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BTC NEWSLETTER

2026 Autumn Edition

Anyone for Tennis?

Next Team Matches/Club Tournaments

Parker Cup – Sunday 04/10

Boys U14 Dev 1- away vs Stratford OA 04/10

Metropolitan Super Mixed League #3 (MSML) – home vs Marston Green 11/10

Winter League starts Monday 12th October

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In his Autumn before Winter, comes man's last surge of youth...

Finals Weekend 2026

A brilliant weekend of tennis resulting in two of our Juniors triumphing in the adult's section for the first time. the adults' finals with the juniors' event for the first time, A big thank you to all those helped support the weekend, from those officiating, to those that provided food and those you came along to support all the participants.

And finally, a great big thank you to Jan Baker for organizing the draws.

A list of all the winners and some photos are on the following page.

Finals Weekend Results

Men's Singles

Champion: Sam

Runner-up: Michael

Score: 6-1 6-2

Men's Doubles

Champions: Axel & Jamie

Runners-up: Brendan & Michael

Score: 3-6 7-6 1-0 (10-6)

Ladies Doubles

Champions: Suzanne & Sue

Runners-up: Chris Kimberley & Lesley Martin

Score: 6-4 6-3

Veterans Mixed Doubles

Champions: Chris & Cesar

Runners-up: Jan & Sean

Score: 4-6 6-4 1-0 (10-4)

Mixed Doubles

Champions: Lesley & Ed

Runners-up: Chris & Adam Reeves

Score: 2-6 6-3 1-0 (10-6)

Club Tournaments

Aside from the annual club championships we have hosted our usual array of club tournaments throughout the summer, in chronical order:

June

Our American styled tournament, the Rogers Cup was won by Chris and Cesar who beat Vicki and Will in a one set shoot out.

August

Unfortunately, the Vincent Classic – Our tournament for those aged 60 was postponed due to lack of numbers , the idea was to reschedule this for later on in the autumn, however, due to scheduling conflicts with other planned club tournaments and the commencement of the MSML league in early October we have regrettably had to postpone this popular tournament this season.

October

Coming up soon we will have the Parker Cup (Sunday 04/10), this tournament is slightly different than the usual fare, for this time you enter as a pair, if you haven't already done so please put your name down.

November

Looking further ahead, in November we have the Taylor Trophy on the 01st November and also we are looking to schedule in the Filmer Cup on Sunday 22nd, the later being a tournament whereby Adults and Juniors combine. Further details nearer the time.

Winter League 26/27 Sponsored by Flair Windows

Our internal Winter League for this season starts on the 12th October, this will run across 3 nights each week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, all games will start at 1900 and finish by 2030, as a gentle reminder please ensure that:

- You have purchased enough tokens as there may not be a committee member available to provide tokens.
- In the event that you are unable to fulfil your obligations please ensure that you have arranged for someone to cover for you and that this has been confirmed and that all other players in that match are aware.
- In the event of any adverse weather please ensure that matches are postponed in a timely manner, please do not leave it until the last minute unless unavoidable.

To add a bit of a competitive edge this season we will be awarding trophies to the leading point scorers for both Men and Ladies.

We are delighted to announce that Flair Windows have continued to sponsor us.

Pickleball

As most of you are already aware we run a Pickleball session on a Tuesday morning from 10:30 – 11:30.

This has proved highly popular with a number of people joining as Pickleball members.

In late August we held a Pickleball demo session on a Wednesday evening, again this proved popular with a number of people playing for the first time.

We plan to hold further sessions throughout the winter, again, on a Wednesday night, initially this would be one session a month, however, if demand grows then depending on the number of Winter League games we have to schedule we may have the flexibility to increase the number of sessions.

League round-up

The summer season leagues have now drawn to a close, a big thank you to all those of you that have taken part over the past 5 months

Adults

Birmingham Area Lawn Tennis League (BALTL)

The ladies consolidated their position in Division 6 by finishing a respectable 4th place.

Unfortunately, the picture wasn't so good for our men's team who were relegated from Division 7.

Metropolitan Summer League (MSL)

Our Ladies finished in 7th position in Division 3, likewise for our Men in Division 5. Unfortunately, our Mixed Doubles team have been relegated from Division 4

Metropolitan Super Mixed League (MSML)

Metropolitan Super Mixed League season starts away on the 11th October and concludes on 6th December, six games in total (3 Home, 3 Away), home matches to be played on a Sunday commencing at 13:30.

This consists of four Rubbers per Fixture

First half rubbers - 1 x Men's Doubles and 1 x Ladies Doubles

Second Half rubbers - 2 x Mixed Doubles

Mixed - First pair to play First pair and Second pair to play Second pair

Juniors

Warwickshire Youth & National League - Summer 2026

Our Boys 14u team finished 4th in Division 2C, The Boys 16u Division 1 team finished 2nd , and the Boys16u Division 2A team finished 5th.

Warwickshire Youth & National League - Winter 2026

We have two boys' teams competing in the upcoming winter league, Boys 14u and Boys 16u.

Court Scheduling

As a reminder to all members, please ensure that you book courts via the Clubspark website.

There are various fixed bookings that run throughout the Autum/Winter

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Adult Mixed Coffee Morning & Coaching (1.5hr) @ 10:00 * Men's Coaching (1hr) @ 19:00 *	Pickleball @10:30 * Ladies Coaching @17:00 * Juniors Squad coaching @18:00 Winter League @ 19:00	Winter League @ 19:00 Pickleball (TBC)	Winter League @ 19:00	Juniors 4 – 6yrs Mini Red coaching @17:00 Juniors 7 – 10yrs Mini Orange coaching @18:00 Juniors 10 – 15 coaching @19:00	Juniors 4 – 6yrs Mini Red coaching @09:00 Juniors 6 – 8yrs Mini Orange coaching @10:00 Juniors 9 – 11 coaching @11:00 Juniors National League Matches Adult Mixed Club Social @13:00	MSML Matches @10:00

- Denotes payable extra.

Where courts are required for League matches or club tournament's these will have priority, **Court 1** is the designated coaching court. When League matches clash with club social sessions then the social sessions will be required to move to Court 2.

Club News

A few months back the club applied for a grant as part of the Pride in Place initiative. This program has given the Royal Town of Sutton Coldfield £20 million worth of funding over the next 10 years, in the Government's 'Plan for Neighbourhoods'. We are pleased to announce that the club has been generously awarded a sum of money that will go towards improving the club, we will provide further details in due course but we are looking to purchase some new furniture for inside and outside as well as some new equipment.

Back in June, the club lost one of its longest standing members, Norman Adams after a short illness. Norman epitomized Boldmere Tennis Club. In April, the club was honoured to present Norman with an honorary lifetime membership.

Norman will be greatly missed by all those that knew him. Below is a picture of Norman, with our chair at the time, Sue, being presented with an LTA award celebrating the club's 100 year in 2014.

Through your generosity the club raised £575.00 that was presented to Mesothelioma UK. As you will all know one of our Members, Liz Carter, sadly lost her daughter earlier this year to Mesothelioma.

Once again Flair Windows have graciously sponsored our Winter League for the coming season, as highlighted above we will be presenting the winners for both Men and Ladies with their own Flair Trophies. Many thanks to Steve Hughes for facilitating this.

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Social

At the time of writing we are planning a short 4.5 mile walk from Frafley Junction, through Fradley and then back to the Canal Junction, following on from this we can visit the Swan pub for some well-deserved food and drink

Looking further into October we plan to host a juniors Halloween party which will consist for some spooky fun and games along with food!!!. Further details will be announced shortly.

And then into November, a local fireworks display, date/venue TBC

And finally……

The committee is pleased to welcome Brendan as an associate member; Brendan has kindly agreed to be the focal point for any maintenance tasks at the club. Welcome Brendan and thank you for kindly agreeing to take this on.

Congratulations to Ignas who won a grade 5 LTA tournament at Stourbridge in the U12 category back in August.

Please visit our social media platforms to find all the club activities & results.