



# March 23 Newsletter



## AGM

Thank you to all the members that joined us for our AGM on Tuesday 14th March.

The following officers were elected:

**President** – Ian Campbell

**Chairman** - Adrian Rees

**Secretary & Estates** – Dave Clarke

**Treasurer** - Jeff Saunders

**Committee members** – Louise Blakeborough, Julie Dickson, Rachael Goodworth, Julie Pearn, James Tufts and Eugenia Wachters.

The club approved the following items:

- The accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022.
- A 2.5% subscription rate increase for 2023-2024.
- The capital expenditure of up to £140k to construct the seventh court.

The minutes of the AGM will be emailed to members shortly.

## Club Tournament

If you want to take part in the Club Tournament this year then please add your name/s to the sign up sheets for the Club Tournament by **Tuesday 11th April.**

Finals Day is a great day at the club when the finals of the main Club Tournament and the Plate competition are played.



**Merrow Club Tournament 2023**  
We will be running the Club Tournament from mid April to Finals Day on

**Sunday 25th June 2023**

The tournament is open to all members 16 and Over

Please sign up on the noticeboard by

**Tuesday 11th April**

to enter any of these events:

- Men's Singles
- Ladies' Singles
- Men's Doubles
- Ladies' Doubles
- Mixed Doubles

- Please only enter if you can make the Finals Day on 25th June
- Please agree your doubles pairing before signing up
- The draw will be done by 16th April and emailed out to players
- It is up to players to arrange their matches to ensure each round is completed by the "play date". If dates are missed, matches may need to be conceded
- All matches are the best of 3 tiebreak sets
- A plate competition is run for any players knocked out in their first match of the cup competition
- Both the Cup & Plate Finals will be played on Sunday 25th June

If you have any queries, please email Alison on [merrowtcc@gmail.com](mailto:merrowtcc@gmail.com)  
Good Luck

Alison



## Junior Club Session

**Friday 31st March** is the last Junior Club Session for the spring term. The first Junior club Session after the Easter holidays will be on **Friday 21st April.**



### Coaching

Coaching finishes on **Saturday 1st April 23** for the spring term. Current attendees have until **Saturday 1st April to rebook**, after this time existing club members can also book. If you are interested in joining the group coaching programme more details can be found on the website

**[merrowtennis.com/adult-coaching](http://merrowtennis.com/adult-coaching)**

or

**[merrowtennis.com/junior-coaching](http://merrowtennis.com/junior-coaching).**

If you would like a space, please email Jorge on [munojorgemartin@yahoo.com](mailto:munojorgemartin@yahoo.com) to see what spaces are available.

Summer term coaching runs from  
Monday 17th April until Saturday 22nd July  
with a half term break  
from Monday 29th May until Sunday 3rd June.

# 23/24 Membership

The new membership year starts on **1st April 2023**.

Ideally, we ask that you make payment of your membership fees as soon as possible after receiving your invite to renew. However, payment can be made up to **30th April 2023**.

If payment is not made by that date, then your membership will lapse and we will start admitting new members from the waiting list. If you would like to change your membership category, you are no longer eligible for your current membership category or you no longer want to be a member of Merrow tennis Club, please email Alison on [merrowltc@gmail.com](mailto:merrowltc@gmail.com) and let her know.

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## Estates

At the start of March we had all 6 courts power brushed and moss treated. We also had 225kg of sand put down. The courts will be power brushed and moss treated again in September.





## Visitors Fees

Just a reminder that when you bring visitors to the club the appropriate visitors fees should be paid and their details added to the visitors book (in the letter rack, near the tennis balls). Adult visitors fees are **£5.00** a visit and juniors **£2.50** a visit. You can either put cash in a money envelope and post it through the bar letterbox (please put the details of the visitor and your name on the envelope) or pay via bank transfer and add your surname and guest as the reference.

## Reminders

- Please remember to return all the tennis balls you take from the tennis ball rack when you have finished playing.
- Please do not park in the entrance to the upper car park.
- Dogs are not allowed in the clubhouse.
- Please do not sit in your car with the engine running while you are waiting for your child to have a lesson.
- Please be considerate of members who are playing tennis. For example please don't run on the gravel in the upper car park if someone is playing on court 3.





**Entries Are Now Open for the:  
Merrow LTC Vintage Tournament  
Sunday April 23rd 2023 2-6.30pm**

**Costume Prizes - Bar & Food - Centenary Quiz -  
Prosecco toast after play - Selection of Wooden  
Rackets Provided**

**(But please bring your own too if you have one)**



**To Register, please contact Alison at [merrowltc@gmail.com](mailto:merrowltc@gmail.com)**

Please also indicate:

- 1. Whether you consent to your photo from the day appearing on the club newsletter and website**
- 2. Whether you also wish to register for the wet weather fallback date of Sunday April 30th**

**Be quick as places are limited.**

**And get those costumes sorted - the more imaginative the better !**

**All Spectators Welcome**