

## **Seniors Report 2018**

Having earlier this year been invited to provide some input to the club management committee on behalf of the more “mature” members, it now appears that part of my remit is to submit a report on all matters “senior”

### **Competitive**

We entered 2 ladies, 1 mens and 1 mixed team in the 2017/18 winter league

#### **Ladies’**

Many thanks to Mary Merricks for organising both ladies teams and to Midge Wellfair captaining the A team who finished 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 7, the B team finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 8, all achieved battling through wind, rain and snow during extended winter weather. All were very complimentary about playing on the new court surface as it contributed to the durability of their ageing limbs! A squad of some 18 ladies being very enthusiastic and keen to play team tennis is very rewarding and hopefully, as members reach the magic “60”, more will join and enjoy both the social and competitive side of the winter league.

#### **Men’s**

Thanks again to Graham Wellfair for organising the mens team who finished 4<sup>th</sup> out of 7, the highest yet, only behind East Glos A/B and Beckford, thanks to all 8 players who turned out at times in inclement weather.

#### **Mixed**

Thanks to Adrian Potter for organising the mixed, back in the league after dropping out 2016, finishing in 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 6, could have been better if all games had been completed.

All four teams have been entered for the 2018/19 season

### **Roll Ups**

Attendances have been fairly consistent throughout the year with a hard core of around 24 members enduring all kinds of weather to enjoy their social tennis. Not many weeks have gone by when all 4 courts have not been in use.

The sun shone for our annual tournament in July with worthy winners Rosemary Foy and Tony Cowieson, well administered by Judith Cutler and Mary Cowieson (nothing too suspicious there!)

A very enjoyable Christmas mince pie social was held in spite of George’s court maintenance being carried out-we just played less and ate more pies, provided by Wendy and Malcolm Swait.

Thanks to Roger Sweeting for his IT skills again carrying out the role of communications in keeping everyone well informed of court changes and availability etc

Regretfully, I have to end on a sad note and report that dear Dougie Emmott, recently awarded life membership of the club in thanks to his long service of running the weekly roll up sessions, has, due to health reasons had to give up playing. He did so much to welcome and introduce new members over many years and will be sorely missed by us all

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