

# Dullatur Lawn Tennis Club

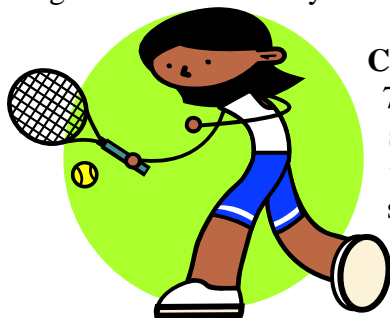
**Hello Members**

**August 2007**

If you have just joined the club we wish you a very warm welcome and hope you will get involved in our various events.

Our Family Night barbeque was a great success, although with fewer adults than normal from Victoria Road, unfortunately our event coincided with the Jools Holland Event at Scone and well..... There was no contest!

**The summer club** again continue on Mondays and Thursdays from 12.00pm until 2.00pm until school goes back in August. Play tennis and have lunch for £2.00. We plan to hold a Hawaiian barbeque party, on the last Monday (we will monitor the weather) before the start of school. So grass skirts and crazy shirts and shorts to be worn.



**Coaching** is held every Thursday from 6.00pm for beginners, 6.30pm – 7.30pm for juniors, and 7.30pm – 8.30pm for advanced juniors and seniors. Coaching fees are pre-paid in 5 week blocks, block 2 started two weeks ago and will continue until the October week. Block 3 will start on 23 August. Adult coaching is being arranged by Neil.

**Tournament Day;** Finals Day has been arranged for Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August, so the clock is ticking down fast and we are in the middle of the peak holiday time. All the junior, advanced junior and senior matches have been drawn and posted on the notice-board. Some great matches have been played and it shows the importance of our coaching sessions in the standard of tennis being played on the courts by all levels. Neil is particularly impressed with our beginners and it is without a doubt that several will be moved up to the junior squad at the end of the summer. You may have noticed there have been a couple of changes to the original draw; this is due simply to holidays. The committee want to give everyone a chance to play in the tournament.

The Mini Tennis squad will play their matches or skill development during the summer club time. I have been asked to remind all spectators, that the players would appreciate quiet when they are playing their matches, as even friendly banter can be off putting. And if asked by a player the umpire has the right to ask the spectators to leave the court and watch the game from behind the catch netting at the front of the hall. This has been agreed by the committee.

Finals Day arrangements will be made at the next committee meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> August. Can we have volunteers for umpires and line judges please. It would be helpful to the committee if we

can have an input from our senior squad as to the preferred match play schedule on the day. As in the past we have had really tired out players not playing to their potential. As we have restructured the age and ability levels this year, the club is purchasing a new set of silverware of the advanced junior category.

Unfortunately the President of the club is on holiday for the presentation of prizes and we may ask a life member of the club to do the honours.

After the silverware and medals have been uplifted, the club members in the age old Dullatur Fashion joins in the celebratory Fish & Fizz Supper from Oasis in South Carbrain.

### **Diary Dates, What's New and your suggestions**

Club and village news with brilliant photos can be found on the Community Councils website; [www.dullaturcommunitynews.com](http://www.dullaturcommunitynews.com).

We plan to hold the final Family night of the season on Friday 28 September with a Pasta & Pizza Night.

On Saturday 27 October we will share the Ghost Walk and Halloween Disco with the rest of the village.

Thanks to the persistence of Caroline McGrath-Williams in sourcing the rules of a tennis ladder. This, duly downloaded, we will get down to the serious business of putting it into practice. Caroline has agreed to source the actual ladder for juniors and seniors. Once established this will enable tennis to be played throughout the year.

Again from a member, we may have a contact in Lenzie Tennis Club to play friendly matches.

Thanks once again for your support and suggestions, it's your club and we value your comments

Dullatur Lawn Tennis Club Committee