



NEWSLETTER - September 2019
Goodbye and good luck to members
leaving the area - Bradley Lonergan,
Lisa Koepfel, Oliver Schaer & Tobias
Siems.

Adult match season

The summer match season has just come to an end and it has been a good one for our Club with 3 adult trophies and 2 junior trophies being won. Congratulations to all players in the Mixed A team (captain Derek Metcalfe) which again won Division 1 and also the *Thwaites Handicap trophy*.

Congratulations also to the Kendal League Men's B team (captain Steve Garland) which won Division 3 and has been promoted to Division 2. For all the final league positions see <http://www.lancastertennis.co.uk/fixtures-and-results.html>

ALL Club members are invited to the **Lancaster & District League presentation event in our Clubhouse from 7pm on Friday September 20th** - with a buffet, quiz and music. You need to let Sandra know if you would like to attend by no later than *September 17th* please - tel: 07752 619241 - costs only £5 for the buffet.

Club Singles Tournament

The **Club Singles tournament** was held over a sunny weekend, 7th/8th September and was much enjoyed. The final of the Ladies tournament has already been held with Lisa Koepfel retaining the trophy beating promising junior Sophie Parkinson 6-3, 6-2.

The hard-fought round robin stage of the Men's tournament was also held with Pool A winner Josh Lancaster to play Pool B runner up impressive junior Matthew Cross in one semi final and the other to be held between Pool A runner up Paddy Maher and Pool B winner Derek Metcalfe. Well done to them all.

End of Season Round Robin Tournament

There is a friendly and fun round robin adult tournament (for those aged 14 & above) on **Sunday September 29th from 10am**. This will bring to an end our main summer playing season in a really enjoyable way.

It will be the usual format - so a chance to play lots of different players in a fun environment. We hope lots of members will come along to play. £3 entry charge to pay for new balls and prizes. **Enter and pay on the day.**

Junior match season

The junior teams have enjoyed good matches again this season & have secured two trophies - the U17 Girls team & the U14 Boys again, both in the Fylde League. Very well done to all the players. Also thanks to Junior Organiser Pat & the team managers for all their hard work. Thanks also to coach Eden Parkinson who runs regular training sessions for junior team players.

Full information on junior coaching, team training sessions, tournaments and teams is available from Pat Clelland -

patriciaClelland@gmail.com or tel: 01524 311737

Winter Vets Leagues

Both our Mixed Doubles are in Division 1 of the Lancaster & District Winter Vets League for 2019/20. Any members aged 40 + are eligible to play in this very sociable and enjoyable league.

Knights team (captain Derek Metcalfe, tel: 07833 760653) has home matches on Wednesdays and Squires (captain Andre Coltman, tel: 07773 025710) on Tuesdays, from 1pm.

Any members interested in being considered for the teams should contact the captains direct.

Organised Winter Doubles

Steve Garland has just re-launched the successful and enjoyable organised winter doubles sessions on **Thursdays at 7pm - starting on 12th September.**

Pre-registration with Steve is needed tel: 07722 541688 or steve@stevegarland.co.uk

Junior LTA Grade 5 Tournament

Every year Pat organises a successful LTA recognised Junior Tournament over the May school holidays for U12, U14 and U16 players. To cover the full cost we need to seek additional funds and have set up a FB page for donations.

PLEASE do think about donating even just £5 to <https://www.facebook.com/donate/482070095917592/>

THANKS,

Adult beginner and improver sessions

We have introduced a 7pm Wednesday evening session for beginners & improvers instead of Eden's coaching session. £3 for non-members.

Thanks very much to Lisa for running these sessions so effectively, and now we are looking for regular Club members to volunteer to take over this role now that Lisa has returned to Germany. Please contact Susan on tel: 07771 734920 if you are willing to help out. THANKS.

Court booking calendar

Some schools are using our courts during the day, so PLEASE DO USE the court booking system to avoid any clashes etc. It can be accessed on-line through the home page of www.lancastertennis.co.uk

Social tennis sessions

Thank you very much to Mary Rosenberg and Rose Parker for keeping the weekday social tennis sessions running smoothly. There are Club sessions every Monday (with U3A players) and Wednesday (10am to 12 noon) - DO TURN up and play.

Any queries to Mary on marvinr@berkeley.edu or tel: 01524 845286

And don't forget also the usual Sunday 10am and Friday 7pm social tennis sessions.

Summer match season 2020

The Committee is considering entering at least one new team in either the Kendal or Fylde Leagues in summer 2020. We would have to use Wednesday evenings for an extra team.

YOUR COMMENTS ON LOSING the three courts for beginners and social tennis on Wednesday evenings please to Sandra.eccles@talktalk.net.

Thank you Lisa and Tobias

Thank you very much to Lisa and Tobias for organising a successful raffle at their enjoyable 'Farewell' event on September 7th. A much needed £40 was raised for the Club through the raffle.

Booking the function room

Don't forget that our bar has a function room, free of charge, which is a really great venue for parties and events, with catering. And if you use you'll be supporting our Tennis Club too!
See

www.lancastercricketandsportsclub.org/functionroom.aspx

Winter round robin tournament

This is early notice that we are planning a Winter Round robin tournament from **1pm on Saturday November 2nd**. Same format as the End of Season event, and same entry fee of £3.

Facebook

Thanks to the 142 members & friends who have signed up to the Lancaster Tennis Club Members FB page. DO please use it www.facebook.com/groups/274719436004534/

There is now a separate FB page for non-members which has been set up by Matt Parker - many thanks to him - which is linked to the home page of our website www.lancastertennis.co.uk.