

# FIRST SERVE

Warsash Tennis Club, Osborne Road, Warsash, Southampton

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## A BIG THANK YOU TO JULIE WHITEHEAD AFTER 14 YEARS AS CLUB SECRETARY

Julie Whitehead was presented with a beautiful crystal vase at the club AGM on 2nd April on her retirement after 14 years of time-consuming work for Warsash Tennis Club. After originally being nominated for the position by Nicki whilst she was away on holiday, she was voted on as Club Secretary at the AGM in March 1994. She has since worked tirelessly behind the scenes, liaising with the LTA, communicating with club members, organising fund raising and social events... in fact, what didn't she do! Julie will still be playing tennis and helping out whenever she can so we'll still be seeing her on and off court.



### ...AND WELCOME TO OUR NEW CLUB SECRETARY... KAREN HARRISON!

Karen has kindly agreed to take over some of Julie's responsibilities so she will be looking after the membership databases and liaising with the LTA and members and assisting our chairman Martyn Woodward. Our thanks to Karen for taking on this vital position.



## OPEN DAY 18th MAY 11am - 3pm

It's that time of year again when we throw open the gates and invite everyone to come along and meet club members and our coaching team, headed by Colin Murphy.

If you know anyone who is interested in playing tennis and joining a club then why not invite them to our fun-filled day to try us out!

Barbecue refreshments and fun stalls will be raising funds for the club and lots of tennis for all is guaranteed – rain or shine (but hopefully shine!) If you can help in any way on the day please contact Pauline Griffiths on 01489 557930.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LADIES SUMMER'07 TEAMS

Our Ladies 1st team were presented with this large shield for winning the Summer 2007 Portsmouth league for the second time in 60 years. Also Ladies Vets 1 were promoted to the 1st division and our Ladies Hants & IOW team were also promoted. A very successful summer last year so best of luck for 2008!



*If you have any team news you'd like to feature in the next edition, please email [paulinegriffiths.mail@virgin.net](mailto:paulinegriffiths.mail@virgin.net)*



**COACHING CORNER**

Colin is running fun holiday camps during school holidays on the following dates:

**EASTER HOLIDAYS**

**Tuesday 8th April**

**Tuesday 15th April**

**HALF TERM**

**Tuesday 27th May.**

**NEW SCHOOLS COACHING**

After school coaching at Park Gate School for 10 weeks

**28 April – 14th July**

If any parents have children in years 3 and 4 and would like them to attend, then please contact Mrs Kingsland at the school.

If anyone is interested in having individual or group tennis coaching, at any level of ability, please contact Colin Murphy on 07801 422227 or Jane Maloney on 07793 129314

**Fourth Court is nearly finished!**

After a great deal of organising and fundraising our fourth court is almost finished. The work which started over Christmas has now reached the penultimate stage with temporary lines in place so we can continue to play matches. The final painting will be done when weather conditions are more reliable – hopefully end of April. Our thanks go to the sub-committee who have spent so many hours on the telephone, up at the courts and writing letters etc – Chris Coote, Nick St. John and Ian Stewart. Well done everybody... now on to the new clubhouse!

**NEWS FROM THE AGM...**

A lively and well attended meeting saw Julie's retirement and also serious discussion about security matters with two representatives from Fareham Council in attendance.

The 2008/9 membership costs were voted in at: Adult £110.00, Family £190.00, Student £35.00 and Junior £15.00 with the usual discounts if paid before end of May 2008. Every member (new and old) is required to fill out a new form with their payment so that we have your up-to-date details so we can keep you fully informed of news and events throughout the year. If you have not received a full copy of the minutes or a membership form please contact Karen Harrison on 01329 239309.

**SPRING CLEANING?**

**Give us your bric-a-brac and help raise funds for the club.**

We are taking a stand at the Strawberry Fields Warsash Fair again this year and need your contributions of reasonable quality items to sell. If you have any bit and bobs to donate please give them to any committee member and let Karen Downie know if you can help on the day on 01489 576207.

**SPORTSMATCH SPONSORSHIP**

Geoff Westgarth needs copies of any promotional material to show the government body 'Sportmatch' how we are using their valuable sponsorship money. Please help him and us by giving him copies of any Warsash Tennis Club promotional items asap so that we can secure funding for next year.



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WARSASH TENNIS CLUB

*Summer Ball*

WITH ENTERTAINMENT BY 'THE COVERS'

**SATURDAY 28TH JUNE 2008**  
**7.30PM - MIDNIGHT**

AT ROYAL AIRFORCE YACHT CLUB, HAMBLE

**£35.00 PER HEAD**

(TO INCLUDE 3-COURSE MEAL, COFFEE & SERVICE CHARGE)  
MENU CHOICE AVAILABLE

Please book early as places are limited with  
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