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WELCOME to your monthly E-newsletter - keeping you up to date with team results, club news and upcoming events.

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Club news

It's been a quiet start to the year on the tennis front, with Lockdown 3.0 suspending play again for the time being. For those who did manage to get out on court beforehand in early January, the new all-weather courts were tested to the limit!

Things, however, are beginning to look up as the government announced its roadmap out of lockdown on 22 February, just in time for spring. With a provisional date of **29 March** for the grand re-opening, we can look forward to a spring and summer filled with tennis in 2021. Keep an eye on your emails for details of coaching timetables and court bookings.



Membership

Many thanks to everyone who has responded to the recent email about membership renewal in 2021. Now that we have a date for resuming play in just a few short weeks, we hope to return to normal service very soon. If you have any queries regarding your renewal, please contact Jane at ealtsmembership@googlemail.com.

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House and Grounds

We would like to extend our thanks to Gabor, who leaves us after a number of years as groundsman. We are pleased to announce that we have contracted a new grounds team to ensure that our courts continue to be maintained to the highest standards. **Fine Turf Maintenance** has a distinguished history of greenkeeping and groundsmanship spanning professional and community sports venues across the West Midlands. We are confident that their expertise will enable us to maximise the use of our courts throughout the year.

Blue Plaque Update

The second Blue Plaque has now been installed at the entrance to the club pavilion. Trustee Bob Holland gave an interview on the history of lawn tennis to Pitchcare.com earlier this month. He spoke warmly about The Archery and its unique place in sporting history. You can read the full [article here](#).



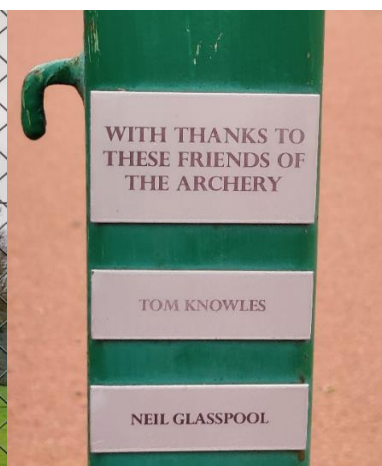
Fundraising

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! Below is an example of the Number 1 Harry Gem court.

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.



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Tennis news

Tennis matches

So many of us are desperate to play competitively again. Dates are already set for all matches in the leagues we play in and we are starting to discuss squad make-up etc. Do get involved with Team practices when we restart so we can hit the ground running and steal a march on the oppo!

Visitor fees

When we re-open, visitors will only be allowed to play at our club Monday - Friday until 4pm to allow for full opportunities for members. Members are welcome to bring visitors down to the club **up to three times in the year**. Please ensure you, the member, pay the £5 adult / £3 junior visitor fee before you book a court and play.

And the winners are....

100 Club Results: January 2021

1st prize of £50 cheque

Dawn Maleki (no. 10)

Runners up (tube of tennis balls)

Hannah Wride (no. 23)

Linda Strain (no. 41)

Tricia Sidwell (no. 36)



Balls to be distributed upon club re-opening. 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, who runs our EA<S 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, conducted on the last Friday of the month, currently via Zoom. 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.

You can set up either a monthly payment electronically via your bank, or a one-off

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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 via email (choprasc@aol.com) or mobile (07751334153), to choose your numbers, and who knows you may be our next winner!

Upcoming events

Friday 12th March 2021, 8pm

Wine Group

Any wine or country beginning with the letter D.

Monday 12th April 2021, 7.30pm

Book Group

We will be reading [The Humans](#) by Matt Haig



SAVE THE DATE!

Details to be provided once dates are finalised and numbers allowed are known.

Saturday 1st May 2021

Family Fun Quiz (possibly a mixture of live & online)

Saturday 3rd July 2021

BBQ and Party

Sunday 7th November 2021

Fireworks and Chilli Evening

Saturday 11th December 2021

Strictly Come Dancing Christmas Party!

For further information on any of these events, please contact Veronica on evhartmann@blueyonder.co.uk or 07881 747819

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Easyfundraising update

Easyfundraising – support our club

Thank you to everyone who has signed up already and is helping to raise funds for the club!

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>
- Search for our good cause - Edgbaston Archery and Lawn Tennis Society.
- 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 28 February 2021, we have raised **£222.82 and have **24** 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 with your content and we will be more than happy to add to our next newsletter.

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