

Campion ltc newsletter

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Season 2010

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ 21 March AGM
- ◆ 1 April Start of Season – Subs due!
- ◆ 11 April Liz Milling Memorial American Tournament
- ◆ 17 April Opening of Season Party
- ◆ 26 April League matches begin
- ◆ 27 April Men's A v Men's B & Ladies B v Ladies C at Campion

Subscriptions have been frozen again -please pay promptly without a reminder!

AGM

The Annual General Meeting will this year take place on: **Sunday 21 March 2010** at the Pavilion commencing at 8.00-p.m. prompt. The agenda for the meeting is to found on the back page of this newsletter

Address Change!

Please note a change of contact address for the Secretary: **Jane Leadbetter** 18 Delamere Road, Ainsdale, Southport PR8 2RD, Tel: 01704 574010, please let us know if you change your address. email: **neil.leadbetter@googlemail.com**

Wimbledon

The club has been allocated **14 pairs of tickets** for the Championships in 2010. The allocation is based on the number of Campion members signed up to British Tennis Membership (BTM). A list will be posted on the club notice board for members to express interest in tickets. To be eligible to receive tickets the LTA stipulates that members must be signed up to BTM.

Membership of BTM is free and details can be found on the LTA website. Current members (automatically carries over year on year) and those that sign up before May 1st will be included in the Campion ballot.

Social News

17 April **Opening of Season Party**

Sit down meal using outside caterers, dancing to follow.
Contact Brian Hovell (924 1545)

Liz Milling Memorial American Tournament

The season will get underway with a **mixed American tournament on Sunday 11 April starting at 1.30pm**. The tournament is open to all standards and is to hoped that as many members as possible will take part. It is a great opportunity to meet and mix with club members. Playing partners are not necessary in an American tournament as players play a few games with each of the participants moving around the courts playing "mini" sets. This is now an annual event as a club season curtain raiser played in memory of a much loved member Liz Milling.

To play members need to enter in advance so that numbers can be gauged. **Ring Dave McDermott** to (931 5456) get your name on the list of players - there is no cost! For players and non players alike there will be an afternoon tea provided—again at no cost.

Seniors League Tennis

Liverpool League:

We currently have four men's and three ladies teams in the Liverpool League. The men have two teams in the top division this year and ladies have a team in the top division. Those teams can be watched and supported on a Tuesday night from 6.30. Players of all standards are encouraged to compete for team places; there will usually be a place somewhere for everyone who wants to play competitive tennis. Home nights for matches are Tuesdays (when six courts will be in use) and Thursdays when it will be six courts one week and three the next). Interestingly the first matches of the season in the Liverpool leagues sees the Men's A play the Men's B team and the Ladies B team play the Ladies C team on the same night Tuesday 27 April. What a way to start the season, book you spectator seat early for fireworks!

Pre- season practice for both men and women will be held at the same time on Tuesdays and Sundays in April starting Tuesday 6th April at 6.30pm **Colin Murthwaite** (924 5277) is the Liverpool League Men's Team Captain and **Sharon Cornwell** (01704 569492) is the Liverpool League Ladies Captain.

Southport League:

We have two Southport League teams which are mixed teams.

The 1st team has been promoted every season since joining the league in the ninth division and is now in Division 1. **Rebecca Mc Dermott** (931 5456) is the 1st Southport League team captain and realistically has the task of keeping the team in the top flight given the standard of play they will be up against. Our 2nd team has been promoted to the 6th Division. **Tim Carey** (924 1224) and **Norman Roberts** (924 1711) will organize matters this term as Ann Gaunt is stepping down. Thanks to Ann for all her efforts in previous years. The teams play at home on alternative Mondays from 6.30/7.00 using four courts.

Monday 26 April is the start date for matches in both Liverpool & Southport leagues.



Southport 1st Team 2009

Southport 2nd Team 2009



Friday Night Club Night & BBQ

Club night open to both seniors and juniors, are planned for every **Friday** night from 7th May until the end of July. There will be a **Junior Club night** from 5.30 -6.30, then at 6.30 – 7.30 the coach will be running **FREE** coaching sessions for **beginner level** players (whether new or recent members or if you are suffering from a rusty racquet!). **Club night for all** will continue after this. Each session will be supervised by Club Coach Ben Saunders. The bar will be open each night and a BBQ (indoors or out will be fired up!)

New Wednesday Junior Club Night

On Wednesday evening Callum Baddeley will supervise another **Junior Club night** from 5.00-6.00. There are no league matches scheduled for Wednesday evenings (although re-arranged fixtures maybe played). The courts will therefore be available for general play that evening.

Club Coach
Ben Saunders



Coaching:

2010 promises to be a great year for Campion LTC and there's more on offer than ever before! Last year saw some big improvements to our coaching programme including Head Coach Ben Saunders receiving the highest coaching qualification. This award has acted as a catalyst for Ben and his team to improve/grow the Mini-tennis fast-track programme known as "Mini-Murrays" and one day hopefully we can have our very own Andy Murray! (Talking of which Andy's mum Judy came to CTC and was very impressed with our club and stars of the future!).

But whether you're a budding Andy Murray or a parent wanting to start tennis again, or a serious team player or you just want to learn the basics, have some fun whilst keeping fit then we've got the coaching for you.

Ben and his team (including Danny McShane and newly qualified Callum Baddeley) are ready to deliver a full coaching programme. They are also able to deliver private lessons (individual/shared lessons) from 30mins to 1hr to suit your need.

Mini Junior / Junior academies for younger children between the ages of 4 and 14 every Saturday at Campion

**Book for the Easter Fun Camp now!
Tuesday 6th / Wednesday 7th / Thursday 8th / Friday 9th**

For more information on any of 2010s coaching - weekly or holiday Fun Camps, please visit www.bensaunderstennis.co.uk or call Ben on 07843 38 43 46

Ben and his team look forward to seeing you on-court soon!

Junior Tennis

Look what is planned in 2010:

Mini tennis & junior academies on Saturdays at Campion (times depend on age / skill level) see www.bensaunderstennis.co.uk

Holiday camps see www.bensaunderstennis.co.uk

Junior club nights on Wednesdays at 5.00pm with Callum (members only no charge)

Junior club nights on Fridays at 5.50pm with Ben (members only no charge)

Junior teams in the Liverpool & Southport leagues

Weekly BBQ for members only

AGM



The Annual General Meeting will this year take place on Sunday 21 March 2010 at the Pavilion commencing at 8.00-p.m. prompt.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 1. Apologies for absence.**
- 2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2009**
- 3. Matters Arising.**
- 4. Correspondence.**
- 5. Reports.**
 - (a) Membership and Secretarial.**
 - (b) Financial.**
 - (c) Bar.**
 - (d) Tennis.**
 - (e) Social**
 - (f) Chairman**
- 6. Election of Executive Committee for 2010/2011**
- 7. Election of Bar Committee for 2010/2011.**
- 8. Any other business.**

200 Club

Contact: **Allan Fairbank (0151 284 7911).**

This important club funds raiser is run by Allan. Please support the club by joining and at the same time you have a chance to win a cash prize. New members are always welcome – only £2 per month and you can pay by standing order!

Visit the Campion Website at:



www.campionltc.co.uk