

Note from the Chair

Well, what a great start we have had to the new season! We had another division championship win— congratulations to the winter league 3rd team. Well done to all the players who contributed.

We had a record number of members (new and existing) at this year's Subs Sunday, which was a fantastic day. Even more have joined in the first month of the season. Don't forget to renew your membership by 30th April.

We also received the most tickets we've ever had from the Wimbledon ballot...10 pairs of tickets. This was down to so many people opting in. Congratulations to the winners!

The coaching sessions for juniors and adults are chocka block and our lovely club is buzzing. We have got a great season ahead of us, both with tennis and social events.

Please do come along and support the club, we look forward to seeing you.

Laraine Kelly (Chairwoman)

Coaching Update

The club started its first LTA Tennis for Kids course on 22nd April. The course is run over a six-week period.



At the end of it the children receive a free tennis racket. It was great to see all the children enjoying it so much in the sunshine.

Super Subscription Sunday

This year's subscription Sunday was a massive success. The most well attended we have ever had. Over 120 people attended and over 40 new members signed up.

Don't forget all subs are due by 30th April. Any paid after this date will be subject to a 20% uplift.

Dates For Your Diary

Attached are the calendar of events for the forthcoming year. We need your help to run these events and even more importantly, we need you to put the dates in your diary and come along and support them!

How can you help?

Like and share us on facebook and twitter.



www.facebook.com/heyessgrove



[@HGTennis1](https://twitter.com/HGTennis1)

Let us know if you are willing to help: be it manning the bar or BBQ for an hour, or giving an hour or two to the working parties, which maintain the club and keep it looking clean and tidy for all to enjoy.

Finally, any suggestions on fundraising, match funding or suggestions to make our club better, please do let us know.

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Courts To Receive Deep Clean

All 6 courts will be deep cleaned by the end of May. This will provide a greatly improved surface to play on and will give us another 2/3 years of decent play before replacing them.

During the work there will be 3 courts available for use at all times.

Please help us to look after the courts by dragging them after use and wearing appropriate tennis footwear.

Easter Tennis Camps — A Cracking Success!

The Easter tennis camps were a wonderful success with over 80 children attending. There was



lots of great tennis and fun games played ending with a giant Easter egg hunt. Further tennis camps will be available on the following dates:

4th May (local elections) / 29th May - 2nd June / 5 - 9th June / 24th - 28th July / 31st July - 4th August / 7th - 11th August / 21st - 25th August / 28th August - 1st September / 4th - 8th September.

Winter League News

During the recent winter league season the club entered a third team and was gloriously captained to victory by Laraine Kelly. The team came top of their division and have been promoted. Well done to everyone who participated!!

The second team finished the season mid-table after some very close matches in the 7th division. Well done team!

The first team had a tough season and were unfortunately relegated but are determined to come straight back up next season. A special thank you to Beccy Perrie for captaining the team even though she couldn't play and also to Duncan Hurlstone for playing every match and for resourcefully finding players! We are happy to hear you are on the road to recovery, Beccy, and look forward to seeing you on court soon.

Winter league tennis is fun to play, keeping you active during the winter months. It's usually a more relaxed affair than the summer matches and also enables you to play mixed doubles competitively. The club would love to see more members playing next winter!

New Balls

New balls are available to purchase from behind the bar, at cost price - £4 per tin. Can you please put the money in the honesty box, which is also behind the bar.

A waterproof storage box is now in situ on the courts. It contains used, but playable balls for everyone's general use—in particular, if the club house isn't open. A couple of tins of new balls are also available. If you do decide to use the new tins, can you please put your money in the honesty box which will be behind the bar.