

NEWSLETTER June 2023

JUNIOR ENTRIES -call Gavin (07951 516411) or Kerry (kerryt100@yahoo.co.uk)

Junior Club Championships

A last call to Juniors who want to take part in this year's Club Championship competition.

Matches will be held on the weekend of 24^{th} and 25^{th} June. The timetable is shown on the poster. The U12 and U16, like last year, will play their finals on the same day as the adults, Sunday 17^{th} September.

This is a competition for players of all standards - it's a great opportunity to play with and meet a whole range of other Club players, it gives valuable experience of playing matches in a friendly and supportive environment. And you will have a lot of fun.

It's not too late to enter. But if you want to play let Gavin or Kerry know as soon as possible.



Adult Club Championships

Finals day is Sunday 17th September! The draw has been made for the Adult Club Championships and once again we have had a record number of entries. You will have received an email from Nigel Willard showing you the draw and giving you the contact details of all those involved. Because the LTA has changed its competition management process, the results will not be available online. However, Nigel has kindly offered to update by email every Monday all those who are playing, giving results and making sure that it is clear who you have to play next.

The finals day to find the winners of the main competition and the Plate competition will all be held on Sunday 17th September. This may feel like a long way away but there are several rounds to play before we get there. So please start organizing your first-round matches now!

Tennis for Beginners

Are you a beginner, a Rusty

Racket or need some

confidence?

The coaching programme includes a very popular session every Saturday morning aimed at beginners or nearly-beginners and rusty rackets. If you are interested in taking part in such sessions, please contact Gavin Fowell (on 07951 516411 or gavin@nigelwillardtennis.co.uk)

There is also a Beginners Social tennis session on Tuesday evenings, 6.30-7.30pm, which gives the chance of some extra practice with others of a similar level. It's a very enjoyable, fun session with the added benefit of improving your tennis. If you would like to try it out, please let Jenny Spencer know (07875 945307).

To join in on any of these events: either click on the links where given or message Gavin on 07951 516411

More tennis action for Juniors

It's going to be a busy Summer! There are loads of opportunities coming up for youngsters to play tennis.

- First up, there is a U8 Mixed Red Ball Tournament on Saturday 1st July, 2-3.30pm, which
 is ideal for younger players who want to learn, compete and have fun. £10 entry fee.
 https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/nigelwillardtennis/events/Event/ace050ca-9d96-4c63-b861-81a85fc82dc9
- There is a Mixed Junior Doubles Tournament on Sunday 9th July, 2pm start, which will give a chance for some team doubles fun. £10 entry fee.
 https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/nigelwillardtennis/Events/Event/7827e473-e5aa-490f-82dd-c4a95ba08bad
- Junior Box League. The box league is now live for Round 4!
- Summer camps will be run by Gavin Fowell for the first 4 weeks of the summer holidays, 9.30am-1pm, so there is no need to stop playing tennis. Places can be booked for single days or full weeks.

Wimbledon-inspired Club Tournament

The weather couldn't have been better for our last Club Tournament celebrating the French Open on 4th June. We had a wonderful turn out and there was some cracking tennis played. Congratulations to Lucy Webb and Adrian Chan who were declared the winners, just going to prove that youth has the advantage.

TO ENTER: Text or WattsApp
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Because we had such a good time, here are details of the next Club Tournament on Sunday 9th July, this time to celebrate Wimbledon.

How does it work? On the day each person will be randomly assigned a partner to play doubles with for a set number of games. There will be several rounds and each time you will play with a different partner. Eventually winners will be declared!

Entry is £5, payable on the day by cash or credit card. New balls will be provided and there will be drinks and Wimbledon-themed refreshments afterwards (Pimms and strawberries and cream, anyone?) It will be a sociable and fun occasion. So, hope to see you there!

Newport Pagnell Teams Update

It's been a mixed start for the season for the Club teams playing in the Tennis MK league against local clubs. We have 2 Men's teams, A and B, playing in Divisions 1 and 3. Both are yet to gain any points, having played 2 and 4 of their matches respectively.

The 2 Ladies' teams, A and B, playing in Divisions 3 and 4, are faring much better. Both are so far at the top of their divisions, having played 3 and 2 of their matches respectively.

The 2 Mixed Doubles Teams, A and B, playing in Divisions 1 and 3, are both around the middle of the table, having played 2 and 3 matches respectively. Plenty of matches to go, so the rankings may yet change!