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Prizes

The Champion Club will receive *The Millennium Cup* perpetual trophy which it may keep for one year or until such time as the event is contested again.

Code of Conduct

The Competition will be played in accordance with the Surrey County LTA Rules and the LTA Code of Conduct and the Rules of Tennis issued by the ITF.

Constitution

The Organsing Committee shall be responsible for the drawing up of a suitable Constitution and Rules for the future management of The Millennium Cup competition following completion of the inaugural pilot scheme.

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Balls

4 tennis balls will be provided for each match.

Officiating

Each participating club is to provide a team of court officials comprised of one chair umpire and four lines people to attend each tie, whether at home or away.

The two officiating teams are to mix up and work together to cover three feature matches as directed by the Referee. Woodfield Grove Tennis Club has an umpire's chair available for loan to each tie as may be required.

Feature Matches

The two Captains will decide together and inform the Referee which three matches are the best of the tie (one from each round) so that these may be featured one after the other for the enjoyment of the spectators and these are the matches to be umpired.

Results

The number of sets won at each tie will be recorded against each team playing in the round robin (or league).

The two teams winning the most points will contest the final.

In the event of a tie in sets, the number of games won will determine the league re-

LEAGUE TABLE	Woodfield Grove	Wigmore LTC	Telford Park LTC	TOTAL POINTS
Telford Park LTC	9	3		12
Wigmore LTC			6	
Woodfield Grove			0	

sults.

Final

The Final tie will be held on Saturday 22nd September 2001 between the two teams with the most points in the league competition. The club that did not host the previ-

Order of Play

The Tournament Committee has determined the dates for each tie in the 2001 competition, in consultation with the Tournament Director.

These are as follows: -

<u>2001 DRAW</u>	Saturday 19 May 2001	Saturday 2 June 2001	Saturday 28 July 2001
<u>Telford Park LTC</u>	Wigmore LTC	Woodfield Grove TC	
<u>versus</u>	(at Telford)	(at Woodfield Grove)	
<u>Wigmore LTC</u>	Telford Park LTC		Woodfield Grove TC
<u>versus</u>	(at Telford)		(at Wigmore)
<u>Woodfield Grove TC</u>		Telford Park LTC	Wigmore LTC
<u>versus</u>		(at Woodfield Grove)	(at Wigmore)

Each tie will consist of 9 matches played in three or three rounds (courts permitting), namely: -

First Round	16 & Under Boy's Singles
	40 & Over Women's Singles
	Men's Singles (no age restriction)
Second Round	16 & Under Girl's Singles
	45 and Over Men's Singles
	Women's Singles (no age restriction)
Third Round	Men's Doubles
	Women's Doubles

Mixed Doubles

The third round of doubles matches may be played in any combination of the players that the captain designates, including any available remaining squad players.

Matches

All matches will be the best of three sets with the tiebreak operating in all three sets at 6 games all.

A point will be scored for each set won and the team with most points at the end of the tie deemed the winner of that tie.

In the event of an overall tie in sets, the maximum number of games won will determine the winning team.

Rules of The Millennium Cup

Name and Objectives

The name of the competition is The Millennium Cup, a friendly inter-club competition between the tennis clubs located in the general area of Streatham within the London Borough of Lambeth.

Its objects are to:

- Foster goodwill between participating clubs;
- Provide opportunity for the promotion of new activities within each club for the involvement of club members and the training of volunteers;
- Increase interest in the local clubs and encourage participation in the game of tennis by the wider community; and
- Set a framework for the future running of the competition to promulgate these aims.

Eligibility

The six tennis clubs eligible to compete in the competition are: -

<u>Grafton Lawn Tennis Club</u> 70a Thornton Road, SW12 0LF	8 courts: 4 macadam, 4 shale (1 Floodlit) 020 8671 8364
Norbury Park Lawn Tennis Club	8 Courts: 4 macadam, 4 grass
Ederline Avenue, SW16 4RY	010 8764 8918
Telford Park Lawn Tennis Club	5 courts: 5 macadam (2 Floodlit)
35a Killieser Avenue, SW2	020 8674 0463
<u>West Norwood</u> Knights Hill, SE23	4 courts: 4 macadam 020 8513 2191
Woodfield Grove Tennis Club	4 courts: 3 cushioned acrylic, 1 hard (4 Floodlit)
9 Woodfield Grove, SW16 1LR	020 8769 3871
Wigmore Lawn Tennis Club	8 courts: 5 macadam, 3 artificial grass (7 Floodlit)
43 Becmead Avenue, SW161UJ	020 8673 1730

Other clubs may apply to the Tournament Committee for entry in the following year providing they are located within easy reach of Streatham and in the Borough of Lambeth.

Sanction

Providing the competition continues, then sanction from the Surrey County Lawn Tennis Association and the Lawn Tennis Association will be explored.

Timing

The Millennium Cup competition will be played between the 1^{st} May and 30^{th} September 2001.

ties are played at the weekends, the idea being that club members are encouraged to attend to watch in support of their teams, whether they are playing at home or away.

Management

Responsibility for the running of the competition lies with the Organising Committee, comprised of representatives from each of the participating clubs. The following members serve on the inaugural 2001 Millennium Cup Organising Committee: -

Reg Behling, Woodfield Grove Tennis Club Christelle Bourgois, Woodfield Grove Tennis Club Kerry Brotherwood, Wigmore Lawn Tennis Club Sue Goligher, Secretary, Wigmore Lawn Tennis Club Derek Hanby, Telford Park Lawn Tennis Club Stella Jack, Telford Park LTC Rod Parker, Telford Park LTC Barbara Wancke, Tournament Director and Chairman (Tennis Interlink

Ltd)

Plus the Referee and Assistant Referee of the Competition

The Tournament Director will manage the event under these rules and guidelines established by the Tournament Committee.

Entries

The deadline for confirmation of club entries is 31st March 2001 and the three clubs accepted for the 2001 competition are Telford Park Lawn Tennis Club, Wigmore Lawn Tennis Club and Woodfield Grove Tennis Club.

Dates

The competition will be held in May, June and July with the finals to be staged during September.

The month of October is held in reserve in the event of inclement weather or other logistical scheduling problems.

Format, the Draw and Home Ties

There will be a total of 4 ties, 3 of which will be played within a league on a round robin basis, followed by a final between the two top teams in the league.

The Tournament Committee conducted the draw on Monday 19 March 2001 to determine which teams will play on which weekends and the following ties were agreed: -

Saturday 19 May Wigmore LTC v. Telford Park LTC (at Telford)

Saturday 2 June	Telford Park LTC v. WGTC (at Woodfield Grove)	
Saturday 28 July	WGTC v, Wigmore LTC (at Wigmore)	
Saturday 22 September Finals – TBA		

The Organising Committee has designated which clubs will play at home for logistical reasons. In future lot will draw the teams playing at home.

Referee

A Referee and an Assistant Referee will be appointed by the Tournament Committee to oversee the competition, one of who will be in attendance at each tie.

For the purposes of the 2001 competition the Official Referee shall be Arthur Ankrah, while the Assistant Referee shall be Peter Risdon.

Squad Nominations

Each club will nominate a squad of up to 12 players by 24th April, from which its team is to be selected for each tie, all of who must be bona fide members of the club they are representing. They may not be players currently competing in the club's first teams (or equivalent).

In the event of a club being unable to designate players within a certain age category, players may be seconded from one of the other participating clubs providing the players concerned only compete in the competition for the club to which they have been seconded for the duration of the competition.

A non-playing Captain may be nominated in addition to the squad of 12 players if required.

Teams

Each Captain shall nominate a team of players from their squads to compete in the following events: -

One boy and one girl aged 16 & Under One man aged 45 & Over

One woman aged

40 & Over

One man and one

woman of any age

The captains must nominate the players from his or her squad to compete in the next tie to the on site Referee or Assistant Referee up to one hour prior to the start of the first match of that tie.

Tie Arrangements

The home team is responsible for the tie arrangements. Matches will be played in three rounds of three matches, starting at 10.30 am.