

DUFFUS TENNIS CLUB

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Dear Member

Season 2010

Welcome to the 2010 tennis season.

I enclose the following papers:-

- Letter from the club president, Alison Farrow
- Programme for season 2010
- Details of officials and subscription rates for 2010
- Membership form for Duffus Tennis Club, including a separate section for under 18s
- Membership form for British Tennis

Please let me have the completed club membership form, together with your subscription or alternatively hand these to any member of the Committee.

For the first time in seven years there has been a modest increase in the subscription rate which can be paid by instalments if you prefer. If you choose to use this facility please pay the instalment amount you wish until the subscription is paid in full by either 1 May for the discounted rate or by 1 June for the non discounted rate, but it is important that you indicate clearly on the form the method by which you propose to pay.

Please also indicate whether you wish to be considered to play in the various league matches although I have to point out that it is a strict ruling of Tennis Tayside that only fully paid up club members are entitled to participate in the teams and any club found breaking this rule will be deducted points.

Club nights for mixed social tennis will be on Tuesday evenings and Sunday afternoons, commencing on Tuesday 20 April after the opening tournament, although anyone can play whenever they wish subject to court availability.

Wednesday evenings have been timetabled for adult beginners to come along and play social tennis and it is hoped that this will help attract new members, who are always welcome. Friday evenings will be reserved exclusively for juniors to play on the courts.

Details of the Easter holiday coaching programmes are included in the attached timetable. The club has not yet appointed a qualified coach but hope to do so as soon as possible and meantime are grateful to Skip Martinez who has agreed to organise afternoon sessions in the first week with Andrew Doig and Lewis Baird undertaking morning sessions in the second week.

The club continues to be very grateful to Dan Cookson, Alistair Dunn and Liz Killean who have all agreed to assist with the juniors this year, but it is vital that parents, even if they have not played tennis, become involved.

In view of the increased junior membership the club has entered a team in the junior league of Tennis Tayside this year. In addition, there will also be at least three Tennis Tayside mini tennis tournaments for younger players throughout the season with tournaments also arranged for the older juniors, subject to demand.

I have not yet been advised of the allocation of Wimbledon tickets to Duffus but in order to increase this allocation it is essential that all members become members of British Tennis; British Tennis membership is free of charge at www.lta.org.uk/membership or by telephoning 0845 873 7202.

If you do not propose to join British Tennis you need take no further action but if you do, please arrange for this to be done as soon as possible using the above link; alternatively, complete the British Tennis form attached and return it to me with your club membership form and I will submit it for you; each individual member should complete a British Tennis form.

Please contact me as soon as possible if you wish tickets for this year's Wimbledon championships which will be allocated by ballot if demand is greater than the number of tickets available.

Extensive refurbishment has now taken place at the clubhouse and I would remind all members of their responsibility to keep the premises clean and tidy.

It would be very much appreciated if you could advise me or any member of the Committee whether you might be interested in becoming involved in the running of the club in any way; if you have any particular skills in first aid, DIY, etc your assistance would be very welcome. In addition, if you have any experience of tennis coaching or would like to become involved with coaching please let me know.

Floodlight tokens are available from Alison, Dan or myself at a cost of £1 each, with each token giving 30 minutes light.

The club's website address is www.duffustennisclub.org.uk which will contain full information of club events, including tournaments, etc.

Yours sincerely

Alan Doig
Secretary

Dear Member

Welcome to our forthcoming season of tennis. This past year has been a time of challenge and change for Duffus Tennis Club. The wider tennis world, in the shape of Tennis Tayside and Tennis Scotland, has become more structured and their involvement and support for clubs at grass roots level is vital for Duffus to progress. To this end, the committee has been working on achieving Clubmark status, the mark of good practice which means that the LTA recognises what the club is delivering and how it is run. We will be supported in developing partnerships with coaches, schools and other clubs; we will have access to support from Tennis Scotland as well as grants, funding and advice that this organisation may be able to provide. Joy Mayglothing has taken the lead in this process and her enthusiasm and understanding of what is involved has been invaluable in putting the application together. Kirsty MacCrae, the Tennis Development Officer for the East of Scotland has visited the club twice recently and been impressed by our progress.

By the time the season opens, we should have a new kitchen and the repairs necessary to the outside of the clubhouse will have been done. We have been delighted with the work that Neil Brooks has carried out on the changing rooms and look forward to a similar metamorphosis for the kitchen. The framework to these rooms has been renewed so that these parts of the clubhouse are in effect 'new build'. Future projects may include the large room but it must be emphasised that our considerable investment must be protected by paying attention to regular maintenance of the clubhouse. In addition, clubs are expected to be pro-active in making provision for court replacement. Future spending and fund-raising must take this into account.

Dan Cookson, who has taken on the role of vice-president, is working hard to make sure the club has coaching in place this season. We also have Dan to thank for taking on the club website (www.duffustennisclub.org.uk) and keeping it up-to-date and entertaining. It is anticipated that we will use the website more and more to communicate with members, so please mark it as a Favourite.

I would like to thank all those who have been involved in junior coaching over the last year. It is exciting that we are finally putting forward a team in the junior league again. We have some excellent and enthusiastic young players who will be given the chance to take part in a range of tournaments, appropriate to their level.

Finally, Duffus Tennis Club has something to offer all levels of player and I look forward to seeing everybody on court and to welcoming new members.

Alison Farrow
Club President

DUFFUS TENNIS CLUB

OFFICIALS FOR 2010

President - Alison Farrow - 01334 655015
Vice President - Dan Cookson - 01334 652293
Treasurer - Frances McBride - 01334 655445
Secretary - Alan Doig - 01334 654270

COMMITTEE

Lewis Baird	Jeremy Howard
Katie Coull	Jim Lambie
Andrew Doig	Joy Mayglothling
Jon Gregory	Giff Mentiply

MATCH SECRETARIES

TEAM	SECRETARY	TELEPHONE
Gents 1 st Team	Stuart Lowden	01592 750232
Gents 2 nd Team	Alan Doig	01334 654270
Ladies 1 st Team	Debbie Cockburn	01334 654544
Ladies 2 nd Team	Frances McBride	01334 655445
Henderson Vase 1 st Team	Joy Mayglothling/Stuart Lowden	01337 840910/01592 750232
Henderson Vase 2nd Team	Frances McBride/Alan Doig	01334 655445/654270
Juniors	Dan Cookson	01334 652293

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2010 AT DISCOUNTED RATE IF PAID BY 1 MAY 2010

Adult - £100
Secondary School Children - £30 - no discount
Primary School Children - £18 - no discount
Family - £200
Students in full time higher education - £40 - no discount
Veteran (over 65) - £55

IF PAYMENT IS MADE AFTER 1 MAY 2010 THE FOLLOWING RATES TO APPLY

Adult - £110
Family £220
Veteran - £60

All subscriptions to be paid in full by 1 June 2010

New members pay the lesser rate when joining and there is no joining fee

HOLIDAY MEMBERSHIPS/VISITORS FEES

Holiday Membership - Adult - £25
Holiday Membership - Family - £55
Holiday Membership - School Children - £15
Visitors Fees - Adults - £3
Visitors Fees - School Children - £1.50

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

(Please print details)

Surname: _____	*Date of Birth: ___/___/___
Forename(s): _____	M/ship Category: _____
Address: _____	

Post Code: _____	Tele (Home): _____
	Tele (Work): _____
E-Mail Address: _____	Tele (Mobile): _____
Would you like to be considered for Team Tennis? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Please use the remainder of this form for other members living at the same address as shown above:	
Surname: _____	*Date of Birth: ___/___/___
Forename(s): _____	M/ship Category: _____
	Tele (Work): _____
E-Mail Address: _____	Tele (Mobile): _____
Would you like to be considered for Team Tennis this season? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Surname: _____	*Date of Birth: ___/___/___
Forename(s): _____	M/ship Category: _____
	Tele (Work): _____
E-Mail Address: _____	Tele (Mobile): _____
Would you like to be considered for Team Tennis this season? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Surname: _____	*Date of Birth: ___/___/___
Forename(s): _____	M/ship Category: _____
	Tele (Work): _____
E-Mail Address: _____	Tele (Mobile): _____
Would you like to be considered for Team Tennis this season? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

*A Parent/Guardian Declaration (see overleaf) requires to be completed for **every** child under the age of 16.

I/We enclose cheque for subscription of £ _____

Date _____

**PARENT/GUARDIAN DECLARATION
TO BE COMPLETED IF THE APPLICANT IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE**

Parent or Guardian

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Relationship to Child: _____ **Telephone (Home)** _____

Telephone (Mobile) _____

Special Needs

Please give details of any special needs required by the applicant such as dietary requirements, allergies, medical conditions, etc.

PARENT/GUARDIAN DECLARATION

I agree to _____, (print child's name) taking part in the activities of Duffus Tennis Club, including matches/competitions which may involve travelling to other clubs.

To my knowledge, he/she has no special care needs, dietary requirements, etc that could affect his/her safety at the club, other than those declared on this form and I understand that in the event of any injury or illness, all reasonable steps will be taken to contact me and to deal with the situation appropriately.

I give permission for him/her to be involved in any publicity relating to the promotion of Duffus Tennis Club or for coaching purposes and understand that any photographs or videos used will strictly follow the Lawn Tennis Association guidelines.

I understand that Duffus Tennis Club has a Child Protection Policy which is displayed in the clubhouse and is available at www.duffustennisclub.org.uk

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

Signature: _____

Date: _____

DUFFUS TENNIS CLUB SEASON 2010

Monday 5 April	Thursday 8 April	Sunday 18 April	Sunday 16 May	Sunday 20 June
Opening Ladies Night 6.00 pm	Opening Gents Night 6.00 pm	Opening Tournament 1.30 pm	Tournament 1.30 pm	Tournament 1.30 pm
Sunday 8 August	Sunday 5 September	Sunday 12 September	Sunday 19 September	Sunday 5 December
Summer Doubles Tournament 1.30 pm	Club Championships - Finals Day - 1.00 pm	Veterans Tournament (45 and over) 1.30 pm	Closing Tournament 1.30 pm	Annual General Meeting and award of trophies
Saturday 1 January 2011				
New Year Tournament 1.30 pm				

NOTE: Club Championships to be played weeks commencing Mondays 16 23 and 30 August

Monday/Thursday evenings Tuesday evenings 6.30 pm Sunday afternoons 1.30 pm Friday evenings - 6.30 pm	Ladies and Gents League matches Mixed Social Tennis Mixed Social Tennis Juniors Social Tennis - Dan Cookson, Alistair Dun and Liz Killean	Courts 1, 2 & 3 from 6.00pm (tel Dan on 01334 652293)
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Wednesday evenings - 6.30 pm Adult beginners

Re-arranged league matches will be on Tuesdays (Gents) and Wednesdays (Ladies) - notification of any such matches will be placed in the clubhouse.

EASTER COACHING PROGRAMME

Easter coaching for juniors 5 - 9 April (afternoons) 12 - 16 April (mornings)	Places on these coaching programmes will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Sessions will cater for juniors from age approximately 8 years <i>5 - 9 April, inclusive, 1.00/2.00 pm - 2.00/3.00 pm</i>	Cost - £20 for members and £25 for non members. Full cost of the block to be paid in advance. Refunds will be given for any cancellations <i>12 - 16 April, inclusive, 10.00 am - 12 noon</i>	While the coaching sessions are also open to non members preference will be given to members in the first instance	Please contact Dan Cookson (01334 6522930) or any member of the Committee by Friday 2 April, at latest, if you wish to enrol
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