

Perran Tennis

Court Use and Etiquette

We aim to be a friendly club and welcome players of all ages and abilities. We promote tennis throughout the year for all age groups through social play, internal competition, league matches and professional coaching. We expect high standards of sportsmanship and courtesy towards other members and visitors.

General Rules

Members guests and visitors are reminded that they have a responsibility for their own safety and that of others when using the Club's facilities. Play is not allowed on the grass courts in wet conditions and the hard courts can be slippery when wet. Members guests and visitors must comply with signs restricting court use.

Drinks are not allowed on court unless in (preferably reusable) plastic bottles or containers.

Rubbish must be disposed of in bins provided or taken home.

Smoking is not permitted within club boundaries.

No chairs or benches may be brought onto the courts or hard-court surrounds.

Only tennis shoes/trainers with non-marking soles may be worn on court.

Well-behaved dogs are welcome but if a dog causes a nuisance its owner will be asked to remove it.

Membership Rules

Current year shoe tags indicate that the membership subscription has been paid. They must be worn at all times as the Club needs to be able to distinguish between members and visitors.

Court gate and clubhouse combination codes are changed frequently to keep the premises secure. Members should not pass on codes to friends or associates.

A member may bring a guest on not more than two occasions, paying a fee of £2 each time.

Court Use

The hard courts are for the use of members only. Subject to that provision and the rules below, Courts are available for members, and visitors who have paid the hourly charge, on a first come, first served basis. There is no booking system, and no rule conferring priority for members over visitors, or adults over juniors. This use is referred to below as 'casual play'.

League matches

League matches take priority over casual play. The programme of League matches is posted on the Club's website and displayed on the Club notice-board. When courts are being used for League matches members and visitors must comply with signs indicating where other play may take place.

Professional Coaching

Professional Coaching sessions authorised by the Club take priority over casual play. A timetable of coaching sessions is published on the Club's website and displayed on the Club notice-board.

Organised Play

The expression Organised Play refers to all sessions recognised by the Club Committee as official Club sessions.

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All adult members are invited to join in Organised Play. We welcome players of all ages and abilities. Juniors who have reached a certain standard of play and who have been invited by the Club coach are also eligible.

Organised Play is led by an official Organiser authorised by the Committee.

Participants in Organised Play must follow the directions of the Organiser as to duration of matches, pairings and other conditions of play.

When the courts are busy participants are encouraged to mix and mingle so as to give everyone the opportunity to play as much as possible

Casual Play

When players are waiting to play as all courts are in use, players on court must come off court after an hour's play

Issues arising from these rules should be referred to the Club's Committee via the Club website.