



Sutton Churches Tennis Club
FLOODLIGHTS GRAND OPENING – FUN DAY

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Sutton Churches Tennis Club celebrates new floodlights and refurbishment of all-weather courts with action packed fun day on Sunday 27 October 2002

Sutton Churches Tennis Club will be holding a fun day on Sunday 27 October 2002 to celebrate the instalment of their new floodlights and refurbishment of their all-weather courts and invites the public to come and try out tennis **FREE**.

Background Information:-

SCTC is a friendly, non-profit tennis club run voluntarily by members for members with a **Tennis For All** policy. It is well known for its unique informal, non-stuffy atmosphere and does not enforce white clothing rules etc. It is “beginner friendly” with free coaching for new members.

It has taken ten years for the club to obtain planning permission and save enough money for floodlights on two courts and the refurbishing of three. Due to a highly discounted scheme proposed by one of its new members SCTC was finally able to erect the lights in April this year and in August the courts were refurbished. The members are very proud of the club’s achievements.

The Fun Day

There will be sample tennis coaching and use of a ball machine under the supervision of the club’s head tennis coach, Adrian King-Owen. He will also be organizing Target Tennis competitions with prizes sponsored by Fischer. An American Tournament, for players of all abilities will kick off at midday with prizes sponsored by Edwards Electrical. A bouncy castle, trampoline and table tennis will also be available for the kids to enjoy. In addition to this there will be afternoon teas, a raffle, a BBQ and the grand finalé will be a Large Fireworks Display at around 6:30pm sponsored by KBR Azeri Project. Admission to the event and fireworks is completely FREE with a charge of just £3 for the BBQ and £5 for entry into the American Tennis Tournament (which includes BBQ).

Special guest, **Ron Presley, OBE**, President of Surrey LTA (Lawn Tennis Association) will be officially switching on the floodlights at 5pm. The tournament finals will then be played under the lights and Ron Presley will present the trophies.

The club is keen for the members of the local community to come and enjoy the fun day and perhaps try out some of the sample tennis coaching, so that it can continue to build upon the foundations it has set in place as being a “beginner friendly” club. The club continues to offer FREE introductory coaching sessions in order to help boost the confidence of people new to tennis and to attract new members.

With plenty going on to appeal to all, the club looks forward to welcoming visitors, with the fun starting at midday. The club can be found on Gander Green lane, between house numbers 97 & 101, but cannot be seen from the road. The club is located at the end of the lane between these houses. For further information on the club or the fun day: visit www.ClubTennis.co.uk or contact Joanne on 020 8642 8672.

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Notes to Editors:

- **Please call Joanne Shovelton on 020 8642 8672 if you would like to send a reporter, photographer or crew along to the club on Sunday 27th October.**
- **There is an opportunity to sponsor future events at the club. Please call Joanne Shovelton on 020 8642 8672.**
- **The club itself cannot be seen from the road as it is situated behind the houses. For access please follow the lane between house numbers 97 & 101. You will find the club courts and car park at the end of this lane.**

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