

LES MIELLES TENNIS CLUB

NEWSLETTER - MAY 2014



WELCOME ALL MEMBERS TO OUR FIRST NEWSLETTER OF 2014. WE HAVE DECIDED TO REINSTATE THIS FORMAT OF COMMUNICATION TO KEEP MEMBERS UPDATED ABOUT ALL OF OUR EVENTS, ACTIVITIES & GENERAL NEWS.

Firstly, we should like to remind you of your committee members who give up their time voluntarily over and above their “day job” to meet on a monthly basis and discuss various aspects of the club. Work is under-taken by each in various ways between meetings.

Chairperson:	Faye Camp chairman@lmtc.je
Secretary:	Gary Bowman garynade@gmail.com
Club Captain:	Sue Holland sue.curran51@gmail.com
Treasurer:	Paul Coleshill treasurer@lmtc.je
Membership Secretary:	(Steve Smith) vacant position as Steve has moved back to the UK
Junior Liaison:	Gareth Syvret gareth.syvret@gmail.com
Club Coach:	Joel Camp joelcamp1968@msn.com

A big thank you must go out to Steve Smith who had a difficult task in renewing all the existing members' and new members' annual subscriptions and organising new data systems etc. If anyone is interested in taking up the vacancy that now exists please contact a current committee member. A big welcome to all our new members!

SENIOR TENNIS EVENTS

A Curry and Tennis Evening at Les Ormes took place in February with 14 members taking part. After a couple of hours of competitive play we retired to the restaurant to enjoy a much needed beer/wine plus a very good curry of ones' choice. Congratulations to the winning teams:
Derek de Sousa / Jane Salt / Jenny Le Cocq
Jan Jackson / Bob Fairhurst

Winter league finished in April and the presentations to winners and runners up were given after the Wimbledon Ballot - it was a good opportunity to make this presentation with a large number of members attending. Well done to all who entered – hope you enjoyed your matches.

Results are as follows:

Ladies Doubles

Division A

Winners: Ann Perry and Lucy Hacker

Runners Up: Jane Salt and Sue Holland

Division B

Winners: Daryl Rimeur and Gill Le Breton

Runners Up: Pam Gillingswater and Rose Fairhurst

Singles

Winner: Derek de Sousa

Runner Up: Hugh Cathcart

External League is now under way. Les Mielles TC has entered two teams – one in each division. The matches are played at Les Mielles, Caesarean TC or Grainville TC every Thursday evening until mid-July. Each team consists of four players (2 men & 2 ladies). Four sets are played in total (Ladies' Doubles, Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles.) Prior to the start of this annual event Club Captain Sue organised three evening sessions of tennis for all those interested in playing for the club. These proved to be most enjoyable and it is possible that further similar evenings may be arranged as the summer progresses.

Summer League

Attached is the entry form for the summer league. Entries will close on June 8th and information on divisions etc. will be sent out soon after that date. Further entry forms are in the club house.

Liz Taylor Tournament (Ladies only) and Peter Lambert Tournaments (Ladies' Doubles/Men's Doubles/Mixed Doubles).

A decision has not yet been made on the format for these events but watch this space! Information for these events will be relayed to you via e-mail and notice in the clubhouse in due course.

American Tournament

Sue will be organising an American Tournament on the afternoon of Saturday June 28th – as near to Independence Day as possible. If you would like to take part in the event please contact Sue on Sue.curran51@gmail.com or phone 855444 or text 07797 712 133. The cost to enter is £3 per person payable on the day: 2pm start.

Billingshurst Tennis Club

We were approached by Billingshurst Tennis Club during the winter to ask whether Les Mielles would like to host a weekend of tennis for approximately eight of their male players. Other clubs in the Island were also approached but we understand that Les Mielles was the only club to respond. We have, of course, accepted and the visit will take place on Saturday and Sunday 5th & 6th July. We are asking our male players to come forward to be considered as a team member for Les Mielles. We may even invite one or two non-Les Mielles men to come along and enjoy some good tennis against a UK team. Please contact Sue if interested.

Club Social Tennis Sessions

These take place on a Sunday mornings from 10am-12.30pm and Wednesday evenings from 6-8pm. The cost is £1 per player, taken only on the Sunday morning session. These funds go towards the cost of supplying good tennis balls for club sessions. Wednesday sessions will only be run from mid-April to mid- September.

Social Event

A bowling evening was organised by Hilary Lambert in April followed by supper. If anyone would like to organise or has a good idea for a social event please contact a committee member. It could take place at the club or "off-site".

We are hoping to organise a summer B-B-Q – these events have always been great fun in the past! It is envisaged that we could arrange this after an appropriate tennis event but we do need the support of all our members to make this successful. Date still to be decided.

JUNIOR TENNIS

The ABN AMRO Les Mielles Junior Tennis Programme continues to thrive with Mini-Red, Orange, Green and Yellow coaching groups led by Club Coach Joel Camp and Faye Camp on Saturdays. New players are always welcome and it's great to see our Juniors progress from Red Ball (8 & under) through to full court tennis. Joel is working in the western primary schools during summer term giving pupils their first taste of tennis.

After eight years of fantastic support Junior Programme Sponsor ABN AMRO have informed us that 2014 will be their final year. This work is vital to keep our sport healthy so if members are aware of any potential sponsors please get in touch?

ABN AMRO Junior Matchplay Competitions take place monthly on Sundays. See the calendar of events at <http://www.lmtc.ie/> and signup sheets outside the club for details. These fun and friendly events are a great chance for juniors at all stages to put their skills into practice. Parents please encourage your children to take part! If you have any questions about participating please ask Joel or contact Gareth Syvret, Junior Liaison.

Aegon Team Tennis Series

Four junior teams are competing in the Aegon Team Tennis Series for the second year: U8s, U9s, U12s and U16 girls. Well done to all our juniors for taking part and cheering each other on representing their club. A special mention to those players taking part for the first time and a big thank you to our Club Coach, Chairman and Team Captains: Lynne Young, Jason Kerr, Victoria Slack and Gareth Syvret for making it happen!



An final congratulations to Xavier Syvret and Luca Benest, Winner and Runner Up in the Grainville Junior Novice Open Tournament U9 age group on 17th May.

WI-FI is now available at the club. The password is on the Notice Board in the clubhouse.

Guests

A gentle reminder to all our members – should you wish to bring a friend to the club for a "hit" of tennis please sign them in the Guest Book and place the sum of £4 in an envelope and post in the red post box outside the clubhouse. No one person can play more than 3 times in one calendar year without being a member.

Feedback

All comments/suggestions are very welcome. Please notify a committee member or place your thoughts in writing in the red post box at the club.

Happy tennis!

Your Committee

LES MIELLES SUMMER LEAGUE

ENTRY FORM

LADIES DOUBLES YES / NO

MENS DOUBLES YES / NO

MIXED DOUBLES YES / NO

SINGLES YES / NO

Your name: _____

Contact Telephone No. _____

E-mail Address _____

British Tennis Membership No. _____

Your Partner

Name: _____

Contact Telephone No _____

E-mail Address _____

British Tennis Membership No. _____

ENTRY FEE IS £7 per person per event

Please complete the form clearly and either:

Post it at the Club

or

Send to Sue Holland, 194 Le Marais, St. Clement, JE2 6GF

ENTRIES CLOSE 8TH JUNE 2014. Entries are only accepted with the correct entry money enclosed. NO FEE NO ENTRY!