



WRECCLESHAM



TENNIS CLUB

JUNIOR NEWSLETTER 2011



Junior tennis coaching at Wrecclesham continues to grow with Jasper Allen Tennis. Jasper is keen to promote junior tennis and looks forward to seeing both current and new members at the club. There are 4 groups on a Saturday morning from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon, including mini-tennis for children from age 3 years upwards. There are also 4 groups on a Thursday afternoon from 3.30 pm – 6.30 pm.

Jasper is also promoting links with other tennis clubs by running competitions at Wrecclesham, Grayshott and Haslemere Tennis Clubs. Keep an eye on the noticeboard and Jasper's website (see below) for details.

Something new starting on Saturday 23rd April (for club members aged 9-16 years) from 12 noon-1.00 pm - a session supervised by a young leader from Jasper Allen Tennis. This is an opportunity to play organised games of tennis – having fun and practising at the same time.

We will again be offering free fun sessions and tournaments with Jasper during school holidays. Full details will be on the club website (www.wreccleshamtennis.org.uk), Jasper's website and the club noticeboard. Advance notice of the dates for your diaries – 12th and 19th April and 31st May – all sessions to be booked in advance, rather than turn up on the day. This is open to non-members, so encourage your friends to come and try tennis.

Jasper's details are as follows:- Website: www.jatennis.co.uk Tel: 0333 577 1540 or 07769 975097 E-mail: info@jatennis.co.uk. Jasper also supplies tennis equipment at competitive prices to Club members.

Non-members who do coaching with Jasper Allen Tennis pay an additional £10 per 10 sessions as a court fee, so why not join for £38 (which includes a gate key) and get the same benefits as other Junior members, such as use of the courts (see details below), entry to tournaments and the chance to play in the teams representing the club.

Junior court times – We encourage Juniors to make use of the courts. However, Seniors have priority on the courts after 6.30 pm on weekdays, after 1.00 pm on Saturdays and all day on Sundays. Juniors have priority before 1.00 pm on Saturdays unless the courts are needed for a club match (winter season only). Senior club sessions are on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons, so you are unlikely to get a court at these times.

Clothing – Please remember that appropriate clothing should be worn when playing tennis, e.g. school P.E. kit, tracksuits or tennis kit. Black trainers are NOT allowed. Footwear should be white and must not have ridged soles, which damage the court surface.

Membership cards - In order that Junior members can be identified by Seniors, membership cards are being introduced this year. Please bring this with you every time you come down to the club. Failure to produce this card may result in your being asked to leave the courts. We would also remind you to lock the entrance gate during play in order to make it more difficult for non-members to gain entry. Please also remember to lock the main gate if you are the last to leave and also the gates to Courts 3 and 4 if you use these.

British Tennis - Don't forget to sign up to British Tennis and get a membership number. This entitles you to enter the ballot for Wimbledon tickets from the age of nine. Forms are in the clubhouse or on the LTA website.

Important Dates For Your Diary

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| Saturday 2nd April | 12.30 - 1.30 pm | Open Day Junior Session |
| Saturday 9th July | 12.30 pm | 2011 Junior Tournament Day |
| Saturday 8 th October | 12.30 pm | 2011 Terry Davies Cup (for U16s) |

N.B. These tournaments are for Juniors only, not U16 Student Members

Please keep an eye on the Junior notice board for entry details nearer the time.

Student Members - If you are 16, you should become a Student member. We also allow some Juniors, from the age of about 14 or 15, to become Student members if their standard of play and court conduct are good enough. Please apply to the Club Secretary if interested (e-mail secretary@wreccleshamtennis.org.uk). Student membership means that you can come down to Senior sessions, where you will be very welcome.

Teams - We would urge you to join the teams for competitive games in the Aldershot and District League. We have entered Boys' U16 and U13 teams this summer. Matches are played at the weekends. At the moment we do not have enough girls to have a mixed or girls' team but we do hope to be able to in the future. By playing matches, you have fun whilst improving your game. However, the club can only arrange these teams with some parental help by way of transport to away matches.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2011/2012 ARE DUE ON 1st APRIL, with a £5 reduction for existing Juniors (£10 for existing Family memberships) if paid by 30th April. New members do not qualify for the reduction but the subscriptions below include a key. Please send your cheque (made payable to Wrecclesham Tennis Club) to the Membership Secretary, Mrs Linda Taylor, 80 Riverdale, Wrecclesham, Farnham, Surrey GU10 4PJ (Tel: 01252 714111).

Subscriptions are as follows:

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| Juniors | £38 |
| Family membership (1 adult + children) | £116 |
| Family membership (2 adults + children) | £197 |
| Student over 16 in full-time education | £54 |

N.B. There is an additional £16 for each Student member included in Family membership (including a University student living and studying away from home).

Hope to see you soon!

Diane Pettitt - Junior Organiser
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