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Woburn Sands Tennis Club  
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## Winter 2022 Newsletter

Thanks to all of you who attended the Annual General Meeting and for your continued support of the club.

We managed to get a lot more tennis this year, with little in the way of restrictions. Let's hope for more of that this year.

We are planning on a few changes around the club with the intention of making the club house a focal point for social activity. We introduced some internal competitions last year – watch out for more of them this year (and don't be scared of entering them!)

### Committee

We have made some changes to the committee. Martin Grantley-Smith and Wendy Prince have both left and we thank them for their sterling service over the years. Kevin Rand, James Godber and Luke Pierce have all joined the committee. Here is a list of the current committee members - feel free to raise any tennis club issues with any of them.

Chair	Kevin Rand	153 Greensands View	Woburn Sands	07778 366499	
Treasurer	David Milligan	10 Denison Court	Wavendon Gate	07986 862974	585404
Secretary	Alex Binks	18 Rockspray Grove	Walnut Tree	07724 608938	
	David Brearley	14 Weathercock Lane	Woburn Sands	07772 164261	583624
	David Cowlard	34 Drayhorse Crescent	Woburn Sands	07803 585635	
	James Godber	3 Venetian Court	Wavendon Gate	07789 975591	
	Luke Pierce	37 Summerlin Drive	Woburn Sands	07394 562458	

We are always looking for new committee members. If you would like to become more involved with the running of the club, please contact one of the existing committee members.

## Subscriptions

At the AGM we agreed to hold subscription levels for the 2022/2023 season. The subscription rates are:

Full	£75.00	
Intermediate	£22.00	18 to 25 years old
Junior	£18.00	Under 18 years old

Membership is payable by internet banking (preferred – account name Woburn Sands Tennis Club, account number 40590048, sort code 23-05-80 and please use your name as the reference), cheque (payable to Woburn Sands Tennis Club or WSTC) or cash.

Adult subscriptions are due from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022, and junior subscriptions are due from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022. Junior subscriptions will be advertised at £25 and will include a T-shirt with WSTC branding.

You can join and renew at <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/WoburnSands/Membership/Join>. You will need to be registered with ClubSpark (you can use your LTA membership to log in).

## Coaching

James Godber is our club coach. Contact James for more information at [tenniskool@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tenniskool@hotmail.co.uk).

James will run one on one coaching for any member. We also provide weekly beginner/improver group coaching and high intensity cardio power hour sessions. Weekly junior coaching including parent and toddler classes. Holiday camps are also run for juniors. See the Court Schedule for more information.

## Floodlights

If you wish to use the floodlights, you will need a key to the club house which is available for a £5 deposit from Dave Brearley.

## Club League Matches

The club enters teams in the Milton Keynes League and the Bedford League, and has priority use of the courts for home matches.

This summer the MK league returns after two missed seasons due to the pandemic. We will be fielding 3 men's teams, a ladies and 2 mixed teams this year. We will also continue in the Bedford league, where we also have 6 teams competing.

If you are keen to play matches for the club, please do contact David (match organiser) on [wstennis@outlook.com](mailto:wstennis@outlook.com) – you will be very welcome!

## Tournaments

We ran a successful tournament over the summer – congratulations to the winners – Jess Hobbs and E-J Graham (ladies), Milton Ioannides and Daniel Charteris-Black (mens), and Jess Hobbs and David Cowlard (mixed).

Over the winter we have introduced a mens singles ladder and a mens doubles box league (2 divisions). Watch out for more tournament news during the summer.

## Court Schedule

The courts are available for member use at any time unless they are being used for a club function. You must book a court before playing (make your booking at <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/WoburnSands/Booking>).

The courts are used for club activities according to this schedule. Courts will also be unavailable for general use during league matches – the courts will be marked as in use in the booking system.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
8-9							
9-10							
10-11							Club morning
11-12							Club morning
12-1	Beginner/ Improver (to 1:30)						
1-2		Parent & toddler		Parent & toddler	Power hour		
2-3							
3-4						Junior club afternoon*	
4-5	Juniors			Junior invitation*		Junior club afternoon*	
5-6	Juniors			Junior invitation*			
6-7	Juniors	Power hour	Club night				
7-8			Club night				
8-9							

Monday juniors commence on 21<sup>st</sup> February.

Parent & toddler, beginner/improver, and power hour sessions commence week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> March.

\* - start date to be confirmed.

## British Tennis Membership and Wimbledon Ticket Draw

LTA Advantage (previously British Tennis) membership is free to members of LTA affiliated clubs. You can sign up at <https://www.lta.org.uk/Members/Join/>. Select Woburn Sands as one of your tennis venues. In the future you will need to use your

LTA login to access ClubSpark (you will be notified by ClubSpark when that transition occurs).

Wimbledon ticket allocation has now been centralised by the LTA. All LTA Advantage members should have received an opt-in email for Wimbledon 2022.

### **E-mail Addresses**

The preferred method of communication is by e-mail; this helps keep down our postage costs. Please let us know if your e-mail address changes, or if you think that messages are not being delivered. Include [wstc@woburnsandstennis.club](mailto:wstc@woburnsandstennis.club) and [mail@clubspark.co.uk](mailto:mail@clubspark.co.uk) in your "white list" to prevent messages getting into your spam folder.

### **Website**

The club maintains a website at <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/WoburnSands>. Please refer to it for details of our safeguarding and welfare policies and our privacy notice.

### **Social Media**

Please join our social media channels [WSTC Facebook](#) and **find us on Instagram – woburnsandstennisclub**. We will continue as normal to communicate over email but the social media channels allow us to share to much larger audience on a more regular basis.