

CHELMSFORD AND DISTRICT SUMMER DOUBLES LEAGUE 2018

- Open to all clubs within a 20 mile radius from Chelmsford - we entered 6 junior teams in this league in 2018 which gives valuable matchplay experience to juniors aged between seven and eighteen.
- 56 juniors played in these games.
- All 6 teams ended the season in the top half of their leagues with both the U10 mixed team and U12 and U14 boys teams finishing as runners up in their divisions whilst the u16 girls team won - TROPHY
- We entered both an u12 and u14 girls team but they unfortunately did not have any matches as no other club could raise a team. In light of this we arranged a girls friendly tournament on Sunday 13th May and had a great afternoon with the teams from Grove and Hamptons. A similar situation has arisen this year so we will again either be hosting a girls friendly event or taking a girls squad to Grove.

TEAM TENNIS COUNTY LEAGUE

- Last summer we entered 8 teams into this league – the joint biggest entry from any club in Essex. These matches count towards player ratings, and are a great way of introducing our juniors to singles and doubles competition but within a team environment. The u12 boys and the u16 girls won their leagues whilst the other six teams all completed all their fixtures and enjoyed playing at several new clubs.
- WINTER HAMPTONS LEAGUE – run throughout the district in a similar way to the summer league – we won 3 of the 8 age group divisions from u8 – u18.

The wall of fame is complete!! Mike and I had a conversation at the start of last year saying there were four blanks on the honours board that needed to be filled, and thanks to the hard work of the team players and also the junior team managers, this has now been achieved.

- JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS – once again we ran three round robin events in the U8, U9 and U10 tournaments where every player would play at least four games rather than be involved in a one game knock out match. These matches took place from June - September, and culminated in a wet and windy finals day where the junior members completed their events alongside the senior members.
- JUNIOR MEMBER OF THE YEAR – this trophy was awarded to Annabel Stone for her help at events throughout the year including Junior Finals Day and also umpiring at mini Red tournaments including Team Tennis and the Hamptons league. Annabel has also worked extremely hard on her own game and was a committed member of our victorious u16 girls team.

ADULT COACHING

The four adult coaching groups have continued to thrive during 2018 – Tuesday and Friday morning groups for intermediate/advanced players, a matchplay drills session on Tuesday evenings, and a beginners class on Saturday afternoons during the summer. These sessions have in the main been well attended and will continue to provide members with the opportunity to improve their game.

Children's University

The club has renewed its registration as a Children's University Learning Destination. This is a national scheme which celebrates achievement and participation in learning activities and experiences outside of the normal school day. Children work through attendance and achievement goals before receiving their awards at a local Graduation Ceremony. Two of our junior members attained awards in 2018.

Anglia Ruskin?

