

## KILMACOLM LAWN TENNIS CLUB

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### COURT BOOKINGS

Please book courts in advance using the mobile app "Clubspark Booker". You will need an LTA login for this which is free for all members. [Join Advantage | Tennis Membership Benefits | LTA](#) or <https://www.lta.org.uk/advantage>  
LTA membership offers free entry into the Club Wimbledon Ballot.

### PLAYING GUESTS

Please register any guests by emailing [kilmacolmtc@gmail.com](mailto:kilmacolmtc@gmail.com) and [adrianstirrup@btinternet.com](mailto:adrianstirrup@btinternet.com) giving the names of the guests and the date they will be playing. The cost for each guest is £3 per visit. Members may introduce a guest to the club up to 4 times in a year – no guest may play more than 4 days in a year. Members may introduce a maximum of 12 guests per year. Members must be 10 or over before they can sign a guest into the club. Payment should be made at the time of court booking to the Club Account - Bank Sort Code 82-61-11, Account No. 60022963.

### COACHING

Contact Melissa Stewart 07788 414172  
[melissastewart.tennis@gmail.com](mailto:melissastewart.tennis@gmail.com)

### KEYS FOR COURT & CLUBHOUSE

can be obtained from Jackie Hammond  
[jackie@worldteachers.net](mailto:jackie@worldteachers.net)  
They are currently £20.

### SOCIAL TENNIS

Social Tennis is an ideal way of meeting more members. It operates on a turn-up and play for free basis with all standards of player welcome. Contact [kilmacolmtc@gmail.com](mailto:kilmacolmtc@gmail.com) for details.

### SOCIAL TENNIS (SENIOR MEMBERS)

Wednesdays 7.00PM April to October  
Saturdays 2.00PM–5.00PM

### SUPER LEAGUES

The Super Leagues (comprising several teams of 2 men and 2 women) take place during the Spring and Autumn. Played weekday evenings, these are open to senior members of all standards and also to junior team members. Please look out for an email a couple of weeks prior, or contact [kilmacolmtc@gmail.com](mailto:kilmacolmtc@gmail.com)

Rulebook

All members are requested to adhere to the Club rules so as to ensure the smooth and safe running of the Club.

### Behaviour at the Club

Members must show consideration for one another. Profane or abusive language will not be tolerated.

The use of tennis rackets and balls outside of the playing area is forbidden. Tennis balls should not be hit against the clubhouse, particularly against the wall inside the mini tennis court.

Animals are not permitted in the Clubhouse, with the exception of Guide Dogs. Pets brought into the grounds must be kept on a lead.

Smoking is not permitted in the Clubhouse, Grounds or on the Courts.

Members and Guests must adhere to all posted signs.

No placard or notice shall be placed on the walls of the Clubhouse, inside or outside, or otherwise publicly displayed, except by the authority of the Committee or the Secretary.

Members should preferably park their cars on the opposite side of Castlehill Road, as seen from the Clubhouse.

No coaching is allowed by anyone, other than the Club Coach, unless previously authorised by them. Members must not attempt to clear snow or ice from the courts. Salt or chemicals must not be used to accelerate thawing. Any maintenance work should only be undertaken under the supervision of the Club Maintenance Officer or a designated Committee Member.

Only the salt in the bin provided should be used to grit the path when icy.

Vandalism, defacing, or any other wilful damage to the courts, the Clubhouse, lights, or any ancillary equipment can result in immediate termination of membership.

Parents are responsible for their children's behaviour at all times during visits to the Club.

The Committee can give Advanced Juniors senior playing rights acting on advice from the Club Coach. A list of Advanced Juniors will be displayed on the Notice Board.

Behaviour on Court

Appropriate sport shoes designed for tennis, suitable for artificial grass, must be worn on court to protect the grass surface. Studded or spiked shoes are not appropriate footwear. Shoes must be non-marking.

It is recommended recognised tennis wear be worn on court for the comfort of the individual. Football strips are strictly prohibited.

Players must offer to vacate courts promptly at the end of their allotted time, regardless of score, if the court has been booked by other members.

Prams, buggies and spectators are not permitted on the courts.

Members MUST NOT:

Smoke on court

Dispose of chewing gum on court

Litter the courts

Take fizzy drinks on court.

Only water, or juice in a sealed container, is allowed on the courts.

In the interest of safety, do not walk behind players playing on other courts, either to retrieve tennis balls or to enter the courts. If you need to retrieve tennis balls whilst play is under way, wait until the rally is finished before walking onto another court.

The Committee has the right to close the courts for whatever reasons, or on any occasion, as they see fit.

When, during matches, one or two courts become available, these courts can be used for social play. If members exercise this right, care must be taken to ensure that there is as little interference as possible with the ongoing match/matches. The Captains will inform the visiting team of this rule.

### **Court Booking**

The Committee has the right to pre-book court time for coaching, tournaments, matches, and social tennis activities.

The Coach has the right to book a court more than one week in advance. When booking, the Coach must consider their timing to lessen the impact on members not taking part in the coaching.

The mini tennis court can be used at all times, except when a match involving all 3 other courts is in progress.

If a member needs to cancel a booking, the member must do so at the earliest convenience as a courtesy to other members.

### **Floodlit Play**

The period of floodlit play will be ½ hour per token. On placing the token in the meter at the beginning of floodlit play there is a short delay before the lights reach full strength. 1 token gives ½ hour of play, 2 tokens 1 hour.

If playing under floodlit conditions and you wish play to continue at the end of the current period, and provided no one else is waiting. A warning light will come on at each court 5 minutes before the time is up.

At 10pm all floodlights will be shut down and cannot be operated after this time, due to Planning Regulations.

Tokens can be purchased from:

Blackwoods Butchers (open Mon - Fri 9am-5pm, Sat 9am-1pm except lunchtimes 1-2.15pm)

Cork & Keg (open Tues,Wed,Sun till 8pm, Thurs till 10.30pm, Fri, Sat till 11.30pm)

Tokens are £1 each and tokens used for external matches will be reimbursed.

### **Behaviour in the Clubhouse**

The Clubhouse toilets, changing rooms, lounge and kitchen must always be maintained in a clean and tidy condition .

Wash hand basin and showers should be washed down after use and left in the condition in which they would want to be found. Water spilled on the floor should be wiped and dried.

Doormats are provided to clean feet on entry to the Clubhouse. Liquids spilled on the floor or chairs must be cleaned immediately.

### **Security**

Entry to the Club grounds will be via the main entrance, which will be locked when there are no members present.

Members, 16 years and older, can apply for a Master key which will open grounds, courts and Clubhouse. Please turn the key three times to properly lock the clubhouse door.

Members under 16 years of age can gain access to the grounds and courts at any time (between 0900hrs-2200hrs) with a Courts/Grounds key.

**On leaving the grounds please ensure the Clubhouse and unused courts are locked or check that someone who is still playing has a key to lock them, not everyone has a key!**

Parents who are not themselves members, but whose children are junior members, can obtain a Master key for the Club. Parents are fully responsible for ensuring that Club Rules are maintained.

The cost of keys will be £20. Lost keys should be reported immediately to the Issuing Officer.

### **Visitors**

Members may introduce a guest to the club up to 4 times in a year – no guest may play more than 4 days in a year. Members may introduce a maximum of 12 guests per year. Members must be 10 or over before they can sign a guest into the club. See above for details on how to play.

Members who bring guests are responsible for them throughout their stay at the Club.No one who has been refused admission as a Member shall be introduced as a Guest. Guests shall not be entitled to play in Club Competitions with the exception of events listed on the social tennis calendar.

### **Country Members**

A Country Member must live outside of Inverclyde, Renfrewshire, North Ayrshire, and East Ayrshire. Country Members have the same rights as Senior Members.

### **Liabilities**

The member accepts that they enter into any activity at the club entirely at their own risk. The member further accepts, in the absence of negligence on the part of Kilmacolm LTC, they will hold blameless Kilmacolm LTC, or its coach, for any damages resulting from, but not limited to, injury or death incurred or arising from any activity undertaken at the club. The Club shall not be responsible to Members or others for loss of or damage done to anything brought onto Club premises. Should property of Members or others in the clubhouse be damaged or destroyed by fire, the Club shall pay to each person suffering loss or damage the net sum, if any, recovered from the Insurance Company or Companies in respect of the damage or destruction of the property of such person. Nothing herein contained is to be held as imposing

any obligation on or agreement by the Club to insure against loss by fire the property of Members in the clubhouse.

Members and visitors shall be personally liable for damage caused by them to the Club premises and Club property and will be subject to disciplinary action by the Committee.