

Partnership Proposal For Four Marks Parish Council

Introduction

I started Absolute Tennis back in 2010 at The Mountbatten School, Romsey with 40 children. Over the years participation has grown to an average of 350 juniors and adults playing at least once a week. Over this time, we have acquired Knightwood Leisure Centre as another venue to offer classes including running disability sessions. A big part of this healthy participation growth is through having good relationships with local schools and community centres.

Absolute Tennis successfully ran a summer camp over the holidays. The feedback from parents was really positive and we have been asked if there is going to be more coaching in the near future.

Jo Tsigarides and I have been discussing the vision to start tennis classes at the tennis courts at Four Marks Recreation Ground. I see huge potential in the site and know, by my previous experience in building tennis programs, that we could make a huge success at the recreation ground.

Despite the potential in the site, starting a program 'from scratch' does take time to build. I am requesting that the parish council are able to offer Absolute Tennis preferential rates for an agreed period of time to help grow numbers. When we started back in 2010 we were lucky enough to receive school funding to support the program till it was 'self funding'. We understand it's unlikely there is funding available from the Parish but ask for the following allowances;

- Court rate of £3 per court per hour
- Ability to cancel bookings with no charge when the weather isn't suitable for play / client cancel
- Exclusivity of coaching at the courts
- Review of this agreement 6 months after our start date

Our vision is to start junior classes in term time along with running holiday camps. Currently, I am looking to build my coaching team and currently interviewing for a new coach who will start with immediate effect. Both myself and my Head Coach Jeremy also intend on running classes on the courts too.

If any member of the committee would like to discuss our potential partnership, my number is 07801 056905 or I can be contacted by email martin@absolutetennis.co.uk

Regards,

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