

# EA&LTS NEWSLETTER

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## Club news

### Top of the World

Congratulations to Tom Barton, who recently rose to the top of the rankings in the ITF over-30s category for the Men's Doubles. He was officially ranked World Number 1 on 20th December 2021.

Tom's successful year took him to tournaments across the UK and Europe, winning the British Open Championships at Eastbourne in August (with Tom Wride), as well as the Welsh Open and London Open in September (with Jason Smart). He was runner-up in Valencia and was again the winner in Seville (with Tom Wride). He was seeded Number 1 at his first World Championships in Croatia.



Tom is pictured above at the club winning the Men's Doubles tournament with Euan Forbes earlier last year.

### AGM: Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022, 8pm

The club's Annual General Meeting will take place via Zoom on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 8pm. Please take the time to read all the information that has been circulated in advance.

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## Welcome to new members

We are pleased to welcome the following new members, who have joined us over the last month: Edward Mathias, Daniel Money, Jack Longshaw, James Young, Joe Maliszewski, Gabriela da Silva Xavier, Michael Woods, Arun Chauhan.



## New arrival

Congratulations to Helen Owen and Jack McArdle, who welcomed baby Charlie to their family just before Christmas! Charlie is pictured here with proud big brother Freddie. Look forward to seeing them both on court in a few years!

## Bar opening times (revised for winter months)

- Monday – closed
- Tuesday – after social tennis (guide time 8.30-10pm)
- Wednesday - after social tennis (guide time 8.30-10pm)
- Thursday - after social tennis (guide time 8.30-10pm)
- Friday – possibly after social tennis (guide time 7.30-9pm)
- Saturdays - 9.30am-1pm
- Sundays – 2-5pm

## Clarification – Welfare

In the October newsletter, it was announced that Dave Busst had been appointed as Welfare Officer alongside Jane Wilton. We understand that Dave is currently awaiting formal LTA accreditation for the role, so Jane will remain the sole point of contact until this is confirmed. Her details are: 07931 720951 and email:

[chissay@btinternet.com](mailto:chissay@btinternet.com)

## Volunteer update

On the first Sunday of every month, the House & Grounds team meets at the club for a few hours in the morning to tackle any urgent maintenance or repair jobs.

New volunteers are always welcome; contact Neil Glasspool

([neilglasspool@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:neilglasspool@blueyonder.co.uk)) to find out more.

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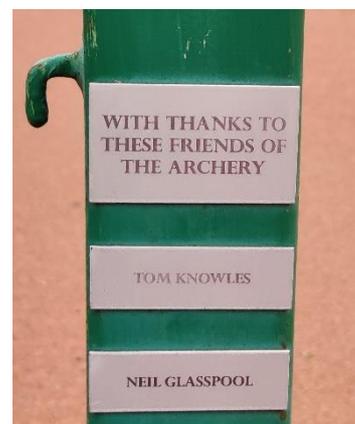
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## Playing guidelines

Please refer to the [website](#) for the latest guidelines for booking and play. Now that the evenings are drawing in, remember to bring your £1 coins for the Astro floodlights. £1 gives you 15 mins of lights, so an hour's play will require £4.

## Court sponsorship

Would you like a court named after you or the opportunity to name a court on someone else's behalf? You can sponsor a court at EALTS for just £500!



## Net post sponsorship

An alternative option for sponsorship is mini name plaques on our net posts. If you would like to have your name on our new astro net posts then please get in touch. The sponsorship rate here is £25.

## Visitor fees

Members are welcome to bring visitors down to the club up to three times in the year. Visitors are allowed Monday-Friday until 4pm and anytime weekends. For insurance reasons, all visitors need to be signed in by a member. The sign-in book is located just inside the front door of the clubhouse (access is permitted for this purpose during the day). A visitor fee of £5 (adult) or £3 (junior) is [payable in advance](#).

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## Tennis news

### Winter Coaching Timetable

The revised weekly schedule for the winter is now available. All sessions are online and can be booked at: [www.ealts.net/coaching](http://www.ealts.net/coaching)

#### Monday

4-5pm Red & Orange

6-7.15pm Adult Improver & Intermediate

7.15-8.30pm Adult Advanced

#### Tuesday

6-7pm Adult Beginner

#### Wednesday

6.15-7pm Cardio Tennis

#### Thursday

10-11am Adult Tennis

#### Friday

4-5pm Red & Orange

5-6pm Green & Yellow

6-7pm Adult Tennis

#### Saturday

9-10am Blue, Red, Orange & Green

9-10am Adult Tennis

10-11am Yellow Beginner & Improver

11-12 Yellow Advanced

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12-1pm Men's Team Training

## Sunday

9-10am Red & Orange

10-11am Yellow Intermediate

11-12 Ladies' Team Training

## New Coach: Maggie Lindsay

We welcome Maggie to the coaching team for 2022 while she finishes her degree in Sports & P.E Coaching at the University of Birmingham. Maggie played for Archery in league fixtures during 2021, so many members will already know her. She can be contacted for 1-1 lessons ([details](#) can be found online).



## Sunday Matchplays

Starting in January, we will be running weekly Matchplays to give our members the chance to play more tennis. All sessions will be live to [book on the website](#). Any questions, please contact Tom Barton (07966 690776)

## League season

Fixtures are currently being planned. If you haven't played for Archery before but would like to join one of the teams, please make contact with either Neil (07766 880067) or Tom (07966 690776) to make sure that you are included in any communications going forward.

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## Wenceslas Cup

The final of the Wenceslas Cup in December was postponed due to adverse weather conditions (icy courts). The finalists were: Julie Ure and Tony Newbanks, Lynne Benson and Adam Cerkeliunas, Catherine Edwards and Mike Kerslake, May Darwich and Ethan Calder. Keep an eye out for further details of this and the forthcoming St Patrick's Cup.

## League Results: December 2021

Men					
Date	Team	Venue	Opposition	Players	Result
Thurs 2nd	1st - Warks Winter League Div 1	Away	Solihull Arden	Ross Fendick & Tom Holland, Jordan Fendick & Lloyd Rickard	L 5 – 3
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	B Team - Warks Vets League Div 4	Home	Little Aston	Mel Haji & Shri Pathmakanthan, Tony Newbanks & Siva Renganathan	W 3 – 1
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	A Team - Warks Vets League Div 1	Away	Leamington A	Miles Murdoch & Martin Murray. Neil Glasspool & Dion Morton.	L 0 – 4
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	2nd - Warks Winter League Div 2	Away	Four Oaks	Adam Cerkeliunas & Mike Kerslake, Tom Rutter & Ram Mistry	L 7 – 1
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	A Team - Warks Vets League Div 1	Home	Beechwood A	Neil Glasspool & Martin Murray, Miles Murdoch & Rod Tanner	L 0 – 4
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	B Team - Warks Vets League Div 4	Away	Beechwood B	Mel Haji & Shri Pathmakanthan, Tony Newbanks & Robin Kettle	D 2 – 2

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## Mixed

Date	Team	Venue	Opposition	Players	Result
Sunday 5th	2nd - Warks Winter League Div 2	Home	Beechcroft	Catherine Edwards & Adam Cerkelionas, Jenny Morton & Tom Rutter	W 8 - 0

## Junior

Date	Team	Venue	Opposition	Players	Result
Sunday 5th	U11 Boys	Home	West Warwicks	Milan Vorkapic & Adarsh Deepak	W 6 - 0
Sunday 5th	U18 Boys	Home	Cheslyn Hay A	Darius Maleki & Cyrus Maleki	L 2 - 4
Sunday 5th	U14 Boys A	Away	Hall Green	Miles Bark & Sam Rogers	L 2 - 4
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	U8 Mixed Div 2 B	Home	Coleshill	Joobin Hariri, Santosh Deepak, Salman Afridi, Harry Dickinson	W 24 - 8
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	U14 Boys Div 2 A	Home	Cheslyn Hay	Jye Cope & Ibrahim Omerbegovic	L 0 - 6

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And the winners are....

## 100 Club Results: November 2021

### 1st prize - £50 winner

No. 56 – Rohan Chopra

### Runners up - tube of tennis balls

No. 13 – Guy Charlton

No. 22 – Gemma Fenton

No. 51 – Chinmay Jadav



Sue will be contacting all ball winners to arrange collection from the Club, so watch out for the email.

If you would like to participate in the Draw and have not yet purchased your number(s), it's very simple to join - contact Sue Chopra, who runs our EA&LTS 100 Club, via details below, to choose a number between 1-90 (at present) and she will advise if it's free/available. This will then be allocated to you, and entered into future Draws, usually conducted at the end of each month. Many members have more than one number, but it's up to you how many you'd like to have.

The cost is only £3 per number per month (£36 for the year).

You can set up either a monthly payment electronically via your bank, or a one-off payment (again electronically) to cover your number till the end of the year, whichever is more convenient to you.

All monies, after payout of prizes, go towards the Club's Development fund. We'd really like you to join us, and participate in this monthly Draw, and be in with a chance of winning £50. Please contact Sue Chopra via email ([choprasc@aol.com](mailto:choprasc@aol.com)) or mobile (07751334153) to choose your numbers, and who knows you may be our next winner!

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## Upcoming events

The monthly club calendar (including team fixtures, organised group sessions and coaching timetable) can be accessed on the [website](#) under the events tab.

The end-of-month social mix-in will take place on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2-5pm** with the usual tea and cake.

### Book Club

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February, 7.30pm  
*Shuggie Bain* by Douglas Stuart

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm  
*The Promise* by Damon Galgut

Full details of the 2022 social calendar will be circulated after the AGM.

For further information on joining the book club or other social events, please contact Veronica on [evhartmann@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:evhartmann@blueyonder.co.uk) or 07881 747819

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## Easyfundraising update

### Easyfundraising: support our club while shopping online!

If you are a regular online shopper, please do consider signing up to Easyfundraising to help support our club and raise funds. Easyfundraising is a great website where you can help our club to raise funds, simply by doing your everyday online shopping with over 3,300 big name retailers– such as Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Adidas, Nike, Stringers world, eBay, and M&S and many more. All at no extra cost to you!

It's very easy to sign up and support our cause - here's how:

- Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/edgbastonalts/>
- Click on Support this cause
- Create an account, either by using Facebook or email
- Enter your personal details and then Create my account
- Proceed to shop via Easyfundraising website or App.
- Almost there.... why not add the donation reminder to ensure that you get a prompt every time you go onto a retailer's site who will donate money to the club.

**As of Sunday 9th January, we have raised £325 and have 25 supporters!!**

### Got something to share?

If you have any exciting news or updates to share with the club and members, please do not hesitate to contact us at [ealtscommunications@gmail.com](mailto:ealtscommunications@gmail.com) with your content and we will be more than happy to add to our next newsletter.

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