

REPORT ON ORFORD TENNIS COURTS APRIL 2021

The year was very strange from the point of view of the Lockdowns.

The courts were closed immediately the March 2020 lockdown was declared. Singles tennis was allowed again in June and many of the regular players took advantage of this. Also at the end of June both the courts were cleaned and treated with weed killer and moss inhibitor. It is very important that this treatment is carried out annually. I had hoped that we would begin to organise the resurfacing of the multi-court this year. But again with the long lockdown from January to beginning of April, this will probably now have to be delayed until next year as a good deal of fundraising is required. The surface of this court is very cracked and has some mini potholes in parts.

Sadly the tags put on the courts were cut and the sign explaining why the courts were closed was removed sometime in February. Once this was discovered and they were again sealed up, this did not happen again.

I hope that the school children will get tennis coaching sometime this term. Last year one of the parents hired a coach from Saxmundham tennis Club and organised regular classes after school which many of the children took advantage of.

Hopefully if the Flower Show is able to carry on in August, we will be able to have tournaments again for the cups.

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