



October 23 Newsletter



Sunday **5th November** will be the club's Vets and Supervets finals day. Details of the order of play will be circulated next week. Please do come along and support the players on the day. There will be sandwiches and cakes on the day too. We have a number of social events coming up over the next few months:



- **Sunday 5th November** - Vets and Supervets Finals Day.
- **Saturday 11th November** - Black Tie Dinner
- **Wednesday 13th December** - Xmas lunch after the Wednesday Club Session.
- **Saturday 16th December** - Mulled wine and mince pies at the Saturday Club Session.
- **Friday 9th February** - Quiz and Curry.

More details will follow.

Thanks to everyone who has voted so far. If you would like to vote on which court surface you would like on the **new court** please make sure you vote by Tuesday 31st October at the latest. The vote is **not** for the court surface on courts 1 to 6.

7th Court

Please vote on which court surface you would like on the new court.

GBC has yet to make a decision as to whether we can have a choice of surface but once we hear we want to quickly complete the court by laying the chosen surface.

Please vote using the link or QR code below
<https://forms.office.com/r/RCSmaCEQSp>



Voting closes on Tuesday 31st October

An information sheet regarding the choice between an artificial grass and an artificial clay surface for the new court was emailed out to members. It is also available to read on the noticeboard in the clubhouse.



Building of the 7th Court



the story so far...



Floodlights

As the nights are drawing in and the clocks change this weekend this is a reminder that the floodlights can only be used **up to 6.30pm on a Sunday.**

To be considerate of our neighbours please use the courts furthest away from the houses first (courts 3 and 6). Please also remember to **turn off the floodlights when you have finished playing.**

Succession Planning

Adrian is currently in his 9th year as **Chairman** of the club and would like to stand down at the AGM in March. A successor will be nominated for election by the members. If you are prepared to undertake the role, or would like to discuss doing so, please let Adrian or another member of the committee know.

Similarly Julie Pearn will be standing down as club **Secretary** but will continue as the Welfare Officer.

The **President**, Ian Campbell having done a four year stint will also stand down.

If you would like to discuss any of these roles please speak to a member of the committee.

Nominations for the Chairman, Secretary and President will be presented to the members at the AGM in March and a vote will then take place.

New Drag Mat



The club have just bought a drag mat for use on the artificial grass courts.

The drag mat is stored on court 1 but can be used on any of the courts to collect any leaves or debris that have settled on the courts. Rod, the groundsman will still clear leaves etc from the courts but depending on the weather there may be leaves etc on the court again soon after. The drag mat is simple to use and is meant to be easier and more effective than the brushes in the clubhouse.

For the mat to work optimally then the mat should lie completely flat on the floor. If you have the mat the correct way then there are some green bobbly bits that stick out on top.

Lost Property



Here are some photos of the items currently in the lost property tub. **All items not collected by 17th November will be recycled.**

New Estates Manager

David Luscombe has been project managing the build of the 7th court and has kindly agreed to take on the role as Estates Manager following Dave Clarke stepping down from the position.

If you have any suggestions regarding the club's premises or see anything that needs repairing etc please email Alison on merrowltc@gmail.com and she will forward it on to David Luscombe.

Etiquette

This is just a reminder that if you are wanting to go across another court or enter/exit by one of the gates then you should wait until a game has finished on the court you are wanting to pass through or you are waived onto the court. Please do not just walk onto the court in the middle of a game.



Horizon are still offering a discounted membership for Marrow Tennis Club members. The discounted rate is £34 a month with no joining fee if you commit to a twelve month membership. If you want to find out more or have a tour then please contact Anita Kidgell, Membership and Sales Advisor on akidgell@horizonlc.com.



Christmas Events

at Merrow

COME & JOIN US!

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

WED 13TH DECEMBER

Join us for food after the Wednesday club session.
The food will be provided by Kathy and
will cost £10 per person.

To attend add your name to the sign up sheet
which will be on the clubhouse noticeboard shortly.

MULLED WINE & MINCE PIES

SAT 16TH DECEMBER

Come along to the Saturday Club Session
and enjoy some
mulled wine and mince pies.

