



Ealing Lawn Tennis Club

ELTC September Newsletter

Dear Members,

As Autumn approaches, we write with news of what is currently happening and coming up at the Club.

As you may have noticed, we have had rather a lot of rain over the summer! Whilst it means we haven't had as much play on the grass, it does mean they are in great condition considering the time of the season and hopefully, the weather will allow us to play through until the end of September.

Dome block bookings are starting again from today.

The very popular Winter Singles League will also start up again in October and run through the winter. It is a great opportunity for new members to integrate into the club. Entries will open at the end of September/early Oct, so please look out for the forthcoming announcement & details.

Sunday evening winter Team Practice Sessions will start in early October. These sessions are run by our First Team players and it is a great opportunity for team players or aspiring team players to get together for well run practice sessions.

This summer, we had 11 club teams competing in league matches. So thank you to all of the team captains for organising and to members for representing the club. There will be an End of Summer Season party on the evening of Saturday 16th October from 7.30pm, open to all Members of the Club. Please make a note in your calendars and please do come along and join the celebrations.

After four successful weeks of Junior Holiday Tennis Camps, the weekly Junior Coaching Programme is back in full swing. The Juniors also had great success, celebrating yet another fantastic summer of tennis and dominating the Middlesex leagues. They became U8's, U9's, U10's, U11's (Boys), U11's (Girls) and U16's (Boys) champions! Congratulations to all of our Juniors and we hope that they can continue to build upon their success in the future.

For beginner and intermediate adults, coaching has started again on Sunday mornings from 0830-1300 and will cost £147 for the 7 week course. For more information and to sign up, please contact Mili Shah at info@hctennis.co.uk

Gham and Mai are starting some midweek morning coaching sessions for adult members available in the day or working from home. Please keep a look out for further details in due course...

The Wednesday evening social (from 6pm) and Cardio Tennis (Monday and Wednesday evening and Saturday morning) continue to be very popular. For details on Cardio Tennis, please contact Gham on ghampatel23@gmail.com

For a full list of the weekly organised tennis and coaching opportunities, please see here: https://61bbe2c8-abcb-49bc-95ac-37d636a9f55a.filesusr.com/ugd/4b547a_7c65ede5b06b4fbe9dcad1ea6cde47e7.pdf

You may have noticed that the clay courts are currently out of play, as we undertake works as part of the installation of an irrigation system. Whilst there will continue to be some disruption for another week or so, we hope that this will be minimised with the grass courts still being open. Most Members find the playing conditions on the clay courts much better when the courts are damp and the new automated water spraying system will make this much easier to achieve.

We are going to be installing LED lights in the Dome this autumn. This cost saving and performance enhancing project will mean the indoor courts will be out of use the week of 25th October (the school Half-Term). The Dome Block Bookings have not been scheduled for this week.

From October, the Bar will return to mid-week winter opening hours from 8pm to 11pm. Apart from Wednesdays, when it will open from 6pm.

Also from October, we will see the return of Bar volunteers after a break during Covid for some 18 months. The Club has always had a great volunteer ethos and the Bar volunteers are a great demonstration of that. If you think that you might like to offer to help in this regard, please get in touch with James Feaver on clubmanager@ealingtennis.com. We will only ask that you kindly do one 3 hour shift per month on an evening convenient for you. Every bit of volunteer assistance helps the club tremendously.

We hope that all Members will enjoy the Club's forthcoming Winter Season ahead.

Best,
James
ELTC Club Manager