Ipplepen Tennis Club

The club was formed in 1979 with 17 members using the school playground. The first court was opened in August 1983 with money from grants and club fund raising. It had 35 members. In 1994 a 2nd court was built again from grants as well as club finances. Membership 47 family members, 16 adults and 16 children. In 2003 both courts were resurfaced. Membership 37 family members, 16 adults, 3 young adults and 8 children. Since then we have had electricity put onto the courts, this allows floodlighting of the courts up to 9.00pm at night. In 2017 the courts were once more resurfaced with the aid of grants and club funding.

This is a members club with a committee made up of club members to oversee the running of the club and care of the club facilities.

<u>A Plea</u>

Previous committees have provided us with two very nice courts and feel that they have done there part in guiding and supporting the club. Now of course it is a matter of maintenance, but to keep the club going we must keep a committee. The present committee are all prepared to stay but not <u>forever!</u>. We are therefore asking interested parties to please come forward with offers of support and maybe some takeovers in the future. The committee meet at most 4 times a year. It is really essential to keep the club going for ourselves and our youngsters. We have developed a really great asset so please help if and when you can.

British Tennis Membership

Do you have British Tennis Membership? If so your membership will automatically be renewed annually. You will require your British Tennis Membership Number to participate in the Wimbledon Ticket Draw.

To obtain membership just go on line to <u>www.lta.org.uk/membership</u> or Phone 02084 877000 Option 1 and register as a new member. This is free to members of affiliated clubs.

The Club would like to thank all members who "Opted In" for the Wimbledon ballot, this has resulted in nine pairs of tickets being allocated for the club Ballot in 2019. I know that not all members are interested in Wimbledon Tickets but would encourage all members to "Opt In" so as to maximise the number of tickets allocated to the club.

Please see over for Court on-line booking introduced for 2019

Ipplepen Tennis Club Website

Now that our court booking system is online, there is even more reason for members to sign up to our website. The link to follow is:

https://www.globaltennisnetwork.com/network/register/2787-ipplepen-tennis-club

You will be asked to provide a username and a password as well as a few details about yourself. Once registration is complete you will be asked to log in using the details you have just given.

How to book a court

- 1) Once you have logged in, please click on **Reserve a Court** from the banner at the top (menu on the mobile version).
- 2) From the calendar, select the date you wish to play, then click on all the half hour slots you want for the court that you want. You will see what you have selected in a box with the button **Book it**. Click **Book it** when you are ready.
- You will then be presented with a screen asking for a few more details about players etc. (If you want your playing partners to get the confirmation email, you can add their names to the **Other Player(s)** drop down list).
- 4) Click **Submit**, and you will get a confirmation email which is your proof that you are entitled to the court you have booked.

Ladders

The website is specifically designed for tennis club use and supports ladders, leagues and tournaments. If you would like to start a competition of some sort, please ask the Site Admin, **Nick Jordan**, to set it up. For example, for the last two years there has been a Men's Singles Ladder and the results of these can be seen on the **Leagues** section. Ladder rules can be found under the **Pages** section.

Other members

Under the Members tab, you can see a full list of all the local players who have signed up to the site. If you do struggle to find playing partners, this could be a good place to start looking!

Communications

The site is has a very effective method for contacting club members with news and information. These messages will come through to you as emails, but can be picked up in the Messages section, marked \bowtie at the top right of the page.

I hope you enjoy using our site!

Best wishes,

Nick Jordan, Site Administrator

nikolaijordan@yahoo.co.uk

Tele:- 07751 996059