

# FIRST SERVE

Warsash Tennis Club, Osborne Road, Warsash, Southampton

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## ROTARY CLUB SPONSOR SPECIAL TOURNAMENT



The Annual Rotary Club Junior Tournament took place this year on Sunday 3rd July. The event was run by Rob Norris and supported by Locks Heath Rotary Club. 14 juniors took part and the event included doubles matches with prizes for various achievements such as serve of the day, longest rally, shot of the day.

After 5 rounds of doubles matches with juniors playing with different partners, scores were added up and the highest score along with Sportsperson of the Day and other awards were presented by Rotary Club chairman, Brian Russell.

All the juniors were given a certificate and a can of balls for participating.

## WORTH THE WAIT FOR THE WARSASH FESTIVAL

The Warsash Festival was held on the 2nd of July this year. Normally it is held every 2 years, but it has been 3 years since the last one as they wanted to get out of sync with The Football World Cup and The Olympics. The event was held on the spacious Strawberry Field (on your right when you go down Shore Road) which is in a great position overlooking the Hamble and Southampton Water, and the weather was set fair which of course makes a huge difference. We believe that over 5000 people attended this fun day out. The community of Warsash held a whole day of events, with a very good Scarecrow competition (these had been placed around the village for the week before and we will be entering a WTC tennis scarecrow next time!) a fun run/walk organised by the Wasps and a special ceremony for restarting the Clock Tower clock (which has not worked for over 30 years). It was a super event all round and Julie Whitehead and Karen Downie organised a stand on behalf of the club with lots of information about us together with a



Bottle Stall – which was so successful that we did not stop selling tickets for the Tombola for several hours, and as an added incentive we gave away a used tennis ball to each person who bought tickets. Thank you very much for all those who provided bottles for the stall, I think we only had about 3 left at the end. The Stall made a very handsome profit of well over £200 and our thanks go to Julie and Karen for organising and to Malcolm, Peter and John for helping.

David Sadler



The juniors who played are:  
 Sophie Pink, Ali Watson, Murray Watson, Jake Norris, Callum Skinner, Josh Gregory, Joe Charman, Marcus Hammond, Charlotte Hanratty, Connor Hanratty, Alex Darch, Linus Coley, Greg Placidi, James Yanneros.

The awards were as follows:  
 Shot of the day - Ali Watson  
 Serve of the day - Jake Norris  
 Highest score - James Yanneros  
 Longest rally - Ali Watson & Linus Coley  
 Sportsperson of the day - MURRAY WATSON  
 (pictured above with Brian Russell being awarded the prestigious 'Peterkin Trophy for Sportsmanship'.)

# TENNIS AND MULTI SPORTS SUMMER CAMPS

at WARSASH TENNIS CLUB  
for all ages 5-15yrs

**8th August - 3rd September**  
Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays  
throughout the summer

A summer of FUN. Hit lots of balls, play games and structured tennis every day (some sessions may include Football and/or Rounders)

9am - 12noon

£12.00 per child (£13.00 for non member)

9am - 2pm

£18.00 per child (£19.00 for non member)

8th/11th/12th August  
15th/18th/19th August  
22nd/25th/26th August  
29th Aug/1st/2nd September

All Coaches are LTA Qualified and Licensed

To book a place contact Rob Norris on 07519 633559

Don't forget to play your SUMMER TOURNAMENT matches before the deadlines: 1st round by 14th August, Quarter finals by 28th August, Semi finals by 10th September FINALS DAY 11th SEPTEMBER



## Summer Ball 2011

Our thanks go to Helen Rawlins and her team for organising a very successful WTC Summer Ball at the Royal Southern Yacht Club in Hamble. It was a fun evening with delicious food and great music. The team captains didn't need much persuasion to sing along with the excellent live band! David Sadler also presented Pauline Udal with a unique bronze cast statue during the evening to thank her for her time and commitment to WTC as Chairman.



*Editor's Note: Thank you all so much for this very special gift. It will always remind me of my very enjoyable time as Chairman. FYI. I was 'instructed' to include the above pic by David Sadler!*

## NEWS IN BRIEF...

### COACHING

Rob Norris will be taking a well earned summer break from Monday 1st - Friday 5th August. All coaching sessions will continue to run with Dave Gray covering the groups except Wednesday's Mixed Morning and Friday's Cardio Tennis sessions.

### WTC BARBECUE

We very sadly have not been able to hold our annual and very popular summer barbecue this year as we are missing a venue and some willing volunteers to organise it. This is a first for WTC which prides itself on its friendly and well run social events and we hope that some members will come forward to help for future occasions. A club is only as good as its volunteers and it is too much for the same people to have to do all the work all of the time. If you would like to help in any way, however small, with future social events please contact our chairman, David Sadler on 07775 866225.

### Team news

The Hants & IOW Babolat Summer Doubles leagues have almost finished their matches and we can report that we have had more successes this year.

Congratulations to the Ladies A team who have outstandingly won their division this summer and will be moving up to Div 2.

The Men's Hants & IOW A team are currently holding their breath as to what happens to them as they are now reliant on other club's results as to whether they stay in Division 2. It may well go down to number of rubbers won and as they have lost some very tight matches 4-5 that will count in good stead for them. Fingers crossed guys! Unfortunately the Men's B team are also fighting relegation with one match to play at time of going to press.

In the Hants & IOW Veterans League our Ladies +40s B team had a fantastic summer and will be promoted to Div 3, and we are also hopeful that the Ladies +40s A team may return to Div 1 after coming second in their Division.

The Portsmouth League matches are still going strong so we wish all the teams continued fair weather and lots of W's on their score cards!



## Thank you to all who kindly supported the Strawberry Tennis Tea

Home-made cakes filled the table at the start of the Strawberry Tea and pretty much most of them went throughout the afternoon raising an amazing £212.00 for Breast Cancer Care. Thank you to everybody who made cakes and jam, helped set and tidy up and serve the teas, you made it a very special and fun afternoon for a very good cause. PG

### NEW Date for your Diary

**QUIZ NIGHT & HOG ROAST is now Saturday 19th Nov**

Please contact Helen Rawlins on 07771 744303 for info



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