



Summer at Pen-y-ffordd Tennis Club

A very warm welcome to all our new members – many of whom joined us through our coaching sessions. We're absolutely thrilled to have you as part of the club and to see you getting involved in our socials too.

It's also been great to see the courts so well used over the holidays, with lots of members enjoying the socials, others bringing along guests, and plenty of pay-and-play visitors making the most of the facilities.

As the nights are slowly drawing in, the floodlights are once again in use - perfect for those who can only play in the evenings!

North Wales Summer League – Ladies Team Update

Let's kick off with some fantastic news – our ladies' team has secured promotion! 🎉 The team has worked incredibly hard through the winter season, developing their doubles play and teamwork during regular ladies' group coaching sessions. All that effort has truly paid off, and this promotion sees them move up to Division 2 next year.

Well done, ladies – a brilliant achievement! 🙌🎾



Men's team updates

Div 2

The team had a solid season, managing to complete all fixtures despite absences and a small team. A big thank you to the Div 4 players who stepped up to help, particularly Nige E 🙌🙌. We finished mid-table and are looking forward to the next league as we continue to build and strengthen the team.

Div 4

In Div 4 the team finished 4th, only 3 points short of a second-place play-off spot. The team's progress was hampered somewhat by needing to send players up to bolster numbers in the Div 2 team and unfortunately even had to default the final match through not being able to get a full team together. There were still some decent matches throughout the season though, with a total of 11 different players participating in at least one match across the season.

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Date for the diary – **Sunday 21st September, 9am–9pm**

Several of our members will be taking part in a **12-hour Tennis-a-thon** to raise money for our club charity: Young Lives vs Cancer, supports children and young people with cancer. 💜.

It's an incredible cause, and we'd love for you to join us throughout the day, whether that's on court or cheering from the sidelines! 🙌🙌



We'll share more details once the final plans are confirmed, but for now please save the date.

🎄 Christmas Do! 🎄

📌 **Thursday 11th December - The Red Lion, Pen-y-ffordd**

Exciting news – we already have 51 members signed up for the Christmas Do, and there's still room for more!

It's a great opportunity to meet new members, hear about all the club has to offer, and share experiences. We'd especially love to see members who don't usually make it to the socials – come along and join the fun! drop us an email at Penyfforddtennisclub@yahoo.co.uk

Socials

A huge *thank you* to all the organisers who help set up the social sessions each week. This takes time and dedication and doesn't go unnoticed by our members who have great fun during the sessions. Please only vote if you're free to come 🙏 – last-min issues happen, but keeping them minimal really helps the socials run smoothly ✨

Mon & Thurs 6pm-8pm

Wed & Fridays 10am-12pm

Sundays 10am-12pm

Hope to see you there soon! 🟡

Recycling and Waste

Please remember to recycle wherever possible ♻️. We've noticed an increase in plastics being put in the domestic waste bins. All bins are clearly labelled, so we'd really appreciate your help in disposing of waste correctly – thank you for your cooperation!

You can also recycle your old tennis balls 🟡. Just empty them out of your tennis bags and pop them into the recycling bin in the clubhouse. We'll then



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Ball Machine Update 🎾

Great news – the ball machine has a brand-new battery and is back up and running, ready for action! ⚡

Want to sharpen your game? Repetition is key! Our ball machine is available to book via the club calendar from just £2.25.

For more information and terms of use, please go to:
<https://www.penyfforddtennisclub.com/ball-machine>

(To be used on Court 3 Only)

🎾 Stray Balls – Reminder 🎾

We'd like to kindly remind all members that the homes and gardens surrounding the club are private property. Please do not enter neighbouring gardens or driveways to retrieve lost tennis balls.

If you'd like to be reunited with any lost balls, please make sure they are clearly marked to identify them. Any balls kindly returned by our neighbours will be placed in the clubhouse for collection at a later date. Thank you 🙏

Safeguarding

It's a good time to revisit the Safeguarding Conference from October 2024 and remind everyone that safeguarding is something we all share responsibility for as a club. **We can all play our part by being Active Bystanders and looking out for one another.** 😊

Looking ahead, both Mags and Nige will be attending the Safeguarding Conference on 4th October 2025. Safeguarding is something we take very seriously, and with 19 of our members holding a DBS, we're proud to have such strong support in place to help ensure all our events and activities run smoothly and safely.



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Gentle REMINDERS

Parking - Please only park in the designated spaces by the courts to park. If these are full, there is plenty of parking on Vounog Hill.

Court Bookings - Please can we ask that you only book *One* court at a time. Multiple court bookings ("Side-by-side") by one member are not allowed. please remember to add the names of all players/members who will be present.

Cancelling Courts/Floodlights - If, for any reason, you cannot play and no longer need a court that you've booked, kindly ensure you cancel the booking promptly. This helps in maximising court availability for other members. Additionally, if you are playing under floodlit courts and finish early, please can you **END** booking. This will turn off the floodlights. By doing so, both our neighbours and the environment can benefit, THANK YOU. *(There is a 10min shutdown window for the lights)*

Children - It is recommended children under 13 are supervised by a parent or guardian when at the club. Additionally, **under 18s must always be supervised in the clubhouse.** Parents are responsible for any juniors playing unsupervised.

Clubhouse Security - When you unlock the clubhouse, it is your responsibility to ensure the door is locked before you leave. The T&C's can be found on our website under Facilities.



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