



SUMMER 2010 NEWSLETTER

It's hard to believe JEM Tennis has been in business for a year now. I would like to thank everyone who has supported us over the past year. Membership has been growing steadily and we hope to be able to introduce Club Leagues, Ladders, more tournaments and social events. Our aim is to encourage juniors and adults of all standards to play in a relaxed and casual atmosphere where tennis is fun, social and unpressured.

Looking forward to seeing you on the courts!
Colin Murphy (Director of Tennis)

OPEN DAY/ FAMILY FUN DAY

SUNDAY 27th JUNE

11am – 3pm

**BBQ, Pimms, Strawberries & Cream, Refreshments,
Tombola, Bouncy Castle**

**Come and play tennis for free, meet the team and look
around our new Clubhouse**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

HALF TERM ACTIVITY CAMP TUESDAY 1st JUNE

Full Day: 9am–3pm £18 per child
Morning: 9am–12pm £10 per child
Afternoon: 12.30-3pm £10 per child
Ages 4-13

A day of multi sports and fun games including tennis, football, rounders, netball, hockey. At the end of the day we have a fun swimming session.

For all our coaching sessions, holiday activities and social events please look out for our posters for more details or look on our website www.jemtennis.co.uk.

AMERICAN TOURNAMENT SUNDAY 30th MAY

11.00am-2.00pm Mix-in social doubles
2.00-3.00pm Post match refreshments/buffet
All standards welcome, prizes for winners
£10 per person

HALF TERM ELITE CAMP THURSDAY 3rd JUNE

1.00-5.00pm
£12 per person Years 6-11
An afternoon of tennis concentrating on fitness, drills, techniques and matchplay.



CLUBHOUSE UPDATE

The clubhouse is nearing completion and should be open by the end of May. This will be a shared facility with the Hockey Club, the school and the community. It will have toilets, a kitchen and a bar and space to sit and relax. The facilities can be hired out as a function room, please ask the Centre Manager for more details.

LOOK OUT FOR.....

With the opening of the Clubhouse I hope to be starting some new coaching sessions, Club Mix-in Nights and more social events. If you have any suggestions, requests or are willing to volunteer to organise an event or casual get together then please contact me to discuss arrangements.

Every 6-8 weeks we will run an American Tournament which is a fun doubles, mix-in tournament with refreshments afterwards. All standards welcome.

During the school holidays we run junior activity days. Every Tuesday we run a day or half day of multi sports for ages 4-13. Every Thursday we run an Elite Tennis afternoon for Years 6-11 who are keen to improve their tennis skills and techniques.

All of our upcoming events are advertised via posters around the Sports Centre Reception and in the Clubhouse. You can also find all the details on our website.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Richard Denning and **Lyn Pilcher** for winning the **Easter American Tournament**. A great afternoon of doubles play was enjoyed by all.

Our next American Tournament is on Sunday 30th May, please sign up on the notice board in the centre or contact Colin to enter.

JEM Tennis ran a 6 week **LTA Tennis Leaders Course** last term which was a great success. Well done to the following students who completed the course:

Emma Cornell, Grace Cham, Tom Whitlock, Jackson Hamilton, Lucy French, Tamzin Ryan, Ryan Smith, Kofi Abankosh, Cameron Clark, Megan Bowers, Joe Bampton, Fiona Carroll, Gerry Skinner, Phil Merritt, Greg Probert.

On the 11th April we ran a LTA Competition Organisers Workshop. The following children completed the course successfully and join the 9 other Competition Organisers we have on the team:

Emma Cornell, Grace Cham, Tom Whitlock, Jackson Hamilton, Connor Saunders, Jordan Sevier, Lucy French, Tamzin Ryan, Ryan Smith, Kofi Abankosh, Cameron Clark, Megan Bowers, Fiona Carroll, Gerry Skinner.

We will be running more LTA Youth courses throughout the year. JEM Tennis has 100% funding for these courses so there will be no cost. Please express your interest to Colin if you would like to be considered for a course and we will contact you when the next course is in the diary.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Trying to come up with an original theme for your birthday party? We can tailor make a tennis birthday party to suit your requirements, whether for adults or children. You can also have full use of the Clubhouse for your catering and after party needs.



JEM TENNIS MEMBERSHIP

As JEM Tennis celebrates its first anniversary it also means it is time to renew your membership or maybe consider joining for the first time. We are keeping the membership rates the same as last year and are giving current members an extra month free. This means membership will run to 31st May 2011 and will be renewable on the 1st of June annually and pro rata when joining mid-year. We feel our membership represents unbeatable value compared to other clubs in the area. We have no joining fee, 4 brand new courts with floodlights which there is no extra charge for and use of a state of the art clubhouse. Not to mention the facilities on site at the Hamble Community College Sports Centre.

Benefits of membership include:

- Free court booking
- Inclusion in Wimbledon Ballot
- Priority in tournaments and social events
- Discount on equipment and re-stringing
- Discounted Leisure Centre Membership

If you are not already a member then please consider joining or recommending us to your friends and family. We aim to be a relaxed and family friendly club that has a valuable role in the community.



LEISURE CENTRE MEMBERSHIP

Exclusive membership has been negotiated with Hamble Sports Complex for all JEM TENNIS members. For only £26 per month all tennis members can have full use of the fitness suite, swimming pool, all fitness classes and the sauna following a free induction. To take up this offer or for more details, please see reception within the Leisure Centre or contact 023 80452321.

NEXT DAY RE-STRINGING SERVICE

We provide a professional re-stringing service with guaranteed next day turnaround. Every racket has a full service with grip replacement included. A full range of string is always carried in stock at very competitive prices. Professional advice can be given on what string is best for your level of play and tennis elbow prevention.

TENNIS CLUBMARK ACCREDITATION



We are extremely proud to have been awarded Clubmark Accreditation on 27th October 2009. Huge congratulations to everyone that helped to make this happen.

Tennis Clubmark is a club's opportunity to be recognised for achieving excellent standards. This means the LTA endorses and supports a club's programme, policies and procedures.

SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship is a vital link in helping the Club provide more tennis opportunities to the community by helping us fund additional tennis sessions, fun days, competitions etc not only for juniors but for adults as well. Thus giving everyone the chance to join in and play tennis in a relaxed and enjoyable environment without the stuffiness and dictatorial rules that some clubs have!

Any sponsorship received by the Club from local business or individuals can then be doubled through Sports Match which is a lottery based company helping grass roots clubs like ourselves to take tennis into the local community and local schools.

If you would be interested in sponsoring our club as an individual or through a business then please contact us. Alternatively, if you know of someone or a business that may be interested then please pass this information on.



BRITISH TENNIS MEMBERSHIP

British Tennis Membership is vitally important to the club as this allows us to gain additional funding from the LTA. Based on the number of members attached to JEM we are allocated a certain number of Wimbledon tickets which would then be put into a draw for our members as well as you being entered into the main ballot through the LTA – so double the chance of winning tickets!

British Tennis Membership is totally free to join as JEM TENNIS is an affiliated club. For more information or to join go to www.lta.org.uk/membership or telephone 0845 873 7202.

CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

Corporate Membership is available and we can tailor-make corporate days, ladders, leagues and tournaments to meet your individual requirements. We have several local businesses that have taken advantage of this membership and they now have their own thriving in-house tennis club. Please contact us for more information.



SCHOOL LINKS

JEM TENNIS now runs the tennis after school clubs in Hamble Primary and Netley Junior Schools and we are looking forward to introducing tennis into other primary schools in the wider community. We have also just introduced Multi-skills sessions too.

We are pleased with the participation and development of tennis of years 7-11 in Hamble Community Sports College.

Tennis Festival was a huge success!

On Monday 15th March we held our first Tennis Festival. Fifteen Year 2 children from Hamble Primary School came to JEM Tennis to get their first taste of playing tennis. Fifteen of our Young Tennis Leaders were in attendance to help organise the event which was enjoyed by all. Many thanks to **Jeremy Ord** (SSCO) from Hamble Community Sports College and **Robin Tucker** from Hamble Primary School for their help and support.



TENNIS SHOP

We have a huge selection of all the major brands of junior and adult rackets, bags, shoes and accessories. We guarantee to beat internet prices (excluding Ebay). We can supply all equipment for tennis, badminton, squash, racketball, table tennis and many other sports. For impartial and professional advice about your requirements, please speak to Colin who will be happy to answer any of your queries.

GLEBIAN TENNIS CLUB LINK

Recently JEM Tennis has forged a link with Glebian Tennis Club in West End, Southampton. This is a small and friendly club with 3 astro courts and a clubhouse. JEM Tennis hopes to run their coaching program and introduce joint mix-ins and matches between the two clubs. The link is intended to give access to new members, potential playing partners or opponents and expand the facilities available to all members.

FEEDBACK

If you have any suggestions, ideas or queries regarding coaching sessions, tennis events or social occasions or any other view you would like to express then we welcome your emails.



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