

NEWSLETTER - May 2017

Adult social Good Friday tournament

Thanks to everyone who attended the tournament and BBQ on 14th April - which started off the season in an enjoyable way. Congratulations to Martin Kearns and Molly Finnigan who beat Ant Forrest and promising junior Sophie Parkinson in a close final, 6-4.

Membership fees for 2017

If you haven't already renewed your membership for 2017, please sort out soon with Sandra Eccles - <u>Sandra.eccles@talktalk.net</u>. We expect membership fees to be paid by 1st May at the latest please. The form can be accessed through

www.lancastertennis.co.uk/membership.html

There is a special £65 annual fee rate for NEW adult members, for their first year ONLY - which does not give them membership of the '100' Club. Please DO tell your friends and colleagues about this special fee. We DO need lots of new members to help us pay off the loans we negotiated to upgrade the courts!

Adult teams and matches

The summer match season has started - Fylde Men's team, 2 Men's teams and a Ladies' team in the Kendal League and two Mixed teams in the Lancaster & District League. Sandra is coordinating team Selection - tel: 07752 619241

An updated fixture list can be accessed from www.lancastertennis.co.uk/fixtures-and-results.html. Contact details for team captains are on: www.lancastertennis.co.uk/Contact.html

Club hoody and polo shirt

Good news - prices for the Club hoodies and polo shirts have stayed at 2016 levels so DO order yours with our on-line form -

hwww.lancastertennis.co.uk/downloads/4077%5E

Veterans Winter League

The Club entered a team in the Lancaster Winter League for the first time in 2016/7. There were many matches between late August and mid-April and we are likely to finish the season in the top 3. Not bad for newcomers – and they were very enjoyable matches too!

Thank you to Sandra for all her hard work in organizing the team.

Adult social tennis

There are regular adult social tennis sessions on Wednesdays (alongside coaching from 7pm) and Friday evenings (from 7pm) as well as every Sunday morning (from 10am to 1pm).

Members can also play on the one free court on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings alongside the league matches.

Mary Rosenberg on email: marvinr@berkeley.edu is also organizing daytime social tennis - please email her if you are interested in this.

If you plan any social tennis, please use the on-line calendar to book sessions – see below – to avoid clashes. And PLEASE NOTE THAT you can now use the Club's google mail group to send messages to all other members.

Adult coaching

This has re-started with Eden Parkinson of Edentennis on Wednesdays from 7pm to 8pm. £5 per person (+ £2 for non-members) and Eden is asking people to pay for a block of 5 sessions in advance. Contact Eden direct on tel: 07894 549204 or email: edentennis@hotmail.com

Singles ladder

The adult singles ladder is located between the 2 changing rooms. PLEASE add your name and phone number and do use it. If you have time it would be great if you could sweep the court after your match with our fancy new court brush!

Challenges can be made 2 places above, 2 sets - if 1 set all, then play a championship tie break. PLEASE NOTE THAT floodlights need to be switched off - switches in the disabled toilet - by no later than 10pm.

Court booking calendar

PLEASE USE the court booking system to avoid any clashes including if you want to play socially on the spare court on match nights. It can be accessed on-line through the website home page - www.lancastertennis.co.uk

Junior coaching

Edentennis has re-started a full programme of junior coaching on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings. There is also junior Fylde training on Fridays from 5pm. For full info and to book places contact Junior Organiser Pat Clelland on patriciaclelland@gmail.com or tel: 01524 311737.

Junior Matchplay

Thank you very much to Pat Clelland and Michaela Parkinson for organising successful and enjoyable Matchplay events for the juniors during the Easter holidays. Not only was this a great opportunity for youngsters to practice their skills in a competitive environment, but a small profit was made for the Club!

Junior teams

The summer match season for the juniors has also started - with 2 teams in both the U17 and U14 junior Fylde leagues and an U18 team in the prestigious Aegon regional league. We are not sure yet if there will also be Kendal or Lancaster Junior Leagues. Queries to Pat Clelland or Alan Main on alanmain@hotmail.com

Wimbledon Ballot

This is a reminder that the Club has been allocated 10 pairs of tickets for Wimbledon, starting on July 5th. Full detoils are on www.lancastertennis.co.uk/blog_Clubs-Wimbledon-ticket-ballot_449645.html
The deadline for bids is still May 10th.

Wheelchair coaching

Eden Parkinson has also re-started wheelchair tennis coaching on **Wednesdays from 8pm to 9pm**. These sessions are subsidised because of sponsorship from a range of sponsors **but now cost £2 per session**.

Please contact Susan on tel: 07771 734920 or email: susanlucas1950@live.co.uk to register.

Quiz Night

Marcus Mosey and Paddy Maher are organizing a fun Quiz in teams for **7.30pm on Friday June 30**th. Everyone is very welcome and invite your friends along too.

These are always great nights with lots of unpredictable questions. The more the merrier and only £2 per person. Any profits to Club funds.

Open Days

Thank you SO MUCH to everyone who helped at the Club's successful Open Day on Saturday April 22nd. There were more people turning up to see our Club than at previous Open Days and a number of new members signed up on the day.

Especial thanks to Eden and Michaela Parkinson of Edentennis were very busy all afternoon giving the youngsters lots of advice and help in getting started. Many of them have now signed up for coaching so Edentennis will have a very busy summer.

Thank you very much to adult members Pat, Sandra, Mary, Vicky, Marcus, Steve, Susan and also our brilliant juniors Joe, Jolyon, Sebastian and Caitlin

The next Open Day is on **Sunday July 2nd** (from 1.30pm to 3.30pm). We <u>very much hope</u> that lots of members will be able to help on the day again to meet and greet potential new members. If you can help, please contact Susan on <u>susanlucas1950@live.co.uk</u>.

End of season presentation

This is early notice that the Lancaster and District league will be holding its end of season presentation event at our Club this year. It will be from **7pm on Friday September 29**th – not just for team members but for everyone in the Club and there is usually a fun quiz on the night too.

Facebook

Thanks to the 98 members who have signed up to the Club's FB page. DO PLEASE KEEP USING https://www.facebook.com/groups/2747194360 04534/?fref=ts