

Autumn 23

CHRISTMAS PLANS

Last year's club Christmas dinner and presentation evening was a big success and we hope this year's will be even better! Save the date: **Friday 1st Dec next door at Almondsbury Creative.** Members should get an email soon with links to the menu and how to book.

Mulled wine and mince pie evening is **7pm Monday 18th Dec**, no need to book - donations welcome. Just bring your racket and we'll play friendly games in-between chat and drinks in the clubhouse!




A&BSTC Christmas
Dinner
Friday 1st December,
7.30pm at
Almondsbury
Creative
2 Courses £19
3 Courses £22
Email:
janemarshall2021@
gmail.com
to book your place



WE NEED YOU!

This is your chance to get involved in your tennis club. We are looking for people with the following skills: DIY, social media, photography, and time to do an occasional tidy up!

Can you volunteer to help do some odd jobs and tidy up the court surroundings? We are holding a tidy up afternoon **Sun 5th Nov 1-3pm.** Refreshments provided. Bring old clothes!



We have booked another Babolat evening for Mon 13th Nov with some special offers. The last one (above) was great! Watch out for your email on how to book.

Club News

Juniors have fun!

**NEW JUNIOR CLUB AFTERNOON -
Sundays 1-3pm**

This is FREE for mini and junior members of Almondsbury & Bradley Stoke TC. All players attending must be able to serve, rally and score. As a general rule any player as part of our + or dev+ coaching programme is fine to come and any yellow development players too - red, orange or green development players are not quite ready yet.



This will be parent-led so please get ready to help out if your child attends. Please contact Jane Marshall for more info on 07909 966367

League success!



We did really well, with Almondsbury II winning summer ladies, late summer AND winter leagues. Trophies now proudly displayed in the cabinet! Great results from everyone. If you are interested in playing in the teams, contact [information @almondsburytennis.org.uk](mailto:information@almondsburytennis.org.uk)

If you're not ready for the teams yet, why not compete in the box league? There's space there for everyone, whatever your level!



weekend away

We hope to go away in 2024 to the Manor Hotel in Devon for our traditional tennis weekend. We wait for one of their offer weekends which make it great value (usually either Feb or Oct) and then we'll be telling you all to book asap! The hotel does loads of sports and craft besides tennis so it's a great opportunity to include partners and family.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Have you got an idea for a social event? Or even better, would you like to help to run one? Quiz nights, cheese&wine, visits to tournaments, skittles evenings, barbecue, cinema night... if that's something you'd like to be involved with, let us know! Perhaps you can help plan one event? Or is there another event you'd like us to run?



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Junior News



Juniors

We've entered 10 teams into the Avon Youth League Winter 23-24. This is more than any other club per court so we're really proud to continue to support our juniors through FREE competitive tennis this way.

We've won 8&U division 1 four seasons in a row and are currently holders of the 9&U division 1 title too. As our stronger players get older we hope to take more division 1 titles in the older age groups too, go The Almonds!

Our very own Pawel is soon to be competing in the National Tour event that takes place at the National Tennis Centre in Roehampton (where Murray and Raducanu train!) – Pawel has done well to qualify as only 16 players have done so from the entire South of England. We'll be along to support him and will report back on how he does.



TH Tennis are so grateful to the @Luke Wheaton Legacy Trust for providing funding for our team players to have free 'Saturday Squad' coaching EVERY WEEK.

Saturday Squad allows our players to build on and practice their tactical and mental game and involves 2 hours of warm-up, tactical challenges and open match-play – match scores are submitted to the LTA so it helps our players create a player profile with our governing body, which in-turn provides players with rewards for competing such as free t-shirts and hoodies! It's a WIN WIN WIN!!!!

OUT AND ABOUT

Thank you to Toby for organising a great day out at Birmingham tennis and for Bobby for organising tickets to see GB play in the BJK cup in Coventry!



great seats at BJK cup...



waiting for the rain to stop!



B'ham fun!

AND FURTHER...!



Club members have visited various tournaments, so do ask if you want tips on visiting the US Open, French Open, Monte Carlo Masters and of course Wimbledon and Queens. Some have done tennis holidays too. You can contact the committee via information@almondsburytennis.org.uk or just post a question in a whatsapp group. We could do a more organised club trip if there was enough interest.

IMPORTANT ADVANCE NOTICE

With electricity costs going up, we'll need to start charging for floodlighting soon. The committee are looking at the best way of doing this. But bear in mind the lights cost around £4 per hour per court, so please help us keep costs down by only lighting the court you're on, and only while you're there (lights stay on for an hour after button is pressed).

thank you



OTHER NEWS

- Thank you everyone for supporting the cake sale by the Darley family who raised over £40 for the Red Cross. Those cakes look scrummy - well done all!
- We had a visit from Billy East Photography to take some photos for us - a challenge as it was getting dark. Thank you to Billy for letting us use the photos, including the one below.



GET COMPETING!

The box leagues give an opportunity for every member to compete against members of a similar level. Visit our website to sign up. We also hope to arrange a few more informal competitions for members through the year, so keep an eye open on your inbox. And everyone can enter the club champs (finals in sept).

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