



In this issue... Brewin Dolphin sponsorship sees new windbreaks at the club and monthly roundup

What's on in August - Dates for the Diary Here's what's on in August:

- Club Championships New date, Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September The draw is on the website and in the pavilion. Please note we are STOP PRESS moving the date by a week, so please put Saturday 17 September in the diary for the final day which will see some great tennis, with refreshments. A chance to get together with friends at the club.
- Fizz Friday, Friday 12th and 26th August 6-7pm. A 'Girls Night Out.' Contact Jo Payne (07766 721799) if you would like to be added to the Ladies Social WhatsApp group. Mix in play for an hour from 6pm and then BYO drinks from 7pm. 20 playing spaces available. New members it's time to try it out!
- Summer Tennis Camps, Monday-Wednesday until 17 August Summer fun and coaching available for juniors at our three-day camps which cover a range of ages. 10-3pm £30 a day or £80 for three days. Sign up now!

# September/October competition dates

Wiltshire Adults County Championships 3-4th September. Hosted by Pewsey Tennis Club this years event is in age groups for mens and ladies plus an optional double as a 'sign up on the day.' The event will be running over 2 days. The entry fee £19 is online at competitions.lta.org.uk or Sam Kingdon email. For more details see this link.

- Club Juniors Championships Sunday 18th September. Neil Watts will run a one-day club championships for our juniors with likely format doubles and singles. Details to follow in August.
- Rusty Rackets Club Championships, Saturday 1st October. After a brief survey on preferences, Rusty Rackets we are opening our Championships popular Rusty Rackets championship. Options are singles (mixed gender) mixed doubles.



Sign up by 14<sup>th</sup> August. <u>Sean Moir</u> is the Rusty Rackets organiser so get in touch if you have queries. A full update will follow in early August.

# Sponsorship - new windbreaks are here!

Our new windbreaks are here with a second batch on the way for courts 1-2. Thanks to the kind sponsorship of Brewin Dolphin and in particular, the support of Myles Palmer. Brewin Dolphin were our first key sponsor.

We look forward to an event with their team in September too!







#### New Sponsors - Fine and Country

We are delighted to announce that <u>Fine and Country</u> have agreed to be Juniors and Club Championships sponsors. This new sponsorship will support the Club Championships prizes and Juniors clothing (likely to be hoodies ready for the autumn season). An overall update will be emailed this week. Huge thanks to the support of Ed Taylor who feels our club is a good fit for their business.

#### National Tennis Centre Weekend

LTA Stay and Play 8-9<sup>th</sup> October. After our brief survey, the best option for the 16 members who wished to participate in the LTA Experience Weekend was the 8-9<sup>th</sup> October event. We have five members already booked in for October so why not join in? <u>Bookings</u> cost £299pp.

# Welfare Officer - Iryada Ashmore

Our welfare officer is Iryada Ashmore. Iryada manages a busy family life, a financial management job and some great tennis! If you have any concerns about child welfare at the club please contact her or email <a href="mailto:safeguarding@marlboroughtennis.co.uk">safeguarding@marlboroughtennis.co.uk</a>. There are posters around the club so take a minute to get to know the main contacts in the club and <a href="mailto:committee roles">committee roles</a>.

#### New members joining the club

We extend a warm welcome to our most recent new joiners. We are an expanding club so if you would like to introduce a friend do so at any time and plan ahead for our 'Bring a Friend' night on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Contact <u>Jo Payne</u>. A reminder will come out. We welcome the following New Members in July: Will Riches and Rhys Evans (Youths) Edwina Charlton, Annabel Nichols, Lucinda Bowers, Kate Barr, Michael, and Jo Round. Welcome back to Amanda Marsh and Tris Davies. Good to have you all on board!

#### Guests

It's the summer holidays and lots of people want to bring their friends and relatives to play at the club. We have a couple of ways of doing that – Pay and Play on Courts 1 and 2 at £10 an hour, open to non-members through the website. Alternatively use the QR code via the phone on your camera, and you will be linked to a SUM UP payment page. £5 per guest, per hour. It's on the outside of the courts, on the netting. This is an honesty system, but

please be aware that other clubs locally are private members clubs only and don't allow quests.

Of course, it might make sense to join your friend or relative up for unlimited opportunities for joining in with social sessions on our new 12 month from date of purchase membership plan. Great value for teens and young adults particularly. Join via the <a href="Membership section">Membership section</a> of the website or call Peter May 07508 818237 or email <a href="members@marlboroughtennis.co.uk">members@marlboroughtennis.co.uk</a>

#### Swindon and District Summer League

The <u>summer league</u> is almost over. We had many promotions last year and its been great to see our youth on court: Lucy White, Lotte Ford, Harry Jones. This is where our teams stand as of 29 July:

6845 games

- Mens 'A' Division 3, Third place
- Mens 'B' Division 5, Eighth place
- Mens 'C' Division 7, Third place
- Womens 'A' Division 1, Fifth place,
- Womens 'B' Division 2, Third place
- Womens 'C' Division 3, Fourth place
- Mixed Doubles 'A' Division 1, Sixth place
- Mixed Doubles 'B' Division 3, Third place,
- Mixed Doubles 'C' Division 3, Sixth place

### July 50:50 Draw Winners

The July draw for the 50:50 Lottery was made, and the winners saw the following people scoop up:

- 1st Number 100, £167.50 Nikki Hussey
- 2nd Number 36, £100.50 Debora Confortini
- 3rd Number 88, £67.00 Peter May

Just £10 a month gets you 'in it to win it' and helps fund small improvements at our club. Thanks to the 67 members who take part. The recent furniture is just one example of how everyone benefits! See the website for details or get in touch with Peter May to get a number.

#### Defibrillator video

Our defibrillator is a community asset, so be prepared to help to save lives by watching this video. Make sure you have the access code



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handy, in your phone or on your tennis bag. It's not just for our club, other people locally might need it. Thanks to Gerry Young for providing a link to this <u>video</u>.



