



Tennis History Conference Programme

Date: Monday 12 November 2018

Venue: Courtside, AELTC

09:30 Registration and Coffee

10:00 – Session 1

- 1. Introduction – 150 Years of the AELTC**
Ian Hewitt, Tennis Historian and Chairman, Museum Sub-Committee, AELTC
- 2. The Birth of Lawn Tennis**
Bob Everitt in conversation with John Barrett about his new book, co-authored by Richard Hillway

11:00 - Coffee

11:15 – Session 2

- 1. The Fight for Lawn Tennis Dominance at the Turn of the 20th Century: A Tale of Two Cities**
Dr Simon Eaves, Manchester Metropolitan University
- 2. Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Museum and Learning Programme**
Anna Spender, Collections Manager and Ben Swann, Learning Manager

12:30 – Lunch and optional tours of Grounds, Museum and Library

14:00 – Session 3

- 1. ‘Carry On!’ The Wimbledon Library and the Legacy of Alan Little**
Robert McNicol, Librarian, Kenneth Ritchie Wimbledon Library
- 2. Don’t Throw Out Those Dusty Tournament Programmes: Tennis Archives are Important**
Jane Brown Grimes, University of Cambridge

15:00 – Coffee

15:15 – Session 4

- 1. Reflections on Milestone Developments in Wimbledon History Under the Perspective of the Systems Theory in Social Sciences**
Dr Ingo Koester, University of Siegen, Germany
- 2. Tennis as a Pop Culture Phenomenon**
Ben Chatfield, author of Standing in Line: 30 Years of Obsessive Queuing at Wimbledon

16:15-16:30 – Closing Remarks and End of Conference