

Winstanley Tennis Club

Autumn Newsletter 2019



Dear member,

Here's the latest newsletter.

There are some dates for your diaries in the Social and Fundraising Section and we've already begun our countdown to 2021, when we'll be celebrating our centenary...please look at the end of the newsletter for more information.

Tournament News

Congratulations to the winners of our summer tournaments (see Photo Gallery below):

The Winstanley Shield was won by Tricia Magrath and Alan Wight

The Ridout Cup was won by Mary Flood and Andrew Smith

The Monica Clarke Plate was won by Gill Dillon and Stan Meredith.

All the above trophies will be formally presented at a special presentation to take place during the **Race Night, Friday 18th October**, along with prizes for the club tournament winners.



American Tournaments – following the success of these throughout the summer we will continue with them on the first Sunday of the month: **3rd November and 1st December**.

Team News

It's been a mixed season for our teams in the Warrington and District League but congratulations to the Ladies 4th team who won Division 6 and were presented with their trophy at the recent League Dinner (photo below).



Fund Raising and Social Events

The busy calendar of social events continues into the autumn.

Race Night and Presentation Evening, Friday 18th October, 7.00 pm – an evening of fun for all the family. Admission is just £5 for adults and £2 for children. There will be 6 races on the night, just £1 for each bet. During the evening we'll also celebrate the club's and our members' successes with an official presentation of cups and trophies that have been won throughout the year.

All members, friends and families are very welcome. Light refreshments are included in the admission price.



Body Shop Party, Friday 22nd November 7.30 pm. We're hosting another Body Shop evening, just in time for you to purchase some special gifts for Christmas. Always a popular evening, admission is just **£5** on the night.

Christmas Ukulele Evening, Friday December 6th 7.30 pm. Tickets £12 inc. hotpot and apple pie, from Bill, Kath or Christine. Come along and join in some of those favourite Christmas songs.



...and into 2020

Visit to Wigan Brewhouse, formerly All Gates Brewery, **Friday 31st January.** Tickets £18.50 which includes all drinks and buffet. Further details nearer the time.

If there is any particular event that you would like to see organised or if you would like to organise your own special event, please let the committee know... any ideas gratefully received!

Photo Gallery



Tricia Magrath and Alan Wright - winners of the Winstanley Shield



Andrew Smith and Mary Flood - winners of the Ridout Cup



Gill Dillon and Stan Meredith - winners of the Monica Clarke Plate



Members of the victorious Ladies 4th team at the League Presentation: Ann Marie, Marj, Sue, Lorraine, Christine and Tia

All Weather Court

As you may be aware, the astro turf has now been lifted on Court 6. The surface beneath is in good condition and we are hoping that once the court has been thoroughly cleaned and white lines painted on, it can be used throughout the winter.

The rolls of astro turf still need to be removed from the court so please look out for emails for details of times for working parties to move it all off the court.

Orrell Rugby Club - use of clubhouse

Orrell Rugby Club will continue to use our clubhouse and bar on some Saturday afternoons from about 4.00 until 6.30, and some Sundays from 12.00 - 4.00 while they are in the process of relocating to new premises. This will not impact at all on you, the tennis club members, but we hope that it will generate more income for the club and also foster more community links and potentially increase our membership.

Club Centenary

In 2021 we will be celebrating our centenary.

Plans have already started to hold some special events throughout 2021, specifically during the late May bank holiday but we would also like to start collecting any photographs, stories, memorabilia etc from our 'older' members so that we can put together an exhibition.

Please let any member of the committee have any information and if you have any ideas as to how we can make it a year to remember, please let us know.

Wimbledon Ballot

Earlier in September, you should have received an email/letter from the LTA asking you to opt in or opt out of the Wimbledon Ballot? This is now going to be an annual requirement.

PLEASE OPT IN even if you do not wish to be entered in our club ballot, because the number of club members opted in determines the number of Wimbledon tickets that are allocated to the club. Opting in does not guarantee tickets or commit you to purchasing tickets.

Please take a couple of minutes to opt in so that other club members don't lose out.

Please note: you cannot opt into the Wimbledon Ballot unless you are a British Tennis Member. If you are not a British Tennis Member, ring the LTA on 020 8487 7000 to register. If you have forgotten or lost

your BTM number, please contact Wendy: (wheaton619@btinternet.com).



Website and Social Media

Many thanks to Stan Meredith for keeping the website updated. Please let him know if you wish to include any information, photos etc at merediths1@tiscali.co.uk or 07955 747595

You can also follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/winstanleytennisclub Please contact Paula Halsall at paulahalsall@hotmail.co.uk or 07540 523132 if there's anything you wish to share.

