



Social News



We've had such wonderful weather in September that it's hard to mention the word Christmas but we just want to remind you that this year, due to the planned clubhouse renovation, our Christmas Dinner will be held at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club on Thursday 15th December. We will be able to accommodate up to 100 people at tables of 8 to 10. More details will follow later this month.

After many years of keeping the flower beds around the clubhouse looking beautiful Karin Townson has decided it's time to hang up her trowel and secateurs. Gill Lloyd has agreed to take on this task and if anybody would like to help Gill out on an ad hoc basis please let her know. Thank you Karin and Rowley for all your hard work.

Volunteers

In fact a great big 'thank you' goes to all members who volunteer to help the club run so well be it through organising the tennis and croquet mix-ins, helping behind the bar and in the kitchen, or maintaining the grounds. If you think you could help out in any way then please do contact a member of the Management Committee.

Clubhouse Extension

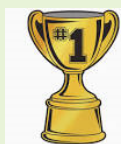
We expect to have received quotations from all the builders that we approached with regard to completing the extension for us by the first weekend of October. Once these have been evaluated and a builder appointed we will be able to update you on timescales with regard to the start and anticipated completion date of the work.

Croquet News

A busy September on the croquet lawns saw the club host the Treasurer's Tankard featuring 8 of the top 32 Association Croquet players in the country. Following swiftly on from that we hosted the All England Handicap GC Final over the weekend of the 17th/18th September. This competition was dedicated to the memory of Richard Harris, a twice past winner and member of Ryde Lawn, who died earlier this year. Pam and John Sim represented the club with our Croquet Chairman, Pam, claiming a fantastic second place finish. Well done Pam.



Tennis News



Congratulations to everybody who participated in the Portsmouth and District League matches this year. Another very successful year for RLTCC!! A full list of our successes can be found on the Portsmouth LTA website www.portsmouthlta.info but special mention goes to the Masters 1st team who came first in the Masters Division 1 category, to Ladies 2 and Ladies 3 who won their respective divisions and the Mixed 1 team who took honours in the Mixed Division 1.

Upcoming Events



We will be holding two American Tournaments in October. The first will be on Thursday 20th October and the second will be on Monday 31st October when you are encouraged to wear appropriate Halloween-themed fancy dress. Sign up sheets will be available outside the clubhouse.



Useful contact numbers

- Tennis Head Coach:**
David Fothergill 07703 891266
- Adult Tennis Co-ordinator:**
Carrie Bateman 07855 796569
- Junior Tennis Co-ordinator:**
Melissa O'Riain 07786 486290
- Croquet coaching:**
Pam Sim 07710 978587
- Chess Club:** Philip Kennerley
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Membership Cards

Please remember to collect your membership cards from the box in the clubhouse once you've paid your fees.