



Claverley Tennis Club Spring Newsletter



Dear member,

What lucky people you are because today, through the post you have received a work of art. The enclosed lovely pale green fixture list has been lovingly created, and I am expecting it to be kept next to all your other valuables, as the information in it is vital. You will now know where and when the matches are being played, and when the courts have been booked so you can either come down and cheer on our team or enjoy your own game of tennis.....so don't lose it!!



March 25th saw probably the most important event so far this year.....the ladies pre season training night. This took place not on the court, but in the lounge of The Plough, home of our main sponsors. This event was well supported by our ladies, high heels, handbags and posh hairdo was the dress code for the night. Important issues were on the agenda, such as colours and style of the team clothing, the merits of the skirt over the short and other winning strategies. Thanks must go to our team style consultant Mandy for all her hard work in advising us of the winning colour combination and the bravery shown in dismissing Versace for Stitches of Bridgnorth.



Skill was shown by all present in the multi-tasking event....drinking, eating and talking all at the same time holds no fear for Claverley ladies. Encouraged by the enthusiasm shown by all ladies as they embrace their new training regime, I watched them stagger (oops sorry...jog) home. I began to visualise the top of the leagues being well within our grasp.

The more observant of you will have noticed the new windows in the club house...many thanks to Doug for his connections! Thanks to Debbie who is busy sewing new curtains as we go to press. Hanging baskets will soon be ordered and the "Power Girls" will be organising a Spring Clean...wont we look posh!! As this re-vamping is for all of our benefit it would be really helpful if before and after your tennis games everybody could check kitchen and toilets so they are clean and tidy for the next players...especially after your children.



Sunday June 6th at 10am, is a date that must be put in your diary. Every year Kim Plank organises a 5KM walk around the village in aid of Breast Cancer Research. All she asks for is a minimum of £5 per person donation. This walk starts and finishes at The Plough and follows a designated route. It is NOT weather dependant....come rain, hail or shine this walk takes place so PLEASE gather up all your family, friends and dogs and phone Kim on 01746 710004 with numbers.





Turning the spotlight onto the courts, I can shed some light on the Floodlight Project and reveal that things are finally looking brighter. Completion should be around Mid-May. The courts will need to be closed for 2 days and advanced notice of this will be posted on the door of the clubhouse.

Progress continues with the website www.claverleytennis.co.uk Roger Henfrey and Ben Gilkes will be updating the website, so they require your funny stories, photos and any items of interest to be sent to either roger_henfrey@lineone.net or gilksbe@hotmail.com These two gents are willing to sit in the pub every Wednesday and update the website, so Team Captains need to send in results, match reports with anecdotes (even photos) of winning shots. They cant update if we don't send in anything, and this is a great way for us all to participate — it doesn't need to be a match, it could be a report from clubnight mix—ins! So, do your bit for the brewing industry and keep them in the pub a bit longer by sending them your anecdotes.



The club is very lucky to have a wealth of talent at our fingertips and one such person is Denise Hammond our social secretary. Denise is waiting by her phone for member's suggestions for tournaments and fund-raisers. Claverley Ladies are renowned for their catering skills and with Denise in charge every event has been a big success! So, keep her busy by phoning 01384 221367 with your ideas... MEN... that means you as well...don't be Shy!



My last message is to thank all the lovely members who have kept me happy and contented by sending me those lovely things called CHEQUES, you know who you are and I thank you. Remember, a club like this depends on the membership fees, so don't delay.



Here's hoping for a sunny start to the season,

Deborah

