

EA<S NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME to your EA<S newsletter. We will be publishing our newsletter every month to keep you up to date with team results, Club news and upcoming events.

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Club news

AGM 2020

We were pleased to see so many members attend our recent AGM; it goes to show how passionate and committed members are to our club's future. The questions put forward to the AGM and the evening's discussions gave us all plenty of food for thought. The committee's proposals to resurface the top two Astro courts were approved, therefore the committee can begin to proceed with this plan. This is an exciting time for EA<S and we thank you all for your continued support.



Welcome Will, our newest coach in 2020

We are delighted to welcome our new coach **Will Hale** to the coaching team, Will has a wealth of experience that has seen him travel to American to play and study at Lindenwood University. Will has coached at John Newcombe's Tennis Academy in Texas and is currently Head Coach at Moorpool Tennis Club. Will has a BSc (Hons) in Sports Science and is currently studying for a MSc Physiotherapy at the University of Birmingham. From everyone at EA<S - welcome to our club.



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Improvements to the men's toilets

There has been fantastic improvements made to the mens toilets recently, which has made a real difference. Thank you to Dave, Mike and Ram for your time and effort, we know the members will be very appreciative of this.

Duke of Edinburgh volunteers' update

Our DofE volunteers have now completed two sessions of weeding the flower beds around the courts and club. Again, the time and effort spent tending to our club makes a world of difference and wouldn't be possible without volunteers. So thank you!!

Bar volunteers needed!

Could you spare a few hours a week helping run our bar? We know having the bar open as much as possible is really important to our members - so we are looking for adult volunteers to help make sure this is possible on weeknights and weekend mornings. No experience needed! If you are interested, please contact Tom Rutter 07715442484.

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 ealtssecretary@gmail.com with your content and we will be more than happy to add to our next newsletter.



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Tennis news & opportunities

Fixtures meeting and Summer 2020 tennis

The fixtures meeting for the Birmingham Area League and Metropolitan League is taking place over the next few weeks ready for the summer 2020 season.

Captains are keen to hear from members who are interested in playing competitive tennis for both adult and junior teams; all they need is your availability over the summer (April - September). Captains will keep teams updated and a list of fixtures will be displayed on the club notice board.

Why not look the part when playing and order the club kit; head over to our [website](#) to get it in time for the season.



Wenceslas Cup - Winners

Congratulations to our very worthy winners Tom K and Veronica who won the Wenceslas Cup! Tom and Veronica fought a tough battle against Adam and Jenny but pinched the title in a tiebreak. This was another great internal tournament that saw lots of good quality matches and was expertly organised by Tom B.



St Patrick's Cup

The St Patrick's Cup will be starting soon! If you are keen to play in this internal tournament, please get in touch with Tom B.

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Upcoming events

Pizza & Pool night plus 100 club - Friday 31 January 2020

Join us for the our Pizza and Pool evening of 2020!

EA<S Theatre group

Recent theatre trips have proved very successful and enjoyable - many members took advantage of the discounted prices and prime location seats for some amazing shows, including Gaslight, Dolly Parton's 9-5, The Mousetrap, the King and I, and most recently the Panto - Snow White & Seven Dwarfs.

Our next show is **The Book of Mormon** in March- but all tickets are now sold.

Tickets for **Dial M for Murder** (21/04/2020) and the **Phantom of the Opera** (07/09/2020) are still available. The deadline to secure tickets is 31/01/2020, so get in quick!!

If there are other shows, thrillers, plays, or musicals you would like to see, please contact Sue and enquiries can be made.

And the winners are....

100 Club - Latest winners

Results for **November 2019** were:

1st prize of £50 cheque

Jan Brown (no. 55)

Runners up (tube of tennis balls)

Richard Broadhead (No. 11)

Ravi Chopra (No. 14)

Holly Reid (No. 33)



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The **December and January** draws will take place in the clubhouse Friday 31 January evening.

A reminder to those players who pay in advance for the year by cheque/cash-your payment is due and will need to be made by **31/01/2020** in order to enter the January and subsequent monthly draws. Sue Chopra (choprasc@aol.com) will be contacting those members individually to remind them, but if you have any queries, please contact her.

Those who pay by monthly instalments do not need to take action.

If you'd like to be in with a chance to win £50 or a tube of tennis balls, please come down on the last Friday of the month to participate in the Draw, or contact Sue to complete an entry form and hopefully be a winner. The cost to enter is just **£3 per number per month** by direct debit or **£36 by cheque in advance**.

Visitors Fees Just a gentle reminder that members are welcome to bring visitors down to the club up to **three times in the year**. Please ensure you pay the **£6 visitors fee before you go onto court**. The visitors fee box is next to the floodlights

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ADULT SESSIONS

£4.50 members | £6.50 non-members

For more information, please contact Tom Barton - 07966690776 | tomtomtennis@outlook.com

Day	Programme	Time
Monday	Adult Beginner & Intermediate Session For those who have never played before or haven't played in a long time. Aim: Work on technique and start looking at tactics that will help you improve your game.	18.20 -19.20
	Adult Advanced Session For those who have a good understanding of the technical and tactical side of the game. Aim: Work on patterns of play and shots that work best for you during Social and Team Tennis.	19.20-20.20
Tuesday	Mens Social (FREE) For male players of intermediate level or above. The evening consists of mainly doubles and mixing partners throughout	18.15 onwards
Wednesday	Cardio Tennis Cardio Tennis is a fun, social group fitness class set on a tennis court and open to all ages and abilities. Aim: Cardio Tennis works on your fitness whilst hitting lots of tennis balls.	18.15-19.00
	Ladies Social (FREE) For female players of intermediate level or above. The evening consists of mainly doubles and mixing partners throughout	19.00 onwards
Thursday	Adult intermediate Session	10.30-11.45
Friday	Mixed Social (FREE) For those of an intermediate level or above. The evening consists of mainly doubles and mixing partners throughout	18.00 onwards
Saturday	Adult Intermediate Session	09.00-10.00
Sunday	Ladies Team Coaching	11.15-12.30
	Mixed Social (FREE)	14.00 start