



Glan Aber Tennis Club Newsletter

December 2018

Welcome to the latest edition

TEAM NEWS

Congratulations to our Men's A team who have won Division 1 of the Chester & District Summer League, and to our Ladies B team who won Division 3. A big thank you to all the team captains – not always an easy task and much appreciated. We need a captain for the Ladies A team in the summer if anyone is interested.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Friday 28th December – Tennis & Soup 11.00am start

Traditional post-Christmas event.... hope you can join us. Again please sign up or email Andrea at andreaHop@talktalk.net.

Friday 15th March – Thai Evening – Community Outreach Fundraiser

Gill & Mark Chappell have very kindly agreed to host this event at their house. It is always a popular and well-supported evening so make sure you book your place early. Tickets will be available in the New Year.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This will be held on **Tuesday 26th March at 8.00pm** and follows Club night tennis. We would welcome any new volunteers to the Committee and if you are interested, please speak to any committee member or email Sue at secretary@glanaber.com. An agenda and previous minutes will be sent out nearer the date.

We have welcomed Sophie LeBrocq, Jacqueline Owens and Ken Wither to the Committee this year. Steve Telford, Ash Rogers and Sharon Barnard are all standing down in March.

We have been fortunate that Sophie will take on the role of Membership Secretary and Ken will be our new Treasurer. Will Grattan has agreed to stand as President unless anyone else wishes to be considered. Colin Barnard will assist as Vice President.

WIMBLEDON BALLOT

Yet again the LTA require anyone interested in entering the Wimbledon ballot to opt in now. It is essential that you manually 'opt in' through the LTA website if you want to be eligible for the ballot. As the Club allocation of tickets is based on the number of members (9 years or over) who opt in, it is in everyone's interests if you do this. Please visit the LTA website at www.lta.org.uk. Once we have received our ticket allocation, you will still need to sign up for the draw in the usual way.

You will need to have a BTM number or register for one on the LTA website. "Lite" membership is free to Club members.

Handicap Championship

Please sign up in the Clubhouse for the Handicap Championships – the draw should be on the Noticeboards in January. We are currently looking for an organiser as Steve covered it again this year for the final time.

Outreach Programme & Fundraising

Aidan coached the Pay & Play sessions from March to November... the two mini groups (3-5 and 6-11 years) remained popular but the older juniors were cancelled due to lack of support. Our Community Outreach Fund has continued to provide coaching to St. Clare's and Lache Primary Schools. We were delighted to offer scholarships to two children as well as some group coaching to get them started at the Club. They have enjoyed the tennis experience and it would be good if we could continue this initiative.

The Thai evening will fund this programme, so your support is much appreciated.

Coaching

Tennis courses will start week commencing Monday 7th January for 6 weeks. The coaching team are looking forward to welcoming you back on court in the New Year.

GATC Website & Email Addresses

If you have not received this Newsletter by email, it is because we don't have an up-to-date address. So you don't miss out, please email info@glanaber.com with your details. Also remember that up-to-date information is shown on our website at www.glanaber.com.

**Wishing all our Members and their families a Merry Christmas
and a Happy and Healthy 2019.**

