



# Andover Lawn Tennis Club

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## Club Member News - September 2019

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**2019 Club Championships Finals Weekend** This year's finals weekend is due to take place next weekend – **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September** – timetable to be announced soon. We welcome members and their families and friends to come and watch what is always exciting and outstanding matches played by our club members of all ages.

As in previous years we will be holding a raffle during the weekend. If you would like to donate a item – bottle, chocolates, gift voucher etc please pass to Glenys, Linda or Trevor prior to the 14<sup>th</sup> September. As always thank you in advance for any donations given.

Refreshments will be available on both days. Donations of cakes are always greatly appreciated – please speak to Jennie, Glenys, Linda or Trevor.

### **Andover win the Sarum League**

**Knockout Cup** Well done to Mike Prince, Josh Gook, Flavia Zamfir and Kate Gailey who beat Riverside 5-3 to win the Knockout Cup for the first time. Excellent play by the team – well done!



Mike, Flavia, Kate and Josh

### **Sam and Ben gain LTA Level 1 Coaching**

**qualification** Congratulations are due to Sam Truscott and Ben Haley for achieving their LTA Level 1 coaching certificates. This is excellent news and reflects how fortunate the club is to have access to such a well-qualified bank of superb coaches. Well done Sam and Ben.

### **Winter Block indoor court booking system**

During the months of October until the end of March we have a weekly block booking system for our indoor courts and outdoor floodlights during some of the evenings. This is to encourage all-year round play for our members. If you are interested in running a small group please come along to the meeting on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm. Further details have recently been sent via email to all adult members and "A" juniors but please contact Tina if you have any queries via [info@altc.net](mailto:info@altc.net) .

### **September dates for your diary...**

**w/c Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September** – Adult and Junior Autumn coaching programme begins.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September** – Club Finals Weekend – timetable to be announced.

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September** – Winter Indoor Block Booking meeting – details sent via email.

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November** – Quiz Night – details to follow.

The 2019 events calendar is available to view via [www.altc.net/calendar/](http://www.altc.net/calendar/) . Events are also displayed on the Clubhouse noticeboard. More events currently being planned...

### **USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS:**

**Chairman and Welfare Officer** – Margaret – [margaretwinnett585@msn.com](mailto:margaretwinnett585@msn.com)

**Club Secretary** – Linda – [lcpen@btinternet.com](mailto:lcpen@btinternet.com)

**Match Secretary and Maintenance** – Trevor – [tablake@ntlworld.com](mailto:tablake@ntlworld.com)

**Marketing** – Mick – [marketing@altc.net](mailto:marketing@altc.net)

**Head Coach** – Josh – [joshgook@jgtennis.co.uk](mailto:joshgook@jgtennis.co.uk) – 07902124323

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

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**General enquiries** – [info@altc.net](mailto:info@altc.net) or contact one of our Committee members listed on [www.altc.net/altc-committee/](http://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](http://www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/AndoverCoaching)

Any queries please contact Josh, our Head Coach  
[joshgook@jgtennis.co.uk](mailto:joshgook@jgtennis.co.uk)



Lizzy, Linda and Jane are again organising a Macmillan coffee morning raising monies for cancer care to be held at the Clubhouse on Friday 13th September 10.00am-12.30pm.

We will be selling raffle tickets over the coming few weeks for our many prizes.

If anyone can bake a cake/biscuits or produce for the day or donate a raffle prize please can you let Lizzy Austin, Linda Penn [lpenn@btinternet.com](mailto:lpenn@btinternet.com) or Jane Laborda know.

Please come down and bring your friends and family to support this very worthwhile charity.

At last year's event we made £1,505....with your help this year, let's hope we can beat that figure.

**Half-term camps...** We are now taking bookings for our popular Junior and Mini Camps throughout Half-Term in October. Keep your children active and entertained at one of our usual Tennis Camps for different age groups. To book and more details [www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/AndoverCoaching/Coaching/Camps](http://www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/AndoverCoaching/Coaching/Camps)

**Coaching Tip of the month (by Josh)...** Keep your volleys simple. The best volleyers aren't the ones who hit the most audacious shots but the ones that anticipate well and hit firmly into space. If you are struggling with your volley try to always hit to the bigger space (likely behind the opposite volleyer in doubles) keeping your wrist and arm strong through contact. Try not to take much of a backswing or a follow through and remember the more movements you do on your volley...the more there is to go wrong! Be positive and don't be put off if you miss a few easy ones, we have all been there.

**Interested in playing in a team for the Club...** The Winter season is fast approaching... 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 anytime of the season.

**Club Nights and weekend social afternoons...** Remember until the end of September, Adult Club Nights are every Wednesday and Friday from 6pm onwards. Also, member's social afternoons are every Saturday and Sunday between 3pm-6pm - Junior players are welcome to attend weekend socials. Pop along and meet other fellow members. For further information please contact Trevor, Margaret or Adrian...

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

**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 Margaret if you are interested...

**Safeguarding your Club...** We would like to remind you that Statutory Club Policies, which include Safeguarding, Whistleblowing, Diversity and Inclusion and details of the Welfare Officer are displayed on the "Statutory" Noticeboard in the Clubhouse. They are also published on the "Policies" page on the Club's website - [www.altc.net/policies/](http://www.altc.net/policies/)

**Local company KJM supports ALTC...** We are delighted local firm, KJM are sponsoring the Club for 3 years. We look forward to a flourishing partnership.

KJM were established in Andover in 1983 and have been supplying windows, doors and conservatories locally ever since.

Managing Director Mark Pearce was pleased to be able to support a local sports facility and agreed a three-year deal to have KJM's business promoted at the club premises as well as on team shirts.



**Visitor's fees...** Please remember to pay for any visitors that use the courts. It is £5 per visitor per visit. Either pay by BACs transfer (email [info@altc.net](mailto:info@altc.net) 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...

**Would your company or employer be 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](mailto:marketing@altc.net)) or speak to any Committee member for details of many different ways to advertise at the Club.