

**DRIFFIELD LAWN TENNIS CLUB**

# ON THE LINE

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## Message from Ian Reed

In my first year as Chairman of our Club the main thing I'd like to say is I have no idea how Dave Hall managed to do this role for so long - but our thanks certainly go to him for all he did!

I'd also like to thank all those who continue to volunteer their precious time and effort to run this wonderful Club for the benefit of us all. And, of course, the team captains who have led us through a really great season. Finally, it is wonderful to have you as a Club member and I hope you are enjoying your time on court.

There is so much going on we thought it might be helpful to periodically share some of those things - hence this, our first newsletter.

I'd welcome any feedback you have on this or any other Club matters. Plus, more volunteers always wanted!



Ian in his winning ways



Our grass courts played beautifully all season thanks to our dedicated groundsman, Pete Banks

## LEAGUE NEWS

### Men's B Team promoted

Our Men's B team had an outstanding season to top the table and gain promotion to division 3. Congratulations to all, especially Chris Rounce for his excellent captaincy. A key to success was a very strong squad which meant the team was never short of players. A very well done to the many older and newer players who contributed.

### New league teams

Getting a brand new team set up in the league is never easy but this year DLTC entered a new Men's C team and a new Mixed C team. Both teams fared well and had a lot of fun. Thanks to Sue Lindsey for leading Mixed C, to Alex Lowsley and Glen Witheford for leading Men's C and to all who played - many for the first time - amazing stuff by all!

# LEAGUE RESULTS

Some truly excellent, competitive tennis played by all eight of our league teams in a great spirit. Followed by our reknowned tennis teas. Final league positions can be seen below

**Ladies – Ladies – Ladies Division 3**

General Draw Matches Statistics Player statistics

**Standings of Ladies – Ladies – Ladies Division 3**

	Points	Played	Rubbers	Sets
1 Beverley Town Ladies A	22	14	89 - 37	89 - 37
2 Rudston Ladies A	20	14	72 - 54	72 - 54
3 Market Weighton Ladies C	18	14	78 - 45	78 - 45
4 Driffield LTC Ladies B	16	14	61 - 62	61 - 62
5 Filey Ladies A	14	14	59 - 67	59 - 67
6 Bridlington Ladies B	12	14	62 - 64	62 - 64
7 Driffield REC Ladies B	10	14	52 - 74	52 - 74



General Draw Matches Statistics Player statistics

**Standings of Men's – Men's – Men's Division 4**

	Points	Played	Rubbers	Sets
1 Driffield LTC Men's B	22	14	86 - 40	86 - 40
2 Hackness & Scarborough Men's C	18	14	70 - 56	70 - 56
3 Long Riston Men's A	18	14	69 - 57	69 - 57
4 Nafferton Men's A	16	14	74 - 52	74 - 52
5 Beeford Men's B	14	14	70 - 56	70 - 56
6 Settrington Men's A	12	14	63 - 63	63 - 63
7 Flamborough Men's A	12	14	58 - 68	58 - 68

**Ladies – Ladies – Ladies Division 1**

General Draw Matches Statistics Player statistics

**Standings of Ladies – Ladies – Ladies Division 1**

	Points	Played	Rubbers	Sets
1 Pocklington Ladies A	22	14	81 - 45	81 - 45
2 Market Weighton Ladies A	20	14	85 - 41	85 - 41
3 Cherry Burton Ladies A	20	14	71 - 55	71 - 55
4 Driffield LTC Ladies A	16	14	68 - 58	68 - 58
5 Long Riston Ladies A	14	14	66 - 60	66 - 60
6 Malton Ladies A	10	14	57 - 69	57 - 69
7 Pocklington Ladies B	6	14	42 - 84	42 - 84
8 Driffield REC Ladies A	4	14	34 - 92	34 - 92

**Men's – Men's – Men's Division 6**

General Draw Matches Statistics Player statistics

**Standings of Men's – Men's – Men's Division 6**

	Points	Played	Rubbers	Sets
Beverley & ER Men's D	22	11	78 - 21	78 - 21
Sledmere Men's C	18	12	64 - 44	64 - 44
Hackness & Scarborough Men's D	12	11	54 - 45	54 - 45
Driffield REC Men's A	12	12	54 - 54	54 - 54
Gilham Men's A	8	12	36 - 72	36 - 72
Driffield LTC Men's C	6	12	44 - 64	44 - 64
Market Weighton Men's C	4	12	39 - 69	39 - 69

**Mixed – Mixed – Mixed Division 5**

General Draw Matches Statistics Player statistics

**Standings of Mixed – Mixed – Mixed Division 5**

	Points	Played	Rubbers	Sets
Hackness & Scarborough Mixed B	24	12	103 - 5	103 - 5
Market Weighton Mixed D	16	12	63 - 45	63 - 45
Hutton Cranswick Mixed B	14	12	51 - 57	51 - 57
Beeford Mixed C	12	12	47 - 61	47 - 61
Driffield REC Mixed B	10	12	52 - 56	52 - 56
Sledmere Mixed D	4	12	33 - 75	33 - 75
Driffield LTC Mixed C	4	12	29 - 79	29 - 79



**Mixed – Mixed – Mixed Division 1**

General Draw Matches Statistics Player statistics

**Standings of Mixed – Mixed – Mixed Division 1**

	Points	Played	Rubbers	Sets
1 Market Weighton Mixed A	26	14	96 - 30	96 - 30
2 Beverley & ER Mixed A	22	14	79 - 47	79 - 47
3 Pocklington Mixed A	20	14	77 - 49	77 - 49
4 Driffield LTC Mixed A	12	14	63 - 63	63 - 63
5 Pocklington Mixed B	12	14	61 - 65	61 - 65
6 Sledmere Mixed A	10	14	61 - 65	61 - 65
7 Cherry Burton Mixed A	6	12	40 - 68	40 - 68
8 Scalby Mixed A	0	12	9 - 99	9 - 99

**Men's – Men's – Men's Division 1**

General Draw Matches Statistics Player statistics

**Standings of Men's – Men's – Men's Division 1**

	Points	Played	Rubbers	Sets
1 Beverley & ER Men's A	26	14	92 - 34	92 - 34
2 Pocklington Men's A	24	14	103 - 23	103 - 23
3 Brandesburton Men's A	16	13	63 - 54	63 - 54
4 Cherry Burton Men's A	14	13	67 - 50	67 - 50
5 Hackness & Scarborough Men's A	10	14	51 - 75	51 - 75
6 Bridlington Men's A	8	14	44 - 82	44 - 82
7 Hutton Cranswick Men's A	6	13	36 - 81	36 - 81
8 Driffield LTC Men's A	2	11	21 - 78	21 - 78

Thank you to the captains who put a lot of hard work and effort into ensuring we could put teams out each week:

- Mixed C – **Sue Lindsey**
- Mixed B – **Anthony Bryce/James Andreotti**
- Mixed A – **James Andreotti**
- Ladies B – **Rosemary Byass**
- Ladies A – **Mary Sowersby**
- Mens C – **Alex Lowsley/Glen Witheford**
- Mens B – **Chris Rounce**
- Mens A – **Carl Hazel**

In addition to the great performances already mentioned for Mens B, Mixed C and Mens C, both Ladies teams had good seasons finishing mid table although could have ended up even higher if not for injuries toward the end of the season.

Mixed A and B teams did brilliantly to both consolidate their positions after being newly promoted – never an easy task.

Mens A had a tough season with many of the younger players having left for university leaving the team often short.

What was especially wonderful to see was some of the players who have turned out for the club year after year playing alongside our very welcome new members.

With player numbers and excellent team spirit building, things look very good for even more competitive and enjoyable seasons to come.



# OTHER NEWS

## Court updates

As part of our regular and ongoing court maintenance programme, the two hard courts were professionally cleaned, specially treated and repainted in August. The 'after' looks absolutely fantastic as we are sure you will agree. We are very grateful to the East Riding of Yorkshire Council for the financial support they gave us to enable this to happen.

A polite reminder to take care to wear the correct tennis shoes and ensure you do not bring any mud/dirt etc onto the courts to keep them in such good condition.



## Arborology

There were certainly some gusty days in early Autumn and, unfortunately, one of our trees took a hit. What was left was deemed dangerous so we had to have it felled. Out of every cloud comes a silver lining - with the one from this being that we donated a significant amount of the wood to build an adventure area in the adjacent school. Thanks also to all those members who made contributions to the club for the wood they took for personal use.

## Other updates

**Adult tennis coaching:** We held our first ever adult 'back to basics' coaching programme with James Andreotti. This has been really well attended and, despite the not always good weather, all participants have shown massive improvement.

**Junior coaching programme:** Carl Hazel continued his popular holiday camps and group training sessions for all age groups. As a result we have more junior members than we have ever had before which is great news for the future.

**Croquet:** With croquet having been reintroduced to the club for the first time since World War II, this section goes from strength to strength under the strong leadership and coaching from Chris Atkinson.

**2023 Tennis tournament:** Thanks to all who attended and made this such a success, including our great BBQers!

