

SENIOR TENNIS REPORT

The past year has seen an ever growing number of seniors playing social, league and tournament tennis.

We entered a team in the new Tennis Wales Summer Mixed Doubles league under the captaincy of Mike Dunn. While we didn't win too many matches everyone agreed it was a great success in terms of enjoyment and member participation.

The Vets and Supervets tournaments saw a healthy number of members on court during the Spring and Autumn months. Both finals' days were a great success and the club is indebted to tournament organiser Alan Hope who once again worked tirelessly to make sure the tournaments ran smoothly.

Social tennis among senior members is in a very healthy state. There are several regular sessions throughout the week where friends make their own arrangements as well as the official Friday afternoon mix-in which is open to everyone.

The recent acquisition of a defibrillator is good news for everyone at the club but perhaps of particular interest to those of us who are putting our ageing hearts under strain as we chase around the courts. We hope to have the defibrillator installed outside the clubhouse very soon. Many thanks to Cathy O'Docherty for her fantastic help in this matter.

On a sad note, with the untimely passing of Rick Turner we lost one of our most loyal and respected senior members. Rick was a quiet and unassuming man but those of us who were lucky enough to call him friend will never forget him.

Phil Davies, November 2018