

# Ravens Tennis Club

## Newsletter

### Autumn 2008

Well it's been a funny summer, but as usual, we had fantastic weather for the adult club tournament held on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> September and the junior tournament the following weekend.

Congratulations to the winners and thank you everyone for taking part, the standard of play was very high this year which must be down to the excellent coaching run through the year by our coaching team, Roberto, Jamie and Carol.



As you may already know, all 3 of our Summer League teams were promoted this year, which I don't think has ever happened before.



Well done to the captain Kibblewhites!

We have therefore decided to enter 2 ladies, 2 mens and a mixed team into the

Winter leagues,

These matches start in early October and we have put in place some extra mixed coaching with Roberto on a Monday evening for team players.

Thursday coaching continues as usual from 7.30pm onwards. Please see the coaching schedule on page 3.



Our junior coaching programme which we run in conjunction with 'Tennis in Schools' is going from strength to strength, We are hoping to expand our 'outreach' to an additional 5 primary schools in the area with funding assistance from the borough, the LTA and local charities Jamie is also providing coaching to students at Woodhouse College on a Wednesday afternoon, so all in all, we are being quite proactive.

I should remind you all that we have a 'London Summer of Sport - Open day' this Sunday. This is an initiative funded by the Mayor of London to encourage clubs to make their facilities available to the public and to encourage Londoners to take more exercise. Roberto will be running a 'beat the coach' session and mini tennis coaching for the children. There will be a barbeque, teas and cakes and I understand the weather forecast is good, so come along and join in!

Best wishes

Mike Beckwith  
Chair of the committee

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- Club Tournament Results

The adult tournament weekend was a great success with good tennis/ food/weather and lots of spectators. The junior tournament held the following weekend was also full of great tennis with Sean and Ben playing a fantastic set that could have gone either way.



(Carol trying to get a mexican wave going!)

The results are as follows:-

- Men's Singles winner - Charlie Sturt.  
Runner-up Mike Beckwith 4-6, 6-3, 6-2
- Ladies' Singles winner - Claire Kibblewhite.  
Runner-up Marie Sheehan. 6-0, 0-6, 6-4



- Men's Doubles winners - Peter Freeman and Sunil Panwar.  
Runners up Mike Beckwith and Ian Kibblewhite.

Ladies' Doubles winners - Carol Bayley and Desire Cilliers.  
Runners up - Claire Kibblewhite and Valerie Hill.



Mixed Doubles winners - Vivienne Howse and Sunil Panwar.  
Runners-up Lynne and Mike Beckwith.

Junior Winner Sean McCall Runner -up Ben McManus 7-5

- Coaching programme at Ravens

	Am	pm	After school	Evening
Monday			'Mini tennis' Orange @4pm Junior coaching (u16) 5-6.30pm JM	Men's 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2nd teams. Ladies 1st team coaching 7.30 -9.00 RD
Tuesday			'Mini Tennis' Tots @ 4pm Red @ 4pm Orange @ 4pm Green @ 5pm RD, CB, SP	
Wednesday	Ladies Social 10.00- 12.00	Woodhouse College 2.00- 4.00 JM	'Mini Tennis' Red @ 4pm Orange@ 4pm Green @ 5pm CB	
Thursday				Adult improvers 7.30-9.00 JM
Friday	Adult beginners 10.00- 11.00 JM			
Saturday	Ladies 2 <sup>nd</sup> Team 11.30- 1pm RD	Club Social tennis 2.00 onwards		
Sunday		Club Social tennis 2.00 onwards		

RD = Roberto Domizi

JM = Jamie Morales

CB = Carol Bayley

SP = Sian Pepper

Individual coaching available upon request- please call head coach  
Roberto Domizi on 07850 719079

- Next Committee meeting

13<sup>th</sup> October 2008-

If any member has any comments or thoughts on how we might improve our club, please send an email to Marie Sheehan on [M.Sheehan@mdx.ac.uk](mailto:M.Sheehan@mdx.ac.uk)

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- Annual General Meeting

Our AGM will be held in the clubhouse on the Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November and this could well be our last AGM in the current clubhouse.

The club will have completed the purchase of the land from Messrs Adam and Simon Taylor, the club will also have around £90,000 available to spend on upgrading our facilities. We would like to hear from you. This is your club, we are a non profit making organisation and the committee would like to hear how you feel these funds should be allocated.

If you are not able to attend, please send an email to the secretary Marie Sheehan

- Ravens Tennis Club Ski Club

We had a fantastic trip to les Deuz Alpes and Les Menuires last year and plan a similar trip(s) early in 2009- let me know if you're interested! All skiers of all standards welcome.



Mens and Mixed Winter fixtures- Ladies to follow

Monday 6th October Mens 1	home
Tuesday 7th October Mens 2	away
Wednesday 8th October Mixed	home
Monday 13th October Mens 2	home
Monday 20th October Mens 1	home
Tuesday 28th October Mixed	home
Tuesday 4th November Mixed 2	home
Friday 7th November Mens 2	away
Tuesday 18th November Mens 1	away
Wednesday 3rd December Mens 2	away
Sunday 7th December Mixed	away
Monday 8th December Mens 1	away
Tuesday 20th January Mens 1	away
Monday 2nd February Mens 2	home
Monday 23rd February Mens 2	away
Monday 2nd March Mens 1	home
Tuesday 10th March Mixed	away
Monday 23rd March Mens 2	home
Wednesday 25th March Mens 1	away

M Beckwith  
24<sup>th</sup> September 2008