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- keeping you up to date with team
results, club news, and upcoming events.

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Club news

Welcome to New Committee Members

We are very pleased to welcome Nicola James, Ram Mistry, and Martin Murray to the Committee as, respectively, Membership Secretary, House & Grounds Co-ordinator, and Treasurer. They join at a very exciting time for the club as we look to implement the next stage of our Development Plan to improve the number of courts available for year-round play. We would also like to extend our thanks to the outgoing Committee members, Euan Forbes, Tom Rutter and Jane Wilton, who have worked incredibly hard on behalf of the club for a number of years.

Membership Renewals

As we look forward to a full year of tennis in 2022, all members should have received notification that their subscriptions are now due for renewal. Payments should be made by **Tuesday 1st March** in order to avoid the late payment fee of £25. If you have any queries, please contact our Membership Secretary, Nicola James: ealtsmembership@gmail.com

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Welcome to new members

We are pleased to welcome Jose Cabera and Rita Khanna, along with several junior members who have joined us over the last month. If you have any friends or family interested in joining, please visit the website for the various membership packages available: www.ealts.net/membership

House & Grounds update

We had a fantastic turn-out from the House & Grounds team in the first couple of weekends in February. On Saturday 12th, around a dozen volunteers clubbed together to clear moss and old clay from the middle and lower courts, with an estimated 1-2 tons of material removed and shifted to



the bottom car park. The previous weekend also saw members and their families hard at work trimming the hedges in the lane. Thank you to our House & Grounds Co-ordinator, Ram Mistry, and to all volunteers for their hard work.

New dates: The H&G team now meets every first **Saturday** of the month from 10am-12noon, with supplemental dates arranged as needed.

Price increase for floodlights

Due to the country-wide increase in energy costs, our electricity bill for the club has risen by 95% from the beginning of February. Unfortunately, this means that we are no longer able to keep the floodlight costs to the existing very reasonable rate. From **Tuesday 1st March**, the price for the floodlights will increase to £6 per hour (i.e., £1 for 10 minutes). This represents a compromise to shield our members from the near doubling of the actual costs, while also ensuring that the floodlights do not become a drain on the club's finances.

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Bar opening times (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



Playing guidelines

Please refer to the [website](#) for the latest guidelines for booking and play.

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 weekdays). A visitor fee of £5 (adult) or £3 (junior) is [payable in advance](#).

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Tennis news

Daytime Social Tennis

Following consultation with members, we are trialling a [new daytime mix in](#) session on Thursday mornings from 11am-1pm. The sessions are open to members of all abilities (improver, intermediate, advanced) to enjoy a few games of social tennis.

Sunday Matchplays

The weekly Matchplays are continuing in February to give our junior members the chance to play more tennis. All sessions are live to [book on the website](#). Any questions, please contact Tom Barton (07966 690776).

Team Tennis



Fixtures are well underway for the current league season. If you haven't played for Archery before and would like to be considered for 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.

St Patrick's Cup

Three of the four group stages have now been completed, with the final session postponed due to the weather. Danielle or Adam will be in touch for details of the re-scheduled dates.

Box Leagues

There is still time to complete your box league matches by the deadline of the beginning of March. Please contact Holly Reid (hollyberry-13@hotmail.com) if you would like to participate in the next round.

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League Results: January 2022

Men					
Date	Team	Venue	Opposition	Players	Result
Saturday 8th	B Team - Warks Vets League Div 4	Home	Blossomfield B	Mel Haji & Tony Newbanks, Robin Kettle & Siva Renganathan	W 4 - 0
Sunday 9th	A Team - Warks Vets League Div 1	Away	Knowle & Dorridge B	Neil Glasspool & Martin Murray, Rod Tanner & Miles Murdoch	L 0 - 4
Saturday 15th	A Team - Warks Vets League Div 1	Home	Knowle & Dorridge A	Neil Glasspool & Andy Coney, Martin Murray & Dion Morton	L 1 - 3
Saturday 15th	B Team - Warks Vets League Div 4	Home	Four Oaks C	Mel Haji & Richard Broadhead, Shri Pathmakanthan & Siva Renganathan	D 2 - 2
Saturday 29th	B Team - Warks Vets League Div 4	Away	Four Oaks C	Mel Haji & Richard Broadhead, Mike Kerslake & Ram Mistry	L 0 - 4
Mixed					
Date	Team	Venue	Opposition	Players	Result
Sunday 16th	1st - Warks Winter League Div 1	Away	Moseley	Tom Barton & Hazel Coop, Tom Sinton & Nicole Metje	W 6 - 2
Saturday 22nd	2nd - Warks Winter League Div 2	Home	EALTS 3	2nds: Danielle Harvey & Ethan Calder, Kate Absalom & Prasanna Sivakumar. 3rds: Catherine Edwards & Dion Morton, Jenny Morton & Ed Clay.	W 6 - 2
Sunday 23rd	1st - Warks Winter League Div 1	Home	Knowle & Dorridge	Holly Reid & Dan Money, Hazel Coop & Tom Barton	W 8 - 0
Saturday 29th	3rd - Warks Winter League Div 2	Home	EALTS 2	3rds: Linda Strain & Ed Clay, Jayjay Parker & Dion Morton 2nds: Catherine Edwards & Tom Sinton, Jenny Morton & Adam Cerkekiunas	L 3 - 5
Sunday 30th	1st - Warks Winter League Div 1	Away	Edgbaston Priory 2	Holly Reid & Dan Money, Hazel Coop & Jordan Fendick	W 8 - 0

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And the winners are....

100 Club Results

December 2021

1st prize - £50:

- No. 5 – Veronica Hartmann

Runners up - tube of tennis balls:

- No. 45 – Nathan Charlton
- No. 17 – Kevin Conroy
- No. 36 – Tricia Sidwell

January 2022

1st prize - £50:

- No. 57 – Rosemarie Rhoden

Runners up - tube of tennis balls:

- No. 15 – Bill Brown
- No. 38 – Ramesh Mistry
- No. 14 – Ravi Chopra

The latest draw was carried out at the recent Social Committee Meeting. Winners who were not in attendance will be contacted by Sue in the usual way.

The EA<S 100 Club is a monthly draw with a prize of £50 and several tubes of tennis balls up for grabs for the lucky winners. We are now inviting participants to purchase their number(s) for 2022. If you would like to participate, it is very simple to join:

- Contact Sue Chopra at choprasc@aol.com or 07751 334153
- Pick a number between 1-90 and Sue will advise if it is free/ available
- The number(s) will then be allocated to you and entered into future draws

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

You can either make an annual one-off online payment, or set up a monthly standing order to cover your number until the end of the year, whichever is more convenient for you.

All monies, after payout of prizes, go towards the Club's Development fund.

Join now to be in with a chance of winning £50!

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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.

Thursday 24th February, 7.30pm

Book Club: *Shuggie Bain* by Douglas Stuart

Sunday 27th February, 2pm-5pm

Social Mix In: The Sunday afternoon social tennis session with a special end-of-month treat of tea & cake

Friday 18th March, 7.30pm

Quiz Night: The live quiz night returns with an evening of trivia and brain-teasers. We are inviting teams of six at £3 per head (to include samosas).

Thursday 7th April, 7.30pm

Book Club: *The Promise* by Damon Galgut

For further information on joining the book club or other social events, please contact Veronica on 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 works in tandem with over 3,300 big name retailers, such as Amazon, Sainsbury's, Argos, John Lewis, M&S and Booking.com.

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 13th February, we have raised £329 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 with your content and we will be more than happy to add to our next newsletter.

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