

MEMBERS NEWS UPDATE

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Upcoming Events:

There's a lot going on at Somerton Tennis Club in the coming months, please note the following events in your diary:

Wimbledon Celebration Social Special Sunday 3rd July 2022

LTA "BIG Tennis Weekend" STC Open House Saturday 16th July 2022

Summer BBQ for STC's Family & Friends Saturday 3rd September 2022

Club Championship Final Day Saturday 1st October 2022

Annual Golf Fundraiser Saturday 16th October 2022

Richard Mills Interclub Tournament Saturday 22nd October 2022

STC Annual Dinner & Presentation Evening Saturday 26th November 2022

Snowballs Fun Tournament Sunday 1st January 2023

Please note, the sports ground will be very busy for Somerton's "Summer Stock" festival that takes place on 9th July from 11:25am to 11:30pm.

Clubhouse Facilities Fundraising Call

Can you help Somerton Tennis Club finish the renewal of its new Clubhouse facilities?

The Club is asking members to help raise funds by providing a small donation (any amount will help!) towards the purchase of the following items: microwave grill, cordless handstick vacuum cleaner, indoor/outdoor rug, additional seating, picnic table / bench and new honours board.

Donations can be made in-person to a committee member, or by bank transfer to the club's account.

New Signage Coming Soon

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The final part of our grant funded project to update the club logo and signage will be completed shortly, with the installation of new club signage; we hope you like it!

"Special" Sunday Morning Social Sessions

The first of our new Sunday morning specials "Bop it with a Bacon Bap", served up some fantastic food to accompany the tennis during the club's mixed social session.

To celebrate the Wimbledon fortnight, our next mixed Sunday morning special will be a "Strawberry & PIMMS Celebration" on 3rd July from 10am to 1pm.

We look forward to seeing as many members as possible attend, even if it's just to play tennis! Please note, there is a small £1.50 charge to cover the food & drink, so don't forget your change.



Celebrate Wimbledon in style at our 3rd July Sunday morning social Special!

Cardio "Fitness" Tennis



We are pleased to announce that "Cardio" Tennis will be coming soon to Somerton Tennis Club, run by our coaching partner, LA Tennis; we can hear you ask, "What is Cardio Tennis"?

Cardio Tennis is a fun, sociable group fitness class with a tennis twist. This tennis workout is open to anyone all ages and abilities and you don't need to be a member of Somerton Tennis Club to join-in, so get your friends to join you too!

Everyone is welcome, no matter what your skill level is! The class moves along quickly, so no one will be judging your skills, and it doesn't matter whether the ball goes in or out.

Great music, great cardio and great people – what's not to like? You'll get to hit lots of tennis balls during your class, build up your skills and work up a sweat.

Each class is an hour long, with a short warm-up, a 40minute workout and a cool down.

Please complete the member's consultation recently emailed to you and provide your feedback so we can determine interest and optimum session times.

Somerton Schools Competition

Eight teams representing King Ina, Charlton Mackrell and Keinton Mandeville primary schools took part in the Somerton area final of the South Somerset Schools Competition on 10th June.

Hosted by Somerton Tennis Club, organised by LA Tennis and funded by Somerset LTA and Somerset Activity & Sports Partnership, the event featured teams comprising any combination of four boys and girls from years 3 and 4. Congratulations to everyone that took part and to the eventual winners, Keinton Mandeville Primary School, who will now compete in the South Somerset Finals at Yeovil. Overall, it was a fantastic event and great to see so many young players taking to the courts at Somerton!



An Update from Your Committee

Your new committee met for the first time under the chairmanship of Matt Brown, on May 25th. We started at the club for a review of the site / facilities and then moved onto the Stable Room at The Devonshire Arms in Long Sutton. Another first!

Our discussions included:

- Site maintenance and improvements including bushes, hedges and pigeons, in addition to clubhouse facilities and our new signage locations.
- We were delighted to have had a number of new members, plus a great response to our leaflet drop in Somerton and surrounding areas; thanks to everyone that helped!
- Socially, we are busy planning a Wimbledon Strawberries & PIMMS celebration morning on club Sunday 3 July, plus of course our summer barbeque on 3 September. Other events planned can be seen in our "Upcoming Events" section on page one.
- Tennis wise, we will hold a Big Tennis Weekend Open House on Saturday 16 July with the aim of both encouraging new members, plus showing our updated colours to the town. Please tell your friends about the event & to register online.

Recognising the current squeeze on household budgets, we will be introducing the monthly payment option for the annual membership fee earlier than planned, from June 1st 2022 onwards. This will carry a small premium over the lump sum.

We are looking to source a new local supplier for club clothing using the updated club badge.

And last, but by no means least, balls for use by members for club social sessions are now available on the shelving unit in the clubhouse.