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#### **Winter League Tennis**

Matt Brown is now organising teams for the Yeovil & District Winter Tennis Leagues.

Due to the fantastic response, Somerton will be entering three mixed teams into the league this season, with the first matches scheduled to take place from Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Fixtures will be announced shortly.

Details on league play can be found in our competitive tennis guide <u>HERE</u>

#### **Richard Mills Club Tournament**

Somerton Tennis Club will be running its annual "Richard Mills" mixed-doubles interclub tournament on 24<sup>th</sup> October.

The tournament is limited to eight men and eight ladies on a first-come, first served basis and is a fun afternoon of tennis!

Feel free to come along to spectate, or if you would like to play, or have further questions, please contact Ann Barnett.



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### **New Clubhouse Update**

After 33 years, Somerton tennis club will shortly be the proud owners of a brand-new clubhouse.

Led by a team of volunteers, the existing clubhouse was recently demolished; thanks to all that have helped!



The next phase involves groundwork preparation and the pouring of a concrete slab base from 16-19 October. The courts will have temporary closures again for safety during this work.

We hope to install the new clubhouse shortly thereafter.

# Winter Membership Offer!

Do you have any friends or family interested in playing tennis and joining Somerton Tennis Club?

If yes...please let them know of our promotional winter membership offer. New adult members can join the club for £55 (normally £110) with a shortened membership period running from 01 October 2021 - March 31 2022.

Please see the Somerton website to join or for further details.



# **Website Changes for Somerton Tennis Club**

As part of our ongoing efforts to modernise and simplify the administrative functions carried out by the club's volunteers, Somerton Tennis Club will shortly be switching its website fully to the LTA's Clubspark site.

Our updated site now includes an online payment function for membership via "GoCardless", which allows members to specify their bank sort code and account number to make secure one-off payments processed as direct debits, or via "Stripe", a credit/debit card payment option. All future membership payments will be processed using one of these methods.

In addition, payments for public court bookings are also managed using the "Stripe" system, saving a significant amount of time and resources, plus simplifying visitor access to our courts.

The website also contains some useful resources and club news, please bookmark the site and drop by for regular news updates & developments.

#### **NEW Members Guide**



**Download** your copy of the new guide for details of:

Women's, Men's & Mixed Sessions

Adults & Junior Coaching Sessions

**Competitive Tennis Teams** 

**Annual Social Events** 

Floodlight & Guest Fees etc.

# **Coaching Update**

Our adult coach Neil Driver is looking to run another "Rusty Racquets" coaching course for those interested in starting or returning to playing tennis.

Please advise anyone interested in attending to contact Neil for further details.

## **Summer League Results**

Somerton's three men's teams celebrated a triumvirate of third place finishes in Divisions 3, 4 and 5 of the 2021 Yeovil & District Tennis League.

Men's Captain Matt Brown commented "I am very proud of all the players that have represented Somerton this season. These results highlight the team's development and showcase the strength & depth of men's tennis at the Club".

Meanwhile, despite an enjoyable season, the two women's teams found the going a little harder in Divisions 1 & 2, following their unexpected promotions the previous season, pre-covid. Without a number of regular players, the teams finished in 7 & 8 place respectively.

Full league details can be found HERE.