

Welcome to the latest news and events for all our members

### Club Championships

Our annual Club Championships Finals Day was held on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September. There was some cracking tennis for the spectators to enjoy. The sun shone for most of the day, although the rain arrived as predicted in mid-afternoon, so not all the matches were completed. A couple of matches also had to be postponed because of injury or illness. However, we were still able to crown some champions:

U13 Girls – Daisy Brookman

Men's Singles (Sid Miller Cup) – Armaan Ahmed

Ladies' Singles – Lucy Webb

Men's Doubles – Darryl Lucas and Armaan Ahmed

Ladies Doubles – Isabel Cabero Alonso and Andie Woolhead

Thanks to Nigel Willard for keeping all the players going in the previous 3 months and to Loren Nally for all her organization both before and on the day.



From L to R: Isabel, Jenny, Andie, Darryl, Armaan and Daisy.

#### RAFFLE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR MACMILLAN NURSES

Thank you to all those who generously donated prizes for the raffle and to those who bought raffle tickets. We raised a total of £118 for Macmillan Nurses. We received a message back from Ria, one of their Palliative Care Nurses:

**“Because of this gift in memory of Trevor Hill, we can continue to do whatever it takes to help people with cancer, with everything from information about their treatment, to help with money worries and support with how they are feeling. Your collection of £118 means we can continue to give people with cancer everything we’ve got and help them live as fully as they can. It’s an amazing way to remember someone special – thank you, Newport Pagnell Tennis Club.**

## The American Tournament



We have certainly been busy on the courts in the last few weeks. The week before the Club Championships, we held our American tournament in memory of Trevor Hill. Superbly organized and catered by Cathie Carter and Angela Bramham. The runners up (or Rodneys) were Mike Spencer and Andie Woolhead, while the winners (or the real Plonkers) were Gareth McCluskey and Isabel Cabero Alonso (please don't think we are being rude – those who knew Trevor will understand!) It was such a fun event, that we aim to repeat it each year.

**L: The Winners, Isabel and Gareth. R: Mike with his Rodney.**

## Junior Events this Autumn

There are several tennis events/ tournaments for Juniors at the Club this autumn:

- ◇ Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September, 4-6pm - Girls Set & Match. A girls only tennis festival open to members 4-14 years. Fun tennis-themed games and competition.
- ◇ Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 4-6pm. Junior yellow ball mixed doubles tournament.
- ◇ Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2.30-4pm. Junior red/orange ball singles. A chance for our U8 and U9 to get some singles tennis fun.
- ◇ Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October, from 1-3pm. Monster Smash Halloween tennis festival. Fun for all the family. Dress up and have some Halloween tennis fun (Free for members).

To book a place on any of these, use the link: <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/nigelwillardtennis/events>

## Annual General Meeting

The Club AGM will take place at the Football Social Club at Willen Road on 16 November at 7.30pm. The agenda will be sent out nearer the time. There will be a vacancy for a committee member (without a specific remit). So, if you would like to help in the running of the Club, please submit your name to the Club Secretary, Angela Bramham ([angela.bramham@hotmail.com](mailto:angela.bramham@hotmail.com))

The Football Social Club bar will be open to serve drinks and, after the formal business, there will be a tennis-themed quiz – with prizes! Please come along to hear about how the Club is doing and to input your views.

## Christmas Celebrations

A Christmas Party for Junior members will be held at the Green Park Community Centre 3.15-5.15pm on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. More details will be sent out soon, but in the meantime make sure to save the date!

On the same day, starting at 7.30pm, we will be holding our Club Christmas Dinner at the Swan Revived Hotel. Watch out for an email in the next couple of weeks which will give you details of the menu choices and how to book your place.