

# West Surrey Tennis Club newsletter

December 2023



## **WELCOME**

Hello everyone.
As we bid farewell to another incredible year at our beloved tennis club, I want to express my gratitude for the countless memories we've created together.



From the Club Championships to the summer BBQ evenings, Charity Day, and the recent Christmas roll-up and lunch, each event added a unique chapter to our tennis journey.

I hope you found joy in playing and cherished the camaraderie of our friendly club. Wishing you a wonderful Christmas filled with love and joy, and a successful, healthy, and memorable year ahead.

Let's gear up for another year of tennis excellence and unforgettable moments.

Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, and see you on the courts! ■

Kaori Morris, WSTC Chair

# **QUICK REMINDERS**

#### Court bookings

If, for any reason, you cannot play and no longer need a court that you've booked, kindly ensure you cancel the booking promptly. This helps in maximising court availability for other members.

#### Pavilion door

It has come to our attention that the pavilion door has been left open overnight and during the day on multiple occasions. To ensure the safety and security of our facilities, please close the pavilion door when leaving, even if there are still players on the court.

## Club security

When you leave the club premises, please make it a habit to lock the door behind you.

#### LANDSCAPE UPDATE

It's a quiet time of year to think too much about this topic. Our major outstanding project is our plan to replace the patio in front of the clubhouse and the paths up to courts, and this project is on hold pending the availability of funding from the golf club.

Also on the job list is a plan to tidy up the raised bed by the entrance, which needs a total makeover and new plants to replace the weeds which have taken over

Finally, a big thank you to Priscilla who looks after our plant tubs and hanging baskets. She has been busy recently putting in plants to see us through to the spring and planting lots of bulbs to give us an early display of spring colour and I know how much we all appreciate her work.

Malcolm Dillon



#### **SOCIAL EVENTS**

As we come to the end of another amazing year at West Surrey Tennis Club, it's time to reflect on the fabulous social events that have brought us all together.

First and foremost, a big thank you to our hardworking Social Secretary, Hermione, whose tireless efforts and creativity have made every event a big success.

In October, we joined together for Charity
Day in memory of Charlie Cosser, which was a
heartwarming experience that showcased the true
spirit of WSTC. It was truly commendable to see the
generosity and enthusiasm of our members, and it
was a testament to what we can achieve when we
unite for a good cause.

November brought us a fun night of brain-teasing entertainment with "Not Another Quiz Night," which was masterfully hosted by the dynamic duo, Hermione and Julian. We put our tennis knowledge and problem-solving skills to the test while enjoying hearty laughter and delicious curry. It was a memorable evening that brought out the competitive yet friendly spirit that defines our club.

The most recent event, the Christmas Roll-Up, brought warmth and festive cheer to our courts. With mulled wine and mince pies, members gathered to celebrate the holiday season and each other's company.

We are excited about an exciting lineup of events that await us in the coming year. Be sure to keep an eye on the Diary of Events on our website for updates on what's in store for 2024.

Here's to more tennis, laughter, and shared memories in the year ahead!

#### Kaori

#### LADIES WINTER LEAGUES

We are now able to play so much more tennis thanks to our new artificial clay courts that we can support four teams playing in various leagues during the winter.

LMWTL (Charity): Four matches have been played and West Surrey have won all and there a few more before Christmas and there'll be six more in the spring to be played.

**TOP DIVISION 1ST TEAM MID WEEK** – SURREY'S: There has only one match played against Bourne Ladies which we won 4-0.

# THIRD DIVISION 2ND TEAM MID WEEK -

SURREY'S: As we have a lot of enthusiastic ladies wishing to play league tennis, we entered a second team but unfortunately we have been put in to a very high league so it's been an eye opener but the tennis is enjoyable and visiting different clubs so we will find our own level hopefully next winter.

**WEEKEND SURREY'S**: We've played three matches and are half way up the league table and have two more to play in the new year.

#### WEST SURREY BOX LEAGUE DOUBLES

West Surrey Tennis Club Box League Doubles is open to all levels of play. All you need to do is find a partner and enter online. You only need to play three matches over 10 weeks!

The leagues are managed online by the LTA which means it is easy peasy to enter your score. New entrants are entered in a league appropriate to their level. After each session the top pair are promoted, the two middle pairs stay put and the bottom pair will drop down a league. Pairings are gender neutral so mixed, male or female pairs play against each other in the same league.

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