



# Yarm Tennis Club



Durham & Cleveland **"Club of the Year"** 2016 – for the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive year  
**2017 SEASON**

[www.yarmtc.org.uk](http://www.yarmtc.org.uk)

## Dear Members (present, past & new)

Welcome to the start of the 2017 season (1<sup>st</sup> April).

**This year we continue with the online membership system, run by the LTA Clubspark and GoCardless.**

(Note that you DO NOT need a GoCardless account to use this system)

This will allow most members to pay in 3 monthly instalments (April/May/June)

Please go to <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/yarmtennisclub/Membership/Join> to register and (re)join

## What's on this year (for more details, see over)

### Teams

We will be running 4 Ladies', 6 Men's and 2 Mixed teams, as well as Junior teams at different age groups and entering cup competitions.

Mens (6pm) & Ladies (4:15pm) practice for existing and prospective team players is Sunday evenings, starting 02 April. Please come along if you wish to be considered for one of our teams, or contact Anne Clayton on 07760 198336.

Home matches are played Tue, Wed & Thu evenings from 25 April. 6 courts will be used on match nights (just 3 on Wednesdays) from 6:20pm. See the club's website diary for match details once available.

League website – <http://www.cleveland-league.com/>

### Club Nights & Afternoons

Mon and Wed evenings (from Monday 03 April at 6:30 pm) are organised adult club nights for players of all levels to mix & play doubles with other club members. Wed and Sat mornings are also club times. Please note League matches may sometimes restrict court availability on weekends, especially Sat mornings from 10:15 - 12:30.

### Juniors/Students

Mini Tennis starts Monday 24 April

Junior/Student Tennis (Y3 upwards) starts Friday 28 April

see junior sheet for details.

**Please note – all courts will be used from 4pm onwards.**

Juniors & Students (17 & under) are not eligible for senior tournaments unless specifically invited.

### Great British Tennis Weekend – Sunday May 14

Watch out for information – on website and emails

### Wimbledon Ticket Draw – Mon 03 April, 7pm

To qualify, you must

- be a fully paid up 2016 or 2017 club member
- be an Adult (18+) or Junior (9-17) BTM member
- have your venue(s) linked to your BTM record
- be "Opted-In"

Check your BTM status-venue by logging into your member's area, clicking on 'Manage Account' then 'Membership Status'. An online system is now used after conducting our ballot. Successful BTMs have two weeks in which to purchase tickets so make sure your email and postal addresses are correct and keep checking for notifications from the LTA.

## 2016 Season

We again had a very busy and successful 2016 season, with membership numbers rising (bucking the national trend).

We had winners & runners-up in several categories in the Durham & Cleveland County Tennis & Stockton Sports Awards.

Please see the AGM minutes for details about this and other activities over the year.

### Highlights

- Charity- funds raised for Sport Relief & Bridge House
- Retained "TENNISMARK" status, confirming our excellent facilities and practices in support of tennis
- Membership numbers up, but still must encourage new members to keep the club thriving
- Storage refurbished thanks to [Wilson Drummond Ltd](#)
- Better court maintenance (thanks Andy) with new equipment purchases
- Courts 1-3 repair completed
- Awards
  - Club of the Year
  - Coach of the Year (Anne Clayton)
  - Outstanding Achievement Award (John Schofield)
  - Young Volunteer Award (Faye Edemenson)
  - H&D Thomas Meritorious Award (Richard Farrar)
- New (quality!!) table tennis table
- Great Presentation Night at Eaglescliffe Golf Club
- Excellent Christmas meal at the Crathorne Arms

# Diary Dates for Adults



## Join in our fun events

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>02 Apr</b>	<b>Team/Match practices start</b> - Ladies 4:15, Men 6:00 pm.
<b>Monday</b>	<b>03 Apr</b>	<b>Summer Club Nights start</b> - 6:30 pm. Continuing each Monday & Wednesday
<b>Monday</b>	<b>03 Apr</b>	<b>Wimbledon Ticket Draw</b> - 7 pm. To be eligible you <u>must</u> be a member <u>and</u> be signed up to "British Tennis Membership" <u>and</u> Opted-In <u>and</u> linked to Yarm TC. <b>It's All Free!!!</b> Sign up at <a href="http://www.lta.org.uk/britishtennismembership/">www.lta.org.uk/britishtennismembership/</a>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>24 Apr</b>	<b>Adult beginner/intermediate Coaching</b> starts 7pm - 8pm (and each Monday thereafter) £3 per session, £5 non-members (not on Bank Holiday Mondays)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>01 May</b>	<b>Sally Chambers Memorial Tournament</b> - Mixed Fun Handicap - 10:30 am. BBQ Lunch - £5 (bring your own meat, the rest is provided), enter names on notice board.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>14 May</b>	<b>Great British Tennis Weekend</b> – encourage your friends to come along 10:30 – 3:00pm
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>14 May</b>	<b>Quorn Family Cup</b> 3:30 – 5:30pm - £5/pair - (10U) playing with an adult family member
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>25 June</b>	<b>Adult Mixed "Pre Wimbledon" tournament</b> 2pm. Pooled tea. Entry fee £3
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>25 June</b>	<b>"Summertime Slam" Adult/Junior fun event</b> (details nearer the time)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>30 July</b>	<b>Adult "Summer Handicap" mixed tournament</b> 2pm. Pooled tea. Entry fee £3
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>24 Sep</b>	<b>Adult Mixed Rosebowl Tournament</b> 2pm – Pooled tea, Entry fee £3
<b>May – Sept</b>		<b>Club Championships</b> – Various Open & Seniors events
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>16 Sep</b>	<b>Club Finals Day</b> - For all Juniors & Adults (times will be advised nearer the time) If weather poor – Sun 17 Sept. (MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR FINALS DAY IF ENTERING)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>TBC</b>	<b>Presentation/Social &amp; Buffet Night</b> – Venue/Date/Time TBC
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10 Dec</b>	<b>'Wear Trophy'</b> Adult & junior event (Full Ball). 2pm Pooled tea. Entry fee £3

\*\*\*\*\* (for all tournaments a list will go up in the clubhouse, & emails will be sent out as each event is going to happen) \*\*\*\*\*

### **PLEASE SUPPORT – WE AIM TO MAKE THESE EVENTS SOCIAL & FUN)**

There is a comprehensive diary of events (Adult & Junior competitions, matches, social events etc.) on the website.

Keep yourself informed, and check on likely court usage

#### **Shoe Tags**

As before, members will get tags to be threaded onto the laces/straps of your shoes. These should be hard to lose and will enable easier identification of non-members.

Please wear your tag at all times when playing. This enables us to readily identify members. Lost tags will be replaced at a small charge.

#### **Interested in Squash ?**

Yarm Tennis & Squash Clubs co-operate so that adult players of both racquet sports can join the two clubs for a reduction in fees.

A £30 reduction on the usual adult fee is available when a member of one club joins the other. Please contact the membership secretary if you have an interest in this.

#### **Club Officials**

Club Captain/Membership Sec.  
Martin Williams 01642 791563

Secretary  
Dorothy Seaman 01642 875941

Treasurer  
Tony Li 01642 735838

Junior Organiser/Coach  
Anne Clayton 07760 198336

Visit the website, and see the full diary and much more, at

***www.yarmtc.org.uk***