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STAMFORD TENNIS CLUB E-BULLETIN 27 (end-April 2009)

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If you are interested in going to Wimbledon this summer, please read the last item of this E-bulletin.

STC UNDER 14s CONTINUE TO SUCCEED

Following its emphatic 5 – 1 victory against Grantham in the National Aegon Team Series, organised by the Lawn tennis Association, the Under 14 team continued with an equally impressive victory 4 -2 victory against Boston, one of the strongest clubs in Lincolnshire.

Felix Beech and William Bourne dropped only two games each in their singles matches, and Joseph Chedd also had a convincing singles win. Joseph Chedd and Matthew Baynham won their doubles match in two sets, while Bourne and Beech were narrowly beaten in a third set tie-break, as they were in their doubles match against Grantham. Their time will come! Coach is Ralph Clarke.

LEAGUE TEAMS

League matches have begun this week. We may have missed some members who are keen to play in matches. If you are one of those, we ask you to contact neville.burnett@gmail.com or any of the team captains you may know. Chairman Neville would like to remind you of the team practice sessions on Friday evenings, if you can make them.

SOCIAL TENNIS

Just another reminder about the social tennis sessions that are available to all adult members and nominated juniors.

Sunday mornings. These are the most popular social sessions. If you want to meet more members of the Club this is the best opportunity of all. The sessions begin at 10 o'clock, but some players turn up earlier.

Sunday afternoons. We think there is a demand for another social session on Sundays – for those who go to church in the morning, for instance, or want a lie-in. As this is experimental, we advise participants for the time being to contact Jayne Roland (jmrphys@aol.com) to confirm that they are coming along.

Tuesday mornings. These weekday sessions are popular among those who are retired or don't have to go to work on a Tuesday. Carol Cotton is the "leading light", and she kindly usually produces wonderful cakes afterwards at her home just along the road. If you need to know more, please contact Carol on candm.cotton@talktalk.net. **We have to remind regular attendees that these sessions now run from 9.30 to 11.30, as the School now requires the courts from 11.30 onwards (as is its contractual prerogative).**

Privately arranged games of tennis. Members are reminded that they can privately arrange to play tennis with other members of the Club at times when all the courts are required neither for Club matches, coaching sessions and the like, nor by Stamford School during school hours in term time. Most of the time during the summer months the Astroturf courts are available. The balls tend to bounce lower – more like a grass court – but they are kinder to the knees (unless you fall over).

DRINKS & NIBBLES on FRIDAY 17 APRIL

There was a great atmosphere at the gathering after the team practice on the Friday evening, and we were pleased to welcome several new members. Our thanks, as so often is the case, to Carol Cotton for ensuring the success of the occasion.

AMERICAN TOURNAMENT & BUFFET LUNCH on SUNDAY 19 APRIL

An enjoyable morning's tennis was followed by a lovely lunch, and Maggie Knight would like to thank Jayne Roland, Judith Tyler and Wilma Morton for their considerable help on the day. There was a bit of confusion during the American tournament in the morning, and we hope to rectify that in future events of this kind.

**PAIRS OF WIMBLEDON TICKETS AVAILABLE TO
THOSE WHO DID NOT ATTEND THE AGM
Application form attached**

Wimbledon 09 2nd Draw

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**...time to submit your
application forms for
Club Ballot on May 10th!**

**To be included, you must submit
a *hard copy* of the application
form (attached to this email) to**

Penny by Fri. May 8th

You **MUST** have *your BTM number* too - see LTA website or more information in clubhouse.