

FIRST SERVE

Warsash Tennis Club, Osborne Road, Warsash, Southampton

www.warsashtennisclub.net

Are you a member of British Tennis?

This a last plea to any of you who have not yet become members of British Tennis, to seriously consider doing so.

Our club profile is going to be viewed in the future on the number of British Tennis members we have and as we are looking for help from the LTA for our clubhouse this could be important. Also our annual Wimbledon Ticket allocation will be based on the number of British Tennis members the club has by November 2008. We currently only have 45 members out of 125 possible members which will greatly reduce our ticket allowance for 2009. New for next year is that all junior members over 10 years old will also be eligible for tickets.

Registering is really easy, you can phone the LTA direct on **0845 873 7202**, or go to www.lta.org.uk/membership and fill in a few details. The web site also lists all the other

LTA advantages of being a **BRITISH TENNIS** member.

Membership is free until at least the end of 2012.

Don't delay – do it today!!

ROTARY CLUB TOURNAMENT IS A GREAT SUCCESS

After one of the wettest summers on record, the annual Rotary Club sponsored junior tournament was fortunately blessed with a lovely sunny Saturday this September.

Twenty four children participated in this fun round-robin tournament and all received medals for taking part. Several dignitaries from the Locks Heath Rotary Club attended and President Dave Gasser presented the awards to all the juniors. Overall competition winner was Natasha Prince (*pictured right*) and the Rotary Club shield went to Lauren Carter-Baggett.

Our thanks go to Locks Heath Rotary Club for their very generous donations which go to running the event and funding children from disadvantaged families throughout the year, with Head Coach Colin Murphy also donating tennis rackets and shoes etc. If you are interested with helping or maybe taking part in next year's event please talk to Colin Murphy on 07801 422227.



Locks Heath Rotary Club





COACHING CORNER
AUTUMN
HALF TERM

Colin is running a fun Halloween holiday camp on

Tuesday 28th
October



See posters in club house for details.

Congratulations

to one of Colin's top junior players **Michael Rawat**, who has had a very successful summer of tournaments including winning the under 14s doubles Hampshire County Closed tournament playing with Josh Stainer. He also reached the semifinals of two under 14s and under 16s tournaments and won the Milford under 14s tournament where he also won the under 16s doubles playing with Luke Rivoire.

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

Answers to Tennis Trivia:
1. 1968 2. Roger Federer won Wimbledon first in 2003 3. Australia's Margaret Court won a total of 24 Grand Slam Singles titles (11 Australian, 5 US, 5 French and 3 Wimbledon) won between 1960 and 1973 She also won 19 Doubles and 21 Mixed Doubles titles in Grand Slams.

Summer Team News

Warsash teams continued to compete well in all of the leagues with a few notable star performers...

- Mens Portsmouth 1 team won all of their season's matches and should return to Division 1 for 2009
- Ladies Portsmouth 2 team also brilliantly won all of their matches and are hoping for promotion next year
- Apsley D team narrowly missed out on promotion again, with it all coming down to the last match, away to Twyford, who had a distinct home advantage on their slippery grass courts. The D team is a stomping ground for bringing on new juniors and so a special thanks to all who played especially Luke Mendez and David Crouther
- All but one of our teams in the summer leagues (including Veterans and Mixed) have managed to stay in their divisions, with only Hants & IOW (Southampton) League Ladies 1 going down by the tightest of margins. Good luck to all our teams over the next few months and let's hope for a drier Winter season than the Summer was!

WEB SITE SHORTLISTED FOR HAMPSHIRE AWARD

www.warsashtennisclub.net has been short-listed in the top ten for 'Best Sports Website' in the 2008 Hantsweb Awards. These prestigious awards, run by Hampshire County Council, reward the best web sites and internet services in Hants & IOW. A list of all the shortlisted sites can be found on the Hantsweb Awards web site. All websites are judged on ease of use, standard good web practice criteria and accessibility. The finalists for each category will be notified by the middle of October to an Awards ceremony at the Planetarium at InTech near Winchester on the 4th November. Our thanks go to Ailsa Brims, our superb webmaster, and who designed and manages our superb site. Please send her your team results regularly so we can keep all info up to date. All contact details are on the site.

CAN YOU HELP
with organising our popular Warsash Tennis Club
SOCIAL EVENTS?

Please let Karen Downie know if you can help in anyway
- large or small - with any of our annual events
on 01489 576207 Get involved with your club today!

QUIZ NIGHT

Our annual quiz night is to be held on **Saturday 8th November** at St Mary's Church Hall in Warsash. Fareham-based quizmaster Kevin will be testing our knowledge again on this fun evening. Ticket price (to be announced) will include a two-course hot meal. Bar available. If you can't wait until November, then test your tennis trivia in the meantime with these fun questions (answers at the bottom of the page):

1. When did the Open era of tennis begin:
1964, 1968, 1970 or 1972?
2. Which Grand Slam did Roger Federer win first?
3. Who holds the record for the most singles titles won in Grand Slam tournaments?



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