## Camvale Tennis Club—2017 Annual Review

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#### **Secretary's Notes**

The Club's 70th year has passed and we look to the future after another enjoyable year at Camvale.

Club membership is still around the 70 mark despite efforts to increase numbers, especially during the daytime. In addition, the Saturday morning coaching sessions are attracting around 28 juniors .... some of which have now joined as members.

Our Great British Tennis "Open Day" in May proved to be popular as did our attendance at the Paulton in the Park community event—retaining our profile is an important part of gaining new members. On court there was the usual mix of tournaments, club sessions as well as league tennis. Once again the fun charity event was based on fancy dress with some interesting sights! And, off court there was a skittles evening and, for several members, the opportunity to attend the Wimbledon Tennis Championships via the Club Ballot.

I'm also delighted to announce that for 2017/18 the Club has met the LTA's "TennisMark" status once again.

Special thanks to all of the management committee, who volunteer their time to ensure the Club functions as well as it does ...... helping to organise and plan events; the cleaning and maintenance of the Clubhouse; maintaining the shrubs/grass areas; baking cakes, etc.; ensuring a safe environment; and managing the finances and membership. In no particular order, a thank you to Jenny, Marie, Sally, Shelley, Brian, Gary, Hugh, John, Mark and Ryan.

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#### On the Social side......



Well we made it—yes, Camvale celebrated its 70th Anniversary with many members attending the celebratory dinner at Cameley Lodge and, thanks to Brian for reminiscing the decades of history from 19 May, 1947 to the present. A great evening of fun, laughter ...... and song!!!!

In addition, the Annual Club Dinner was held, this time at The George in Gurney Slade with a serving of much laughter.

Club Nights have been popular once again, whilst this year's Charity Events, fancy dress tennis and skittles, raised £100 for Paulton's "Double Hills Commemoration" fund.

My special thanks to everyone who has contributed to a fun packed year...... let's do it again, but better!

## Shelley

### **Deserved Recognition for Hugh**



At the 70th Anniversary Dinner **Hugh Weeks** was presented with the **2016 Avon LTA Outstanding Achievement Award** for his services to tennis over many years as an active member of Clifton, Knowle, the Avon League Committee and now most recently, Camvale. Congratulations Hugh, well deserved.

#### **2017 Club Competition Winners**

#### **Ladies Doubles:**

- Tania Walker & Marie Bruckshaw

#### Men's Doubles:

- Ryan Harris & Kyran Rotheram

#### **Mixed Doubles:**

- Jade Ogden & Ryan Harris

#### 40+ Mixed Doubles:

- Marie Bruckshaw & Alistair Lucas

#### **Ladies Singles:**

- Emily Kitchener

#### Men's Singles:

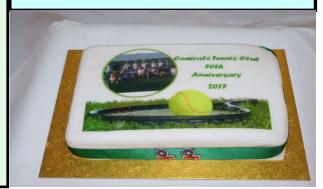
- Ryan Harris

#### Waddington Cup (Junior Members):

- David Price

#### Road to Wimbledon (14 and under):

- Rio Bryant







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#### **Club Captains' Report**

Congratulations to the Men's 2nd team who won the Avon Summer League Division 9C by a clear 13 points and also to the Ladies who consolidated their position after two consecutive years of promotion. The Men's 1st team also had a great year finishing runners-up to David Lloyd (Westbury) in Division 5A.

In case you are wondering, this year we decided not to enter the Winter Mixed League (giving us all a rest).

However our warmest thanks to the 21 players who represented the Club, including the 4 juniors, all gained valuable experience. The leagues provide a great opportunity to play against other clubs so if you would like to represent Camvale and be part of one of the teams then just let us know.

## Marie & Gary

PS: After successfully leading the Ladies team for 3 years Marie has decided to step down as Ladies Captain—our sincere thanks to Marie for doing such a wonderful job.

#### Our Club Coach says.....

Another successful year of coaching ranging from the "tots" to those with a little more experience of life.

Once again Ian and I were chosen to deliver the LTA's "Tennis for Kids" programme and as a consequence we delivered 2 six week free courses to 20 children aged 5 to 8 who had never played tennis before..... each one receiving a free racket, certificate and stickers.

The Easter & Summer Junior Tennis Camps were once again well attended. This is a great advert for the Club and my thanks to the coaching team for their continued success.

Many of those who attended one of the above for the first time also started to attend the Junior "Pay & Play" coaching on a Saturday morning where we continued to have enjoyable and fun packed sessions.

Adult coaching continues on a Friday morning but it would be good to see a few more attend.

Finally, my thanks to the Coaching team, Ian, Mark and Ryan all helping to keep the juniors enjoying and improving their tennis.

## Brian

#### Avon LTA League Round-Up

\* 2016/17 Winter

Mixed Div 4D = 3rd

\* 2017 Summer Leagues

Ladies Div 5B = 4th
Men's (1) Div 5A = 2nd
Men's (2) Div 9C = 1st
Mixed Div 2B = 4th

**Below**— Finalists in this year's "Waddington Memorial" Junior Tournament.

Isaac, David (Winner), Ben and Will



**2017 Ladies Doubles Winners** 

- Tania and Marie



**2017 Mixed Doubles Winners** 

- Jade and Ryan

# Not just balls being served!

At the 2017 Wimbledon Championships:



- 166,000 servings(34,000kg) of strawberries
- 86,000 ice creams sold
  - 320,000 glasses of Pimms



