

Buckingham **NEWSLETTER** tennis club

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Coming Up:

AGM

Fri 30th Oct 2020

Our annual Tennis Club AGM is scheduled for Friday 30th October at 8pm. All are welcome. This is your chance to hear how the club is doing and raise any thoughts/ideas you have. Due to Covid restrictions, the AGM will be held virtually by Zoom meeting. If you wish to attend the AGM, email Freya on freya.askham@btinternet.com to register your interest and Freya will send you the link to the meeting.

Xmas Do 2020

It's very unlikely we will be able to hold our annual Tennis Club Christmas Dinner in a restaurant this year. However, a sub committee has been set up to look into what we can do. Watch out for emails!!

Club Finals Day



Liliana, Nico & Sophia Dickmann Pena

The Finals day of our Club Tournaments was held on Sunday, September x. It's fair to say one family dominated the proceedings, the Dickman Pena family, longstanding members of our tennis club. We had beautiful weather for the matches, all 3 finals went to 3 sets, and were hard fought. The winners were:

Ladies Doubles: Sophia Dickmann Pena & Keira Ainsworth

Mens Doubles: Nico Dickmann Pena & Nick Osgerby

Mixed Doubles: Liliana Dickmann Pena & Nico Dickmann Pena

Veterans Tournament Finals

The Veterans Tournament is usually held over the winter period but the 2020 finals day had to be moved due to Covid restrictions. The winners of the Veterans Tournament were:

Ladies Doubles: Lilianan Dickmann Pena & Keira Ainsworth

Mens Doubles: Anthony Green & Tim Posnett

Mixed Doubles: Tim Posnett & Roxane Keynes

Ladies Singles: Keira Ainsworth

Mens Singles: Anthony Green

Covid Measures

As Covid has become an ongoing theme in our every day lives its probably worth mentioning what the Tennis Club is doing to ensure we stay safe and stay abreast of any changes. We have a Covid subcommittee who review any government changes to advice, and also the LTA updates to clubs on Covid.

As the time of writing, organised tennis sessions including coaching and tournaments are allowed subject to social distancing rules.

Please do NOT turn up to any club session or tournament if you are feeling unwell or have any of the Covid symptoms.

For Club Sessions, tournaments and matches, we ask people to sign in, so we have a record who was present. We advise sanitising your hands before and after play, and observing social distancing whether on or off the court waiting to play.

We are all in this together, please play your part and follow the rules.

For more details see the attached update from the Covid sub committee.

For winter 2020/21 Veterans tournament, the mixed doubles qualifying round took place on Sunday 11th October. The mens doubles and ladies doubles qualifying rounds are scheduled for Sunday 8th November. The finals are scheduled for Sunday 21st March 2021. There will be no club sessions on these dates.

Wimbledon Tickets

The LTA are changing the allocation process for Wimbledon tickets to registered clubs. As per previous years, you will have to be LTA registered and "Opt In" to the ballot (usually before mid Feb) to participate. The ballot process will be centralised going forward, meaning sadly we will no longer get an allocation of tickets specifically for our club. Also, you will no longer be able to select your preferred dates for tickets.

Midweekers

Our midweek sessions are proving very popular and in case you missed the email, an additional session was added on Friday mornings. Midweekers sessions now take place Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, 10am to 12 noon. All members welcome.

Court Cleaning



Unfortunately our courts got flooded once again on 5th October. This required the courts to be thoroughly cleaned before they could be used again. Big thank you to Chris Northey, Robert Gibbard, Anthony Green and Richard Field for doing the cleanup and having the courts ready for the club session on Tues 6th. If you are happy to help out with any maintenance activities (e.g. clearing leaves off courts) please let Chris Northey know, email christopher.northey@yahoo.co.uk

Gallery

Finals Day Winners



Lili & Nico - Mixed Doubles Winners



Sophia & Keira - Ladies Doubles



Nick & Nico - Men's Doubles Winners

Online Booking System

The introduction of our online booking system in March proved very timely. If you haven't signed up to use it and would like to do so, please email Mary on m100.tennis@gmail.com. Pay & Play users as well as club members can book courts using the booking system. If you have booked a court and no longer plan to use it, please cancel your booking, freeing up the court for other users. To cancel a booking, login to club spark, view bookings, select the relevant one, and click "cancel".

Dates for your Diary

Fri 30th Oct 20:00	AGM Meeting - All welcome. Zoom meeting, email Freya for further details.
Sun 8 Nov 13:00 onwards	Veterans Mens and Ladies Doubles qualifying rounds -No Club Session Contact Chris Northey for further details.
tbc	Tennis Club Xmas Do - this year will be different...watch out for further details
Sun 21 Mar 2021 13:00 onwards	Veterans Finals Day - No Club Session

All events are subject to the weather, sufficient participants etc. Dates and times may change.

All gallery photos courtesy of Malcolm Clarke Photography.