

The Seniors have enjoyed an excellent year, with four teams playing competitive tennis in the Winter O60s Leagues.

The Men's team Captain Roger Davies reported that 2024 turned out to be a remarkable season for the Ciren Men's Over 60s team. We played 8 matches, winning all eight, losing just two sets in the process, giving us a 62-2 or a 97%, win ratio. We won 81% of all games played. Charlie Jefferies led the rankings, winning 12 sets and losing 2, followed by Jeremy Smith who didn't put a foot wrong in his 10 sets. The rest of the team - Andrew Lazenby, Paul Jenkins, Nick Wade, Ian Lunn, Jonathan Vickers and Roger Davies completed the rout. We ended up 74 points above the second-placed team and look forward to another exciting and winning season in 2025, moving into Division 1.

The Mixed team, captained by Zena, were 1st by 18 points. Jeremy Smith was again the star of the show with 10/10 sets. Roger Davies unbeaten 4/4 and Zena Marchington (by dint of playing 3 matches with Jeremy) 7/8. The team gained promotion to Division 1.

Ladies A Team Captain Heather Jefferies said that her team enjoyed another season of friendly, competitive tennis in Division 1. We finished third in a league which included two teams from East Glos and will stay in Division 1 for another Season. Thank you to everyone who played through the wind, rain and sleet, and to Nicky from the Bs for stepping in at the last moment and to Mary for organising our fixtures.

Maria Walker, captain of the Ladies B team, reported that her team found themselves in Division 2 playing very tough opposition every match. Sadly we were relegated to Division 3 but are already thriving there! Despite relegation, we had some brilliant matches against very lovely ladies!

Roll-ups on Monday afternoon and Thursday mornings continue to provide enjoyable, social tennis for all. We held our annual tournament at the end of July, with a slightly different format which produced some entertaining and competitive matches. The eventual winners were Jack Fillingham and Tony Newton who overcame Jack and Mary Malcolm in the final. With thanks to Zena for her tutorial on organising a tournament!

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