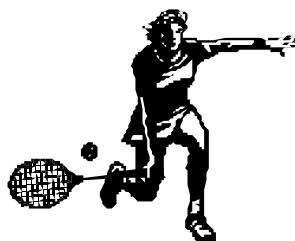


# ELSENHAM TENNIS CLUB



## NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2007

### ETC QUIZ NIGHT – SATURDAY, 28 APRIL, 7.30 FOR 8PM

Come and support our ETC Quiz held at the Bowls Club, 7.30 for 8pm. Teams of 8 please, £6 per head which includes a hot supper of Chilli & Jackets. Licensed bar available. To book, call Petra on 814667. It's going to be fun so book now!

### ETC OPEN AFTERNOON – SUNDAY, 29 APRIL, 2 - 5 PM

Straight after our quiz night, come and support our Open Afternoon. Fun and play for existing and prospective members. Kids are more than welcome – an experienced coach will be on hand for some taster lessons for our children. Refreshments will be available.

### JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS – SATURDAY, 26 MAY, 1 PM ONWARDS

Our annual Junior Championships will take place on Saturday, 26 May. Categories as follows: 12 and Under / 16 and Under (as of 26 May 2007) for both boys and girls. An entry form is attached which needs to be returned by Saturday, 12 May.

### JUNIOR CLUB NIGHT – TUESDAY, 29 MAY, 6 - 8PM

For all our enthusiastic juniors from the age of 10 onwards, this is your chance to show the adults how it's done. Just bring your racket and 50p. Non-members are also welcome for the evening (so bring a friend if you want). Another junior club night is also planned for Tuesday, 29 May.

### SUBSCRIPTIONS - REMINDER

Don't forget - subscriptions are due by 30 April. As confirmed by some recent market research we have undertaken our subscription rates are amongst the lowest in the area yet – with the extensive investment we have made in the Club in recent years – we now have an excellent range of facilities. **Remember that, if you apply by 15 April (now extended to 22 April) you can enter for our draw for Wimbledon tickets.** Subscription rates also include associated membership to the Bowls Club for all adult members and students over 18.

Could we also ask you to provide us with an email address if possible so we can email you the newsletter and any other updates rather than post or hand-deliver? Last but not least – if you are interested to receive coaching, let us know and we will put you in touch with a professional coach who can give you tuition at our courts.

### CLUB COMPARISON CONFIRMS ETC IS EXCELLENT VALUE FOR MONEY

As part of our ongoing commitment to ensure that we remain competitive in the benefits we offer for members, we have recently undertaken some market research. As you can see from the results summarised below, ETC represents excellent value for money compared to other local clubs.

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<b>Floodlights</b>	Yes	Yes		Yes
<b>LTA Affiliation</b>		Yes		Yes
<b>Club facilities (other than clubhouse)</b>	Stansted sports club			Adult subs inc membership of Bowls Club.
<b>Single Membership*</b>	£96.00	£85.00	£54.00	£50.00
<b>Family Membership*</b>	£169.00	£190.00	£128.00	£100.00
<b>Joining Fee*</b>	£10.00 p/ adult £ 5.00 p/ junior	None	£10.00 keys "deposit" for new members	£5.00 Adults. No fee for juniors

\*2007/08 rates

## WIMBLEDON TICKETS – YOUR LAST CHANCE TO ENTER OUR DRAW

We have been allocated five pairs of **Wimbledon tickets for Wimbledon 2007** (25 June to 8 July inclusive). If you would like to be included in our draw, we need your subscription form and membership payments back by the end of 22 April 2007. The draw will be held after club night on Tuesday, 24 April 2007. Tickets will cost approximately £27 - £57 each and will have to be paid for by 30 April 2007. Only adult members qualify, one application per household. Please note that these tickets are strictly non-transferable and we have to supply the LTA with the names of members who will be attending from ETC.

## WIMBLEDON TICKETS FOR OUR JUNIORS

We have a **small allocation of tickets for No 1 Court on the last Saturday (7 July) which we are allocating to juniors**. They cost £27 each (+ cost of travel) and two adults are on hand to accompany a group of juniors to the tournament for an ETC group outing. More than one application per household possible. If you need more information, please feel free to contact any of the committee members and use the attached form to enter the draw.



## OPEN DAY – NEWSPAPER ARTICLE

Our grand re-opening of the courts on 17 March was a memorable occasion with plenty of bubbly, many of our members turning up and playing, and even The Observer Newspaper taking our picture and dedicating us a nice article in their next edition.

## CLUB NIGHT ON TUESDAYS, CLUB AFTERNOON ON SUNDAYS

Still going strong every Tuesday from 7pm onwards, in nearly all weather conditions. Alternatively come and see us for the social part of tennis in the Bowls Club afterwards. Sunday afternoons are also a great occasion for some not so serious tennis, tea & coffees and a chat.

## WINTER TOURNAMENT

Division 1 has nearly finished all matches (unbelievable). The winner of this group will play the winner of Division 2 (any more results?) for the Winter Shield.

## LEAGUE MATCHES

Our **Mixed Doubles** lost away to a very experienced Clavering team. Hussain Shaida/Julia Studholme and Alex Drake/Petra Studholme battled hard but eventually lost 10:6. Changeable weather greeted the final match of the Winter Season for the **Men's Team**. Clavering had brought a strong team but Elsenham proved a superior opponent. Sam Bushell and Hussain Shaida put in a superb performance and won 3 sets and drew the fourth, whilst Ronan Wade and Jamie Mitchell won 1, drew 1 and lost 2 sets. Ronan and Jamie's performance was very solid especially taking into consideration that they had never played on the same court before!! When all said and done Elsenham were 10-6 winners.

## HOSPITAL CUP TOURNAMENT

The annual charity tennis tournament this year is being held at Grove LTC in Saffron Walden. Entries need to be in by 21 April 2007. Participants need to be free on 22 September 2007 should they reach the finals. Entry categories include Men's singles and doubles, Ladies singles and doubles and Mixed doubles. Further details will appear in next month newsletter and regular updates / entry forms will be in our hut. Our ETC representative for the tournament is Paul - 07973 543808 or [paul@elsenhامتennisclub.co.uk](mailto:paul@elsenhامتennisclub.co.uk)

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**ENTRY FORM – ETC JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2007**

I would like to enter the ETC Junior Championships 2007

Name

Age

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*Please return the form to Petra Studholme, 26 Leigh Drive, Elsenham by 12 May.*

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**JUNIOR WIMBLEDON TICKETS DRAW - 2007**

I would like to enter the ETC Junior Championships 2007

Name(s)

Age

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*Please return the form to Petra Studholme, 26 Leigh Drive, Elsenham by 1 May.*

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