# Tennis Volunteer Community Newsletter Update

February/March 2025

To All TVC members,

I hope all is good with you all.

We are all planning for a successful 2025, supporting each other at both a club and national level and looking at how the LTA will support us.

The information that we all share is of great value, both asking and answering questions.

In addition going forward I'm going to try and keep you informed of news at a national level that may impact you locally.

As always I'm happy to receive your feedback.

Thank you,



#### TVC SUPPLIER DIRECTORY

Have you nominated yet? To support our group. We need your help now.

Introducing the TVC Supplier Directory – your go-to resource for trusted suppliers in Tennis, Padel & Pickleball!

Recommend suppliers you've had great experiences with. We'll connect with them and list them by service category. Clubs, venues, coaches & counties can easily find trusted suppliers.

No member responsibility for recommendations—just sharing good experiences! Supports TVC's non-profit work while keeping your privacy protected. Get involved & submit your recommendations today!

- 1. Supplier Name:
- 2.Contact:
- 3. Address:
- 4. Telephone/Mobile:
- 5. Email:
- 6. Type of Service:
- Area Covered (if known):

Email: tennis@eceltd.co.uk (To unsubscribe, email me)

#### **NEWS**

#### **PICKLEBALL UPDATE**

Following Pickleball England and Scotland receiving governing body status from Sports England the LTA has clarified its position following its unsuccessful bid.

#### **Insurance & Coaching Coverage**

- ✓ LTA-registered venues are already covered for pickleball activities under their existing insurance policy.
- ✓ LTA Accredited tennis coaches are insured to offer pickleball coaching, provided they are competent to do so.

#### **Support & Membership Benefits**

- LTA Toolkit Support The LTA will provide guidance and resources for venues.
- Pickleball & LTA Advantage Play+ If a club includes pickleball players in its tennis membership, they can access LTA Advantage Play+ benefits.
- Exclusive Kit & Equipment From March, LTA Advantage Members and LTA-registered venues will have access to a comprehensive range of kit and equipment through a leading specialist pickleball retailer.

#### **Facilities & Court Setup Guidance**

- Guidance will be available on:
- Setting up pickleball courts
- Tennis court markings for pickleball
- Affordable pickleball nets and lines
- Support from Delivery Teams, the Property Team, and online resources

#### **Safeguarding Protocols**

If a safeguarding incident involves:

- Tennis members or LTA Accredited coaches Contact the LTA Safeguarding Team Report a Concern.
- Pickleball-only members Refer the case to Pickleball England.

#### **TENNIS BALL RECYCLING**

The LTA is introducing DYUCE, an LTA-recommended ball recycling service, following a successful trial.

#### **How It Works**

- Venues receive a FREE collection pod (holds 250 balls) upon subscribing.
- Subscription: £10/month (covers admin, logistics & recycling).
- Collection: When full, scan the QR code on the bin for next-day pickup (£15 per box of 250 balls).

For more details:

- **Visit DYUCE Website**
- Contact: info@dyuce.com

What do you currently do with your used tennis balls? Let me know your thoughts!

#### **VOLUNTEER AT MAJOR LTA EVENTS**

Volunteer opportunities at LTA 2025 grass court major events: Here is the link if you are interested in applying.

https://lawntennis.fra1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_1MQuPhOD4b7jpgG

#### **INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY: SATURDAY 8TH MARCH**

Here's an LTA event worth joining: Wednesday 5th March. Sandra Zaniewska, current coach to Women's singles World No.22 <u>Marta Kostyuk</u>, as she shares expert insights on better engaging female players. Click <u>here</u> to register for the event.

Are you holding any events to show women and girls in your community what opportunities they have to engage at your club?

## **Upcoming Q&A Sessions**

Join us for themed Q&A Zoom sessions with individuals from the LTA or experts in their field who are keen to share knowledge and support the tennis volunteer community. Some sessions run twice in one day, so please do register for the one most convenient for you.

Tuesday 4th March 1-2pm & 7-8pm

#### Steve Yeardley LTA Head of Padel

A discussion focused on how tennis venues can introduce Padel and how the two sports can flourish together.

**REGISTER FOR 1PM** 

**REGISTER FOR 7PM** 

Tuesday 6th May 1-2pm & 7-8pm

#### Rhys Doherty LTA Head of Customer Support

An opportunity to find out more about the LTA Customer support team and what they offer clubs and venues.

**REGISTER FOR 1PM** 

**REGISTER FOR 7PM** 

### Virtual Coffee Sessions

Our informal online 'coffee sessions' are open to anyone who would like to pop on to a Zoom video call with others to chat about anything related to volunteering. There are loose themes for these, but the core purpose is support and open discussion. The sessions run at 1–2pm and 7–8pm on the same day, so please book on to the most convenient one for you.

Tuesday 25th March 2025 1-2pm & 7-8pm

Attracting New Members: Marketing our clubs into the community and beyond.

**REGISTER HERE** 

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## Video Library

Explore our **YouTube channel** for all previous videos. Here are some highlights:

FROM THE VIDEO LIBRARY

## Introducing the LTA Tennis Foundation

A past recording of a Zoom session with LTA Tennis Foundation's Tom Gibbins.

**VIEW HERE** 

## Important Links

Join the main TVC
Facebook group: Click
here

Join the Padel Facebook group: <u>Click here</u>

Join the Floodlight Facebook group: Click here

For all previous online session recordings, view the YouTube Channel: Click here

Have a look at our information website: Click here

# Spread the Word

Please keep sharing links to our community and resources to other tennis volunteers who may benefit

