

HENDREDS TENNIS CLUB

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MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE

Welcome everyone to the Hendreds Tennis season 2011. Last year was another good year for the tennis club. We welcomed several new members and the Annual Tournament was a great success with plenty of entries in both the adult and junior tournaments. This year as well as the tournament on the 9th July, we have the Curry Night, a junior tournament and hopefully a parent and child tournament in September.

COMMITTEE FOR 2011-12

The AGM was held on March 25th and the following committee was elected:

Chair	Alex Pearson (862844) alex@pearson.uk.com
Secretary	Lorraine Clayton (833792)
Membership	Helen McAlister (832926) five.mcalisters@virgin.net
Treasurer	Tracey Richards (832212)
Committee Members	Sally Boddington (833659)
	Simon John (821909)
	Viv Callaghan (820081)
	Ali Eyston (833117)
	Philippa Waddington
	James Spurgeon (833395)
	John D'Alton (835079)

We are pleased to welcome Katy Widdows onto the committee. We are very sad that Cathy Dreyer has stood down this year due to other commitments. Cathy has been a valuable member of the committee. We will miss her newsletters and appreciate all her hard work, particularly in organising the Schools Taster Tennis Coaching.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

This year's fees will remain the same at £70 for family membership and £40 for adult membership. Junior Membership is £10. We haven't increased the fees since 2007 but this year there will be no early paying discount. "Membership forms can be downloaded from the website (www.hendredstennis.co.uk) or collected from Helen McAlister or Alex Pearson."

We are hoping to have a Standing Order scheme in place for next year and will be sending out forms in due course.

COURT MAINTENANCE

We are currently in the process of installing new fencing for the courts on the field side and we will continue to leave the gates to the courts unlocked to discourage vandalism to the netting. The grass area along with the two lovely new benches on is now a safe and very pleasant area from which to watch tennis and we are very grateful to John D'Alton for all his efforts in transforming what was an overgrown wasteland into a garden.

John continues to maintain the area, weeding and mowing, we thank him for all his hard work. We also have the courts sprayed each year to prevent moss growing and to keep them in good condition. Please to take away any litter with you and to only wear appropriate shoes on court. Mud from the pitches is sometimes a problem, so please check your shoes before you play.

2010 ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

The Annual Tournament is always the highlight of our tennis calendar and this year was no exception. The weather was beautiful and there were plenty of gazebos up to watch tennis and picnic under. The junior tournament continues to impress with its high standard of play and great atmosphere of fun and competitive spirit. We were also pleased to welcome some of the older teenagers into the adult tournament this year. It is wonderful to watch the children who played in the junior singles tournament not so long ago, playing with such skill and maturity in the Senior Tournament.

We are very grateful to the Batemans, Callaghans and Clements for the use of their courts for the tournament and also thank Tony Wheeler for running the BBQ for us.

2010 TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Ladies Singles	Winner:	Lucy Taylor
	Runner Up:	Katy Widdows
Mens Singles	Winner:	Hamish Pearson
	Runner Up:	Rupert Boddington
Ladies Doubles	Winners:	Susie Turnbull & Sally Boddington
	Runners Up:	Lucy Taylor & Philippa Waddington
Mens Doubles	Winners:	Ian Pearson & Simon John
	Runners Up:	Hamish Pearson & Guy Taylor
Mixed Doubles	Winners:	Johnny Dewar & Joanna Kelly
	Runners Up:	Sally Boddington & John McAlister
Junior Singles (under 11)	Winner:	Angus Waddington
	Runner Up:	Will Taylor
Junior Doubles (11 +)	Winners:	Molly Scott & Leo Boddington
	Runners Up:	Katie Pearson & Leo Boddington
Mackinnon Salver	Winner:	Tom Farrant

The date for this years' tournament is SATURDAY JULY 9th. As always this event is open to all members and all standards. Bring a picnic lunch and keep the evening free for BBQ and rounders. Entry forms will be available to download from the website and we will let you know nearer the time.

AMERICAN DOUBLES TOURNAMENT

The American Doubles tournament was a small affair, largely due to bad weather. We have decided not to hold this event this year, instead to have an Adult/Child tournament in September.

SOCIAL EVENTS

We have already kicked off the year with the ever-popular Curry Night at the Eyston Arms on Thursday March 24th. Our thanks go to Daisy for laying on such a great spread of delicious curries and puddings.

ELVIS IN THE PARK

The main social event and fundraiser for the Club last year was a joint event with Ardington Tennis Club and the Boars Head Cricket Club. Elvis came to The Sports Club at Ardington in September which was a huge success. Over 300 tickets were sold and everyone who came had a fantastic evening. The £650.00 raised by this event will go towards re-fencing the courts.

CLUB NIGHTS

Begin on Friday May 13th for adult and competent junior members from 6.30pm and thereafter until the tournament. All welcome but remember the courts cannot be booked on Friday evenings for private use.

TENNIS BALLS

On sale in the village shop at £5.50 a tube. As well as being convenient and cheap, you will also be supporting the club and the shop!

COACHING

Thursday morning Ladies Coaching with Lucy Taylor is now well established. There are two groups playing from 9 – 11.30. Anyone interested in joining should contact Lucy on 833637
John D'Alton also offers individual coaching for adults and children and can be contacted on 835079. As John does not have access to the internet booking system, pupils need to book the courts themselves for his lessons to avoid any clashes
Junior Coaching on a Saturday morning takes place at Ardington Tennis Club for children aged 5-12. Anyone interested in these lessons should contact Lucy on 833637.

MATCHES

During the year we played friendly matches against Abingdon Nifty Fifty, Ardington and Uffington. Anyone interested in playing for the club this year should contact Sally Boddington (833659).