

## MARKET WEIGHTON LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Welcome to our second digital newsletter. We hope you have had a great summer and season!

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### Charity Tennis Event:

It has now been a couple of months since our tennis marathon in memory of Adam Young. We would like to re-iterate our thanks to all those who supported. We raised £1000 for the Yorkshire Air Ambulance and have just short of £800 towards funds for a defibrillator. We are currently working on purchasing a defibrillator and making it safe and accessible to the public, more news to follow.

The 2019 season has been one of varying success for our teams in the Drifffield League. Both the Ladies and Mixed 'A' teams did brilliantly to retain their position in Division one of their respective leagues. Unfortunately our Men's 'A' endured a difficult season ending in relegation, as did our Men's 'B' team. There was however success for both our Ladies 'B' and 'C' teams, who both won promotion – congratulations ladies! The Ladies 'D' also consolidated in their first season in division four after promotion last year! Unfortunately both the mixed 'B' and 'C' teams were relegated, and the mixed 'D' stayed in their division.

One great plus from the season has been all the new faces we have seen playing in the teams, practicing at club nights and generally enjoying tennis!

Regardless of where your team finished this year, we hope you once again enjoyed playing for us and we must also pass on our thanks to all team captains, who without we wouldn't be able to field teams.



**2019 Team Captains**

Mixed A: James Philip

Mixed B: Nigel Allison

Mixed C: Phil Pugh

Mixed D: Ann  
StrangewayLadies A: Julie  
Stephenson

Ladies B: Jill Atkinson

Ladies C: Fiona Cast

Ladies D: Pamela  
ClarkeMen's A: Tom  
Bowman

Men's B: Phil Pugh

**Social Media**

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Market Weighton  
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Tennis Club**Clubhouse**

Work continues towards our aim of a new clubhouse. Plans have been delayed slightly due to the ERYC Commuted Sums feasibility study being prolonged until Christmas. Plans are visible to see in the clubhouse should you wish to peruse. Any help or ideas are much appreciated, we have a team working towards this that are open to any suggestions!

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com**Club News****Finals Day**

We were very lucky to have great weather for finals day– and even better the tennis matched the weather! Well played to everyone who played and congratulations to the winners;

Men's singles: T.Bowman

Ladies Singles: J.Stephenson

Men's doubles: S.Owen + P.Pugh

Ladies doubles: S.Lockwood + I.Philip

Mixed doubles: J.Philip + S.Lockwood

**New Coach**

As we're sure you're aware, Dave Thompson has recently become our head coach. We would like to welcome Dave to the club and wish him well for his time coaching here.

Dave has completed three full weeks of coaching now and has received tremendous support in all of his adult coaching sessions. As well as this Dave has received 32 sign-ups onto his Tennis for Kids courses, which we think is a magnificent achievement considering he started from almost scratch.



**Website:**

You can find out more about the club on our website, at:

<https://mwltc1.wixsite.com>

Many thanks to James Philip for this facility!

**2020 AGM**

Although we have no date yet confirmed for next years AGM, we can confirm that it will be held on a Tuesday. This is to give an opportunity for those who haven't been able to attend a Monday evening in previous years a chance to voice their opinion! We will inform you of the exact date as soon as we know.

**Racket Re-stringing**

Dave also offers a racket re-stringing service. You don't necessarily need a broken string to re-string, either. Strings lose tension without even being used, so there's a general rule of thumb; string your racket as many times in a year as you play in a week, for examples if you play twice a week, string your racket twice a year. Restrings cost £20 each. For more information or to organise a restring, contact Dave on 07725029867.

**Driffield League End of Season Presentation**

The league's annual end of season presentation evening is on Saturday 5th October. To all of our members going, have a good night!

# Club News

**Clean Up**

We have been doing some much needed maintenance work down at the club recently. The large pile of grass cuttings near the clubhouse has been removed and the hedges along the track as you first enter have been cut back. We hope this makes some noticeable extra space to help with car parking, as well as looking better visually. Thanks to Jonathan Atkinson for his help!

**Wimbledon Ballot**

Although the winter months aren't even upon us yet, the ballot for Wimbledon 2020 has opened. There are a few simple steps to follow to be part of our draw:

- Be a MWLTC member.
- Be a British Tennis member (this is free!).
- Register your venue as Market Weighton Tennis Club and 'opt-in' to the ballot.

Even if you have done this in previous years, you still need to do it this year to be eligible. We find that a lot of our members don't opt-in, so it's really important that you do. The more we get signed up, the more tickets we are eligible for, so even if you wouldn't be able to go, signing up and opting-in would be really appreciated!

**Sunday tournament reform**

We have recently reformed and seemingly revived our Sunday tournaments. We moved the tournaments to the same time as club night, 4pm on a Sunday, and have received a fantastic response (24 players for one tournament and 14 for the other). As a result all five of our Sunday tournaments in 2020 will be held at this time! Congratulations to the winners of our most recent tournament, Jill Williamson and Laurence Lewis!



## Private Lessons

If you're wanting some coaching from Dave but can't make any of his sessions, he also offers private lessons. These don't necessarily have to be one-to-one lessons either, you could organize a group/team to have some coaching and advice! Costs are as follows:

- 30 mins- £15
- 45 mins- £20
- 1hr- £25

## Court Availability

The grass courts are now out of action until next season!

## A Special Thanks

With Dave arriving at the start of the month, it paved the way for him to take-over the long established and successful ladies morning that Tina Rook created! We would like to put on record our sincere thanks to Tina for all of her hard work over the years, which has helped build a really passionate group of tennis players and have such a positive impact on the club!

## Sponsorship

As a way of generating more income for the future development of the club, we have decided that we are going to seek sponsorship for next season. We are currently working on different packages and deals we can offer to businesses. If you know of any potential businesses that may want to sponsor us, get in touch!

# What's on

## Club Nights

Throughout the summer, club nights have been tremendously popular and proved a great success. As a result, they are continuing through the winter months. Here are some details:

- Every Sunday.
- 4-6pm.
- All welcome.

As winter approaches nights draw in, we will be altering the time of these. More news to follow.

## Coaching

Adult coaching has proved a great hit!

Thursdays:

- 10-11: Cardio Tennis, £6.
- 11-12: Doubles drills and practice, £6.

Fridays:

- 9.30-11.30: Ladies Morning, £5.



## Social and Supper

This year, we are holding a social to celebrate the season, as well as the clubs commitment to moving forward.

Here are the details:

- Friday 8th November.
- Londesborough Arms.
- 7.30pm start.
- Pie and Pea supper.
- Homemade puddings.
- Disco.
- Entry to a prize draw.

If you're wanting a ticket but don't already have one, please get in touch!