



# BTC TENNIS TIMES

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## Official Opening of our New Artificial Clay Courts - Saturday, 18 June commencing at 2.30pm



**Guests of Honour:** The Mayor and Mayoress of Bromley, Beckenham MP Bob Stewart and three-time former Wimbledon champion Maria Bueno.

**Exhibition Match:** Featuring the current Club Champion, James Oni and past Champion, Gary Le Pla.

**Afternoon Tea:** Served from 4pm with musical accompaniment from 'Brought into Blues' jazz band.

All club members and their families are very welcome to join us.



**PLEASE NOTE** that courts 5 and 6 will be out of action all morning. Court 7 will be available until 1.30pm. There are 2 matches scheduled, one to start at 9.30am, the other to start at 10.30am.

Club play will commence at 1.30pm for those members that would like to start early. Play will be on the grass, and on the acrylic if the 2 matches have finished, Ian Barker will be in charge of balls to start with.

At 2.20pm "Brought into Blues" jazz band will play until the VIPs reach court 5. Also at 2.20pm club play will end for approximately 45 minutes. Please collect up the balls and proceed to court 5 to support the tennis section of your club by watching the exhibition match. Once the match has finished the band will resume playing while the VIPs have their tea. Club play will resume on all surfaces and club tea will be around 4pm.

The 2.30pm new members' class with Tony will start an hour later.

### Handicap Tournament

Entries for the handicap tournament close on Saturday 18 June. Entry forms are on the tennis notice board. Get your entries in **NOW**.

### Tennis Club Hog Roast - Saturday 2 July

The Tennis Club's Hog Roast evening is on Saturday 2 July. Spit Roast, vegetarian alternative, dips and salads plus a mini-bar in the Pavilion. Live band. Tickets are £15, which must be purchased in advance; these are on sale from Liz Sharrock - email [liz.sharrock@hotmail.com](mailto:liz.sharrock@hotmail.com).

We will also be holding our Auction of Promises and Raffle during the evening (see below).

### Auction of Promises and Raffle

On 2 July, we will be doing the Auction of Promises, the proceeds of which will go towards purchasing the 3 drag mats and 3 line sweepers required for the new courts and a tower so that we can service the floodlights ourselves. Thanks to the generous support of our members, the list of promises includes:

- ❖ Weekend of Babysitting
- ❖ 3 x 1 hour sessions of Conversational French
- ❖ 2 x 1 hour tennis lessons
- ❖ 4 Bed/2 Bathroom apartment in Marbella
- ❖ Arsenal Tickets
- ❖ 2 tickets in Corporate Box + food refreshments at ATP Masters @ 02 Sunday November 20
- ❖ Dinner for 8 prepared at your home by Professional Chef
- ❖ 4 x one hour racket- fitness, skills, tactics sessions for individual or pair
- ❖ Swimming Lesson - brush up on your strokes with former National bronze medallist

❖ Large Family Portrait

We will run a raffle alongside the Auction of Promises. Prizes include:

- ❖ Electric Food Steamer
- ❖ M&S Food Hamper
- ❖ 2 bed room cottage in Lerryn Cornwall for 1 week
- ❖ Typical French Dinner for 4 including wine @ Chez Fabian
- ❖ Magnum of Champagne
- ❖ Case of Wine
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- ❖ A session with a personal trainer to the stars
- ❖ 2 Tickets to ATP at 02

Don't forget to purchase your tickets which can be obtained from Sue Thomas, Don Sperring or Liz Sharrock.

### Floodlights

**REMINDER** - Floodlights cannot be switched on until the end of August. This is an agreement we have with our neighbours.

### Court Etiquette??

The Tennis Committee hope you are all enjoying the new clay courts and thank you for dragging and sweeping them after play.

The following notice, which AMB Sports are making for us, will be going up on each clay court as a reminder:

- ❖ Check footwear prior to entering courts to ensure the soles are clean
- ❖ Use the mats provided on entering and leaving the Courts to clean footwear.
- ❖ Wear suitable footwear at all times
- ❖ Courts must be dragged and lines swept by players after every match without fail.
- ❖ Please also remember to hang the drag mats and line sweepers up off the ground after use on the hooks provided.

Also for the acrylic courts - please make sure the squeegees are hung up on the hooks as if they are left sitting on the ground the rubber perishes.

### Tennis Booking Sheets

Tennis booking sheets will not be in operation until September. The following rules apply until September:

- ❖ Matches have preference at all times:
- ❖ Inter-club matches.
- ❖ Club Tournament matches.
- ❖ "Friendly" matches.

### Brian Dodsworth Tournament

Congratulations to Annette for winning the Brian Dodsworth Tournament, closely followed by Richard as runner-up with Tom third.

### Summer Tennis Matches

During May our teams Won 7 matches and also Lost 7 matches.

Don't forget to follow all our teams' results on the Tennis Club website: [www.beckenhamtennisclub.co.uk](http://www.beckenhamtennisclub.co.uk).