



# WELCOME TO ISSUE 18 OF THE HASLINGFIELD LAWN TENNIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## HLTC AWARDS

With the coronavirus pandemic so rudely interrupting our enjoyment of playing tennis in April and May, it is pleasing to be able to start this newsletter by congratulating the winners of the Club's awards this year. These were announced at the AGM which was held in June, online for the first time in the Club's history.

**Member of the Year:** [Jamie Meissner](#)

**Team Spirit Award:** [Ladies' 1](#)

**Ladies' Singles:** [Merissa Lim](#)

**Men's Singles:** [Andy Smith](#)

**Ladies' Doubles:** [Isabel Robinson & Diana D'Arcy](#)

**Men's Doubles:** [Martin Reade & Rudi Winslow](#)

**Mixed Doubles:** [Stephen Richardson & Diana D'Arcy](#)



Jamie Meissner



Some of Ladies' 1 (socially distanced)

## DIARY

4th October      Finals Day

# ADULT TENNIS

## Club Tournaments

As soon as we were allowed to play against non-family members again, we reorganised the Club Tournaments to fit them into the remaining time available, and started playing.

We are now half way through the Group Stage, with everything still to play for. All the results so far may be seen on the News page on our website.

The reduced time available due to the lockdown means we don't have time to play semi-finals, so the winners of each group will meet in the finals on Finals Day, Sunday 4th October. Please come along to support the players!

## LTA Leagues Cancelled

Once the severity of the coronavirus pandemic became clear, LTA Cambs took the decision to cancel this year's Summer and Winter leagues. An informal "Celebration League" is being arranged for this autumn, and the Club expects to field a full set of teams for these matches. If you'd like to take part, please contact Stephen or Gail at

stephenhome66@yahoo.co.uk

gail\_rutherford@hotmail.com

## Social Tennis

It's really great to see so many people using the courts and hopefully since reinstating the middle court it is a bit easier to book a time that suits!!

We have not started our Sunday Morning and Wednesday Evening social sessions yet as there are concerns about rotation of players and more than twelve people on the courts with regard to current Covid-19 "rules". However the spirit of these sessions continues via WhatsApp and if you want to join this group then please contact Ross (07843421244)

The Active over 50s group play on Mondays from 2.00pm to 3.00pm so please contact Jenny Gore if you would like to join them (jgore@btinternet.com or 012238724050.

Please remember to observe the hygiene regulations which are outlined in your booking confirmation.

## PAUL'S TOP TIP

Paul is on holiday



## NEWS

### Janice and Alan Mills

Janice and Alan Mills are leaving Haslingfield to relocate to the other side of the Irish Sea.

During many of the years they have lived here they have both been members of the Tennis Club and have certainly shown us how well tennis can be played! Janice was also a valued Committee member in past years.

I know Janice will be missed for all the Committee work she has done for Cambridgeshire LTA league, and on a personal note I thank her for helping me correct any incomplete league score sheets I have sent her!!

We wish them well in their new home. - Robert

### Keeping the Courts COVID-free

Thank you so much to Elizabeth, Fae, Paul, Rudi, Gail, Alix Treena & Kevin and Robert who continue to volunteer to disinfect the courts on a daily basis. Also to Louise for providing the Club with disposable gloves to protect the volunteers during every cleaning session.

Remember the virus has not gone away, so please follow the COVID-19 guidelines on the gates and in court booking confirmation e-mails, every time you use the courts. Thank you!

### Club Coaching

Alix, Paul and Rilla are working hard to try to re-start the Club coaching sessions in a format that is safe for all involved. Rilla will be running two Summer Weeks in August, and we are hoping to be able to announce a coaching programme for the Autumn term soon.