

Crickhowell Tennis Club



NEWS LETTER. September 2009

TENNIS COURTS RE-OPENED

The newly painted courts were officially re-opened at 6.30pm yesterday with rave reviews from all players attending the Thursday club night!

Chairman Jeremy Kerrison officially cut the red ribbon to declare the courts open, with a glass of sparkling wine provided for the 16 players in attendance.

It has been a hard slog to get the courts finished following delays caused by the wrong density of tarmac being used initially (resulting in a second resurfacing by the contractor) and then rain delays over Easter when the courts were scheduled to be painted. However, it looks as though the wait has been worth it!

Members will also note that new protective padding has been placed around the two floodlight posts inside the court area to ensure the safety of players.

The new side gate to the courts is currently padlocked and will remain locked until further work has been carried out on the access ramp by Powys County Council.

AUTUMN SCHEDULE

The schedule for the period September to December is posted on the website, as well as on the court access gate noticeboard and the main door of the clubhouse.

COURT BOOKING FACILITY

The court booking facility will be available from Monday 7 September onwards (although the courts will be open this weekend as usual). Bookings can be made one week in advance on the booking sheet posted on the side door by the front of the clubhouse.

COACHING PROGRAMME

Head coach Chris Hill will be restarting the full coaching programme for minis, juniors and adults from next Tuesday (8 September). Chris is also able to offer individual lessons for club members. Please contact Chris on 07713 152658 (chrishilltennis@aol.com) for further details on all aspects of the club's coaching programme.

ANNUAL CLUB TOURNAMENT

Following on from the great success of the past two years, the annual tournament will now take place over a two-week period starting Monday 5 October, culminating in a finals weekend on Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 October. Please put these dates in your diary! Details on the tournament and how to enter will follow shortly.

SUCCESS ON COURT

Many congratulations to Chris Hill on representing Great Britain in an international fixture v Norway in August, winning both his rubbers - a great achievement! Well done also to Finian Bult on reaching the quarter-finals of the U12 Welsh Open. Although competing against players 18 months older than him, he beat a seeded player in the second round before losing to the top seed in a close quarter-final encounter.

CLUB WEBSITE

The club's website is currently being updated at www.crickhowelltennis.co.uk. Schedules, forms, newsletters etc are posted on it, so please check the website regularly for updates and club news.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Social secretaries Angie Sharp and Karen Pitt are planning a series of social events, both on and off court, over the coming months. Details to follow soon.

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