

### **WELCOME TO ISSUE 20 OF THE**

# HASLINGFIELD LAWN TENNIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

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One day we will be allowed out to play again, and when we are, the tennis courts are ready and waiting for us!

We are keeping a close eye on Government announcements and information provided by the LTA, and as soon as it is safe to do so, we will re-open the tennis courts. Our best guess at the moment is that this will be mid-March, but we will e-mail you all as soon as we hear anything definite.

### **Club Coaching**

In the meantime, Alix, Paul and Rilla are tentatively putting together plans to offer a **full coaching programme** next term, starting on Tuesday 13th April. We also hope to offer an **Easter Week** for children from Monday 29th March to Friday 2nd April (subject to demand and COVID rules). We will confirm details by e-mail just as soon as we can.

### Reduced Membership Fees for 2021

In view of the fact that COVID-19 regulations required us to close the courts for so many weeks in 2020, the Committee has decided to **halve the fees for members renewing their membership** in 2021. Fees for new members will be held at the same rates as last year. We would like to thank all our members for your loyalty throughout the difficulties of the pandemic—without you we wouldn't have a Club.

### Paul's Top Tip

When the courts reopen many of you will be very keen to return to regular tennis playing. Before you do return take some time to prepare. Ease back into playing with a proper warm up involving some movement and stretching. Once you start hitting try to start with a slower pace of shot and then gradually increase the speed of your ball striking. Try to stay light on your feet and really focus on your footwork around the court. Take it steady and try not to go too hard too fast so that you enjoy your return to the full!

#### **Diary**

Nothing in the Diary at the moment, but watch this space when we are allowed to socialise again!