

**2018/19 AGM COACHING REPORT  
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**OPEN DAY**

I was pleased to attend our open day which was held on the Saturday of the first of the LTA's Great British Tennis Weekends. Once again we secured funding to be able to offer a subsidised 6 week "follow on beginners/improvers course." As expected, this offer proved very popular and within hours the class was fully subscribed. We also held our Quorn Family cup which we managed to complete despite the some pretty damp weather. This year the plan is to run it in April alongside the formal opening of our new artificial clay courts.

**ADULT INTERMEDIATE PROGRAMME**

Between April and October we ran continuous 4 week courses on Monday evenings from 7.45pm to 9.15pm. This is a time that proves popular for working professionals travelling back from Central London. The sessions are open to non-members and members alike, they cause minimal impact on other club activities and the guest fees accumulated over the season produce considerable additional revenue for us.

I would like to thank **David Bowers** for assisting me in delivering these throughout 2018.

**TEAM PLAYERS DRILLS SESSIONS**

In 2018 I was pleased to secure the services of LTA level 4 Coach **Richard Burns**. Primarily based at Foxhills, Richard does have capacity to offer coaching outside his other commitments. Some of you will have seen him coaching on our courts on Tuesdays and Wednesday evenings and he is shortly about to commence our Wednesday Team Doubles Drills. Richard is also available for individual coaching. He can be contacted through me or spoken to direct when he is at the club.

**JUNIOR PROGRAMME**

As all clubs have a responsibility to encourage young people to play the game, we can be justifiably proud of our active junior membership. Once again we entered 10 teams in the LTA Surrey Team Tennis Leagues. The level of commitment required to organise this number of teams is very considerable however, it's more than made up for when I see how much our players benefit from the competitive experience and how proud they are to represent our club.

Throughout the summer we ran our Boys Open and Girls Open club championships.

Congratulations go to our new girls champion **Nicole Dragos** and our new boys champion **Aydin Malek-Zadeh**.

I'm pleased to that Nicole has received due recognition for the advances made to her tennis in 2018 and she is now playing regularly for our ladies team. Nicole has been assisting me with the Minis on Fridays and when her GCSE's are out of the way, she eplans to take her level 1 LTA Assitant Coaches Award.

**HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMPS**

As in previous years holiday tennis camps were run at Easter, during the half terms and in the summer holidays. These are always popular and are often over-subscribed.

**SCHOOL LINKS**

As part of our outreach programme I continue to run an after school mini-tennis club to pupils of the Manby lodge Infants school. I'm pleased to report that this Summer one of our 6<sup>th</sup> form members, **Alice Knight** (and former girls Club Champion) will be assisting me with the delivery of the after school mini tennis club I run at Manby Lodge School.

**THANKS**

I would once again like to thank our chairman **Patrick Gibbon** and club secretary **Alison Wade** for their support throughout the year. As always I will be happy to look at any suggestions and very much look forward to seeing what successes 2019 will bring.