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Warsash Tennis Club, Osborne Road, Warsash, Southampton

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SADLER TAKES THE REINS ONCE AGAIN

A MESSAGE FROM DAVID:

Just to say hello – At the AGM in April, I became your new chairman. It was very sad that Pauline (PG) had to stand down. I know PG will say a little in this news letter, but she had huge family commitments due to the illness of her sister Chris, our hearts went out to them both. Thank you PG for all the hard work you put in over the last 2 years. It was a very busy period with a new coach to find, major capital expenditure with the new clubhouse and Club Mark to organise.

I have always been very proud to be a member of the club. I joined in 1974 and the first two people I met were Val, and her



WTC Committee 2011-12 – from left to right, back row: Gavin Lane; PG Udal; David Sadler, Chairman; Ian Stewart, President; Karen Downie, Match Secretary; Louise Downie. Front row: Katy Firrell, Ladies Captain; Kumi Coulthard, Treasurer; Karen Harrison, Club Secretary; and Liz Hanratty. Missing from photo: Helen Rawlins; Matt Pond, Mens Captain; Nick St John; John Bryan; Chris Coote; and Denise Franks.

son, Ian Stewart, who again has done so much work for the Club. I have stood down from being the President, and Ian has very kindly taken on this mantle. Thank you Ian and welcome back.

The club is now in a very good

state with its updated facilities, a very active committee, coach, social committee and many teams. We are also financially sound, so it will be a very hard act to follow. We have completed our long term plan, so one of the first things

to do will be to formulate a new business plan to take us forward. If any of you have exciting ideas of what we can include, please get in touch.

I am writing this on Thursday morning (5th May). We have our first committee meeting this evening at the club so we will keep you informed of our future plans.

Tennis is a great game, and now the weather is much drier and summer is coming there is more time for you all to enjoy it.

Kind regards

David Sadler CHAIRMAN

COME AND MEET NEW MEMBERS

Sunday May 15th will be a fun day at WTC with the club open from 11am for a special day of activities to attract and introduce new members to our club. We know how great it is to be a member of Warsash Tennis Club so let's tell other people and help out on Open Day! You can assist in many ways from helping to erect gazebos, make home-made cakes, meeting and greeting

visitors or simply making cups of tea. If you like, come along with your racket and have a fun hit with potential new members, both young and old. This event wouldn't be the same without the annual bottle stall and we need donations of any bottles that you think could be a prize. Please either bring on the day or leave your bottles in the cupboard over the sink in the clubhouse before Saturday 14th May.

If you can help in anyway please email julie.whitehead36@btinternet.com or call her on 01489 574030 or sign up on the sheet in the clubhouse.

There will also be a special Club Night Welcome Evening on Tuesday 24th May to introduce new members that joined on the Open Day to existing members with a welcome drink and refreshments and lots of tennis for all. Hope to see you there!

Dates for your Diary

WTC BARBECUE
Details coming soon!



**SUMMER BALL
Friday 8th July**

Royal
Southern Yacht Club
3 Course Dinner to include Coffee
7pm for 7.30pm until Midnight

**QUIZ NIGHT
& HOG ROAST**
Saturday 12th Nov

For more info about all the above
events please contact
Helen Rawlins on 07771 744303



CHRIS CUTLER 1966 - 2011

Many of you will know that my sister, Christine Cutler sadly passed away at the beginning of April after her five year battle with breast cancer. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the committee and club members who have given me and my family so much support in these darkest of days.

Chris loved playing tennis for both fitness and fun and continued for as long as possible until the treatment and side-effects made it impossible. As you know she was always a willing and ever-smiling helper on the barbecue at Open Days and also when we catered together as 'Strawberry Fare' for the Quiz Nights – and she was always one of the first on the dance floor at Club Dinner Dances. She was loved by all who knew her and is painfully missed by her family & friends.

PG Udal

WINTER TEAMS' SUCCESSES...

Portsmouth League
Mixed 2 triumphantly won Division 2 by winning all of their matches.

Men's 1 narrowly missed winning the league by only one rubber – so close!
Men's 2 also finished second in Div 2 so will be promoted for next season.

Southampton League
Ladies A came top of their division and will be moving up to the dizzy heights of Div 2 for next winter.

Ladies B also should be promoted after coming second in Division 5.

Well done to all the team captains and players!

Congratulations
go to Martyn Woodward who won a free tennis lesson with Rob Norris for winning the prize draw in the Social Events recent survey.

HALF TERM TENNIS CAMPS



Bank Holiday Monday 30th May

9am - 12noon

£13.00 per child (£13.50 for non member)

**Thursday 2nd June
& Friday 3rd June**

9am - 12noon

£13.00 per child (£13.50 for non member)

9am - 2pm

£18.00 per child (£18.50 for non member)

**at WARSASH TENNIS CLUB
for all ages 5-15yrs**



Hit lots of balls, play fun games and structured tennis in each session.

(Some sessions may include Football and/or Rounders)

All Coaches are LTA Qualified and Licensed

**To book a place contact Rob Norris on
01489 781947 or 07915 633559**



Hundreds
of people are told they have breast cancer every week.

And thousands
rely on the support of Breast Cancer Care.

Come along to Warsash Tennis Club on Wednesday 29th June for our

Strawberry Tea

from 2pm until 4pm

Strawberries & Cream Cakes and Scones Friendly tennis
All funds raised go to Breast Cancer Care charity

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