

SOUTHBOURNE TENNIS CLUB – NEWSLETTER

October 2009

Floodlights Southbourne Junior Open Tournament Club Championships Juniors What's on

The Club has had a very busy spring/summer - the Southbourne Junior Open Tournament took place in August, Mini Tennis and Junior Holiday Camps were held during the school holidays which were very well attended, arrangements have been in progress for the replacement of floodlights on courts 1, 2 and 3 and teams have been involved in organising and playing their matches for the summer leagues. We are very pleased to advise that we have again received Satellite status for 2010 which is a great achievement as the criteria for being awarded this funding gets more difficult to achieve every year. We said farewell to Tom Gibaud in August who left to go to America to further his education and tennis. We thank him for all the support he has given the Club and wish him all the best for the future.

FLOODLIGHTS

The floodlights on courts 1 to 3 have been replaced with works finishing a few days earlier than planned despite the problems experienced getting the footings out without causing undue damage to the court surface. It was decided to replace the floodlights as last winter the lights on court 3 were not working and also were causing lights on courts 1 and 2 to trip out. Having looked into the possibility of having the lights repaired, it was decided that due to the age of the lights (25 years), it would be better to replace them as it could potentially cost a large amount of money to get them up and running and it was inevitable that they would need replacing some time in the not too distant future. The cost to replace the floodlights is approx £30K.

Courts 4 to 6 were pressure washed in the spring which has made them less slippery. We hope to have these re-surfaced within the next two/three years, however, we do need to boost the club funds to be able to do this so if anyone has any fundraising ideas, please do not hesitate to let the Committee know. Thank you.

AGM
Thursday,
19th
November
7pm
in the
Club House

CLUB SWEATSHIRTS
Hannah Dawson and Adam Kidman, two of our Intermediate members, have done a great job in organising a supplier for Club Sweatshirts. If you would like to order one, please contact Debbie on 01202 255318. They are available in adult and junior sizes.

COMMITTEE

Helen Henshaw	Chairman
Annie Smith	Secretary
Position vacant	Treasurer
Ray Burningham	Match Secretary
John Woodham	Social Secretary
Debbie Dawson	Child Protection Officer

Committee Members

Conny Blythe
Jane Carter
Eddie Fell
Don Greaves
Mike Hargreave
David Sanger

MATCHES

Matches for the Dorset Summer League have now finished. We entered 12 teams and also 2 men's teams in the Hants & Isle of Wight League. We haven't yet received the results for the H&IOW, results for the Dorset league are below. Congratulations to Men's 1 and Ladies Vets 1 who both came top of Division 1. We are now looking forward to the winter league which starts on 1st October. If anyone is interested in playing in a team, please contact one of the coaching team. We also entered a team in the Dorset Knockout which is still on-going. We are due to play East Dorset which should have been played a few weeks ago but was rained off. During the winter, a Ladies Friendly League runs with matches being played during the day. If anyone is interested in playing, please contact Sandra Walker on 01202 429502.

Men's 1, Div 1	1 st
Men's 2, Div 3	4 th
Men's 3, Div 4	5 th
Men's Vets, Div 2	4 th
Ladies 1, Div 2	3 rd
Ladies 2, Div 2	8 th
Ladies 3, Div 5	4 th
Ladies Vets 1, Div 1	1 st
Ladies Vets 2, Div 2	4 th
Mixed 1, Div 2	5 th
Mixed 2, Div 4	3 rd
Mixed 3, Div 5	4 th

SOUTHBOURNE JUNIOR OPEN

The 2nd Southbourne Junior Open was held from 17th to 21st August which was again very successful with plenty of very positive feedback received from parents and players on how well the tournament was organised and the friendly atmosphere of the Club. The entry for the main tournament was slightly less than last year but we had almost double the number of entries for the Mini Tennis Tournament. A very big thank you to all those who helped out before and during the event, to those who kindly donated cakes and raffle prizes and also to our members for their patience during the week. Unfortunately, we did not have a sponsor for the event this year, however, the tournament still made a profit of £890. Well done to all the Southbourne players who took part and congratulations to the winners. Results below :-

U18 boys	William Kipping	U18 girls	Lauren Hayward
U18 boys doubles	Daniel Gilbert/James Burr (STC)		
U16 boys	Daniel Gilbert (STC)	U16 girls	Lauren Hayward
U14 boys	Adam Carter (STC)	U14 girls	Hannah Murphy
U14 boys doubles	Adam Carter/Nick Saxby (STC)		
U14 girls doubles	Milly Barr/Harriet Barr		
U12 boys	Otto Gray	U12 girls	Hannah Murphy
U10 boys	James Battye	U10 girls	Mollie Parsons
U9 boys	Ben Samuel	U9 girls	Bethany Lacey
U8 boys	Thomas Powell	U8 girls	Danielle Sebata



CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year's tournament has been successful although there were a few issues mainly regarding matches not being played by the play-by-date. We will look into ways next year's tournament can be improved, suggestions welcome.

Finals Days for the Club Championships were held on Saturday, 3rd October for the Juniors and Sunday, 4th October for the adults. Thank you to everyone who took part and who came along on the Finals Days to watch and support. Results below :-

MENS SINGLES	Winner	Daniel Gilbert	Runner-Up	James Burr
LADIES SINGLES	Winner	Giverny Helliar	Runner-Up	Vicki Stein
MENS VETS SINGLES	Winner	Nigel Carter	Runner-Up	Des Lenehan
LADIES VETS SINGLES	Winner	Tracy Matthews	Runner-Up	Jane Carter
MENS DOUBLES	Winners	Matthew Sanger & Daniel Gilbert	Runners-Up	Richard Henshaw & James Winrow
LADIES DOUBLES	Winners	Tracy Matthews & Vicki Stein	Runners-Up	Celia Barron & Helen Baxter-Smith
MIXED DOUBLES	Winners	Daniel Gilbert & Angela Gilbert	Runners-Up	Patrick Browne & Sandra Walker
MENS VETS DOUBLES	Winners	Robin Seccombe & Nigel Carter	Runners-Up	Des Lenehan & Julian Aldridge
BOYS U18 SINGLES	Winner	Daniel Gilbert	Runner-Up	Greg Carter
GIRLS U18 SINGLES	Winner	Giverny Helliar	Runner-Up	Olivia King
BOYS U16 SINGLES	Winner	Daniel Gilbert	Runner-Up	Adam Carter
BOYS U14 SINGLES	Winner	Elliott Dawson	Runner-Up	Adam Carter
BOYS U12 SINGLES	Winner	Elliott Dawson	Runner-Up	Gianpiero Placidi
BOYS U18 DOUBLES	Winners	Daniel Gilbert & Elliott Dawson	Runners-Up	Alex Bailey & Greg Carter
GIRLS U18 DOUBLES	Winners	Kisari Belcher & Lauren Smith	Runners-Up	Hannah Coupe & Jessica Blythe
BOYS U14 DOUBLES	Winners	Jack Gibbins & Adam Carter	Runners-Up	Nick Saxby & Chris Blythe

VISITOR'S FEES

Just a reminder that member's are responsible for signing in their visitors and paying the relevant fee.

£3 over 18's

£1 juniors

Thank you.



We send out information by e-mail occasionally, unfortunately, due to cost we are not able to send this info by post. If you would like to receive e-mails but haven't given us your e-mail address please contact Annie at annie@hurnway.co.uk.

PARTY TIME

We are again organising a party night for Saturday, 20th January 2010

at

The Rowing Club in Christchurch.

We held one for the first time last January which was a great success. A limited number of tickets will be available and will be on sale in November. £10 each, a light buffet is provided on the night. Please contact Helen, 267115 or Annie 482352 to buy your tickets.



CLUB HOUSE

A year after the club house refurbishment, it is still looking in good shape. We now have a lady who comes in once a week to clean the changing rooms and toilets. Contributions to hoovering and general tidying up would be very welcome, thank you to those who already help with this and also to Jenny Hawkes and Paul Candfield, Don Greaves and John Woodham for looking after the grounds and maintenance. Members are requested to do their own washing up, every little bit helps!! Thank you.



WHAT'S ON..... Below is a calendar of events planned for the forthcoming months. More details will follow.

PLEASE KEEP AN EYE ON THE NOTICE BOARDS



Sunday, 8th November – Fun tournament
 Monday, 14th December – Junior's Christmas Party
 Saturday, 19th December – Mini Tennis Christmas Party
 Sunday, 20th December – Christmas Fun Tournament
 Sunday, 24th January – Australian Open Fun Tournament
 Monday, 25th January – Junior's Australian Open Fun Tnmnt
 Friday, 30th January – Party Night

FLOODLIGHT FEES

Please remember to bring your floodlight money during the dark winter months.



FREE BRITISH TENNIS MEMBERSHIP

Membership to British Tennis is free to all members of affiliated clubs until 2012 and you can join at any time either on-line, by phone or pick up a form from the Club House. Our Wimbledon ticket allocation is based on our number of British Tennis members and only British Tennis members are eligible to enter the Wimbledon ballots. Membership also offers other benefits, more details can be found on the website :-

www.lta.org.uk/British-Tennis-Membership/
 JOIN TODAY

JUNIORS

The Juniors have had a busy spring/summer with lots of matches being played. Boys U18's, U16's U14's and U12's, girls U16's and mixed teams for U9's and U8's have all taken part in the County Team Tennis league which involves a team of four each playing one singles and one doubles match. Well done to all the teams who took part and congratulations to the following :-

U16's – Runners-Up

U14's – County Champions

U12's – County Champions

The Road to Wimbledon took place during May and June with the final being played on 23rd May which was won by Jack Gibbins, runner-up Adam Carter. Unfortunately, Jack was unable to play in the County Finals so Adam took his place. Adam had a good match but unfortunately lost to the boy who went on to win the National Finals. Well done to all those who took part.

Dates for Mini Tennis and Junior Tournaments at Southbourne

Saturday, 24 th October	U14 Grade 6 Junior Tournament	Sunday, 7 th March	Mini Tennis Red Tournament, Grade 6
Saturday, 12 th December	Mini Tennis Orange Tournament, Grade 5	Sunday, 7 th March	Mini Tennis Orange Tournament, Grade 6
Sunday, 13 th December	Mini Tennis Red Tournament, Grade 5	Saturday, 13 th March	U16 Grade 6 Tournament
Sunday, 13 th December	Mini Tennis Green Tournament, Grade 5	Sunday, 14 th March	Mini Tennis Green Tournament, Grade 6
Saturday, 16 th January	U15 Grade 5 Junior Tournament		

Details of these tournaments and how to enter will be on the Notice Board