

Longstanton Tennis Club

The 2012 season got off to a good start in April with the St Georges Fun Day organised by the Friends of All Saints Church. The weather was good, the courts were busy and we even managed to raise some funds for the church. In June we had our own Summer Fun Day Tournament to coincide with the men's finals at Wimbledon.

That will be a day that those who attended may never forget. The rain was torrential and I think we managed 20 minutes of play before abandoning the courts and rushing to the Pavilion for shelter.

The weather continued to play havoc throughout the summer with the fixtures for both the men's doubles and mixed doubles matches in the Business House League.

2012 was another positive, healthy year for the club with a thriving membership of 47 Adults and 18 Juniors.

In August we were saddened to hear the news about Jake Benton a well-liked member of the club who died in an accident while on holiday with his family in Spain. The memorial bench that sits on Court No.2 was kindly donated by Jakes' mum Jackie.

After much hard work by the Parish Council, trying to untangle the mess left by the previous administration it was great to see the Pavilion open in November under new management.

Mike has the full support of the various sports clubs including the tennis club and we are sure that we can now all work together for the benefit of the clubs and the village community as a whole.

We have four regular club sessions, Tuesday & Friday evening from 6pm, Saturday at 2pm and Sunday morning at 11am. These were again well attended, especially during the winter thanks to the floodlights .

We plan to introduce a Ladies evening, family sessions and junior coaching this season, to really encourage everyone to play.

Everyone is welcome to come along and play tennis so please feel free to contact any member of the tennis committee for further details.