



HEYES GROVE TENNIS CLUB

NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the Heyes Grove newsletter where you will find details of all the latest goings-on down at the club. If you have any comments or suggestions about anything in the newsletter, please do email me at heyegrovesecs@googlemail.com. Thank you, Laraine.

Ladies' Second Team

The girls only went and did it!!! The ladies' second team finished top of the league. It went right down to the wire, they needed to win their final match to secure the top spot. The team prepared well and came away with an impressive 17-1 victory against Heaton Mersey. A massive well done to all the ladies and thank you to Head Coach, Gary Brown, who didn't miss a single home match and supported the team all the way.



Family fun day

The family fun day had a record number of participants. It was lovely to see so many of our new members joining in. A great day was had by all, and a special mention has to go to Sam Aston who scored a very stylish hat-trick... in flip flops!



Summer Camps

Gary organised and ran 3 summer camps, they were all very well attended and it was wonderful that the children who came to the Whit camps returned for the summer camps and brought their friends with them! A huge thank you to Gary and his team, the feedback was fantastic, all the children had a great time.



Membership

Membership is growing at a great rate, so far this year well over 80 new members have joined. This is a brilliant achievement and a very welcome boost for the Club. Gary is busy organising a ladder and the American tournaments will start up again on 9th September. This is an informal, fun tournament for all ages and abilities. It starts at 6.45 and finishes at around 8.30, food is served after and the bar is open for the duration. Don't forget social tennis is on Wednesday's and Fridays 6.30 - 8.30pm, all adult members are welcome.

Funding

As some of you may be aware, courts one to three will need replacing soon. Each court costs around £12,000 to replace. We would also like to be able to give the clubhouse a bit of a facelift. Does anyone have experience of applying for funding? Or know of any grants that we might be eligible for? Any advice and help with any aspect of fundraising would be very much appreciated.

Working Party - Saturday 3rd September



The next working party is taking place on 3rd September. This time we are mainly focusing on the club house, the kitchen and bar needs a good spring clean, so please do come along with your marigolds, even an hour is a good help. As ever, the weeds needs attacking too, so if gardening is more your thing, bring your trowel. We will be starting at 11am and will keep going until around 2pm. If the weather is kind we'll get the bbq on the go, so bring a burger or 2.

Annual Club Tournament - 24th September



This is the only whole club tennis event we run in the year. It's great to have so many entries, lots of new members have been very brave and just gone for it, they are doing very well too! The finals day is 24th September. There will be the very impressive juniors girls and boys finals (have you seen any of the junior rounds???) There have been some fantastic matches!) Matches will be played in the following order: junior matches will start at 1030, ladies and men's singles from 1230. Men's and ladies and mixed doubles will follow after. Pimms and strawberries and cream will be available throughout. The presentations will be followed by a delicious barbecue. Please do come down and support all the finalists.

Social Night - Saturday 14th October



There is a party night on Saturday 14th October. Food will be served followed by some lively tunes to suit everyone's taste.

It will be a great opportunity for members old and new to get to know one another. Tickets are £18 each, this includes a drink on arrival, food and dancing till the small hours. You are very welcome to bring friends. For tickets email Laraine at heyegrovesecs@googlemail.com

Can you help?

Finally, just to let you know, members opinions, ideas and help are always welcome and appreciated. You don't have to be a fully fledged committee member to contribute...although more people on the committee would be great! If you can help with manning the bar for a function or making some food after a tournament or have got an idea for a social or fundraiser, please do let me know. We promise you won't be lumbered with a title or a job forever more! If you would like to have a chat about what is needed, please email heyegrovesecs@googlemail.com.