

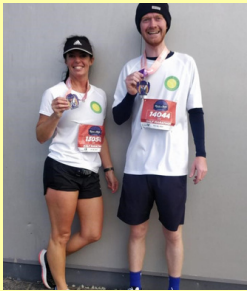


NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2022



FUNDRAISING



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NEW COURTS



WELCOME!

Welcome to a new season at Longton Memorial Tennis Club and to the first newsletter of the year.

We have so much to report & be proud of!

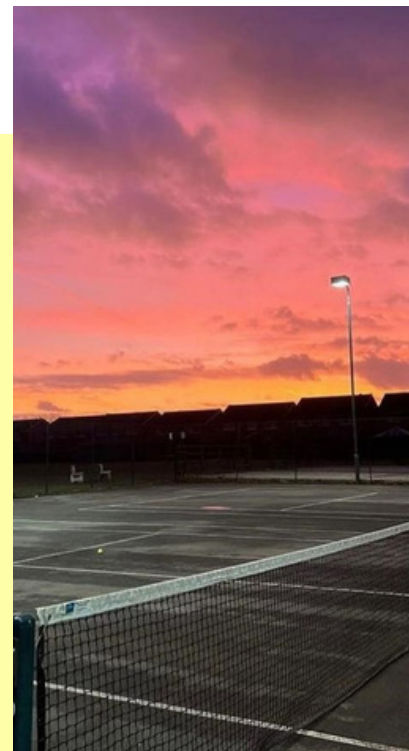


SOCIAL

EASTER BUNNY TENNIS



RESULTS SO FAR



Remembering Jason



In November the memorial bench arrived to remember our chairman and dear friend Jason. Jason was a 'larger than life' character and will be sadly missed. He had infectious enthusiasm, a quick wit and the ability to motivate others to win. He was able to pass his enthusiasm on to everyone and was always the one leading the club pub crawls around Longton and front stage running the quiz on social evenings. His love for tennis will continue to motivate us all.

Results so far

Ribble A:

WIN Longton 9 Moreland B 3
LOSS Longton 3 Broughton 9
LOSS Longton 5 Ribchester B 7
WIN Longton 7 Wrea Green A 5

Ribble B:

DRAW Longton 6 Chorley 6
LOSS Longton 2 Barton B 10
LOSS Longton 3 Ribchester C 9

Fylde

WIN Longton 3 Thornton 1
WIN Longton 4 Leyland 0
WIN Longton 3 Lytham 1

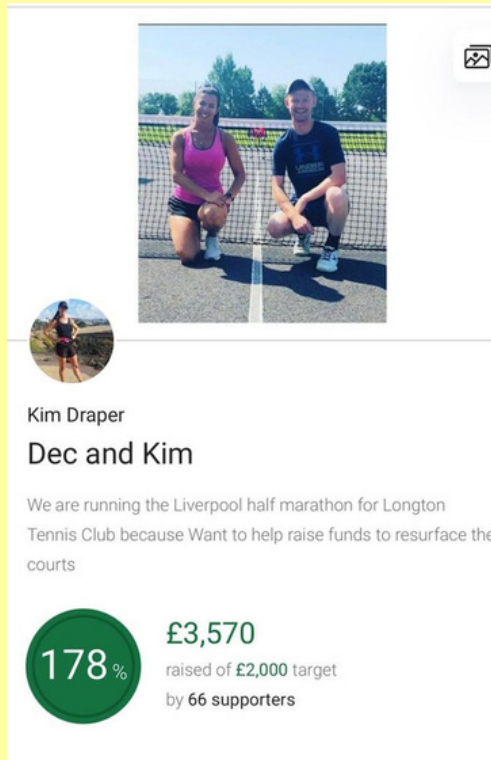
Fylde A

LOSS Longton 1 Southshore 3
WIN Longton 4 Leyland 0
WIN Longton 3 Ansdell-Fylde 1

Juniors U16

WIN Longton 6 Leyland 0
WIN Longton 6 Chorley 0

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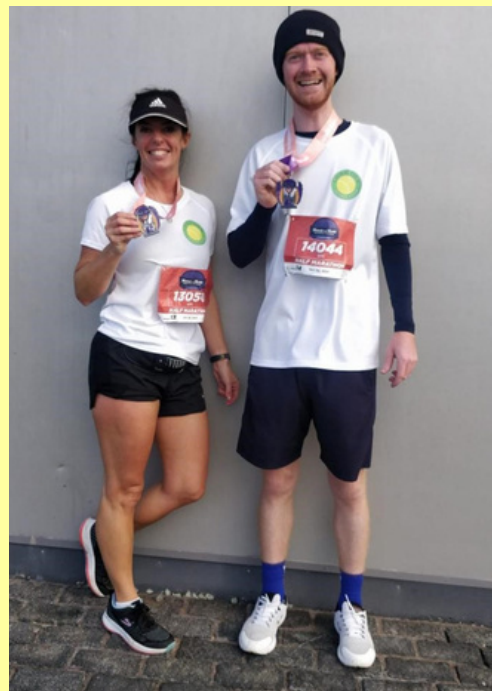
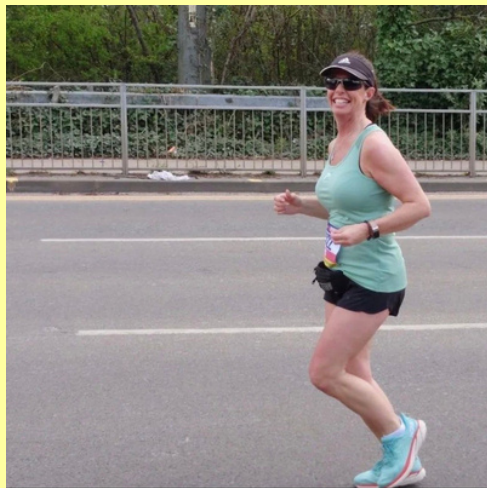
Kim Draper
Dec and Kim

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The image shows a Facebook post from 'Kim Draper' titled 'Dec and Kim'. It features a photo of a man and a woman kneeling on a tennis court. The post text says: 'We are running the Liverpool half marathon for Longton Tennis Club because Want to help raise funds to resurface the courts'. Below the text is a green circular progress indicator showing '178%' and text stating '£3,570 raised of £2,000 target by 66 supporters'.



We have had fantastic fundraising efforts in the last few months starting off with an amazing achievement from Kim and Dec who ran a half marathon last October and managed to raise the grand total of £3866. A big thank you to them and all who contributed.

Kim was in action again and ran a marathon in April (half marathon is so last season) a great personal achievement and she raised a further £1477. for club funds.

Easter brought out some tennis bunnies and helped raise £88, which was on top of the £153 from last years Xmas Jumper event.

A thank you also to Tom and Armitstead Barnett estate agents who are advertising at the club and contributing £250. per year.

We also need to thank Spar for a generous £2000 donation to help us complete our resurfacing project.

In addition we are extremely grateful to have received £10,000 from a very generous donor.

Thanks to the efforts of Ron we have received grants totalling £6000.

£2000 was received from the Bridges Charity and £4000. Harris Charity.

Well done to everyone involved.

New Courts



Thanks to the massive team fund raising effort, many grant applications and also a team weeding project! our new courts are now a reality. Further work will be continuing in June when the final coloured surface will be painted on. We will then have courts to be proud of. No more slippery mud puddles and dodgy bounces.

A huge thank you to Ron for leading this project, approaching potential sponsors, researching and applying for grants, finding the right contractors and supervising the build. It has been the culmination of 24 months of hard work behind the scenes.

Since the laying of our beautiful new court surface we have unfortunately had a set back involving a sink hole on the baseline probably due to a collapsed drain.

Again Ron and several members of the committee are working hard behind the scenes to find a solution and minimise disruption to the tennis season. We will keep you informed about progress.

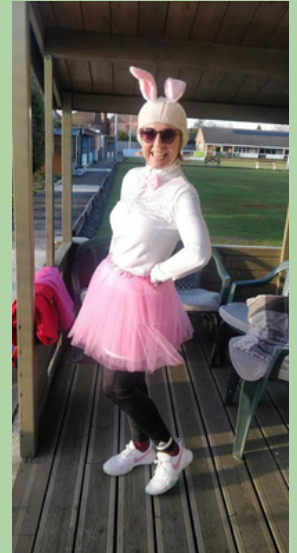
In the meantime please take care around court 1 and this is obviously not in use for matches.

Court 2 is safe to play on.

Team captains are rearranging home matches. We all hope that the courts will be back to their former glory as soon as possible.



Socials



A great time was had by all at the Easter bunny competition in March. Despite the cold the bunnies were in good spirits and Tom and Di triumphed taking home the chocolates. Thank you to Liz for providing the delicious baked goods.

The next date to look out for is Saturday 4th June from 13.00 to 17.00 when we are joining up with Longton VM for the Queens Jubilee Celebrations and having a 'bit of a do!' (cakes, bar, competitions and entertainment). The tennis club will be hosting our 'Anyone for Tennis' event where the courts will be open for people to try their hand at tennis and join in a few games and challenges. Please come along and join in the festivities



The regular social tennis is still continuing on Thursday from 6pm and Sunday from 1.30 to 4pm everyone welcome.

A reminder to everyone to join the LTA (Advantage) membership it is free to join and enables you to log into the court booking system. The more members we have the more Wimbledon tickets we will be offered in the ballot so please sign up.