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Inside lines: Gordon Brown's racket

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The Chancellor, Gordon Brown, is not believed to be a paid-up member of the Sporting Tendency (hence his supposed antipathy towards an Olympic bid). But it was not ever thus.

Tucked away down the list of 126 community amateur sports clubs who have so far registered as charities for tax exemptions under new Treasury regulations we find, between Dulwich Runners AC and the Durham Amateur Rowing Club, the Dunfermline Tennis and Bridge Club Ltd. A look at the honours board in the clubhouse will reveal the name of G Brown as the club's one-time Under-16 tennis champion. Apparently wee Gordon was a dab hand at serve and volley before discovering there were other strings to his racket.

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