it," said Boulter, who went on to win her first match at the French Open the following week.

"With injuries, and the timing of them, last year was my first clay-court season. I felt my level last year was really



improving, so it was great to get that win on clay."

Now Boulter has her focus back on grass courts and she is eager to make her mark with the support of the British fans in Nottingham.

"It's a very difficult feeling to describe to someone when you play at home," stated Boulter. "If you can imagine that you're walking onto a court, you've got your full team behind you, and then you've got your whole country behind you.

"It feels like people are lifting you up, making things easier for you and really getting behind you. It makes such a difference to all the players.

"I think it means so much more to them knowing

that everyone's invested in you, and everyone wants you to do well."

Boulter won her first clay court title as she claimed victory in the WTA 125 event in Paris last month and now she is eager to get back onto a surface that has given her some of her best moments.

"I feel like this year is for me about going out and having a swing," she added. "I've missed a couple of tournaments now with an injury and sometimes freak injuries happen and unfortunately, that happened to me at the

start of the year, and the road to recovery can be incredibly long.

"There's a big season to play and my goal is to get myself back in the shape that I was in at the start of the year.

"If I can put that tennis on the court, then I do strongly feel like I've got a great chance at some of the biggest events.

I've just got to keep working hard and hope the rewards come for me."

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Evert won 18 Grand Slam singles titles and her rivalry with Martina Navratilova serves up some of the most iconic battles in tennis history.

In an exclusive interview for this programme conducted while she was working for TNT Sports at Roland-Garros, Evert looks back on her story, how tennis has changed and her enduring friendship with her greatest rival.

How much has women's tennis changed since your time on court? I get asked this a lot and often reflect on it like this. I always remember watching Mark Spitz win seven gold medals at the 1972 Olympic Games and now we see women swimming the same distance quicker than he ever did. So, of course, things change and that is the case in every sport. The standards always go up. With new technology, new information, improvements in sports science and better training methods, standards have gone up. Tennis players are training like Olympic athletes. We

never trained like that when I started in the sport. We went into the gym and did our 10lbs weights and we ran two miles and tried to stay fit the best we could, but the training, physically and everything around the game looks very different.

Did tennis lead the way in the drive for equality in sport? Absolutely. In the early 1970s, we got equal prize money with the men at the US Open for the first time. That was a big moment. Now we have it for all the Grand Slam tournaments. It is to the credit of Billie Jean King and the women who led the way with her that they created a professional circuit that gave women a chance to earn a good living. There wasn't any other professional women's sports then, so what they did created a legacy that has had an impact not just in tennis, but in so many sports to this day. Our sport paved the way, no doubt about that.

What are your memories of the early days of that professional era? We were trying to create a tour that could possibly allow 200-

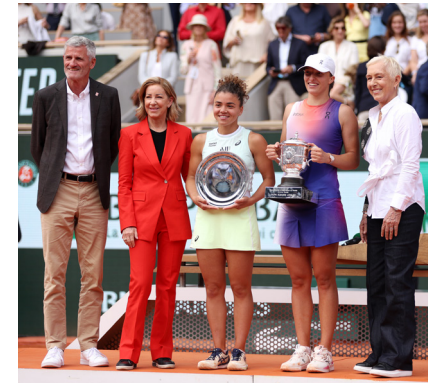


300 women to earn a living. Winning Grand Slams was not a priority for us at that time. I missed 12 Australian Opens and three French Opens because our priority was playing the Virginia Slims Tour and trying to build that into a platform that could sustain women's professional tennis. The men had people doing this for them, building their tour. We had to do that ourselves.

How much influence did the players have in those early days over the direction of the game? A lot more than they do now. We were a much smaller group

of people and if Martina (Navratilova) or I said we didn't want something to happen, it didn't happen. Now, the sport is such a big business and we are talking about billions of dollars involved in tennis all over the globe with endorsements, sponsorships and TV. So it's better that we have professionals running that side of the game and those who are on the players' council with the WTA Tour can also have an input.

Who are your favourite players in the women's game today? It's tough to pick a winner heading into a Grand Slam event right now. Women's tennis was great when we had big rivalries like me and Martina, it was



great when Serena Williams was dominating and now it's great because one of six to eight players could win a major. I could give you a case of Iga Swiatek winning any tournament she enters and the same goes for Aryna Sabalenka. Coco Gauff has ironed out her forehand a

little and now needs to work on her serve. Jasmine Paolini has been just great for the women's game and the way she has come through. It's an interesting time for women's tennis and I'm excited to see what comes next.

Do you still see a lot of Martina Navratilova? All the time. We are making a documentary together. When we were playing, we were as friendly as rivals could be. It wasn't until the end of our careers that we got close. Then when we both had cancer at the same time, we got even closer. We were in the trenches together for many years. When the rivalry ended, there was no pressure between us.

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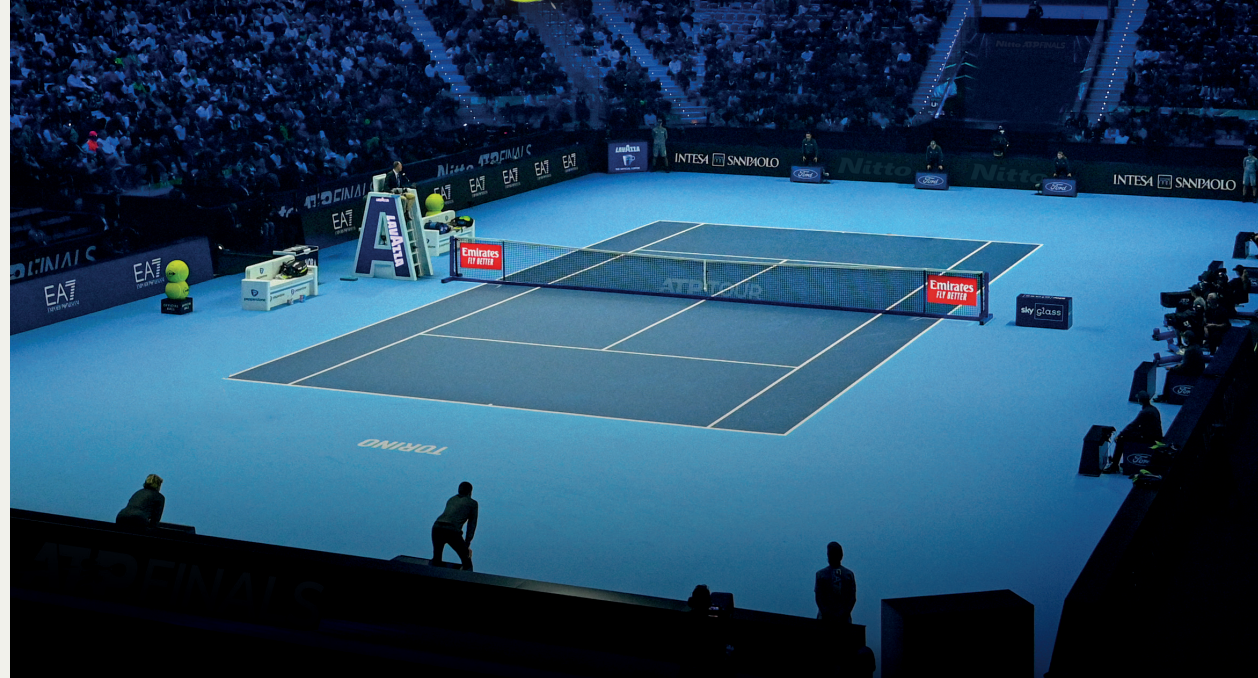
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This is important for tennis at all levels, from Grand Slams to local park sessions. A greater number of tennis venues than ever are at risk of regular and more severe flooding, while more extreme temperatures are increasingly impacting delivery of events, and the wellbeing of players who participate at them.

The LTA's Environmental Sustainability Plan is focused on securing a lasting future for tennis in Britain, using the power of tennis to change attitudes

towards sustainability and bring about positive change.

The LTA has produced a range of resources for tennis venues to help them to be more sustainable, no matter their membership size or number of courts, such as by reducing energy usage, supporting biodiversity, or eliminating waste.

Through the LTA Buying Group, venues are able to secure preferential rates across areas like green energy tariffs, solar panel installation and electric vehicle

charging points, whilst the LTA Tennis Foundation's Quick-Access Loan Scheme offers funding to venues for transition to more energy-efficient floodlighting.

Most tennis balls will only be played with for 4-6 hours on court, but each ball can take up to 300 years to degrade in landfill. The LTA has been working with providers to roll out tennis ball recycling at venues across Great Britain to ensure that balls are recycled for use in other products.



Ben Shelton delivers leftover food to local community project to support the LTA's sustainability efforts



- Water refill stations for spectators, players and officials to fill their water bottles for free and remove over 220,000 single use plastic bottles, thanks to a partnership with BRITA

Play Your Part

Whilst everyone in British tennis must pull together to play their part, as a fan and spectator there are some things you can do which can make a big difference:

- Use your own reusable bottle to fill up at one of BRITA's refill stations
- Choose a low carbon option from one of the menus onsite
- Use the right bin for your waste
- Use public transport to travel to and from events
- Return your reusable cup if you've had a drink
- Make a pledge with the return of the LTA Pledgeball League.

The LTA Pledgeball League, encourages venues, coaches and players to commit pledges to make their day-to-day lives more sustainable, everyone who makes a pledge will be entered into the draw to win a pair of tickets to the HSBC Championships WTA 500 event held at The Queen's Club in 2026!



Scan the QR code to make a nature-friendly pledge and enter into the draw!

Over 220,000 single-use bottles were saved last year, thanks to the BRITA partnership

All tournament fleet vehicles used across LTA events are hybrid and nearly 50 per cent are fully electric models, thanks to the partnership with Lexus

The Grass Court Season

The LTA Grass Court Season attracts thousands of fans every year, and it is vital that the events put as many measures as possible in place to reduce any potential harmful environmental impact. The LTA has introduced a number of steps to make their events more environmentally friendly, including:


- Using Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil (HVO) fuel to power temporary generators on-site, which results in 90 per cent less emissions than standard fuels
- All tournament fleet vehicles used across LTA events are hybrid and nearly 50 per cent are fully electric models, thanks to a partnership with Lexus
- Donating more than two tonnes of food to local food charities to reduce food waste

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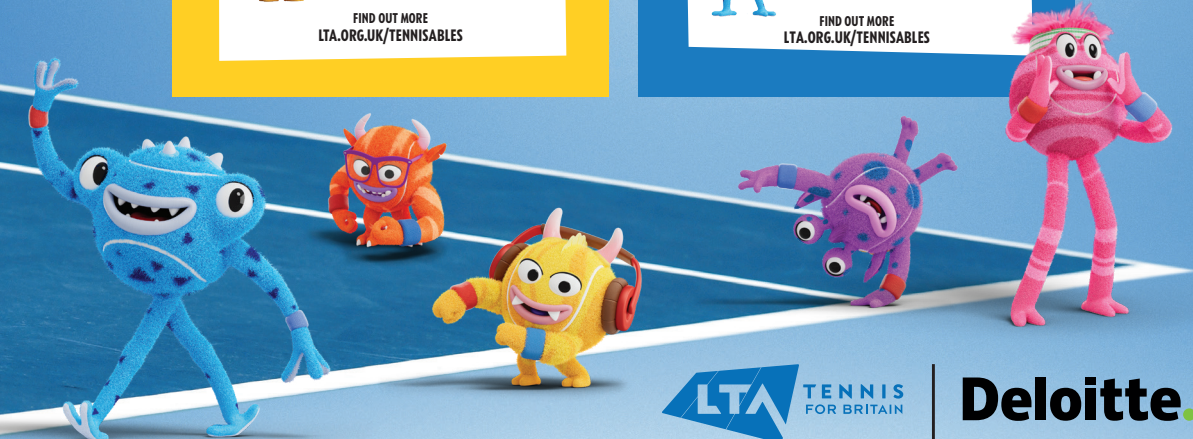
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LTA SERVES is the industry's leading sport for development programme, it takes tennis into the heart of local communities, to those who may never have had the opportunity to play before, or thought the sport wasn't for them. It's all about having fun with friends, keeping mentally and physically fit while learning new skills beyond the tennis court.

Through the power of tennis, the LTA helps more children, young people and adults build their self-confidence, expand knowledge around health and wellbeing and also support community cohesion.

The LTA empowers and equips over 2,000 trained community leaders in 880 venues throughout Britain. The LTA's support includes equipment and resources to deliver tennis in non-traditional venues. The LTA offer volunteers, leaders and youth workers the training and skills they need to run fun and engaging tennis sessions for children and young people in their communities.



"It doesn't matter if you've never picked up a racket before – if you want to help more children, young people and adults from communities get active playing our sport then you could become an Activator."

"You don't need any equipment or a tennis court – just bring enthusiasm and the LTA will help you with the rest."

KIRAN MATHARU
EDI Programme Manager – Underserved Communities

No court, no problem – LTA SERVES can be delivered anywhere including community centres, youth clubs, faith venues and other places.

Who can get involved?

LTA SERVES encourages any community venue, local, regional or national organisations to get involved in the programme and bring tennis and its benefits to their community.

If you look after a venue, a community group, or even if you're a parent or guardian of someone attending a local venue and want to find out how you can run LTA SERVES or become an Activator – contact the LTA via the QR code.



LTA TENNIS FOUNDATION

THE LTA TENNIS FOUNDATION'S MISSION IS TO IMPROVE LIVES THROUGH TENNIS, ENSURING THAT EVERY CHILD, YOUNG PERSON, AND ADULT CAN ACCESS THE UNIQUE AND LIFE-CHANGING BENEFITS THAT TENNIS OFFERS.

The LTA Tennis Foundation is committed to working in all parts of Great Britain with a particular focus on diverse and underserved communities where the game is less well established.

How the LTA Tennis Foundation makes an impact

Supporting organisations

- Financially supporting and collaborating with charities and organisations embedded within their communities, who use tennis as a force for good.

Enabling communities and schools

- Funding expertise and equipment to make tennis accessible to all.

Developing facilities

- Improving access to tennis by developing, often neglected, facilities and courts.

Since its launch in 2022, almost two million people have been positively impacted by the LTA Tennis Foundation.



"The LTA Tennis Foundation-funded programme, Raise My Game, has improved pupil health, wellbeing, confidence, social skills and helped them build new friendships; furthermore, by providing regular access to coaching, it has given them new lifelong skills and a passion for the sport of tennis."

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LTA TENNIS FOUNDATION CHARITY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT:

RACKETS CUBED



Founded in 2016, Rackets Cubed are a registered UK charity that delivers integrated STEM education, rackets sports and nutrition programmes. They work with Key-Stage 2 children in underserved areas and currently support over 1,000 children per week across the UK.

Rackets Cubed target children on free school meals, from low-income families or those who do not get extracurricular opportunities outside of school. Many children who attend are living in food poverty, suffer with low confidence and have low attendance and attainment at school. The programmes ensure that these children receive a fun-filled session that is engaging and motivating, something that the children belong to and that benefits the whole child.

What the LTA Tennis Foundation funded:

The LTA Tennis Foundation awarded a grant to Rackets Cubed to deliver their community tennis programme which targets underserved communities, aiming to make children happier, healthier, and more confident. The programme



draws upon a unique combination of racket sports, STEM education and nutrition, reaching out to children who need the opportunity most.

They work with primary schools to target Key Stage 2 children who live in some of the country's most underserved areas, including Nottingham.

Children attend a weekly after-school session and take part in a Rackets Sport coaching session and a STEM education lesson, all topped off with a nutritious meal. These sessions are entirely funded so attendance is free. It is a regular, fun opportunity where the selected children can socialise, learn and be active with positive role models.



"I have nothing but praise for the whole programme, the support and involvement from Rackets Cubed, the brilliant tennis coaching and facilities and the wonderful food. The children thoroughly enjoy the whole experience but particularly enjoy the tennis. However, they do appreciate the development in their confidence in Maths due to the programme. As a teacher, I value the personal and social side of the experience too. The children have to work with different adults from an outdoor centre each week, and this is a valuable ability to adapt to different surroundings and people. It's a fantastic and rare opportunity for a lot of our children and we really appreciate the chance that Rackets Cubed has given us as a school."

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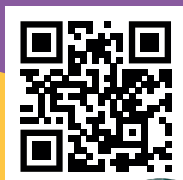
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OFFICIALS

Almost all LTA events and competitions in Great Britain wouldn't be possible without the support of officials. There are multiple officiating roles, from Competition Organisers at local tournaments all the way up to Chair Umpires at Grand Slam events, the LTA supports each and every official to reach their aspirations in the game.

Similar to the LTA Coach Accreditation Scheme,

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ACTIVATORS

Activators play a vital role in helping take tennis to people and places it has never been before. These individuals are currently helping deliver a multitude of programmes, including LTA SERVES and Barclays Free Park Tennis sessions across communities in Great Britain. Activators are facilitators of play (as opposed to coaching), focus on creating a sense of belonging and community, and help to make the sport enjoyable and accessible to anyone starting out.

The LTA helps Activators in community groups and venues to facilitate tennis with easy to access training, extensive resources and lesson plans, as well as providing essential equipment.

VOLUNTEERS

Over 25,000 people choose to volunteer in tennis

across Britain, whether it be supporting at local courts and venues, or helping at the LTA Major Events in the summer.

There are a wide variety of ways to volunteer in tennis and the LTA offers guidance, training and support for people looking to get involved, as well as venues looking to recruit different roles.

“Getting involved in the delivery of tennis can be fantastically rewarding. Be that organising competitions, providing coaching, or getting people to play for the first time, tennis is an exciting industry where you get to keep fit, work with great people and learn lots of great skills for life - be that on or off the court.”

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THE COACHING PATHWAY

MEET 17 YEAR-OLD NAZAR, WHO STARTED PLAYING TENNIS AT THE LEXUS NOTTINGHAM TENNIS CENTRE NEARLY 10 YEARS AGO AND IS NOW AN LTA QUALIFIED LEVEL 1 TENNIS ASSISTANT.

Competing in Division 1 of the Youth National League has been great experience for Nazar who says “I’m really competitive, I don’t like to lose, but consistently playing at such a high level, I’ve learned to accept that losing is part of tennis.” Nazar notes that this has really helped her approach to coaching as it has emphasised the importance that tennis isn’t all about the result but the enjoyment experienced through playing the game.

When discussing the decision to undertake the LTA Level 1 Tennis Assistant qualification, Nazar admits “If I’m being honest, I never thought about doing my Level 1 but then in Year 11 I had to find work experience”. After speaking to Dave Everington, Tennis Manager at the Lexus Nottingham Centre Nazar secured a week of work experience. “It grew on me,” says Nazar, “It just happened. I thought, ‘I like this’ and then when I heard about the female only LTA Assistant course, I thought, I’m doing it, I’m going to start off my coaching career.”

Now balancing her studies with her role as a Tennis Assistant, Nazar has worked with a multitude of different groups, mainly supporting the younger Red ball and Orange ball sessions but also volunteering with the Yellow ball groups to gain more experience. “I’ve also assisted on a wheelchair session which was amazing” notes Nazar.

“Seeing children improve and gaining confidence is such a pleasant thing to see”, comments Nazar, “I’ve worked with a young person who had never held a racket before and seeing them improve week on week is so inspiring.”



When discussing her thoughts on developing her coaching career, Nazar proudly states that she’s already preparing to undertake the LTA Level 2 Instructor qualification. The conversation then turned to how tennis will continue to be a part of her life after studying. “I’m never thinking of leaving tennis, even if it is as a part time job while I’m at university. I would love to continue coaching part time, maybe one day full time. You never know.”



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The LTA's Quick Access Loan scheme, funded by the LTA Tennis Foundation (LTA TF), aims to increase participation in tennis and padel while ensuring long-term sustainability for venues and the people who play at them.

The scheme aligns with the LTA and LTA TF's vision of "Tennis Opened Up" by requiring every approved application to include a community element, thereby enabling more people to enjoy the sport.

Since 2019, £11 million from the LTA TF has been invested across Great Britain, unlocking almost £16m of partnership funding, and revitalising courts and venues from the Channel Islands to Scotland. These venues offer more than just a place to play; they serve as communities where people can connect with friends and enjoy the game.

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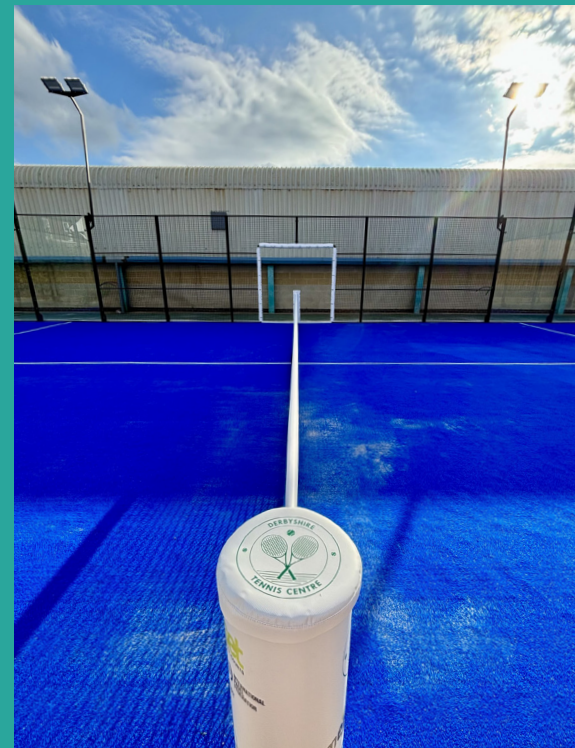
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THE VENUE

Derbyshire Tennis Centre is owned by Derbyshire Tennis Limited, a non-profit organisation which invests income generated back into Derbyshire Tennis. There are two indoor courts, and three newly resurfaced outdoor astroturf floodlit courts. The centre runs an extensive coaching programme for all ages and abilities.

THE PROJECT

Derbyshire Tennis Centre was awarded a Quick Access Loan from the LTA TF to develop one padel court on an undersized tennis court. The court is community accessible, and the centre is situated in one of the most underserved areas of the city. It was completed in October 2024.



"We are immensely grateful to the LTA and LTA Tennis Foundation for their support - without their funding this project would never have happened.

"We want to make sure everyone has the chance to play regardless of age, background, or ability. Our court is the cheapest in Derby so that it's accessible to all members of the community. The court is now well established, and we are seeing new players coming every week and trying it out and it has proved to be a tremendous success.

"Becoming a player at Derbyshire Tennis Centre opens up a world of opportunities to improve, connect with fellow players, and truly enjoy tennis and padel in a dynamic and supportive environment. Come and join us."

ROB HAWKINS

Centre Manager, Derbyshire Tennis Centre

THE IMPACT

- Derbyshire Tennis Centre's first padel court
- More than 150 players
- The high-quality court is the lowest priced padel court in Derby
- Available to both non-members and members

Scan the QR code to find out more - Quick Access Loan Scheme for tennis facilities



UNLEASHING TALENT

SONAY KARTAL COULD NOT HAVE IMAGINED THE JOURNEY SHE WAS ABOUT TO EMBARK ON AS SHE WAS RANKED JUST OUTSIDE THE TOP 300 OF THE WTA RANKINGS IN MAY 2024.

After a year that started with a health scare, her win in an ITF World Tennis Tour tournament in Monzón, Spain kick-started a thrilling summer for Kartal, as she reached the quarter-finals of the LTA's Ilkley Trophy before emerging through a tough qualifying tournament to book her place in the main draw at Wimbledon.

Victory against No.29 seed Sorana Cirstea gave her a first Grand Slam win and she backed up by a battling triumph against Clara Burel at the All England Club, which earned Kartal a shot at No.2 seed Coco Gauff.

Then reigning US Open champion Gauff proved to be too strong in a match played on No.1 Court at Wimbledon, but that was not the end of Kartal's ruse. She sealed a maiden WTA Tour title last September at the Jasmin Open in Tunisia and won another title at the W100 tournament at Shrewsbury in October,

with that win on home soil securing her a rise to the top 100 of the WTA rankings for the first time.

Kartal has kicked on again in 2025 by reaching the fourth round at the WTA 1000 event at Indian Wells, where she was beaten by world No.1 Aryna Sabalenka, with the top 50 of the WTA rankings now very much in her sights.

Kartal also made an impressive debut in the Billie Jean King Cup, as she won both of her singles matches to help Great Britain qualify for the Finals later this year.

As she looks back on her breakthrough year, she does so with real pride and also excitement for what is to come.

"I'm super proud of the last year and it's happened very fast for me," said Kartal, who is supported by the LTA's Pro Scholarship Programme, the elite programme for the game's top young players in Britain.



"For so long, I was doing things really well on the practice court and I was taking good care of things off the court, so I was trusting that it would come out on the match court.

"Each match I'm playing, I feel like a different person. I've got more experience and a lot more belief in my game now.

"The transition from ITF to WTA matches is tough.



I definitely took a lot of first round losses when I was making that transition. Your weaknesses get exposed when you are playing the higher-level matches, but I think it's also where you find your game, what works well, and what you need to work on.

"The biggest thing I noticed was that mentally, you can't switch off. Every point you need to be present and it can be a matter of points where you have a dip in focus and can lose the match."

Kartal's breakthrough 2024 successes confirmed she has the weapons required to compete at the highest level of the game, with her match against former US Open champion Gauff at Wimbledon

giving her a chance to appreciate the challenges of competing against a Grand Slam champion.

"Wimbledon was special," she continued. "Winning my first Grand Slam main draw match and doing it at your home Slam made the moment and experience so much more special.

"It was the first time that everything I was working on and all the things I was trying so hard to change came together on the match court and to do it on the biggest stage is something I was super proud of.

"I learned so much from that match against Coco. You go into it feeling like you have to bring your best game, you have to be perfect. I

feel like you almost have to overplay. That can sometimes overcomplicate things, and that's what I think I did in that match and I have learned from that.

"I'd been knocking on the door for quite some time, but not managing to pull through in those big matches.

"I always felt like my level was there despite having a lot of areas to work on, but now I am learning how to win these matches."

At the age of 23, the unassuming Kartal headed into this year's grass court season with a very different mindset after breaking into the top 50 of the WTA rankings for the first time earlier this month.

SMALLER COURT, BIG FUN

PADEL IS A FUN AND SOCIAL SPORT THAT'S EASY TO LEARN AND IS PLAYED ON A SMALLER, ENCLOSED COURT ROUGHLY ONE-THIRD THE SIZE OF A TENNIS COURT.

Its accessibility makes it suitable for players of all ages and skill levels. Beginners can get into the game quickly, even with no prior experience, players can serve, rally, and play points from their first session. This means you can start enjoying the physical benefits right away.

In 2019, the LTA became the national governing body for the sport in Great Britain. Significant investment has been directed towards developing and supporting padel in Britain from grassroots level. Becoming the national governing body for a sport that is still developing, presents several hugely exciting opportunities which could see padel become one of the country's most popular sports.

Between 2020 and 2024, the number of courts grew from 50 to more than 750, where in addition to private investment, the LTA and LTA Tennis Foundation have invested £6 million into the sport, including into 40 padel facility projects funding a total of 75 new courts. Alongside this, annual participation has grown from 6,000 to 235,000, and the LTA has launched new coaching courses, competition structures, and a performance pathway to support Britain's best players as they build their profile on the sport's global stage.

It has been an exciting year so far for the LTA Padel developments. In February, the LTA appointed Libby Fletcher as National Performance Pathway Manager



The LTA has been leading the growth of padel in Britain by focusing on three key areas:

GROWING THE GAME

Laying the foundation for padel by developing courts nationwide, attracting new players, and creating pathways for top talent through a national performance programme.

SPREADING THE WORD

Using its existing tennis network to promote padel, running marketing campaigns, and building partnerships to boost awareness and encourage more people to give it a try.

EXPANDING ACCESS

Working with operators, including private venues, to increase the number of courts and coaches, making padel more accessible for players of all ages and abilities.

These efforts are helping to make padel the fastest growing sport in Britain.



and Sandy Farquharson as National Performance Coach. These new appointments form a key part of the LTA's goal to create a pathway and support framework for British players at each age and stage of the performance pathway.

Back in December 2024, actor and comedian, Jason Manford, was named as the first LTA Padel Ambassador, aligning with the LTA's vision of opening the sport up to more children across Great Britain. Manford is on a mission to introduce a million children to padel over the next decade while identifying future Olympic padel players for Team GB.

More recently, the LTA has partnered with Team AD/vantage, the exclusive British team entry into the Hexagon Cup. In April the LTA announced a partnership with the Pro Am Padel Tour, the UK's leading pro-celebrity padel series. The LTA joined as official strategic partner to organise and host whole-day community-led sessions aimed at increasing padel's accessibility, visibility and diversity. These free sessions will be delivered to children from local schools in partnership

with the Jason Manford Padel Academy. Children will be provided with coaching, equipment and, importantly, follow-up opportunities to continue their participation in padel through vouchers, court time, products and programmes.

Performance wise, in total, there will be 30 weeks of international and domestic prize money and ranking point earning opportunities for British players in 2025, including four FIP tournaments, 11 British Tour Grade 1 tournaments and 15 British Tour Grade 2 tournaments, plus, for the first time, three FIP Promises for aspiring juniors. A record number of performance competitions in 2025.

The British national padel team, led by the country's number ones, Aimee Gibson and Christian Medina Murphy, will soon be heading out to Madrid, Spain to compete in the FIP Euro Cup, a team competition that sees the top four nations go through to the European finals that take place later in 2025. Subsequently the top eight nations qualify for the 2026 World Championships.

Tom Murray, LTA Head of Padel said: "Since becoming the national governing body for padel in 2019, our focus has been on laying strong foundations for sustainable growth. With participation rising, the LTA is building on this momentum and driving the sport forward. 2025 marks an exciting new chapter for padel in Britain—after years of groundwork, we are entering the next phase with a clear strategy and ambition.

"In the coming years, the LTA will remain committed to opening up padel, facilitating the growth of places for people to play and compete across Great Britain. Alongside this, the LTA is dedicated to supporting performance players by providing more domestic competitive opportunities. Our long-term vision is to host a major padel event in Britain, showcasing the nation's top talent on a bigger stage."

"The LTA is dedicated to making padel more accessible and exciting, inspiring the next generation of players to continue to grow participation. With over 400,000 people taking to the courts in 2024 and 8 million expressing interest in trying the sport, its momentum is undeniable, firmly establishing padel within Britain's sporting landscape."

There are now more than 800 courts across Britain, up from 350 at the end of 2023, with more opening every month.



Scan the QR code to find your nearest court.

BUILDING THE PERFECT GRASS COURT CHAMPION

THE DEFINITION OF GREATNESS IS OFTEN SUBJECTIVE, BUT A HANDFUL OF TENNIS LEGENDS STAND OUT AS THE BEST PLAYERS TO SET FOOT ON A GRASS COURT.

All the great champions find a way to win on every surface and when it comes to the grass court season, that challenge can be the most demanding.

We only play on this surface for a few weeks each year, the icons who shine on the lush turf hold a special place in the hearts of tennis fans and here, we have built the ultimate grass court player using the best qualities of the game's ultimate champions.



THE SERVE SERENA WILLIAMS AND PETE SAMPRAS

A teenage Boris Becker changed the direction of tennis when he broke through and won The Queen's Club Championships and Wimbledon for the first time in 1985, with his booming serve bringing a new dimension to the sport.

Those who followed in his footsteps built on that blueprint and when the grass court champions who boasted the most effective serves are considered, Pete Sampras and Serena Williams have to be in the conversation.

Sampras dominated at Wimbledon as he won seven titles between 1993 and 2000, while he was also a two-time winner on the Queen's Club grass courts.



STEFFI GRAF strikes a forehand

PETE SAMPRAS serve

Williams also won seven Wimbledon singles titles and claimed an Olympic gold medal on the Wimbledon grass in 2012, with her power-packed serve at the heart of her aura in a career that included 23 Grand Slam singles titles.

THE FOREHAND STEFFI GRAF AND ROGER FEDERER

There was unique beauty in the forehands of German great Graf and Swiss maestro Federer.

Seven-time Wimbledon champion Graf struck this shot with an elegance and ferocity that intimidated her rivals, with the sound of the ball crunching onto her racket echoing around the great tennis arenas of the world in a career that saw her win 22 Grand Slam singles titles.

If Graf's forehand resembled a knife slicing through blades of grass, Federer's has the silky elegance of a master craftsman at work.

His grace on a tennis court somehow appeared to be elevated by the beauty of the green grass courts he loved more than any other, with his forehand winners drawing gasps of admiration from the crowd in every match he played.

THE BACKHAND MARTINA NAVRATILOVA AND ANDY MURRAY

Navratilova had a one-handed backhand that was loaded with pace and always delivered with wondrous accuracy.



MARTINA NAVRATILOVA - 9-time Wimbledon queen
ANDY MURRAY hits a backhand

One-handed backhands are now a rarity in the women's game, with the footage of Navratilova winning her nine Wimbledon singles titles and a remarkable 11 wins at the LTA tournament at Eastbourne a permanent reminder of the class she exuded when striking a backhand.

Britain's Andy Murray also excelled with this shot, as he claimed two Wimbledon titles on grass and five singles titles at The Queen's Club.



Murray's ability to stoop low and find what seemed to be impossible angles were at the heart of his triumphs on grass, while his fantastic lob was also a sumptuous option when the ball was fizzed into his backhand.

WINNING MINDSET BILLIE JEAN KING AND NOVAK DJOKOVIC

These two players overcame so many barriers to achieve greatness that will stand the test of time.

King's achievements off the court are probably more remarkable than her magnificent accomplishments on it, which included six Wimbledon singles titles and four in the Open Era.

She also changed face of the women's game forever as she was a prominent figure in the formation of the Women's Tennis Association and still continues to fight for equality in the sport with passion that has broken down so many barriers.

Djokovic is another champion who needed to overcome what seemed like an impossible mission, as he seemed destined to be the outsider in the battle between Federer and his great rival Rafael Nadal when he set his sights on Grand Slam glory.

Not only did Djokovic find a way to match his two great rivals, but he will finish his career with more major titles than both and will look to equal Federer's all-time record of eight Wimbledon titles this summer.

SERVING UP SUCCESS

OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS, THE LTA HAS BEEN DELIVERING AN INVESTMENT OF MORE THAN £30MILLION FROM THE UK GOVERNMENT AND LTA TENNIS FOUNDATION TO TRANSFORM THOUSANDS OF PARK TENNIS COURTS ACROSS BRITAIN.

This landmark investment is bringing over 3,000 park tennis courts across hundreds of local authorities in England, Scotland and Wales back to life for communities and into long-term sustainable use.

Parks are really important for tennis as they provide accessible and affordable opportunities for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds to pick up a racket and play the sport locally. This is particularly vital for growing participation among underserved communities.

But back in 2021, 45 per cent of park tennis courts across Britain had fallen into disrepair, with poor playing surfaces, subsidence or vandalism causing damage to nets, courts or fencing.

To address this, the LTA's Park Tennis Project has been renovating the courts in the worst condition, to ensure that communities across the country have access to quality facilities in their local parks.

The project is also rolling out digital infrastructure in the form of gate access technology and online booking through the LTA website and Play Tennis app, to make it easier than ever to find, book and get on court, tackling one of the biggest barriers to participation.



But providing accessible, high-quality facilities is only part of the job, and so the LTA has been working with councils and tennis operators to ensure that the right programmes and community engagement are in place to grow participation on newly transformed park courts. This includes Barclays Free Park Tennis, a free weekly session led by local volunteers with equipment provided, opening up opportunities for people to play tennis for free no matter their age, background or ability.

The Park Tennis Project is aimed at getting over 500,000 more people playing tennis in parks every year, and has already made significant progress, delivering huge benefits to communities across the country.

Parks which have 12 months of data for pre- and post-refurbishment show an average uplift in bookings of 123 per cent, and many of those playing on refurbished courts

had not played tennis before, meaning the project is opening tennis up to new audiences.

The project will complete its final refurbishments this summer, leaving Britain's park courts in great shape to provide opportunities for people across the country to pick up a racket and play for many years to come.

Parks that have been transformed in collaboration with the Nottingham City Council are:

- LENTON ABBEY PARK
- VALLEY ROAD PARK
- VERNON PARK
- CLIFTON PLAYING FIELDS
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“MOST PLAYERS AT THE TOP OF THE GAME IN 40 YEARS”

SITTING DOWN WITH MICHAEL BOURNE, LTA PERFORMANCE DIRECTOR

I am very excited about this year's grass court season and the opportunities that lie ahead for all our players.

British tennis has seen strong results over recent years including Grand Slam singles, doubles, multiple grand slam wheelchair singles and doubles titles, semi-finals of the Billie Jean King Cup (twice in the last three years) and Davis Cup (2019), winners of the World Team Cup and last year more than 100 British players won international titles at different levels on the tours.

So far in 2025, Jack Draper has been in excellent form, improving his ranking from No.18, winning his first ATP Masters event at Indian Wells and cracking the top five after making the final in Madrid. Henry Patten followed on from his success at Wimbledon by winning the Australian Open Men's Doubles title, Alfie Hewett and Gordon Reid repeated in Melbourne, with Hewett also winning the singles in an exciting final.

On the women's side, the GB BJK Cup team are through to the Finals for the



second year in a row after coming through a three-team qualifying tie on clay in the Netherlands and are now the second place team on the ITF rankings. For the first time since 1986, we have three women inside the Top 60 in Katie Boulter, Emma Raducanu and Sonay Kartal, which is a great example to the younger players we have progressing through the pathway.

Last year we had seven Brits combined inside the WTA & ATP Tour Top 100 in a single week for the first time since 1985 and we now have more players in the top 200 than at any time in the past 40 years.

On the wheelchair side, last September we had four men ranked inside the Top 50 for the first time, Hewett was crowned ITF World Champion and finally won the one major to elude him, at Wimbledon. Earlier in the year the junior Lexus GB World Team Cup team were crowned champions out in Turkey, while both the men's and quad team brought home bronze respectively.

In juniors, Mika Stojsavljevic won the 2024 US Open, having finished runner up in the girls doubles with Mimi Xu at Wimbledon a few months earlier. Hannah Klugman was also a finalist in the girls doubles at the Australian Open this year. An interesting note from last year's US Open is that Britain had three



Jack Draper
BJK Cup

Katie Boulter

out of the eight semi-finalists across the boys and girls singles events

The grass court season always seems to bring out the best in our players whether it was the British title sweep in Nottingham (for the second year in a row) with Katie and Jacob Fearnley, Jack winning his first title on grass, Emma scoring her first

ever Top 10 victory at Eastbourne and reaching the last 16 at Wimbledon, and finally Henry capping the season off winning the men's doubles at The Championships in one of the most dramatic finals ever, saving three match points on the way to lifting the trophy.

2025 promises to be just as memorable.

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LIVING THE TENNIS LOVER'S DREAM

LTA ADVANTAGE COMPETITION WINNERS TREATED TO ULTIMATE BILLIE JEAN KING CUP EXPERIENCE WITH LEXUS

Thanks to LTA partner Lexus, two lucky tennis fans were treated to the ultimate Billie Jean King Cup experience at the 2024 finals in Malaga.

Kyeron Yeung and Wai Yi Kwok won an exclusive Advantage competition for tickets, flights and hotel to go and cheer on the Lexus Billie Jean King Cup team in their first round match against Germany.

Kyreon and Wai Yi were flown out to Malaga, where they were put up in a luxury hotel ahead of GB's opening tie and had the chance to visit many of the city's amazing sights.

In the lead up to the match, they got an exclusive behind-the-scenes tour around the Palacio de Deportes Jose Maria Martin Carpena Arena in Malaga and got the chance to meet and chat with Captain Anne Keothavong's side during their training sessions.

On their tour, they even got the chance to meet with 22-time Grand Slam champion Rafael Nadal ahead of his final ever match at the Davis Cup for Spain.

As the Brits walked out on court to face Germany,



Kyreon and Wai Yi were treated to hospitality tickets, where they got to watch GB's emphatic win from the best seats in the house.

"Overall, it was just an exceptional experience," the Advantage competition winners said. "All the arrangements were perfect. As tennis lovers, the tennis part was already special enough, what was also nice was that we had some time on the second day to explore the city of Malaga, which was very relaxing for us.

"The highlight has got to be the behind-the-scenes tour, where we had the chance to visit the team village and actually met the GB team in person, chatting with the

players and taking photos with them. It was a tennis lovers' dream, and we were fortunate enough to live it, thanks to the LTA and Lexus.

"We loved cheering the team on every single point with all the fans and witnessing victory over team Germany. The atmosphere in the stadium was absolutely rocking.

"We had a wonderful time in Malaga, the flights were nice, the hotel was great, and more importantly GB won the tie – everything was just perfect. It was just an unreal experience."

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KATIE BOULTER WITH
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OPEN TROPHY AFTER
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AND ANDY
MURRAY WITH
THE WOMEN'S
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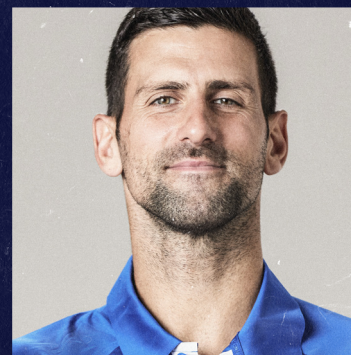
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LTA YOUTH SCHOOLS CELEBRATES 28,000 TEACHERS TRAINED

THE LTA'S FREE PROGRAMME FOR TENNIS IN PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS, LTA YOUTH SCHOOLS, HAS REACHED A MAJOR MILESTONE IN ITS GOAL TO BOOST TENNIS PARTICIPATION IN BRITISH SCHOOLS, WITH OVER 28,000 TEACHERS NOW HAVING COMPLETED THE PROGRAMME'S TRAINING COURSE.

LTA Youth Schools is part of LTA Youth, the LTA's overarching junior programme, created to help many more children enjoy the benefits of playing and staying in tennis. LTA Youth Schools has been designed by teachers specifically for schools to support the curriculum and wider school outcomes, bringing together inclusive physical education (PE) lesson plans, personal development resources, and competition opportunities for schools that take part, all to help more children get and stay active through tennis.

Key to the programme getting more children engaged in tennis is giving teachers the confidence to deliver PE in school. Recent research from the Youth Sport Trust found that only 56 per cent of primary school teachers felt confident teaching PE, and according to Teacher Tapp, almost half of teachers feel they lack sufficient training to teach subjects



outside of their areas of expertise, such as PE.

A comprehensive training programme

The impact of the LTA Youth Schools programme is already evident. With over half of all schools in Britain signed up and more than 28,000 teachers having completed the free training course, the initiative is making a tangible difference.

For teachers, lesson plans for pupils throughout Key Stages 1 to 5 are detailed and written as progressive schemes of work. For teachers of Key Stage 3 and above, LTA Youth Schools also provides a suite of drills and activities to help teachers and coaches assess tennis as part of the GCSE PE practical assessment, with supporting film clips showing students of different levels performing



the drills. All teachers who register with the programme can take part in free in-person or online CPD, to help boost their confidence delivering high-quality PE lessons.

The LTA's impact survey revealed overwhelmingly positive feedback from teachers who have completed the course, with 99 per cent of teachers believing their teaching has improved or will improve as a result of the training. Additionally, 90 per cent of teachers believe that tennis boosts pupils' confidence, 79 per cent see it enhancing pupil aspirations, and 63 per cent recognise its impact on academic achievement.

British women's wheelchair number one and three-time Paralympic medallist Lucy Shuker praised the programme, highlighting its role in making tennis accessible to children of all ages and abilities:

"The work of the LTA Youth Schools programme to improve teachers' tennis delivery in schools is making a real impact. It's brilliant that kids of all ages, disabled and non-disabled, and from all over the country are getting the chance to try tennis where they might not have been able to before through their PE lessons. Hopefully, even more teachers can sign up and give even more kids the chance to give tennis a go."

Beyond the training itself, the LTA offers several unique benefits to teachers who complete the course. These include a £250 voucher for their school to spend on tennis equipment or 10 hours of team teaching with an LTA Accredited Coach, thanks to the LTA Tennis Foundation. Primary schools also receive resource packs including activity books and pupil rewards.

"Westdale Junior School has truly loved being part of the tennis programme – it's been a fantastic experience for both pupils and staff! The online teacher training course was very beneficial to our newly appointed PE lead. We all give a big thank you to Luke Castle, our tennis coach last year, who delivered exciting sessions, which the children absolutely loved. Their enthusiasm and energy really rubbed off, inspiring everyone involved. It's wonderful to see some children keen to take their tennis journey further, whether at school or by joining local clubs.

Our visit to the Nottingham Open in 2024 was a real highlight. Watching live matches and meeting players was such an inspiring experience, with one pupil exclaiming, "It's amazing – it makes me want to play more!" It's safe to say the programme has left a lasting impact!"

WESTDALE JUNIOR SCHOOL, NOTTINGHAM

The need for professional development in teaching is pressing. In 2024, only 56 per cent of teachers participated in training provided by external organisations, according to a Department for Education report. Initiatives like LTA Youth Schools are crucial in addressing this gap, aligning with the LTA's aim to inspire a new generation of players while enhancing teachers' skills and confidence in the classroom.



Scan the QR code to find out more about the LTA Youth programme and how you can get involved.

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SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Can you find all seven differences between the two photos below?



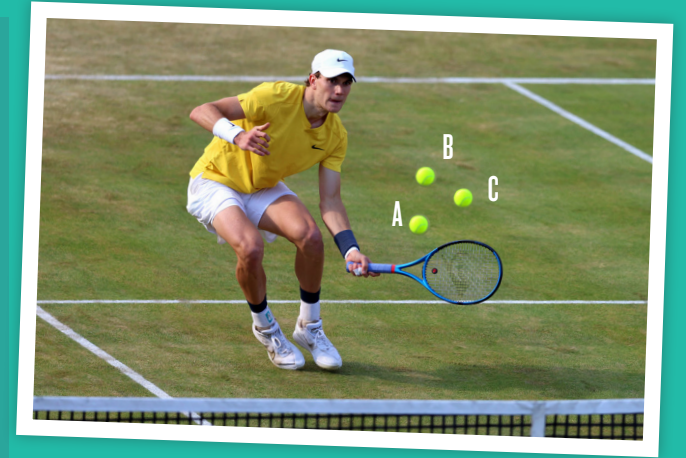
QUICK QUIZ

- How tall is Jack Draper in tennis balls?
a) 18 b) 28 c) 38
- THIRD EAR ART is an anagram of which British tennis player?
- Across the LTA Grass Court Season how many fully electric Lexus vehicles are being used? a) 5 b) 15 c) 35
- Which popular tennis brand is also the name of a hard cheese made in Scotland?
- BLUE KITE ROTA is an anagram of which British tennis player?
- Through working with BRITA, approximately how many single-use bottles were saved across last year's events?
a) 75,000 b) 100,000 c) 220,000
- What word links: chopper, continental and western?
- How many years can a tennis ball take to degrade in landfill?
a) 5 b) 175 c) 300
- PAY RENT THEN is an anagram of which British tennis player?
- Can you name all six Tennisables?

WORD SEARCH

Can you find all the words listed in the word search below?

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|----------|----------|
| Slice | Dash |
| Volley | Racket |
| Energy | Water |
| Recycle | Green |
| Bounce | Forehand |
| Backhand | Ball |
| Ace | Save |
| Court | Deuce |
| Smash | Reuse |
| Love | Solar |



HOT SHOT

Which ball is British No.1 Jack Draper volleying? A, B or C?

A O C A S O L A R E B S U N
Y R O E L E F O R E H A N D
B B U W A T E R O V S R E S
A A R E U S E E E E C R M
L C T E K C A R S C C O G A
L K Y C E V O L Y A O L R S
E H E S E R S C L C Y O E H
L A L L C E L H H E Y N E E
U N L I U E B S B G H D N E
S D O C S R A E R E L E H A
R A V E E D E E E C N U O B
R S C E U V N Y A E U C N S
R E C E A E A E H A B E L C
Y O R M M R C S L D B N L A



WORD SEARCH

- ANSWERS
SPOT THE DIFFERENCE Banana, reusable BRITA bottle, Dyuce ball recycling, unit, no plastic wrapping on restring rackets, different Dunlop rackets, small Tennisable balls swapped, blue triangle marking, 2. Harriet tennis balls, 2. Harriet (+ 40 hybrid vehicles), 4. Dunlop, 5. Katie Boulter, 6. 220,000, 7. Grip, 8. 300, 9. Henry Paten, 10. Smash and Spin.

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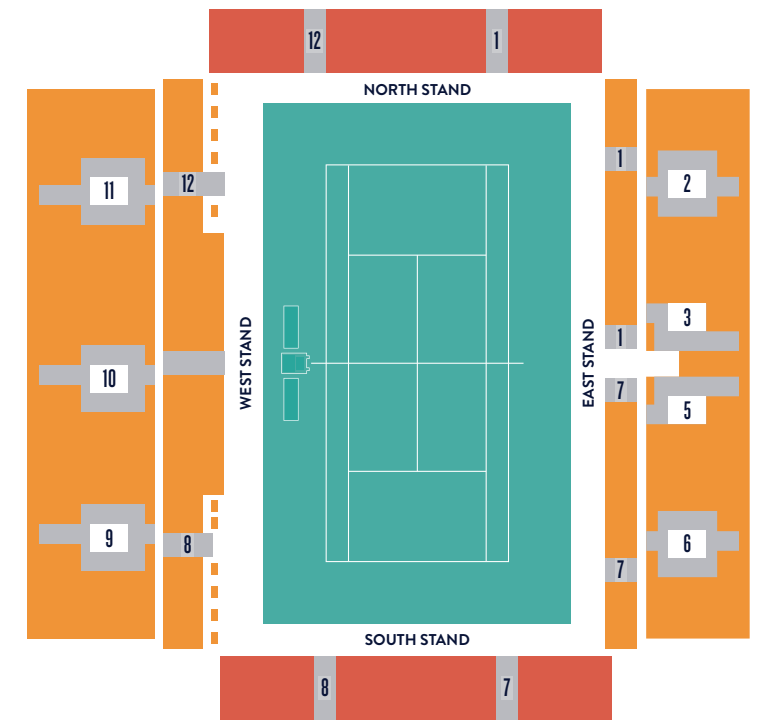
YOU BRING
THE FRIENDS
WE'LL BRING
THE BUBBLES



CENTRE COURT

- Restricted movement, you can only move at a change of ends or set breaks
- Limited movement, you can only move after each game (including after the first game of a set and before a tie break)

LEXUS
NOTTINGHAM
- OPEN -
WTA 250
CHALLENGER TOUR
LTA TENNIS FOR BRITAIN



FAN MOVEMENT

New for 2025 – the ATP and WTA are introducing a new approach to Free Fan Movement across all their tour events around the world. Along with all other events the LTA’s Grass Court events need to follow these tour rules – so here is what you need to know:

Free Fan Movement gives you the freedom to enjoy the tennis with greater access in and out of certain areas of the stands while matches are being played.

Depending on where you’re sat, you will have either Restricted, Limited or Free movement during matches to enter and leave the stadium.

These regulations are subject to change depending on live feedback from players throughout the tournament, therefore please listen to the Stewards and follow their directions.

Every seat will have a coloured sticker on to help you identify which zone you’re in. There

will also be signs and further information around the grounds on the day to explain what this means and when you can move in and out of the stadium.

In all cases please be respectful to the players and those seated around you.

If you’re unsure of what area you are in, or what the rules are, you can also ask any of our event Stewards and Volunteers, who will be on hand to help you.



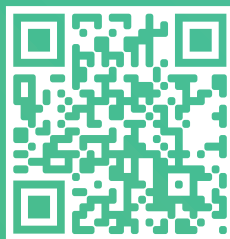
- 1 TICKETING SUPPORT
- 2 UNRESERVED SEATING
- 3 FAN VILLAGE
- 4 FOOD AND DRINK
- 5 ACCREDITATION OFFICE
- 6 QUIET ROOM
- 7 LEXUS SERVE CHALLENGE

- + FIRST AID
- TOILETS
- BABY CHANGING
- INFORMATION POINT
- FOOD AND DRINK
- BRITA HYDRATION STATION
- TICKETING & ACCREDITATION SUPPORT
- SPECTATOR ROUTE
- ... ACCREDITED ENTRY ONLY



WTA

RALLY THE WORLD



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WTA 250

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WTA EVENT PARTNERS

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