

**HARROW LAWN TENNIS CLUB  
AUGUST 2011**

**HLTC ON WINNING FORM**

**HLTC Visit TC Blau Weiß Kassel Germany**

**Harrow Lawn Tennis Club (HLTC) are on an impressive winning streak.** Following are some of the results:

**SLAZENGER MIDDLESEX LEAGUE**

Ladies 1st Team: Topped Division 1 and will be promoted to Intermediate level in 2012. The team won by an impressive 49 points (Harrow 136 points, West End Pinner 87, Eastcote 80)

Ladies 1<sup>st</sup> Team: reached the finals of Middlesex Cup due to be played September 10th

Ladies 2nd Team: were second in Division 2 and are due for promotion to Division 1

Men's 1<sup>st</sup> Team may be promoted to Division 1 next season pending a final result.

Men's 4<sup>th</sup> Team will be promoted from Division 8 to Division 7 next year

Other men's and ladies teams in the Middlesex League performed well within their divisions

Ladies Midweek: Won the **Chorleywood Charity Tournament**, Div 1. The money raised from tournament players will be donated to Cancer Research UK.

**HERCULES CUP – KASSEL, GERMANY**

Mixed Teams: HLTC retained the Hercules Cup (see details below)

Junior Tournament: Won by Barney Close (see pictures)

Ten years ago HTLC formed a strong friendship and alliance with TC Blau Weiß Kassel Germany. Since then there have been several visits to Kassel and from Kassel to Harrow. The latest visit saw some 43 HLTC members take the trip to Germany. On Saturday 30 July the two clubs battled it out in the **Hercules Cup Tournament**. Mixed teams played four rounds each, including all junior and adult players together. The end result was a convincing win to HLTC who retained the cup from the previous round played at Harrow in 2009.

On Sunday 31 July a tournament was held for the junior players from both clubs. In a gruelling 5 hours of play on a hot sunny day, **HLTC's Barney Close won his second title of the season**. He fought off two strong Kassel players in the final rounds to come through as victor, with Heike Balmer 2<sup>nd</sup> and Jacob Lenschen 3rd. The Kassel Cup will sit along side Barney's HLTC under 18's cup which he won in June.

As well as the tennis, members enjoyed dinners and sight-seeing tours around Kassel. After the tournament on Saturday, TC Blau Weiß provided a buffet-style dinner in the club house. Following the Hercules Cup presentation there was some lively music played by HLTC member Vicky, with husband Paul Egan, who are professional entertainers. Members of both clubs enjoyed music, singing and dancing late into the evening.

The visit ended with fond farewells on Monday 1 August with talk of meeting at the next planned trip from Kassel members to Harrow in 2013.

New members are welcome all year round. Please contact the club via the website at [www.hltc.net](http://www.hltc.net)



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**HLTC KASSEL VISIT  
(Photos by Ralph Watson)**



**Hercules Cup Presentation:  
HLTC Club President Wendy Driver**



**Winner Junior Tournament: Barney Close,**

**TC Blau Weiß and HLTC Teams**



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