

Caversham Park Tennis Club

Newsletter

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Dear Member



CPTC took part in the Venue Stage of the national 'Play your Way to Wimbledon' tournament on Sunday 14th April with the players competing for a chance to play on the iconic lush green lawns of the All England Club later in the year. The winners of the men's round robin were Logan Turner and Adam Johnston. Ali Glover and Esther Rodriguez

prevailed in the women's event. The four of them will now be invited to compete in the Berks & Oxon Area Finals which will be held at North Oxford Lawn Tennis Club on 23rd June. You will find more details on the [website](#).

The Summer League, Seniors League and National League seasons have all kicked off in earnest now, and there will be a very full programme of fixtures during May. This will inevitably impact other activities such as weekend club sessions. If you're planning to attend a club session and want to check on the court allocation, you can refer to the [booking module on the club website](#). Full information relating to *all* the club's fixtures and results can be viewed by following the relevant links on the '[PLAY](#)' page (scroll down to the 'Teams' section).

The 2024 AGM is scheduled for Thursday May 9th in the clubhouse at 7.30pm. This is your opportunity to hear reports from the committee and debate issues relating to the running of the club.

A Wimbledon-themed fun mixed doubles tournament will take place on the morning of Sunday June 30th and I can confirm that it will take place on grass (!) at the Oratory School in Woodcote. What a great chance to discover your grass court credentials! More details [here](#). Entries open on Monday May 6th.



Dave Winship (Editor)

"Don't fret about whether your glass is half empty or half full - just drink whatever's in it."

Mike and Miriam



Miriam and Ruth arrive at the club for a practice hit...

Ruth: How did you get on in the match last weekend? I checked online and the result hasn't been posted. Who was the captain?

Miriam: It was Mike. He's absolutely rubbish with anything techy. I remember when he first got a mobile phone - I called him from the club, and I could tell he was totally baffled by the whole thing.

Ruth: Why? What did he say?

Miriam: He said: "Miriam, is that you? How did you know I was in Waitrose?"



New members who joined during April:

Welcome!

Ben Black, Tugba Saracoglu-Yilmaz, Matt Smith, Bulut M. Yilmaz.



Shorts

- We welcome Ben Murrell who has joined the GDTennis team, and we send our best wishes to Steve Conroy who has moved on from his head coach role at the club.
- There will be additional adult club sessions on the following bank holidays: Monday 6th May & Monday 27th May (both will be morning sessions 10am – 12.30pm).
- The 2024 season of Junior & Mini club sessions starts on Tuesday 7th May (Minis 4-5pm, Juniors 5-6pm). The free sessions are coach-led and take place every Tuesday throughout the summer months (apart from half terms and school holidays). More details can be found [here](#).
- A 'Rusty Rackets' tournament has been provisionally scheduled for Saturday June 1st (2.30 pm start). Further details will be posted in the Whatsapp group.



This month's riddle

A man stands on one bank of the Thames, his dog on the other. He calls his dog, who immediately crosses the river without getting wet. How could the dog have done this without using a bridge or a boat? Send your solution to: cavparktennisclub@aol.co.uk for a chance to win a tube of new tennis balls.

And now for the solution to last month's riddle. The question was: "if you walk due south for four miles and then due north for three miles, what is the maximum distance you can be from where you started?" That foxed everyone, which is great because I get to keep the tube of balls! And the solution is:.... *well, it all depends on where on the globe you take your walk. If you start 4 miles from the South Pole and walk in a straight line towards it and then keep going in a straight line, you are now walking due north, so... 7 miles!!*



This month's quiz

Can you identify these former French Open champions? ...



And here are the answers to last month's childhood snaps quiz...



Caroline Wozniacki



Roger Federer



Andy Murray



Novak Djokovic



Teams

Here are the results & fixtures for April/May:

Date	Team	Division	H/A	Opponents	Result
Mon Apr 8	Ladies O50		Away	Crowthorne	Postponed
Wed Apr 10	Men's O40		Home	Bracknell A	Lost 0-4
Sat Apr 13	Men's 1 Men's 2 Men's 3 Men's 4	1 3B 4B 7A	Away Home Home Away	Windsor 1 Maidenhead 4 DL Royal Berks 2 Peppard 2	Lost 1-3 Won 3-1 Lost 1-3 Lost 0-4
Wed Apr 17	Men's O50		Away	Shinfield A	
Sat Apr 20	Ladies 1 Ladies 2	3B 6B	Away Home	Portcullis Caversham 5	Winning draw Losing draw
Sun Apr 21	Ladies NL Men's 1 NL Men's 2 NL Men's 3 NL Boys 14U	1 1 2 2 2	Away Home Away Away Away	Wokingham 1 Maidenhead 2 Wokingham 1 Shinfield Windsor	6-6 Won 12-0 Lost 0-12
Wed Apr 24	Men's O40 Ladies O50		Away Away	Wargrave Portcullis	2-2 (lost on sets)
Sun Apr 28	Ladies NL Men's 1 NL Men's 2 NL Men's 3 NL	1 1 2 2	Home Away Home Home	Maidenhead 1 Bradfield Home Park Crowthorne 2	
Mon May 6	Boys 16U	2	Home	Riseley	
Wed May 8	Ladies O50		Home	Crowthorne	
Sat May 11	Ladies 1 Ladies 2 Girls 12U	3B 6B 2	Home Away Away	Bracknell 2 Henley Wargrave	
Sun May 12	Ladies NL	1	Away	Windsor 2	
Wed May 15	Men's O50		Home	Riseley	
Sat May 18	Men's 1 Men's 2 Men's 3 Men's 4 Girls 12U	1 3B 4B 7A 2	Home Away Away Home Home	Caversham 2 Wargrave 2 Wokingham 3 Wellington Windsor	
Sun May 19	Men's 1 NL Men's 2 NL Boys 16U	1 2 2	Home Away Away	Caversham 1 Living Tennis 1 Royal Ascot	
Wed May 22	Men's O40		Home	Maidenhead	
Sat May 25	Boys 14U	2	Home	Latika	
Wed May 29	Men's O50		Away	Crowthorne	



Racketlon British Championships



Club junior, Holly Ranson, had an outstanding weekend at the Racketlon British Championships held at Parklangley Club in Beckenham. She sealed her first British Championships Women's Elite Singles title, overcoming the top seed and defending champion in the final – a brilliant achievement at just 16 years old! It isn't every day you win a trophy that size!

Not satisfied with that, she went on to win the Mixed and Ladies Doubles events, finishing the weekend with a grand haul of three elite titles!

Well done Holly!



2024 Club Tournament

Please save 21st September for the club tournament finals day where we will enjoy a barbecue and some late summer sunshine whilst watching the tennis.

Entries are now open for this year's club tournament! If you'd like to enter the ladies, men's or vets (over 55 years old) singles tournament or the ladies, men's or mixed doubles tournament please contact Richard (cptctournaments@gmail.com). You can enter the doubles with a partner or you are welcome to enter without and a partner will be allocated. There is an entry fee of £2.50 per event entered to cover the cost of trophies and balls for finals day. Please enter by 18th May.

For more details please refer to the [tournament section of the website](#).

Richard Morgan



County 8U Open Day



Berkshire Tennis is running a 8U Open Day (red/sponge ball) for players born in 2017, 2018 & 2019 who are either born in or reside in Berkshire aspiring to join Berkshire Tennis' 8U County Training Programme. There will be 90-minute sessions consisting of tennis fun, parent education and informal assessment led by 8U County Captain, Rob Flynn and Nigel Mann, Berkshire 10U Performance Lead. It's scheduled for Sunday 19th May from 12.30 to 2pm at Cox Green Leisure Centre.

More details on the club website [NEWS](#) page.