



NEWS

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Welcome to the latest news and events for all our members.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEE?

The new membership year started on 1 April – if you have not yet renewed, please do so as soon as possible so that you can continue to book courts and enjoy all the benefits of being a member. If you auto-renew by Direct Debit, you will have received an email to say that payment will come out of your account on 8 April, so you don't need to do anything. Otherwise, you will have received email reminders with a link taking you straight through to where you can renew membership – If you have chosen to pay using the 'Other' option, then you will need to make a bank transfer to the Club's account (A/C number: 01219974; sort code 30-15-53) to pay the fee.



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OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

Did you know that the Club has a Facebook page, which has reminders of events coming up, news about Junior Club Nights and Coaching sessions, Gavin's Tuesday tips and much more? All members can join and post their own news about tennis on the Facebook page, which is moderated to ensure suitable content.

PLAY YOUR WAY TO WIMBLEDON

Would you like to have the chance to play tennis at Wimbledon?



To enter: Email / text your name and your doubles partner's name to Darryl Lucas (darryllucas87@googlemail.com / 07871814155). If you don't have a partner, enter anyway and we will endeavour to find a partner for you.

ADULTS: We are hosting a men's & ladies' doubles tournament for Club members. The winners (and possibly runners-up) at the event will represent our Club at the County Finals and/or the Area Finals. Last year, two of our members, Vanice Lam and Shirley Kwok, went all the way and played on the hallowed turf of Wimbledon.

- **Sunday 21st April, 10am-1pm**
- **Open to all adult club members, born in 2005 or earlier**
- **Men's doubles & ladies' doubles**
- **Round Robin format so all teams get a minimum number of matches**
- **Ideal competitive tournament practice before the Club Championships**
- **£2 entry fee per player and refreshments will be provided**

JUNIORS: There is also a Play Your Way to Wimbledon tournament for Juniors. This will be held on **Saturday 27th April, 1.30-4pm**. The categories for this are singles, for boys and girls born between 2010 and 2013. **To enter:** Let Gavin Fowell know (gavin@nigelwillardtennis.co.uk / 07951516411).

FIRST AID and REPORTING ACCIDENTS

There is a small first aid kit in the top of the tall cupboard in the kitchen area, with the usual items to treat small accidents. This is checked and replenished on a regular basis. If you are involved in an accident, please use the accident report forms in the folder kept in the same place. These are also checked so that we can see if there is any issue that needs attention. On the noticeboard to the right as you exit the Clubhouse, there is information about where you can seek medical assistance locally, including telephone numbers.

Please also remember that there is a defibrillator, which is kept permanently charged, on the outside of the Clubhouse. This is kept unlocked. In the cabinet is a manual with instructions about how it works. However, you do NOT need to have read this to operate the defibrillator as full spoken instructions are given to guide users in the event of an incident.