

# Newsletter

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***As we head towards the close of the 2021-2022 season we have some important upcoming events. The AGM will be taking place on the 10<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm at the Club and we encourage as many members as possible to attend. Relevant papers have been distributed by email, please contact the club if you have not received these.***

***The club's main social event of the year is back! The Rose Bowl will be taking place between 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> June. The weekend combines a BBQ, a dinner on court by candlelight and a weekend of Real Tennis. Please do join us at any or all of the weekends events. We look forward to seeing many members from both NRTC and other clubs in what we expect to be a fantastic weekend of socialising and Real Tennis. Entry forms to be returned no later than 20<sup>th</sup> May.***

## **SIGN UP - SIGN UP - SIGN UP**

**Fixtures for May through June 2022 as currently scheduled are:**

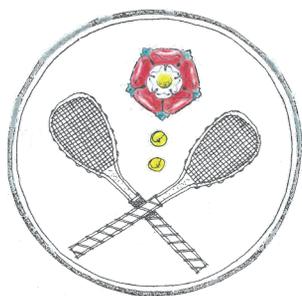
Day	Date	Opponent	Home/Away	Match Manager
<b>May:</b>				
Tuesday	10 May 2022	AGM	Home	
Sunday	15 May 2022	MCC	Home	Jonathan Becher/Andrew Knibbs
Saturday	21 May 2022	Jesmond Dene	Away	Ian Lindsay
Sunday	28/29 May 2022	Hyde	Away	Jeremy Barnett
<b>June:</b>				
Friday	10 June 2022	Rose Bowl	Home	Derrick Wells/Tom Marriott
Saturday	11 June 2022	Rose Bowl	Home	Derrick Wells/Tom Marriott
Sunday	12 June 2022	Rose Bowl	Home	Derrick Wells/Tom Marriott
Saturday	25 June 2022	East Anglia Cup	Away	Ian Lindsay
Sunday	26 June 2022	East Anglia Cup	Away	Bill Mackintosh

## THURLOW CHAMPNESS FINAL 2019-2021

Report from your intrepid reporter in the dedans at the final of the Thurlow Champness Cup at Newmarket Real Tennis Club – 12/04/2022

*What a match! **Ed Turner** wrestled the Club Singles Open Championship back from **Charlie D'Oyly** in a 3 set match that went to the final point. Ed won the first set relatively easily and then being 5-2 up in the second, the dedans were anticipating some early drinks. Charlie then performed a Lazarus-like conversion and started hitting a better length to win the set 6-5. In the last set both continued to play the highest standard of tennis witnessed at Newmarket for some years. They matched each other all the way to the end: 5-5, Deuce, before Charlie hit a return of serve into the net and conceded defeat. Wonderfully competitive match played in the best spirit with a lively dedans – now for the 2021-22 competition!*

**Many congratulations to Ed Turner!**



## THE ROSE BOWL TOURNAMENT 10-12 JUNE 2022

**Three days of Real Tennis with BBQ and On Court Dinner by  
Candlelight**

**The social event of the year!**

We hope you can join us for this great, fun weekend of socialising and exciting tennis!! Entry forms are attached to this email or available in the club.

**Forms to be returned by Friday 20 May 2022 via email  
to: [pros@newmarketrealtennis.club](mailto:pros@newmarketrealtennis.club)**

# Notices

## Membership Recruitment

A warm welcome to our new members **Chris Balmer**, **Edward Mason** and **Chris Swales**. As always if you have any colleagues, family or friends who would be interested in trying out Real Tennis please get in touch with the Pro to organise a taster session.

## Club Website

**George Aretakis** has very generously agreed to takeover managing the club website, with Adrian Thurley passing the baton on in July. Many thanks to George for taking on this vital role for the club. We would like to thank Adrian Thurley for his fantastic job in maintaining the club website over many years.

## Drills, drills, drills....

If anyone would like to arrange a drills session with the Pro or a group lesson please speak to Andrew who will be happy to help organise this.

## Personal development

If you would be interested in a more tailored approach to your Real Tennis progression please speak to Andrew who will be able to set up an individual development record.

NRTC is **YOUR** club. If you have any news you would like included in the newsletter, or suggestions for how to improve your club, please contact the membership secretary or the chairman.

## RECENT RESULTS

**National League Division 7.** Our team comprising Ed Turner, Colin Clifton Brown, Mark Gooden and Tom Marriott played Queens Club on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April, losing 1-2. This was our last NL match of the season.

On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April we played **Hardwick RTC**, Derrick Wells was match manager.

*Mark Elliott, Eric Nutter, Ian Lindsay, Derrick and James Wells successfully defended the Rose Trophy for another year. Hardwick brought a team consisting of Nick Parkinson, Jonathan Gillett, Tim, Dom and Pam Tomalin.*

*Mark Elliott played brilliantly to easily overcome Nick Parkinson, Eric and Ian lost to Tim and Pam 6/10 before lunch.*

*As it was Grand National day we had a sweep stake out of a hat and tested the club's new dining tables which worked very well. James and Derrick Wells just beat Dom Tomalin and Jonathan Gillett 10/9 and Eric and James won 10/7 to secure the trophy.*

*The Grand National was won by Ian Lindsay so the guests left Newmarket again empty handed, but had a good fun day, great lunch and entertainment in good spirits.*

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> April the **Ladies Real Tennis Association** held their annual match at Newmarket winning 6-0. The Newmarket team comprised Philippa Wells, Logan Crawford, Jon Fistein, and Charlie and Rachel Pittaway. Hazel Dunn helped to organise and looked after the catering for the two teams.

The scheduled match due to be played on 3<sup>rd</sup> April at home with **Wellington RTC** was cancelled as they were unable to get a team together. The match scheduled for 8<sup>th</sup> May with **Hampton Court** RTC has been cancelled for the same reason and the **Seacourt match** has been put back to next year to avoid clashing with the Jubilee weekend.