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# Club Member News - December 2019

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### MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR



A massive thank you to everyone who has helped at the club during 2019 - players; parents; coaching team; tennis leaders; sub-committees; supporters; sponsors; cleaning staff; maintenance; catering staff; social organisers; and raffle organisers.

**2020 Wimbledon Ticket Ballot** If you are interested in entering the Club's ticket ballot you MUST opt in by  $14^{th}$  February 2020 to be eligible. For more details please view the article on <a href="https://www.altc.net/news">www.altc.net/news</a> or contact Tina for more details.



#### Interested in playing regular

<u>Singles?</u> Ollie Wells has set up a singles league(s) to run through the Winter. Motivated players to sign up. If you are interested please message Ollie on 07415325659.

A big thank you... to our Social team (Jennie and co) for recently providing a scrumptious Christmas meal. A big thank you also goes to the "two Andys" for organising a successful and enjoyable Quiz Night. Another Quiz Night is hopefully being planned for Spring/Summer 2020.



#### All Juniors aged 11-16 years... Saturday

Junior Club A free Junior Club has been set up for juniors every Saturday from 1.15pm to 3pm. Why not pop along or stay after your Saturday coaching session to practice your shots with other junior members. Martyn will be at the club to help. Note, if any club matches are scheduled for a particular Saturday unfortunately the junior club will be postponed that particular week.

'100' Club The '100' Club has been reintroduced by member, Mark Williams – thank you Mark... If you are interested in joining to help raise club funds and be a winner yourself, please view more details via <a href="www.altc.net/100-club">www.altc.net/100-club</a> or speak to Mark at the Club...

## Dates for your diary...

*w/c* 6<sup>th</sup> *January* - Adult and Junior coaching programme begins for the Spring Term.

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February - Australian Open Touchtennis Doubles Tournament sign-up on the clubhouse noticeboard.

w/c 17<sup>th</sup> February - Junior Half term camps - enrol via

www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/AndoverCoaching .

The 2020 events calendar will be available soon to view via <a href="https://www.altc.net/calendar/">www.altc.net/calendar/</a>. Events will also be displayed on the Clubhouse noticeboard.

2020 events currently being planned...

#### **USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS:**

Chairman and Welfare Officer – Margaret – margaretwinnett585@msn.com

Club Secretary - Christine - christine.pickford1@gmail.com

Match Secretary and Maintenance – Trevor – tablake@ntlworld.com

Marketing - Mick - marketing@altc.net

Head Coach – Josh - joshgook@jgtennis.co.uk \_ - 07902124323

Membership and Club Operations (General enquiries, Membership, Court bookings and access (Clubspark), Website) – Tina – info@altc.net – 07831 527523

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General enquiries - info@altc.net or contact one of our Committee members listed on www.altc.net/altc-committee/

Would you like to receive a free one hour indoor court session...We're trying to gain more adult members and who better to help with that than you - after all, you already know how good it is to play at ALTC. Do you know anyone who might like to join us? If so, contact Tina and when they join, as a small reward, you will be entitled to an hour's play indoors free of charge - and they will too. You could even join them together if you like for a really good session. However, if your new member feels a bit rusty, instead of their free indoor play they could join in with one of the adult coaching sessions to see what it's like and judge if they want to sign up for more.

Coaching for all ages and abilities - from Adult sessions, junior/mini sessions, individuals, Holiday Camps plus Inset Day Camps... Full details of the coaching programme timetable plus enrolment can be found via www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/AndoverCoaching

Any queries please contact Josh, our Head Coach joshgook@jgtennis.co.uk **2019** *Club achievements...*It has been another busy and successful year at the club. There have been many achievements - a few are:

- The clubhouse wet-room was completed in the Summer.
- In May, the Club exceeded in the LTA Club Safeguarding Audit
- In July the outdoor courts were re-painted.
- One of our juniors, Flavia, who already represents the County for the U14 Girls team, won the H&IOW Road to Wimbledon. This was a great achievement and she even went to Wimbledon to compete against other County winners.
- Sarum League Knockout Cup winners.
- H&IOW U14 Boys League 2 winners.
- Many popular social events plus a "new format" popular Club Championships.
- Adult team successes.

<u>Safeguarding your Club...</u> We would like to remind you the Statutory Club Policies, which include Safeguarding, Whistleblowing, Diversity and Inclusion and details of the Welfare Officers are displayed on the "Statutory" Noticeboard in the Clubhouse. They are also published on the "Policies" page on the Club's website - <a href="https://www.altc.net/policies/">www.altc.net/policies/</a>. We are pleased to announce fellow member, Dot Chaffey is now a fully trained Welfare Officer and will work alongside our current Welfare Officer, Margaret Winnett. Further details of their role and how to contact them can be found on www.altc.net/policies,

# Player of the month...

Isaac has made huge improvements in his game and has recently started competing more regularly in local tournaments and matchplays. He is extremely 'coachable' and has a great positive attitude whenever he steps out on court. Congratulations Isaac, fully deserved!



Trevor, Margaret or Adrian...

Interested in volunteering at the Club... We are always looking for members to help at the Club from preparing refreshments, gardening, general maintenance etc. Please contact any Committee Member if you are interested...

Winter is here... why not treat yourself to a club jacket, beanie hat or junior top... more details are available on <a href="https://www.altc.net/news">www.altc.net/news</a> and on the clubhouse noticeboard. Jacket samples are also available to view in the clubhouse.

Treat yourself or they would make great pressies for family members and friends.

To order please contact Jennie or Margaret.

Brief Overview and looking ahead to 2020 (from Josh)... 2019 was a great year for Coaching and Tennis in general at the club. My aim is to make Tennis as inclusive as possible in the area and get as many people playing, regardless of age or ability. In 2020 we will be running more adult social tournaments and events linked around the 4 Grand Slams (the first one is early Feb, don't miss out!). We will also be launching more Junior performance sessions and events to try and encourage more of our Juniors to compete and play in fun matches as the year progresses. We also have other ideas in the pipeline, watch this space! I hope that 2020 will be an even better year for Tennis at Andover LTC. If any of you have any suggestions or want to discuss anything Coaching or Tennis related drop me a line anytime. Merry Christmas from myself and the coaching team, see you all next year! Josh



New Year Membership offer... Why not encourage a friend/relative/work colleague to become a member in the New Year? Take advantage of an amazing offer for 3 months at an incredible price. More details can be found on Latest News on <a href="www.altc.net">www.altc.net</a> or contact Mick (marketing@altc.net) or Tina (membership@altc.net)

Interested in playing in a team for the Club... If you are interested in representing the club in one (or more) of our many teams in local leagues please speak to Trevor, our Match Secretary. We welcome new players any time of the season.

Visitor's fees... Please remember to pay for any visitors who use the courts. It is £5 per visitor per visit. Either pay by BACs transfer (email <a href="info@altc.net">info@altc.net</a> for details) or place cash in the post boxes inside the indoor courts or in the main post box by the clubhouse main entrance. Thank you for your co-operation...

Club Nights and weekend social afternoons... Remember until the end of March 2020 (Winter season), Adult Club Nights are every Friday from 6pm onwards - a small charge of £2 per person per session is payable to go towards the lighting costs. Also, member's social afternoons are every Saturday and Sunday between 3pm-5pm - Junior players are welcome to attend weekend socials. A small charge of £1 per person per session is payable to go towards the lighting costs. Pop along and meet other fellow members. For further information please contact

Any friends or family members interested in becoming club members? - Contact Tina (info@altc.net) for more details and any offers currently available...

Australian Open Touchtennis Doubles

tournament - Saturday 1st February... Why
not enter this fun tournament organised by
Josh. Small court, small rackets, sponge
balls and lots of fun! No prior touchtennis
experience required. Sign up on the
Clubhouse noticeboard or contact Josh...

interested in advertising at the Club... Did you know the Club has 100s of visitors each week....It could be a great way of advertising your company/employer. Please contact Mick (marketing@altc.net) or speak to any Committee member for details of many different ways to advertise at the Club.