#### **CHALFONT ST GILES CLUB NEWSLETTER**

#### **Edition - Spring 2020**

#### Dear Members,

Welcome to the tennis club newsletter. Most of this information & a lot more can be found on the club website so please take some time to have a look at it when you have a moment.

https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/ChalfontStGilesTennisClub

### A tribute to Janet Scholfield by Paul Edmunds

Janet was one of the founding members of the club and along with Graham have known her all my playing life.. she was a permanent fixture of the club and was a real team player, be that as secretary and a forever member of the committee, member of the women's team or just playing regularly. She also worked tirelessly with her son Mark taking care of the juniors and always encouraging and praising them and making them feel special, she was just such a thoughtful and generous person.

And that showed by all the time she gave not to just the tennis club but all the other various charities and clubs she belonged to. I used to cut her hedges and throughout the day she would always be popping here and there, and if not would be out in the garden she took great pleasure looking after her plants. She was always busy, And I think that's what kept her so young at heart she was always smiling and had a great laugh and never a bad word about anybody.

It was the same on the court - a wonderful consistent player who was a demon at baseline rallies which won her many club tournaments. She did have an aversion to going to the net, I did try

telling her that just jumping around does the trick, but she wasn't having any of it!

She did slow up playing when Jim illness got worse but she would always be up the club helping out with all the events and babysitting Marks children.

I think it came as a great shock to everyone on her sudden passing, and it was so nice to see so many people from the club past and present at the celebration of her life along with all her family and other friends. I know we will all miss her, and although I'm not a believer I'd like to think that she is once again playing mixed doubles with Jim, that is as long as he hasn't been sent down for too many dodgy line calls.

Janet Schofield will be forever remembered at Chalfont St Giles Tennis Club

## **Scholfield Family Memorial**

Following a meeting with the Scholfield family, the committee are planning to provide a memorial cup for the club tournament & have a plaque on the club house wall. Mark & Andrew Scholfield are also condsireing a tree or a bench & would welcome suggestions from club members. Please send suggestions to: <a href="mailto:csgtennisclub@gmail.com">csgtennisclub@gmail.com</a>

## **Committee members**

Mark Fraser has retired as Club Chairman & we still have a vacancy for the role, until we find a volunteer to take over the role the club is being run by the committee members. Neil Crosbie & Christa Edgar have joined the committee, see link below for the committee & roles:

https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/ChalfontStGilesTennisClub/Management

#### **Junior Section**

The junior section currently comprises 66 members & has been run for many year by Janet & Mark Scholfield. We are looking for volunteers amongst club members & parents of junior members to help Mark in the running of this important section of the club. If you are interested in playing a part suporting the club, please contact Mark on : smark39@aol.com or call him on : 07962392828

# **Subscription renewals:**

Whilst every effort has been made to keep membership fees down, the committee have made slight increases to each category.

Subscriptions are due by 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020, an email will be sent out mid April requesting payment, the fees for 2020/2021 are:

Adult	£130
Student (age 18-25 in full time education)	£85
Junior (age 5 – 18)	£55
Family (2 parents & children to 18 or 25 if in full time education)	£295
Visitors fee	£5

Please note that sports shoes must be worn when using the tennis courts

## **Improvements to Club Facilities**

We have undergone an improvement programme in the last 12 months, the chairs in the clubhouse have been re upholstered & the indoor benches have been replaced. In the last month flood lights have been installed on Court 3. Work on the refurbishment of the Junior Court will commence in the Spring

## **Safeguarding**

The LTA undertook a safeguarding audit of the club which we passed. Members & parents of juniors should take time to review the club policy statements & procedures that can be found in hard copy in the clubhouse & on the website:

https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/ChalfontStGilesTennisClub/Management/Policies

## Fire procedures

Following on from the Fire Safety Risk Assessment, we would just like to remind you all of the responsibility to ensure that the clubhouse is evacuated in the event of a fire. The fire extinguisher is on the small table to the right of the door as you walk in, and should be used to put out any small fire. Directions for use are on the wall behind the extinguisher.

#### **Events**

All events are regularly updated & can be viewed on the website:

https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/ChalfontStGilesTennisClub/Events

#### Membership Open Day Sunday 26th April 2020 2.00 – 4.00

This is an important day in the club calender as is the main event for recruiting new members so please bring along family & friends for a fun afternoon.

We are looking for Volunteers to come along to play with & talk to prospective new members & bring friends & family with you.

In order to ensure that we have enough volunteers, it would be helpful if you could let us know if you are available to help by emailing:

csgtennisclub@gmail .com

#### Wimbledon Ballot 2020

The club ballot for all LTA members who have 'Opted In' started on 2nd March. The club has been allocated 13 pairs of tickets & successful members will be emailed by the LTA direct. The names of the winners will be posted on the website once the process is complete.

## **Club competitions**

All competitions went off without a hitch, despite some of the matches being played in the last couple of days before Finals.

The 2020 finals day will be held on Sunday 13th September more details will be availble in early May.

## **Fun Fridays**

The summer Friday events introduced in 2019 were well attended and the social tennis was enjoyed by many. These events added a lovely element to the club and with Cormac bringing his barbeque down, the cuisine was pretty good too. These social events will continue in 2020, please check the website for more information.

#### **Chalfont St Giles Tennis Club Committee**