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Warsash Tennis Club, Osborne Road, Warsash, Southampton

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Warsash Mens Solent Cup Champions (from left to right):
Rob Norris, Martin Wilkinson, Ian Udal (captain) and Matt Pond.

SOLENT CUP COMES HOME

You might have noticed the magnificent trophy in the club house already but in case you missed the news - Warsash Men's 1st team, fresh from their winter league success, saw off the tough challenge of Winchester in the Solent Cup in April. This is the annual finale event between the winners of the Portsmouth and Southampton winter leagues. The crowds were thrilled by some spectacular tennis as the momentum swung backwards and forwards in each rubber. However, our guys are made of strong stuff and fought valiantly to win through in the end with a resounding 4-0 against a tough Winchester team. It has been announced that the event will be hosted at Winchester next spring and let's hope we can have teams from Warsash playing in both the mens and ladies events for 2015.

STOP PRESS...
Tickets are sold out!

If you would like to add your name onto the reserve list then please contact Karen Kirwan ASAP



Summer Party

FRIDAY 4th JULY

7pm - 11.30pm

Venue : The Navigator

LOWER SWANWICK HAMPSHIRE SO31 7EB

Price : £35.00

Includes: Welcome Drink • Canapes
Choice of Main Course and Dessert
Coffee • Raffle • DJ and Dancing

Dress Code :

Smart / Party Dresses (Black Tie Optional)

Only 50 places available so please book your place asap
with Karen Kirwan on 07765 817102 or
email kirwan_264@hotmail.com
Menu choices / dietary requirements by 23rd June please



Jake Norris has had a great season so far and over the past 8 weeks has won 4 Grade 3 tennis tournaments in Salisbury, Sutton, Maidenhead and Dorset. This has enabled him to see his junior tennis ranking reach number 1 in Hampshire and Number 24 in UK Under 14 age group, and his most recent tournament win will see his ranking rise even further. With Jake still only 13, he is one of the youngest U14s in the age group so he has until next April to build on his ranking.

Jake plays most of his tennis at WTC and participates in regular adult weekly sessions which has really helped his game develop. He also takes Thursdays off school so he can be coached at the club by his dad, Rob, with essential performance training. Rob believes Jake has plenty of potential and he is currently guiding him to use the advantage of his size and strength into play in his matches. We look forward to hearing about Jake's progress and seeing him reach his personal goals.

Getting to know you...

Karen & Michael both joined our active committee in April 2014.

Karen Kirwan was brought up near Oxford and has lived in different parts of the country including Lancashire and Cambridge. She has always been very active and has turned her hand to many different sports including a very short attempt at women's rugby. However swimming and racquet sports have always been her prime sporting interests.



Karen joined Warsash TC about 18 years ago. Since her involvement with the club she has been an enthusiastic team member representing the club in matches whenever possible. She has made many good and long lasting friendships within the club and enjoys the social side as well as the tennis itself. She became the first Ladies Captain in 2010. A natural and hard working organiser, she will be a very welcome addition to the committee.

Michael Isaacs - In May 2009 I acquired four tickets for the celebration opening match at Wimbledon under a closed roof. My sister Janet Armitage used two of them and brought a tennis friend called Karen Kirwan with her. So Karen and I met on Centre Court at Wimbledon ...where else?!!!

Having been born and brought up in London, I had always wished to live by the sea (no, I don't sail). Meeting Karen made that dream a reality and we bought a house together the following year after meeting.

I have always been a sports fanatic, both as a participant and spectator. I played football, cricket and table tennis at school and continued to play through to the nineties (I did once score a goal at the old Wembley!). However, by then I had taken up tennis as my main sport. Despite playing it badly (but not as badly as I used to), it has become my passion.

Warsash Tennis club is the most amazing club. Everyone at WTC has been most welcoming and friendly. The enthusiasm from so many of the members to be involved in all aspects of club life makes it a very special club. Although still in business, I had some time on my hands and in 2010 became Match Secretary of The Portsmouth Tennis League. As a result I have got to know all the clubs in the Portsmouth and Southampton area well ... and can honestly say I am proud to be able to boast of being a member of Warsash Tennis Club.

WTC has been very good to me and it would, therefore, be a pleasure to be able to assist in the continued success of the club. I hope through becoming a committee member I can contribute in a meaningful way.

First Serve will be introducing you to all of our committee members, both new and existing, over the next few issues of the newsletter.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Summer Party at The Navigator 4th July
- Club Finals Day & evening Hog Roast 13th September
- WTC Quiz Night 22nd November St Mary's Church Hall Warsash Details to follow

Welcome to WTC

We had a very successful Open Day in April and have had a good number of new members join the club over the last 2 months. We welcome you all and appreciate that we are not the only tennis club in the area so really value your membership. We hope to see you all on court or at a social event very soon.

Adults: Richard Burrows, Amanda Clark, Lynn Davis, Stephen Holyer, James Hudson, Nigel Kirkham, Helen Lucas, Jayne O'Brien, Daniel Price, Liz Lim and Richard Steeds. **Juniors:** Ben Aston, Hayley Davis, Alex and Charlie Holyer, Joshua Lyons-Clark, Matthew and Richard Thomas and Isaac Turl.

Students: Lucy Ronaldson.

Tennis and Multi Sports SUMMER CAMPS

1st August - 2nd September

- Mondays / Thursdays / Fridays throughout the summer
- Half or Full day options available
- Book early to avoid disappointment
- 6 Weeks of FUN - hit lots of balls and play fun games with structured tennis in each session - as well as some Football and or Rounders
- All levels welcome
- Ages 4½ - 15 years



9am - 12noon £15.50 per child member
9am - 2pm £20.50 per child member
 £16.50 per child non member £21.50 per child non member

All Coaches are LTA Qualified and Licensed

To book a place please contact Rob Norris on 01489 781947 or 07519 633559

WARSASH TENNIS CLUB CLOSED TOURNAMENT

SUMMER 2014

Starts 14th June

Finals Day 13th September

Closing Date: 11th June 6pm

Finals Day concludes with prize giving & Hog Roast in the evening All welcome! Look out for details coming soon



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