



Annual Report and Accounts

1st September 2022 to 31st August 2023

**2023 – continuing
our growth at
Lenzie Tennis Club
(SCIO)**



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Lenzie Tennis Club was formed in 1889 as part of the Lenzie Cricket Club. In 1901, we became an independent Club and have not looked back since.



In 2023 we had a lot to offer our local community. We are an inclusive club open to everyone and welcome everyone who loves tennis. Our coaching programme is particularly strong.



Charity Management

What is Lenzie Tennis Club (SCIO) ?



We are a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation with six Charity Trustees. Our charity number is SC049633.

Mike Bradley was elected as a new Trustee when taking on the role of President in November 2022. At the AGM in November 2023, Liz Hunter stood down as Trustee and we would like to thank her for her service in this role over a number of years. She is still serving on the Committee for 2024. Fraser Joss was elected to take on Liz's position as Trustee. The following Trustees were elected / re-elected to serve for 2024 :

<u>Trustee</u>	<u>Office</u>
Mike Bradley	President
Mark Taylor	Treasurer
Fraser Joss	Secretary
Dilys Kerr	Club Contact
Hugh Wright	Membership Secretary
Iain Cavin	Trustee

The following were elected at the AGM in November 2023 to serve on the Committee to assist the Trustees in the running of the Club :

<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Office</u>
Annette Fabling	General Committee Member
Julie English	General Committee Member

Lenzie Tennis Club (SCIO) is governed by our Constitution which is posted on the clubhouse notice board and on our website at www.lenzietennis.org.uk

President's Report to the 2023 Annual General Meeting

2023 has been another excellent and eventful year for Lenzie Tennis Club, we currently have 183 members which is slightly down on last year but similar to pre-covid numbers. Overall, the club is in a healthy position. We have a good balance at the club, with both a large number of junior members and adults.

I would like to thank all the Committee members and Trustees for all your hard work and dedication in the running of Lenzie Tennis Club. Special thanks to Hugh Wright for his regular Newsletters and updates to members, Dilys as our Club Main Contact, Mark Taylor for his work as Treasurer and although Iain Cavin has resigned a big thanks for his role as our Club Secretary in the previous seasons (now vacant – any volunteers- ?.)

The 2023 season was a highly successful one for our teams: In the Spring League the Ladies won Division Two while the Ladies 1st team won Division 3B- including the play-off final. The Gents 1st team also won Division 5 A and playoff in the Summer League. The over 40s leagues also were successful with Division wins for the Ladies 1st (Division 4B) and Gents will also get promoted by being runners up in Division 8B.

The remaining teams were all competitive and everyone appeared to enjoy the various matches and hopefully this will continue next season.

The junior teams also had success this summer with the boys U12 team winning their division. The mixed boys and girls U8, U9, U10 teams and the boys U16 team finished either 2nd or 3rd in their respective leagues which was great. Thank you to James Thow our Head coach for running the coaching programme for both junior and adult members. James and his assistant coaches (Ryan & John) have continued to play a big part in encouraging new juniors and adults to take out membership of the club. James and his team have successfully reinvigorated the coaching after a difficult start to the year and a special thanks to the new coaching team.

A big well done also to Mark Taylor for running a successful and smoothly run Club Championships and well done to all who took part and especially to the finalists and winners. The new board has recently been constructed and updated with the Singles winners -so plenty of space on the board for future stars.

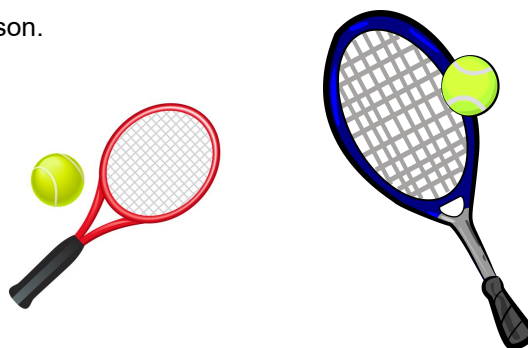
The social side of the club has grown with several afternoons of tennis including teas and BBQs. In addition, a friendly match with Stepps, and Strathaven Ladies, were well attended and fun days, (we won both- 😊)

The successful completion of the works on Court 4 which now allows us to have four excellent playing surfaces – no more moaning about being put on Court 4 anymore. In addition, the construction of our new Disabled Toilet and reconfiguration of the Gents changing have also improved the facilities at the club. The Committee also decided to upgrade the fire alarms system to be compliant with current guidance. It is hoped that we can also upgrade the remaining toilets during the next year or two and although the Clubs finances are health these works may be dependent on obtaining extra funding.

In addition, we hope to have a fund-raising evening in February 2024 and will keep people informed early in the New Year. Lenzie Tennis Club has recently received an impressive £1942.83 from the Co-op as a local cause for the further investment in our Club clubhouse. A photo opportunity has been offered for the tennis club so look out for familiar faces when you shop at Co-op on Kirkintilloch Road.

Here's to a successful and fun filled 2024 Season.

Mike Bradley
President



Objectives and Activities

Within our governing document (our constitution), Lenzie Tennis Club's purposes are unchanged. These are :>

- **to provide facilities for the playing of tennis to improve the conditions of life for the people of Lenzie and our neighbouring local communities,**
- **to promote the sport of tennis through community participation in the same.**

To allow us to carry out our purposes, we register with the LTA (Lawn Tennis Association) and maintain their minimum standards :

- **Our Safeguarding Policy can be downloaded from our website**
- **Our Diversity and Inclusion Policy can be downloaded from our website**
- **Our Welfare Officer is Audrey Beggs**
- **We ensure that all volunteers and coaches have up to date PVG certification through Disclosure Scotland**
- **Our Risk Assessment of the Club and Facilities can be downloaded from our website**
- **We ensure that our Head Coach is Accredited or Accredited+**

We treat Safeguarding with the utmost importance and this is highlighted on our website. All our Policies and Procedures are advertised to our Members and are available to download from our website. www.lenzietennis.org.uk

Objectives for the Future

We are always looking to improve our facilities and our ability to promote tennis in Lenzie and the wider community, and so we have not rested on our laurels and our wonderful achievements this year. Our Business Plan has been updated to reflect our current position - our playing facilities have been modernised, but we aim to go further. We are also looking to continue refurbishing our clubhouse and surrounds. We have made inroads this past year in modernising the kitchen escape area externally with new and expanded paving. Our new disabled toilet is up and running and the gents changing room has been consequently reduced to a more manageable size with external wall insulation. Upgrading the ladies toilet and changing area will be next on the "to do" list.

Achievements and Performance



Our Club Championships were held again this past year and participation was up. Well done to all who took part and to Mark Taylor for organising.



A very successful Junior Club Championships again this year organised by our Head Coach, James Thow.



Other achievements and performance :

- Artificial grass carpet laid on Court 4 (previously a hard court)
- Construction of the planned disabled toilet and modifications to the gents' changing room
- Expansion of external paving and paths
- Continuation of the very successful coaching programme
- Continued expansion of our website
- Continued regular Newsletters to Members
- Repairs to clubhouse doors

Accounts : 1st September 2022 to 31st August 2023

Lenzie Tennis Club's 2023 season has been very successful, greatly achieved through prudent financial control. Notes on the account figures are shown after the third page of figures :

Lenzie Tennis Club (SCIO)			
Balance Sheet as at 31st August, 2023			
2022	Fixed Assets	Cost	2023
80	Land	80	80
Current Assets			
46386	Current Account		30224
20000	Sinking Fund		20000
<u>66386</u>	Total Assets		<u>50224</u>
Current Liabilities			
2500	LTA Hardship Loan		833
3722	Bank Bounce Back Loan		2722
<u>6222</u>	Total Liabilities		<u>3555</u>
<u>60244</u>	Net Assets		<u>46749</u>
Capital Position			
41926	Brought Forward		60244
18318	Surplus (Deficit)		-13495
<u>60244</u>			<u>46749</u>

Prepared from the records of Lenzie Tennis Club (SCIO) and is a true reflection of the Club's financial position as at 31/8/23

G. Watson

Gary Watson
Examiner

20/11/23

Independent Examiner :

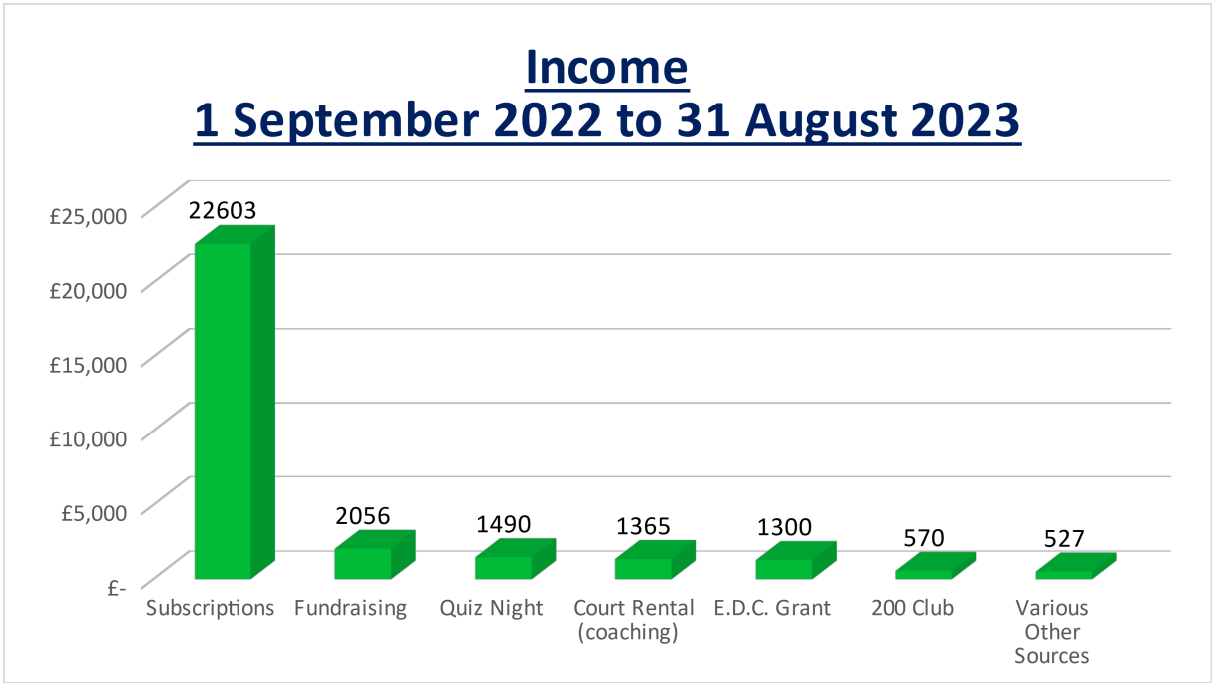
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Accounts (cont'd)

Lenzie Tennis Club (SCIO)		
Income for year ended 31st August, 2023		
2022	Income	2023
128	Club Championship Fees	122
5731	Court Income (Rent from Coach)	1365
-	E.D.C Grant	1300
440	Fundraising	2056
328	Match Balls (Players Contributions)	348
27578	Subscriptions (Including Key Deposits)	22603
165	Sundry Income	30
-	Ball Sales	7
780	200 Club	570
7000	Lenzie Estate Company	-
10	Pay & Play	20
-	Quiz Night	1490
42160		29911

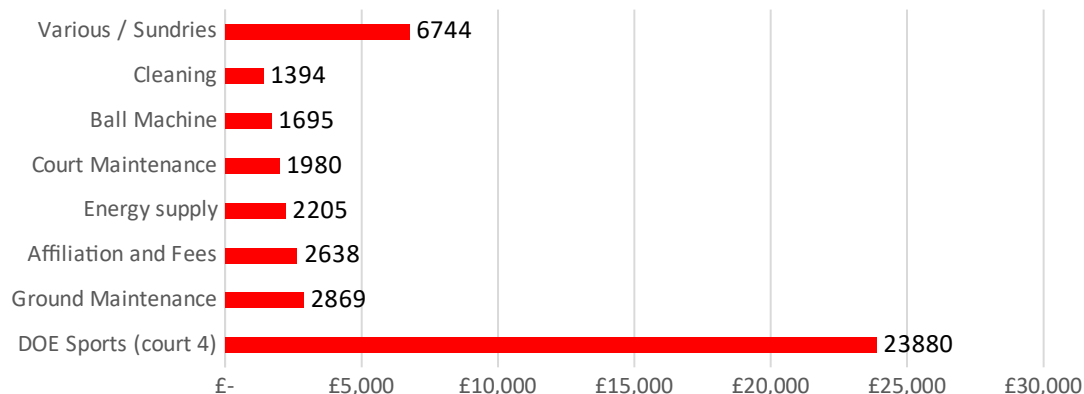


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Lenzie Tennis Club (SCIO) Expenditure for year ended 31st August, 2023

2022	Expenditure	2023
4205	Affiliation and Competition Fees	2638
1144	Cleaning	1394
6368	Clubhouse Repairs	518
435	Coach Commission	-
1085	Energy Supply	2205
-	Ground Maintenance	2869
678	Insurance	678
-	Leaf Blower	-
50	Key Refunds	10
920	Tennis Balls	1258
472	Coaching Balls	-
-	Water Rates	-
1123	Sundries	410
135	Engraving	221
159	T.V. Licence	159
90	Website	90
934	Subscription Refund	53
450	Purchase of Keys	-
1338	Defibrillator	-
-	Halliday Lighting	-
1823	DOE Sport	23880
240	PSD(Project Management)	-
-	Viridor Fees	-
-	Land Trust Fees	-
395	200 Club	325
-	Floodlights	-
-	Court Painting	-
1029	Clubhouse Maintenance	737
660	Court Maintenance	1980
-	LTA Hardship Loan	-
109	Bank Bounce Back Loan	83
-	Ball Machine	1695
-	Junior Trophies	240
-	Quiz Night	403
-	Pro Sharp Invoices	1310
-	Contribution to Ronan	250
23842		43405

Expenditure 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023



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Lenzie Tennis Club (SCIO)

Notes to the Accounts

Balance Sheet

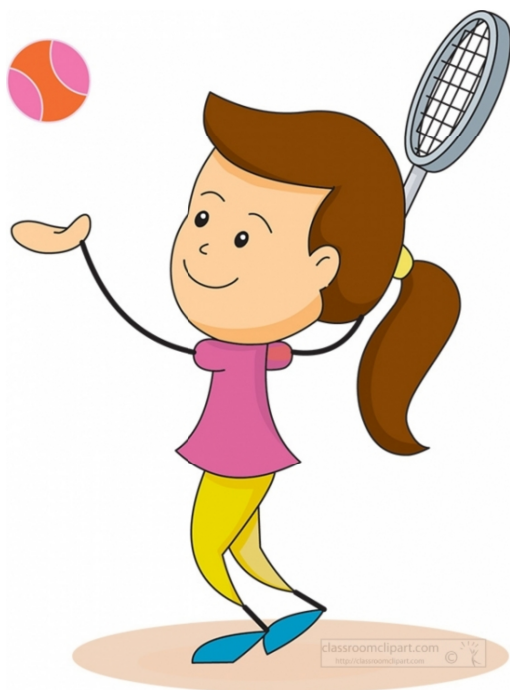
1. Current account contains almost £4k of the Lenzie Estates Grant received in 2021/22 which is to be used specifically for encouraging youth participation.

Income

1. Court Income from James Thow will land in the 2023-24 accounts due to the time taken in establishing process with James following his start at the club!
2. E.D.C Grant and Fundraising (the bulk of the total is from the CO-OP) was obtained for purpose of disabled toilet project, the cost of which will land in 2023-24 accounts.

Expenditure

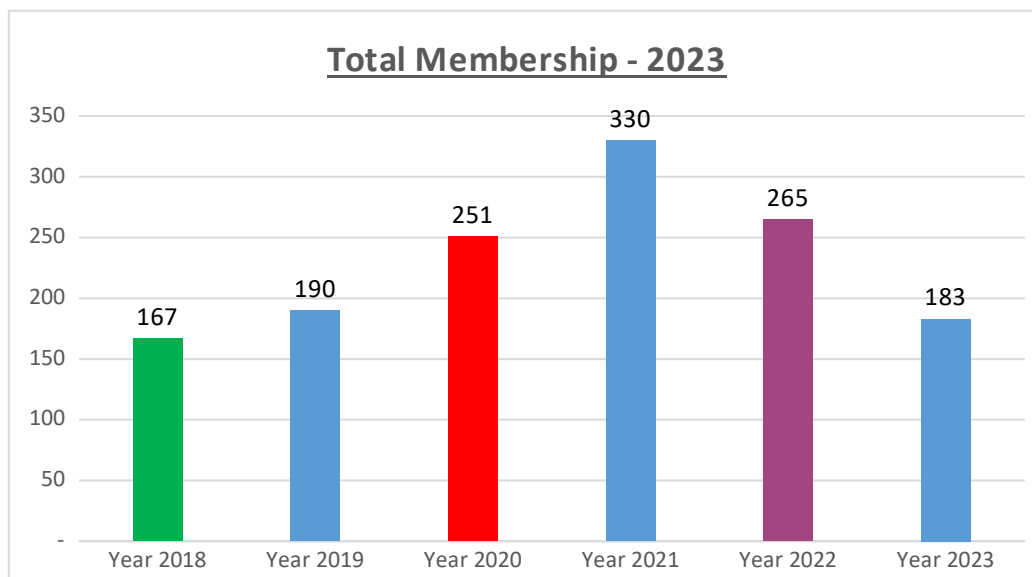
1. Ground Maintenance includes the paying of half of the invoice sent to us by ProSharp which covers a period of 18 months. The club are providing for half should ProSharp provide the evidence required in order for us to release the final payment.
2. The DOE Sport costs contain the full value of our court 4 project.
3. Court maintenance includes the payment of a bi-annual Doe invoice that should have been paid in the previous year when the work took place.
4. The costs for the Ball Machine and the Pro Sharp Invoices were covered by funds from the Lenzie Estates Grant and not club funds.



Membership

As we continue to come out of the Covid shut down and restrictions, and as the the sporting world opens up elsewhere, we find that our extremely high membership figures from the past two years has fallen. Notwithstanding this, the figure of 183 Members is still higher than pre-Covid times and puts the Club in a strong position moving forward.

<u>Total Membership</u>	<u>Number</u>
Year 2018	167
Year 2019	190
Year 2020	251
Year 2021	330
Year 2022	265
Year 2023	183



Coaching

The following Coaching Report was provided by James Thow, our Head Coach, at the 2023 AGM :>



Hi all, firstly please accept my apologies for my absence. I would like to say a big thanks to the committee for choosing to employ me. It has been a pleasure to become part of the club, and I am excited to continue to expand the club's coaching programme. I would like to give particular congratulations to the completion of court 4, and the new accessible toilets being installed.

When I joined initially, my aim was to assess the level of the players on the programme and to ascertain demand for coaching over the various age groups. I was also responsible for picking up and coordinating the various teams that had been entered into the junior leagues. I would like to show my appreciation for all parents who have captained juniors teams over the summer leagues, and also the for the on site captains at the winter matches. This contribution is invaluable to the players' competitive experience.

Coaching wise, I have ran Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, approximately 3-7pm. For members who were owed lessons from Alison, I included a free session for this block. I understand there had been some challenges in the coaching transition, so had wanted to show my appreciation for those still on the programme. For the May – July block, we had 14 reds, 26 Orange/Greens and 16 Yellow playing weekly (56 total). Summer camps at the club were run over three weeks through the summer. Numbers were reasonably low as expected (18/24/25). I expect this to pick up considerably next summer. John also ran Adult coaching on Friday nights which went well.

During the August – October block Reds increased to 22, Oranges to 25, Greens to 9 and Yellows to 25 (81 total). There were also 8 brand new players on the programme via the LTA Youth Start Programme. This is a class designed to introduce new players to tennis with a racket/balls/t shirt etc for £35. I have used this to great effect at BTC and intend to do the same here, as it's an excellent route into tennis. This block I ran a 6pm Adult class, with reasonably low attendance.

The current October – December block is seeing 25 Reds, 26 Oranges, 14 Greens and 11 Yellows (76 total). This slight drop off can mostly be attributed to the colder weather coming in, however there have been a few players drop off the programme who I expected to continue playing. It is difficult to provide a reason for this as each player is different. Adults wise, the change to the 7pm timeslot has provided better opportunity for adults to come along, with numbers doubling compared to last block.

There is no doubt that the break in coaching players received prior to my arrival has negatively impacted coaching numbers at the club. I am hoping that consistent programme delivery will renew the trust players have in the coaching programme. I have been in contact with Active Schools regarding access into local primaries. I also plan on running more LTA Youth Start courses. Ryan and I are in discussion about starting a Tots programme too. These are all useful routes for increasing awareness of the club, increasing numbers of players at the club and to continuing to grow the programme from the youngest age groups up.

Our players have been out competing in junior competitions too, with teams entered into the U8, U9, U10, U12, U16 teams entered into summer leagues, with the U12s winning their division. U9 and U11 teams were entered into the winter leagues too.

Overall I am pleased with how the first 7 months of coaching have gone. There is plenty of opportunity to grow the programme, I feel well supported by the committee and I look forward to increasing my provision to the club in future. I also owe thanks to John and Ryan for leading and assisting the coaching sessions, and for their continued contribution to the programme. Lastly a big thanks to the parents who book their kids on – thank you for supporting the programme and for trusting me with your children's tennis development.

If anyone has any questions re anything I provide for the club, please don't hesitate to email me on james@lenzietennis.org.uk

Thanks
James Thow

Competitions and Team Tennis

In 2023, from a competitions point of view, it has been wonderful to expand our competitive tennis again.

Summer and Autumn team tennis in the West of Scotland Tennis leagues for adult members was held again this year and it is definitely a benefit to the standard of play for individuals to compete against other Clubs in the West of Scotland. A summary of how the Lenzie adult teams performed is shown here :

In the Spring : **The Ladies Team won Division 2.**

In the Summer : **The Ladies 1st Team won Division 3B and also won the playoff matches to win the overall Division and gained promotion to the 2nd Division.**

The Gents 1st Team won Division 5A and also won the playoff matches to win the overall Division and promotion to Division 4.

Ladies and Gents 2nd teams were competitive but remained in their Divisions.

The Gents 3rd Team competed in Division 8. This was the first year that we have entered a 3rd team and is a reflection of the increased membership and Gents wanting to play competitively.

In the Autumn over 40s leagues the Ladies team finished top in Division 4B.

The Gents team finished 2nd in Division 8B and will get promoted.

The Ladies 2nd team finished 3rd in Division 5a, narrowly missing out by 1 set to finish 2nd.

The Gents 1st team finished 2nd in Division 4D.

The Gents 2nd team finished 2nd in Division 5C.

The junior teams also had success this summer with the boys U8-U16 teams finishing between 2nd -3rd in their respective leagues which was great. Thank you to James Thow our Head coach for running the coaching programme for both junior and adult members. James and his assistant coaches (Ryan & John) have continued to play a big part in encouraging new juniors and adults to take out membership of the club. James and his team have successfully reinvigorated the coaching after a difficult start to the year and a special thanks to the new coaching team.

The Club Championships were played. Adult singles winners this year :>

Ladies –Emma Anderson

Gents – Stuart Bone

Club Development

The following Club Development Report was made at this year's AGM :

The fourth court has been an excellent addition to the club, allowing for enhanced court usage during the summer months. Floodlights are to be explored however the neighbouring houses present challenges.

Clubhouse renovations including the accessible toilet have been a great addition. The club intends to begin preparations on improving the female and male changing facilities.

There have been minor improvements to the roof to prevent tennis balls being stuck in the drains.

The club have also added a new fire alarm system that will improve clubhouse safety, while keeping the building insurance valid.

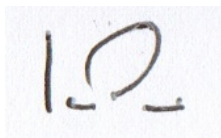


Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved this Trustees' Annual Report.

Signed on behalf of Lenzie Tennis Club (SCIO) Trustees

Signatures



Names

Iain Andrews Buchanan Cavin

Michael King Bradley

Position

Trustee – OSCR main
contact

Trustee - President

Date

1 February 2024

1 February 2024

