

## Cambridgeshire Tennis: Seniors Report for 2025 AGM

Seniors are now categorised (frighteningly) by the International Tennis Federation as players over 30. If you are a regular player, you are likely to spend most of your life eligible to play in seniors events. As many events are split into 5-year age groups, there are many opportunities to play seniors tournaments, club matches or to represent Cambridgeshire.

Cambridge has been active in seniors events, both for teams and in national tournaments as you will see from the results below.

In the summer County Cup competitions in 2024, Cambridgeshire did not have any national finalists but we were ably represented by 13 teams. A women's 70s team has been entered for 2025. We would love to enter a women's 55s team and a men's 75s team in future if we can identify captains and build a squad.

We would also like to see more club teams compete in the Seniors National League events. Entries can be made on-line in January and early February [Seniors National League Inter-Club Competition](#)

Special mention for outstanding seniors club team performance must go to David Lloyd Cambridge who won the Seniors National League Men's 55 age group beating Wolverhampton in the final.

As regards individual success, Jodie Tiley, a regular in Cambridgeshire's open county team, won the women's 30s event at Eastbourne.

David Mills had an excellent season before suffering an injury. He featured strongly in men's 55s singles tournaments (see results below) and, with his partner Nick Boys of Bedfordshire won doubles events at Glasgow, Wrexham, Welwyn Garden City and Wimbledon.



David Mills (right) and his doubles partner Nick Boys with their trophies after winning the Men's 55s event at the British Closed Masters Grass Court Champs, Wimbledon.

Finally, a big thank you to all those of you who have captained senior county and club teams. Without you playing opportunities would be greatly reduced. And if I can help with advice or an introduction to a relevant team captain, please contact me via the details below.

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**Cambridgeshire Tennis: Seniors Results 2024**  
 Summer County Cup 35 and over, Corby, Major Tournament Honours,  
 Festival of Tennis, Seniors National League

<b>Event/Age Group M/F</b>	<b>Team &amp; Results</b>
35 F County Cup Eastbourne 3-5 August	Cambridgeshire finished 3 <sup>rd</sup> in Group 4b with 1 win from 3 matches and will remain in Group 4 for 2025. Captain Katie Jarvis
35 M County Cup Eastbourne	Cambridgeshire finished 2 <sup>nd</sup> in Group 3b with 2 wins from 3 matches and will remain in Group 3 for 2025. Captain Tim Pountain-Holes
40 F County Cup April- October	Group 2b Berks 5-Cambs 0; Norfolk 3-Cambs 2; Cambs 2-Beds 3; Cambs v Surrey (not played. Awarded to Cambs) Team: B. Davies & O Agar Stallbom (Capts.), H Hansgate, E Dowdeswell, K Deudney, J Beattie, J Lee, V Knight
45 M County Cup April- October	Group 1a Notts 5-Cambs 0; Cambs 0-Leics 5; Cambs 1-Cheshire 4; Yorks 4-Cambs 1 Team: A Voss (Capt.), R Ellis, T Skovlund, N Connelly, A Smith, M Di Pietro, L Sarno, S Al Najib
50 W County Cup April- October	Group 1a Lancs 3-Cambs 2; Gloucs 2-Cambs 3; Cambs 0-Middx 5; Cambs 5-Notts 0 Team: C Heron (Capt); C Sprowell, M Boyle, L Birch, M Montanes Gassol, R Hill, C Thornton, F Clegg
50 M County Cup April- October	Group 1b Cambs 0- Warcs 5; Cambs1 Durham & Cleveland 4; Leics 5 -Cambs 0; Bucks 4-Cambs 1 Team: T Sabin (Capt), R Christina, A Guillen I Fabregas, N Armitage, S Al Najib, I Styran, R Coombes
55 F County Cup April- October	No team entered
55 M County Cup April- October	Group 1a Bucks 3-Cambs 2; Cambs 1-Yorks 4; Staffs 3-Cambs 2); Cambs 5- Lancs 0; Leics 4 v Cambs 1 Team: D Mills (Capt), C Humphreys, A Jordan, S Martin, P Collins, D Odendaal B Skead M Beckley
60 F County Cup April- October	Group 3b Berks 1-Cambs 3; Dorset 3-Cambs1; Devon 3-Cambs1; Cambs 1-Suffolk 3; Cambs 2- Cornwall 2 (Cambs win); Team: K Goodman (Capt), L Birch, D Bowes, S Matta, J Chin, C Soderman, M-A Rodelakis, S Fitchett
60 M County Cup April- October	Group 2b Cambs 3- Shropshire 2; Notts 4- Cambs 1; Cambs 4-Bucks 1; W of Scotland 5-Cambs 0 Team: A Martin (Capt), M Collar, C Cope, J Atfield, L Hamadache, F Colucci, M Beckley, A Rice
65 F County Cup April- October	Group 3b Warcs 2-Cambs 2 (Warcs win); Cambs 4 - N Wales 0 (Not played); Cambs 1- Leics 3 Team: S Mitchell, J Chin, Y Mughal, N Keir, T Esplin
65 M County Cup April- October	Group 3b Oxfordshire 3-Cambs 2; Cambs 5-Somerset 0; Avon 4-Cambs1; Cambs 1-Gloucs 4 Team: P Jenson (Capt.), L Hamadache, K Little, T Mastroddi, M Sanders, J Hunter
70 F County Cup April- October	No team entered
70 M County Cup April- October	Group 2b Surrey 4-Cambs 0; Cambs 2- Sussex 2 (Cambs win); Middx 4-Cambs 0; Cambs 2-Bucks 2 (Bucks win); Beds 0-Cambs 4 (Not played): Team: J Hunter (Capt), D Chalk, M Dakin, D Milburn, P Eaves
75 F County Cup April- October	Group 2 Suffolk 3-Cambs1; Kent 4-Cambs 0; Cambs v Bucks (not played -awarded to Cambs) T Hug (Capt), P Taylor, C Moore, S Westmoreland, A Clarke
75 M County Cup April- October	No team entered

**Corby 23-24: Midland Veterans' League**

W40+: won 3 - lost 3 position 4 out of 7  
 W50+: won 2- lost 5 position 5 out of 8  
 W60+: won 2 - lost 2 position 3 out of 5  
 M55+: won 1- lost 3 position 4 out of 5 (6th team dropped out)

### Cambridgeshire Players in Major GB Tournaments

Date	Event	Result
24-28/1	Glasgow ITF	M55s Sgls: Pieter Van Houten winner M55s Sgls: David Mills QF
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10-18/2	GB Masters Open Indoor, Wrexham	M55s Sgls: David Mills SF
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8-14/4	Welwyn Garden City ITF MT400	M45s Sgls: Rob Ellis reached semi final losing in 10-8 in champ tie-break to eventual winner Ryan Fern
8-14/4	Welwyn Garden City ITF MT400 M55s doubles	M55s Dbs: David Mills and Nick Boys (Beds) winners beating Roberto Domizi & Mark Tomlinson 7-6, 6-3 in final.
4-6/5	Four Nations M45s Bolton	M45s Rob Ellis & Partner Dean King lost decisive doubles v Ireland 15-13 in champion's tiebreak. A victory would have put England first in the group. Close competition. England finished 3 <sup>rd</sup> .
24/5-1/6	British Open Masters Clay Court Champs Bournemouth	M 55s Sgls: D Mills QF M 55s Dbs: D Mills/N Boys (Beds) Finalists losing 10-7 in match tiebreak.
18-25/8	British Closed Masters Grass Court Champs Wimbledon	M 45s Sgls: R Ellis QF M 45s Dbs R Ellis /A Voss SF M 55s Sgls: D Mills SF M 55s Dbs: D Mills/N Boys (Beds) winners W 65s Dbs: J Chin /C Jackson (Staffs) SF
27/8-01/9	British Open Masters Grass Court Champs Eastbourne	W 30s Sgls: Jodie Tiley won round robin competition.

### Cambridgeshire Festival of Tennis

Date	Event	Result of Finals
25/8-31/8	M35s singles	Leo Robarts bt Cliff Humphreys
25/8-31/8	M35s doubles	Oli Daniells & Leo Robarts bt Andy Smith & Andy Voss
25/8-31/8	M55s singles	Andy Rice bt Louis Hamadache
25/8-31/8	W 50s doubles	Rachel Hill & Caroline Thornton bt Lesley Birch & Sara Matta

### Seniors National League (Formerly known as Inter-Clubs)

24/11/24	M55s Seniors National League Final	David Lloyd Cambridge beat Wolverhampton in final. Team was A Jordan, C Humphreys, N Boys & S Martin. D Mills was team captain.
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