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## COURTS MAINTENANCE



Please note the courts will be closed on Monday 18 March 2024 for the first of a regular maintenance programme. The slight rippling and deadspots will hopefully be addressed at this time. We are confident members are noticing a significant improvement in the playing surface since the upgrade.

## OPEN DAY

We encourage new members to join our club and plan to host an Open Day on Saturday 20 April 2024 starting from 1:30pm. It would be great if existing members could attend to welcome any potential newcomers. If you know of anyone you think would be interested in joining, please persuade them to come along.



## AGM *Tuesday 5 March 2024 – 6:30pm*

You should have received an email invite to the annual general meeting, to be held in the clubhouse. This is your opportunity to get involved, and help shape the future of your club.

We are also looking for fresh blood to join the committee. If you think you could assist us in running the club, please consider putting your name forward to join our group of friendly volunteers. Many hands make light work!

# JUNIOR EASTER CAMP

Tom will be running his usual Easter camp for juniors. This will be held week commencing Monday 8 April from 9am-2pm each week day. To book your place, or for further information, please contact Tom directly.

# CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Well done to all those who participated in our club championship competition last year. Mark J did a great job of organising the same, including sunshine on finals days, what more could you want? Cake? Yes, there was cake too.

There was one clear winner who swept the board, congratulations Claire Collinson for winning the Ladies singles, Ladies doubles (with Joan Louw) and mixed doubles (with Mark Elliott)! Hope there is room on your mantel piece for all of the trophies!

Congratulations also to Graham Auld, who won the Men's singles and has the honour of being the first to have his name engraved on the new trophy. Also well done Mark Johnson and Gary Law who won the men's doubles – I hope there is no fighting over who has the cup in their china cabinet.....

*Claire with: (L to R) mixed doubles partner Mark Elliott, Ladies doubles partner Joan Louw, Chair Mark Johnson*



*Ladies Singles Finalists Claire Collinson & Imogen Parker*

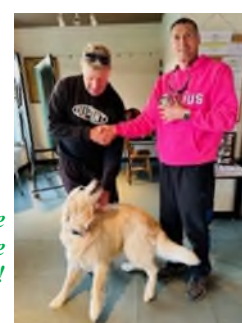


*Graham Auld Men's singles winner*

*Men's Singles Finalists - Dan Rogerson & Graham Auld*



*Men's doubles finalists Mark Johnson/Gary Law v Andy Mullins/Martin Blair*



*The favourite participant of the day!*

## Drag Net

Gentle reminder to use the drag net to try and keep the courts clean and debris-free. Please get into the habit of using this before play to help with the longevity of our courts.

## Funding

We are applying for various funding and grants in the hope we can improve our car parking facilities. If anyone has any inside knowledge of people who may be willing to resurface our car park at "mates rates" please let one of the committee members know.

## Fundraising

Since introducing Easyfundraising to Stocksfield Tennis Club in 2020 we have raised over £1,339. We have 34 registered supporters, could YOU make it 35??

If we could encourage all members, and their families and friends to sign up, imagine how much more we could raise simply by adding an extra couple of clicks on the mouse before starting our online shopping!

EVERYONE can help raise funds via Easyfundraising. Please [REGISTER HERE](#) and raise funds whenever you shop online.

## Upcoming events

AGM – Tuesday 5 March 6:30pm

Court maintenance – Monday 18 March

Junior Easter Camp – w/c 8 April

Open Day – Saturday 20 April 1:30pm

Quiz - tba

## And Finally

Why was the tennis club's website down?

They had problems with their server



## FRIDAY SOCIAL TENNIS 6-8 pm

We would really like to get more members using the courts more regularly, therefore we are commencing a Friday social tennis evening where people can just turn up and play. The format will be very informal and it is hoped it will encourage members of all levels and abilities to attend. If you require any further information please contact Dan Mather.

## TENNIS SESSIONS

Just a reminder of the sessions we currently run:

Monday: Ladies night, 7pm-9pm Contact Jill Lloyd

Tuesday: Friendly group of ladies play from 10am Contact Sue Applegarth 07947 572016

Wednesday: Mixed doubles 7pm-9pm Contact Louise Freeman

Thursday: Men's night 7pm-9pm Contact Mark Johnson

Friday: Social for everyone 6pm-8pm Contact Dan Mather

Saturday: Mixed social 2pm-4pm Contact Louise Freeman

Adult & Junior Coaching sessions Contact Tom Geary

## HOUSEKEEPING

\* Just a gentle reminder to please close the gates to the courts when leaving to prevent rabbits and other small mammals getting onto the courts and using it as a toilet!

\* We would also like to remind everyone to ensure the clubhouse is locked and all heaters and lights are turned off before you leave.

\* If you use a key for the floodlights, please ensure to turn the lights off after play. There is an issue with floodlights no longer turning off automatically at 10pm, so there has been occasion where the lights were left on overnight.

\* Be mindful of keeping the clubhouse clean and tidy and leave it in the same condition you would expect to find it in.

\* If you bring guests to play, there is an honesty box in the clubhouse to deposit visitors fees (£5 per person) or you can bank transfer and email [i.christer@btinternet.com](mailto:i.christer@btinternet.com) to advise.

**A SPECIAL THANKS TO CLAIRE COLLINSON AND SINTONS SOLICITORS FOR THEIR DONATIONS OF FURNITURE, THE CLUB HOUSE IS LOOKING VERY SMART!**