



Welcome to this early summer edition of KLT. We haven't sent you one of these in a while, so we are updating you with some recent stories whilst we are preparing more items for future issues due out very soon. Please follow the links in the stories to our website to enjoy more news.

We are always on the lookout for more articles, so please do send us your stories and photos via email to...

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## David Rawlinson, LTA President, visits Kent Clubs

In March the LTA President David Rawlinson, and his wife Brenda, visited Kent and were blessed with glorious sunshine, getting the warmest of welcomes throughout the county! David certainly did his bit to “Play Your Way” around a county intent on getting him to “Eat His Way” around!



The visit showcased some great activity – in large and small clubs, in parks and community venues, in a CITC and also a privately funded high-class tennis centre. David saw everything from Padel Tennis to LTA Youth, disability sessions, county training and county seniors tournaments. He met a small army of willing volunteers who innovated through the lockdowns to keep tennis thriving across the entire tennis landscape.

To read more on the President's visit to Kent Tennis, please see our the full article on our website Latest News page here <http://www.kenttennis.org.uk/2022currentnews>

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## Kent Tennis County Awards

Kent Tennis proudly presented the County Awards for achievements in 2021 to a room of over 185 guests, at the Tudor Park Hotel in Bearsted a few weeks ago. Hosted by John Ratcliffe, the awards were each presented by a wonderful

group of dignitaries to the much deserved recipients. It was an excellent evening, becoming so popular that we'll need a bigger venue next year.



To read more on our county winners and finalists, view the 2021 highlights video and see the photos from the evening, please see the full article on our website Latest News - <http://www.kenttennis.org.uk/2022currentnews>

## LTA Regional & National Awards

Another incredible year for Kent Tennis, we have 2 National Champions plus 2 more national finalists!

- **Emma Raducanu** – Player of the Year (see LTA site here > [Emma Raducanu wins Player of the Year at LTA Tennis Awards](#))
- **Deal Parochial Primary School** – School of the Year (see LTA site here > [Deal Parochial Primary School announced as LTA Tennis Awards School of the Year](#))

In addition to the above two winners, congratulations also go to two more national finalists from Kent, Jack Pinnington Jones (Junior Player of the Year) and Graham Sutherland (Lifetime Achievement Award). Graham Sutherland and Deal Parochial Primary School were each South East Regional Award winners too.

You can read more about the LTA Awards on the LTA website here, as well as watching a video of the awards ceremony > [Read More About LTA Tennis Awards](#)

The winners will be presented with their trophies in June/July.

[View Full list of Winners Here](#)

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## Kent's County Cup success continues

### 18U County Cup

The girls captained by Pippa Lane and Holly Richards, experienced such fine margins in their matches, as they finished 3rd in the group and stayed up.

The boys captained by Max Robinson and Tom Jarvis, were absolutely ruthless in their complete domination over the weekend. The 18U boys being crowned Group 1 National Champions beating Middlesex, Lancashire & Yorkshire.



## 9U County Cup

The weekend of the 20th March saw the start of the 9U county cup regional qualifying event at the NTC. The boys carried on from where they left off last year, by cruising through the event with comfortable wins.

The girls put in a gallant display to finish runner up to a very strong Middlesex team.

## 8U County Cup

The 8Us is a new event that will run in October, however the LTA were keen to trial the event in March with any counties wishing to do so. Along with the other London and SE counties, we hosted such an event at BTC on Saturday 11th March. Kent came 2nd in both events.



This is a good start to the LTA County Cup 2022 for the Kent juniors, with a national title in the bag already and the 9U Boys once again qualify for the National Finals (South), who will be looking to retain the title won last year. We hope for more silverware over the course of the coming months.

**STOP PRESS: Boys 10U are now National Champions too. More in next issue.**

To read more and see photographs of the teams, please see the full article on our website Latest News page [here: http://www.kenttennis.org.uk/latest-news](http://www.kenttennis.org.uk/latest-news)

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