



Felixstowe Lawn Tennis Club Newsletter Issue 1

Welcome to the first edition of the FLTC monthly newsletter. A number of members felt that a regular newsletter would be a great way of being kept informed about what's happening at the club along with information on forthcoming events. Any suggestion / comments, or anything you would like to see included in the next issue please to secretary@felixstowetennis.co.uk by the 20th May 2017. (The June issue will be distributed at the end of May).

On Saturday 13th May the club are holding an Open Day to showcase what's available and on offer at Bath Road. This is with an aim to encourage new members, something the club needs in order to survive. The committee will be out in force on the day but are in need of volunteers to help. Are you available, albeit for 1-2 hours during the course of the day? We need help with checking people in, refreshments, playing with potential new members, showing them around and just being there to talk and offer friendly conversation would be much appreciated. Contact secretary@felixstowetennis.co.uk for more information.



That evening we are holding a **Eurovision Night** in the clubhouse. This was held last year and although not many attended those that did had a really fun evening! Dressing up is optional although banners and flags are a must as is the ability to listen to all the songs and of course vote accordingly and Not just for your neighbouring countries! Krystyna did an amazing job of pulling everyone together last year and even had prizes for those guessing the winning song, worst song, most cheesy song! We all brought a plate of food relevant to a participating country and of course the bar was open ! Please come along and join in the fun from 7:30pm onwards.

The new clubhouse has been up and running for the last 16 years and as yet we don't have a name for the bar ! For those of you that can remember the original bar in the original clubhouse was called The Vann Inn ! A good name and one that we can certainly keep if that's the general consensus of the members.....but is there a better, more apt name out there ? Suggestions would be good please by the 30th May to the same email address as above. We can then put it to a members' vote.

Friendly Friday League

- from Friday 21st April 2017

Come and join us for a friendly competition on Friday evenings from 6.15 for a 6.30 start, playing at your own level.

Open to all, men AND ladies!

3 sets of 9 games (doubles) playing with each member of your four.

The bar will be open afterwards for drinks and nibbles.

There will be no tennis on the Fridays when a Music Night is taking place (last Friday in April, May, June and July).

If you are interested in joining us, please contact us by phone or e-mail as below

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FELIXSTOWE LAWN TENNIS CLUB

FRIDAY NIGHT

Tickets £5 8 pm MUSIC Tickets £5 8 pm

2017

FRIDAY 28TH APRIL - THE STOLOSIA TRIO
FRIDAY 26TH MAY - JAZZ ARRIVALS
FRIDAY 23RD JUNE - A SAUCERFUL OF FLOYD
FRIDAY 28TH JULY - WORDS & MUSIC

FELIXSTOWE LAWN TENNIS CLUB
BATH ROAD, FELIXSTOWE
IP11 7JN

For Tickets Call Bill Cunnew on 07921 567 021
or get them on the door

Is anyone able to help with the opening up or closing of the club grounds and club house ? We have several volunteers, some non-members, that do this but we are in need of more people to help, especially covering the weekends. If you feel you are able to offer your services please contact Richard Fairweather on 07850 019499 for more information.

Don't forget club night is on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm. Friendly club play of all standards on offer each week, weather permitting. Balls are provided and lights if necessary but with the evenings drawing out and play starting soon on the grass, lights won't be required. **Speaking of which**, the official opening of the grass courts is on Sunday 7th May at 2pm (a sign-up sheet will be up in the clubhouse shortly) although members can start playing on them on the Saturday 6th May.

Also every Saturday morning Junior Coaching 10-12pm. £3 members £6 non-members.

And from 10am every Sunday morning, friendly play for the all the family to enjoy. All standards most welcome.



Congratulations must go to Lysette and Ben who are expecting their first baby in September, such lovely news !

Lysette is looking for a qualified tennis coach to cover her Maternity Leave during the period August to December 2017. Position is a guaranteed 12.5 hours a week with a further 9 hours weather permitting Monday to Saturday. Don't be put off by number of hours; role can be tweaked to suit person. Do any club members know of anyone that might fit the bill ? If this person is able to be involved with Disabled Tennis or Cardio Tennis, even better as this is something the club want to become involved in. Please email LysetteFulcher@hotmail.com to discuss.

Please do bear with us while we tweak the finer points and get this newsletter in a format that is easy to read and appeals to all of you. Do feel free to comment, offer suggestions, ideas, it is after all your newsletter.

Please send to secretary@felixstowetennis.co.uk

Just a reminder to continue to hang your yellow A5 membership cards up when you're playing and don't forget to challenge players you don't recognise. Don't feel awkward. If they are not a member of the club they need to pay for the privilege of playing on the courts.

Finally, Nicki and Lysette send out emails every month to all club members. If you feel that you are not receiving these emails or not as many as other club members, please contact secretary@felixstowetennis.co.uk and we can then check the email address we hold for you is correct.