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New Clubhouse Update

We realise it's been a long time coming but finally, the new Clubhouse is ready for use.

There are still some improvements planned with decking to be added outside etc., but the internal fit-out is now complete.

The committee would like to thank all of our members for their patience, plus extend our gratitude to all of those that have helped, the Club could not have done it without you!



Club Activity Calendar

We will be adding a "Club Activity Calendar" to the website shortly including details of key dates, social events and competitions throughout the year.



Big Tennis Weekend Open Days

Somerton Tennis Club will be throwing its gates open to the public on 16th & 17th July 2022, when it takes part in the LTA's "Big Tennis Weekend" event.

Adults, parents and children of all standards will be welcomed onto the courts. There will be coaching sessions, ball machine blast, beat the coach, mini tennis, with lots of fun games and prizes throughout the weekend, plus drinks and refreshments too.

Tell your friends and family to come along to find out more about our great Club; visitors won't need a racquet – just some enthusiasm to give tennis a go! Full details will be announced on our website shortly!

Winter League Team Celebration

Players from Somerton's three mixed Winter League teams finished the season in-style with an "End of Season Team Celebration & Presentation Evening", held at Nuova Italia, Ilchester on 8th March.

Twenty-eight players were selected to represent the Club in matches against teams throughout Somerset and Dorset, from early November 2021 through mid-March 2022.

Winter League Player of the Season awards were presented to Caroline Millington and Peter Maxwell for their fair-play, commitment and efforts throughout the season.

Teams captain "Matt Brown" thanked every player that had represented the team, or put themselves forward for selection.



2022/23 Membership Renewals

Somerton Tennis Club's annual membership rates are unchanged for the 2022/23 season.

We have continued to simplify the renewal process, with members able to make payments using either direct debit (GoCardless) or credit/debit cards (Stripe).

Existing members that do not already have an LTA account, should first apply for a free "[Advantage-Play+](#)", British Tennis Membership (BTM) to complete the membership process.

Please see the Somerton [website](#) to join, or for further details.



David Kneebone & Club Championships

Somerton Tennis Club will be running its annual "David Kneebone" mixed-doubles interclub tournament on 9th April 2022, with fundraising activities for Ukraine.

Entries are also now open for the annual "STC Club Championships", for singles & doubles. Matches start from June to September, with the final's day on Saturday 1st October. The draw is held at the AGM.

Please come along to spectate or contact Ann Barnett if you would like to play in either competition.

Find STC on Instagram & Facebook

We have recently added links to the STC Instagram site, which can be accessed by clicking on the "camera" icon in the footer on our website.

Please forward any pictures or news to Wendy Driver that could be included.

SOMERTON TENNIS CLUB



STC Annual General Meeting

The Committee is pleased to announce that Somerton Tennis Club's AGM will be held at the Sports & Social Club, Gassons Lane on 4th May 2022 at 7pm.

All members are invited to attend. If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact our Club Secretary "Lina Thomas", or ask any committee member for more details.

Individual role descriptions detailing the responsibilities and requirements for position, can now be found in the "About STC - Committee" pages on our [website](#).

FREE Junior Coaching & Tennis Camps

Luke Andrews and the LA Tennis Coaching team, who deliver the junior coaching programme at Somerton Tennis Club (STC), will be working with local schools – bringing their top-class tennis coaches into the school environment.

As part of their new Schools coaching programme, LA Tennis will be offering children an exclusive chance to try tennis for "FREE" at Somerton. The offer comprises:

- 2 "FREE" group tennis lessons to those taking part at local Schools in the programme
- 50% discount from an Easter or Summer Holiday Tennis Camp (dates TBC)
- FREE Junior STC Membership

Please visit the [LA Tennis website](#) for further details, plus information on their Easter & Summer holiday camps being run at Somerton.

2022 Summer League Update

Somerton Tennis Club will be entering two women's and three men's team into the Yeovil & District Summer League this season.

The women's A & B teams will play in divisions two and three respectively, whilst the men's A's will play in division three, with the B & C's facing each other in division four this summer. Please let Ann Barnett know if you are interest in playing in one of the teams.

Matches will commence Monday 25th April through to late July. There will be disruption to the men's and women's social sessions on Monday, Thursday and Friday evenings, whenever there is a home match, so please check the "[Court Booking](#)" calendar before attending a session. Good luck to all our teams!