MARLBOROUGH TENNIS NEWSLETTER





Dates for the diary – Welcome to our new clubhouse – 'Official' Opening Saturday 13 July!

July- Dates for the diary

Here's what you can book onto this month, with a look ahead to July and our official new club house opening:

- RBC Brewin Dolphin Tennis, Tuesday 2 July, 3-5pm. RBC Brewin Dolphin staff tennis event with Neil Watts
- Family Tournament Saturday 6 July, 1-3pm. Neil Watts will host a Family fun doubles event. Play with your husband, wife, partner or any member of your family. Neil will organise player groups so that there is a general level playing field. <u>Sign up</u> by Friday 5th July to enable Neil to plan the event. Have fun!
- Art valuation and drinks fundraiser, Thursday 11
 July, with drinks and canapes from 6pm. Grant
 Ford's talk will be from 6.45 to 7.15 followed by a
 Q&A session in the setting of Marlborough's newest
 art gallery. Tickets are £25 a head and will be
 offered to the first 12 people to sign up. Location:
 The Little Gallery, 1 The Parade, Marlborough SN8
 1NE. Check out the website .Grant is offering this as
 a second fund-raiser for the new clubhouse and is
 being advertised to tennis club members and their
 friends. Contact Jo Payne (07766 721799) in the first
 instance, to express interest, get more details and
 pay for tickets.
- 'Fab Friday' Friday 12th July 6-7pm followed by drinks. A mixed event, just turn up and play. Tennis, then drinks and 'The Jenga Challenge'. Run by Andrew Payne 07843 363611 (Age 12+ with parent)

- Saturday 13th July 10-5pm. This will be our official opening of the new clubhouse. We have met our phase 1 fundraising goal which was for the main build, thanks to everyone! Last month we were awarded £10k from Community First and £3k from the Marlborough Area Board for the top floor work. We only have a funding gap of £4600 for the top floor full completion which is amazing! See the main item below on activities for the day.
- Silverstone Draw RBC-Brewin Dolphin. Win two VIP tickets to Silverstone Festival on Friday 23rd August. Enjoy exclusive access to their private hospitality area whilst you watch elite race cars from vintage F1 to classic GT cars. To enter, <u>please use</u> <u>this link</u>. Closing date is 15th July 2024.

New Clubhouse Opening day Saturday 13 July

The events for this day include:

- ₱ 10-11am Mini's tournament organised by Neil Watts
- 12-1pm Vintage Tournament. Dress up, bring a wooden racquet and enjoy a post event cream tea. <u>Sign up here</u> It's only 60 minutes so you can still join in the afternoon social tournament if you wish!
- I.15pm The Grand Opening! with food/drinks available from 12. Tab system for payment.
- 1.30 Exhibition Match Wiltshire Mens team as top level tennis, organised by Neil Watts
- 2-3pm Guest 'open play' on offer with members helping on court as needed. Friends and family welcome and we will organise play on the day.
- 3-4.30pm Handicap Social Tournament hosted by Gareth Clarke. <u>Sign up here!</u>





🏆 5pm onwards. Fun, games, drinks

We will put a shout out for helpers!

Donate on Kindlink

Lexus Swindon Club Championships update

Entries are now open for the Improvers Handicapped Champs 2024 tournament which is running alongside the Club Champs 2024 tournament. Entries will close on Sunday 30th June at 5pm.

Playing format and entry details can be found here,

under Improvers 2024. This tournament is aimed at being less competitive than the Club Champs and aims to encourage players of all abilities (except League players) into some competitive tennis. This is this year's equivalent of the 'Rusty Rackets' tournaments we have seen in previous years. Contact Sean Moir on or 07899-910369 improvers@marlboroughtennis.co.uk. if needed.

Membership update

In June, we welcomed Josh Silva, Lisa Pearlman, Rhys Evans, Rosie Cripps as new members. If you have a friend or acquaintance, you can bring in <u>get in touch</u>.



Joined between January-June

England vs Australia-RBC Brewin Dolphin

RBC Brewin Dolphin is giving one lucky winner the chance to win a luxury overnight stay and two tickets to see England v Australia Cricket One Day International on Sunday 29 September 2024. Enjoy premium seating and access to a private bar, whilst you watch the final game of the English cricketing summer. The entry link is here and the closing date is 28th August. Good luck!

50:50 Lottery Draw Winners

The July draw saw the following people prove their number picking ability!

- Our Seb Ward 63 £250
- Guy Saxton 2 £150, thanks for the donation!
- James Smith 92 £100, a lucky first timer!

Many thanks for your support!

League update

Summer league is now well underway for our teams. If you'd like to join in contact Penny or Neil We could do with extra female players for Tuesday Ladies and Thursday mixed, as it's a long summer. Our team positions (as of 24 June) are:

Division	Standing	Sets %
Mens A, Div. 3	2 nd	64%
Mens B, Div. 5	2 nd	58%
Mens C, Div.7	1 st	77%
Ladies A, Div. 1	7 th	29%
Ladies B, Div. 1	6 th	29%
Ladies C, Div. 3	8 th	41%
Mixed A, Div 2	3 rd	57%
Mixed B, Div 3	2 nd	52%

Fine and Country Sponsorship

We still have a few T-Shirts and hoodies which are available free to our junior members as part of the generous Fine and Country sponsorship. Speak to one of our coaches or get in touch with Andrew Payne to get your child fitted out!





