



Newsletter November 2020

Lockdown #2

We are now in the last 10 days of the latest lockdown.

As we approach the proposed end of the lockdown on the 2nd December, we will be keeping a close eye on the Government & LTA guidance and we will be in contact with all members as soon as we know what that means for the re-opening of the club and how we can ensure safe play.

Winter League

We are really keen to be able to restart Winter League fixtures as soon as we are able to. So, if you are playing in this year's Winter League please double check your fixture list to see when you are due to play in the days following the 2nd December and we will be in touch to let all players know when the fixtures will begin again.

Fees

We are aware that due to the second lockdown that members have paid their membership fees for a period when you have not been able to play.

Therefore, as we start to look at membership fees again for 21/22, we will take account of this and make adjustments to next years' fees to make sure that members are not out of pocket as a result of the lockdown.

We will also look at refunds for any portion of the Winter League floodlights payments that have been unused.

BTC in the media

I am sure that many of you will have seen (and taken part in) lots of media coverage during October to promote the club. We were on the radio and featured in various posts and videos on Facebook, including an interview with the local MP, Andrew Mitchell.

A big thank you to our coach Will who coordinated all this activity and to everyone at the club who took part and helped to promote our club.

Landscaping Working Party

We would also like to say a big thank you to everyone who took part in helping with the maintenance of our borders, fencing and benches, under the expert leadership of Suzanne. It has really helped in keeping the club looking great.

Improvements and maintenance

Whilst the courts have been empty, we have taken the opportunity to carry out some essential maintenance works – more benches have been painted and we have carried out moss treatment to all of the courts. We have also given the clubhouse a deep clean.

Courts 1 & 2

The surface of courts 1 & 2 has been looking a little tired!

So, we have appointed a contractor to re-paint Courts 1 & 2 in the spring.

So, we can look forward to having some pristine and great looking courts in the next few months.

Social

It is extremely unlikely that we will be able to have any kind of face to face social events during the Christmas period.

So, we will be organising another Christmas quiz – to give those of us that wish to have the opportunity to spend some social time together and have some fun trying to answer Anwen's tricky questions!

We will be in touch soon to let you know of the arrangements

We are in a Vacuum – in more ways than one!!!

Our vacuum cleaner has reached the end of the line. It no longer vacuums, and it no longer cleans!

So, if you do have a spare Hoover lying round at home that you would be able to donate to the club – please let us know as we can put it to good use.

Thank you

Thank you for all the positive comments we have received about the club and your Committee.

Our club is managed entirely by volunteers. We are incredibly grateful that members are willing to help with specific projects at the club especially in helping with the gardening and also very importantly in recruiting new members. We are always looking for new members to join the Committee so please let us know if you would like to get more involved. Equally if you have any ideas as to how we can improve the club then please do let us know.

We hope to see you all on court soon. Until then stay well and stay safe.