



WELCOME TO ISSUE 10 OF

HASLINGFIELD LAWN TENNIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

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LADIES' CHAMPION

The Ladies' Singles final in the Club tournaments had to be postponed due to injury of one of the players, but it has now been played and our Ladies' champion this year is Diana D'Arcy! Congratulations to Diana, who beat Gail Rutherford 6-2 1-6 6-4.

LTA VETS LEAGUE

This year HLTC has entered a team into the Vets League (for players 45+) for the first time. And we are doing rather well, currently unbeaten at the top of division 6. Good luck to the team—might another trophy be beckoning?

AGM and QUIZ

Please come along to our AGM at 7pm on Saturday 23rd March in The Little Rose. If you'd like to join the Committee, please contact Robert Judge in advance at rj6496@aol.com.

At 8pm, we will be holding a Quiz. Tickets are £20 per table (up to 6) including finger food. You **don't have to attend the AGM** to take part! Please email gail_rutherford@hotmail.com to enter.

PAUL'S TOP TIP

Tactically, if you can vary the spin that you put on the ball, you will then make it more difficult for your opponent to develop a rhythm on their shots. You can also use spin to disrupt the rhythm or pace of a rally.

MEMBERSHIP FEES DUE

Membership runs from 1st April to 31st March, and fees for the 2019 season are now due. Fees have been held the same as last year. Please renew your membership before 1st April by going to the Membership page on the Club website.

DIARY

23rd March 2019	AGM and Quiz
12th May 2019	Tennis Circus
23rd June 2019	Breakpoint 2019
5th or 6th October	Tournament Finals Day

ENTRIES OPEN FOR 2019 TOURNAMENTS

Entries are now open for the 2019 Club Tournaments. If you would like to take part in the Men's Singles, Ladies' Singles, Men's / Ladies' Doubles or Mixed Doubles, please contact Lawrence at lawrence.hopkins@talk21.com by **12th April**.

This year we are going to experiment with holding all the finals on a special Finals Day in early October. We hope to make this a good social event with other activities running alongside the finals. Look out for more information later!

A CUNNING PLANNER

If you find yourself on court with four other players wanting to practise, Club Member Richard Cragg has devised a plan to help you organise the session.

One player sits out in each game, and over the course of 15 games, every player gets the same number of games and plays with and against every other player.

A copy of the plan is available for all to use from the home page of the HLTC web site.

IT'S NOT TENNIS!

When the Village Hall Committee found a large roll of wire fencing buried in the undergrowth in the small wood next to the courts, they asked the Tennis Club if we would remove it. We're not entirely sure it actually originated with the Club—if it did it must have been done without our knowledge some 15 years ago.

However, Committee members Robert Judge, Stephen Richardson and Lawrence Hopkins set about cutting it up and disposing of it. A much harder task than any of us thought when we started!

