

Tewin Tennis Club

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CLUBHOUSE

The smart refurbished Pavilion is now being well used by our members and was the scene for our RACE NIGHT a few weeks ago. All agreed it was a great event, with much hilarity and fun and a good fundraiser to boot. Many thanks to all who came along but especially to those who gave prizes and sponsorship for the races. They were Roe & Adrian Hill, Hannah Thomas, Andy Cork, Kevin Doyle, Di & Keith Bradley, Tewinbury Farm, Rose & Crown, Plume of Feathers, Hit & Run at Gosling. Also many thanks to non committee members Gerry Murphy & Keith Duerden for their valuable manpower contributions before & on the night.

If you have not seen the building yet, do come and have a look. We shall again have our club AGM in the pavilion. We invite you all to come along, have a glass of wine, hear what's going on and put your views to us. Put the date in your diary now! FRI 25 NOV at 7.30pm. BUT read on.

VINTAGE WIMBLEDON

A Strawberry and Pimms event took place on 19th June. Some very "famous" players took part: Sue Barker, Boris Becker, Suzanne Lenglen, Pat Cash & Henri Le Conte amongst others! Well done Val Winfield & family for organising. A good time was had by all.

LEAGUE MATCHES

Congratulations to all our players who represent Tewin against clubs in the Datchworth and Orchard Leagues. Injuries and age have taken their toll this year. Needless to say, a shortage of players causes problems for the league captains, so we congratulate them for all their hard work and dogged resolve at putting matches and teams together. The final positions for Summer were as follows:

Tewin 1 finished 8th in Div 1

Tewin 2 came 4th in Div 4B

Tewin 3 came 7th in Div 4A

Tewin 4 came **1st** in Div 6A!

Well done to them!

Tewin 5 is our new Datchworth Autumn League team, making their debut in division 7. The idea was to encourage members who play infrequently or never, in interleague matches, to try it out. The squad consists of 9 ladies and 9 men. Out of the four games so far, they have drawn 2 and lost 2 with 4 matches to go. Well done to all those involved.

ABC TOURNAMENT

The Friday friendly matches in the ABC League began as usual in May. Team C were the victorious team. So congratulations go to players and captains Jane Room & William Grimwade. Thanks to Bert for planning this successful event which suits players at intermediate levels. If you would like to join in and haven't played before, please contact us well before the Spring!

Bert Robinson is retiring

As all Tewin tennis coachees will know, Bert is retiring this week. Bert has been coach at Tewin for more years than most of us can remember (he admits to 20+). During this time he has introduced many of the village children to tennis, helped many to progress to high standards of play but above all made sure that everyone has enjoyed themselves; and a lot of adults have also had the benefit of his coaching.

So we thought that many would like the opportunity to contribute to a retirement gift. There will be a collection pot and a card behind the counter in Tewin Stores from tomorrow afternoon until Friday 11 November. Please pop in to sign the card and leave a contribution (either in an envelope with your name or anonymously as you wish). We will make the presentation before our club AGM - Friday 25 November 7.30p.m in the pavilion on Upper Green.

Bert will be a hard act to follow. The Club committee is looking for a replacement or replacements (it may take more than one man or woman to fill his shoes). The recruitment process is under way with a view to having a new coach (or coaches) in place no later than the start of the new season in the Spring. Any interested applicants, please contact me by email at chairman@tewintennisclub.org.uk

David Room, Honorary Chairman of Tewin Tennis Club.

FINALS DAY SEPT 10th

Well done to all players in this year's final's day matches (results below) but especially to Toby Kirkham who got a TEWIN "Grand Slam", winning 3 adult events. Cups were presented to the winners and prizes to runners up by Mrs Sheila Grimmond. Sheila first joined our club over 40 years ago, ran the junior teams at one time and is still playing regularly. What an inspiration to us. Thank you Sheila.

Ladies Singles	Winner: Val Vanderbroeck Runner-up: Jane Raine
Mens Singles	Winner: Toby Kirkham Runner-up: Martin Gouldstone
Ladies Doubles	Winners: Ruth Thomas & Val Vanderbroeck Runners-up: Val Winfield & Jane Raine
Mens Doubles	Winners: Toby Kirkham & Keith Duerden Runners-up: Martin Gouldstone & Peter Marshall
Mixed Doubles	Winners: Eileen Doyle & Toby Kirkham Runners-up: Marie St Pier & Keith Duerden

E mail us at : committee@tewintennisclub.org.uk If you have any queries or suggestions. We are delighted to welcome to the committee this season, Hazel Lee and Kay Walton.

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WIMBLEDON TICKETS

The Wimbledon ticket allocation this year went to the Hill, Smith, Grimmond, Stott, Barton Jones, Southey, Raine & Rawlins families and we hope they all had a fantastic time. Be sure to get a chance of obtaining tickets by becoming a BTM member. Its FREE to join and takes only a few minutes. Just look it up on the web or email committee for detail.

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