

Clavering Tennis Club

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Dear Members, welcome to another year at Clavering Tennis Club! Please share this Bulletin with anyone you know that might be interested in joining our friendly local club. Membership forms can be downloaded from our website www.claveringtennis.org.uk which on completion should be forwarded with a cheque to the Membership Secretary; or contact the secretary at claveringtennis@gmail.com

The Courts

The courts may be booked at any time when an organised event is not scheduled.

Court booking forms are displayed on the notice board. Please use these to reserve a court.

The gate by the pavilion and the field gate are secured with a combination lock, the code which is the same for both will be sent to members via e-mail on payment of their subscription.

Toilet Access

The toilet key is in a keysafe in the glass cabinet to the right of the clubhouse door, the combination is the same as for court access.

Please be aware that if you have not paid by the 5th of May you will not have access to the courts, as the code for the lock will be changed. All new and renewing members will be issued with the new code.

Please use only approved tennis shoes. Any other form of footwear (including large tread trainers) seriously damages the court surface.

SUBSCRIPTIONS – Please complete and return the attached membership form

New membership :- Family/Couples £90 Individual £60 Student £40 Junior £30

Renewal :- Family/Couples £90 Individual £60 Student £40 Junior £30

****Renewal membership only: If you pay before April 30th 2019 there will be a discount of £5. Please pay as soon as possible as this really helps the Tennis Club*.***

The Club is eligible for Wimbledon Draw tickets and the greater number of our members who become British Tennis members and then opt in for the draw the greater will be our ticket allocation.

Matches

We are playing numerous matches this season and are always looking to include as many members as possible. All teams are looking for more people willing to represent the club. Matches are mainly played at the weekends against other local clubs. Matches are great fun and really help improve your tennis. Please call the representative below if you are interested in playing. We are hoping to start a second ladies team soon so Catherine would love to hear from you.

Mens Team – Mike Cosgrove on 01279 777347

Ladies Team – Catherine Brimmer on 01799 551015 or 07846679092

Mixed Team – Chrissie Fothergill on 07720 214721

COACHING

Before booking any coaching it is essential that membership fees have been paid.

Adult Coaching

Monday morning sessions are run by our new coach Katie Harris.

Intermediates 9.30 am to 11.00 am.

Beginners 11.00 am to 12.00 noon.

Sessions are normally 6 weeks, year round during term time.

To book these or for individual coaching please contact Katie at leeandkatie@live.co.uk

or Tel : 07877 714720.

Junior Coaching

The Club has with regret had to suspend it's popular Junior Coaching Program, but hope that we can reinstate, it as soon as possible, once a volunteer comes forward to organise it.

Racket Restringing Please contact Chrissie Fothergill on 07720 214721.

To improve your performance the LTA recommend that you have your racket restrung as many times per year as you play each week.

i.e. If you play twice a week, restring twice per year.

Club Mornings

Adult players of all standards are welcome. It's very sociable and great fun, offering the opportunity to meet and play with different people. Contact Diane for more info: hoopers5@hotmail.co.uk

Club Sessions

Wednesday	Junior Priority	Throughout the year	3.30 - 6.30pm
Sunday	Club Morning	Throughout the year	10.30am onwards

In order to encourage attendance of the Sunday morning session there is a Whats App group you can join to let everyone know you are coming :- Please contact Barbara Renouf on 0753 4448357 or email to

claveringtennis@gmail.com

Guest Policy

Guest are welcome when playing with a member, they must add their name to the Guest book which is in the Glass Cabinet to the right of the clubhouse door. This covers them for insurance purposes.

Guests can play up to 3 times per annum without having to become a member.

Club Events

The Club Opening Event is on Sunday April 28^h 2019.

Just turn up and join in, will be best of seven games on a play everyone basis. All players welcome, 10.30am start.

Mixed Doubles Event on Sunday July 7th 2019

A Doubles Tournament for all members, including under 16s of a reasonable level of play (please check with Diane if unsure). The tournament starts at 10.30am. Balls as prizes with tea and coffee also provided.

Millennium Trophy Event on September Sunday 15th 2019.

This is an informal fun Club Tournament starting at 10.00 am. All welcome, under 16s must be of a reasonable standard please. Hospital Cup raffle tickets will be available for purchase during the tournament.

The Hospital Cup Tournament 2019.

This tournament is an inter-club knock out tournament which dates back to the 1940's. All proceeds from the Hospital Cup Tournament go to the League of Friends Saffron Walden Community Hospital. This year the tournament final will be held on Saturday 21st of September at the Grove Tennis Club.

CLUB POLICIES AND RISK ASSESSMENT

CLAVERING TENNIS CLUB – CHILD PROTECTION AND SAFETY POLICY

Clavering Tennis Club is committed to providing a safe environment for children to play tennis via club membership. Courts are well maintained and any safety issues such as slippery surfaces are promptly dealt with. Courts are locked when not in use and children under the age of 10 should always be supervised by their parent, carer or club coach when using the courts or club facilities i.e.

toilets, clubhouse and grounds. Children are required to wear appropriate footwear i.e. non slip tennis shoes, and use sunscreen and a hat in hot weather. A filled water bottle is required at all times to avoid children becoming dehydrated. Any accidents should be reported to the Club and recorded in the accident book located in the club house. A first aid kit is also available for minor injuries in the cabinet on the clubhouse door. Coaches of Junior members are required to provide evidence of up to date DRB check certificates and insurance certificates, copies of which are kept on file.

Should any club member have concerns about the safety or welfare of children using the courts, they should immediately contact the Club’s Committee via email: claveringtennis.org.uk which will take urgent action to investigate any incidents of concern.

The Club has a Safeguarding and Protection Representative on the committee as per the requirements of the LTA.

CLAVERING TENNIS CLUB - NON -DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Clavering Tennis Club is committed to offering the benefits of Club membership to all individuals regardless of race, religion, sex, age or disability. Should anyone have cause for concern that they, or another member or potential member, has been discriminated against, please immediately contact claveringtennis.org.uk providing full details of your concern. It will then be forwarded to the Club committee for investigation.

CLAVERING TENNIS CLUB – RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST

- Identifying the hazards and the people at risk
- Evaluate these risks on a scale of low-high and then remove or reduce risks
- Record findings and issue training where necessary
- Review and regularly update the sports risk assessment

Potential hazard	Who’s at risk	Existing Control measures	Risk rating	Preventative measures
Uneven court surface	All players and guests	Regular checks and maintenance eg court bonding treatment	Low	Players requested to wear suitable footwear and courts locked to avoid any vandalism
Slippery court	All players	Regular checks and	Med	Players

surface	and guests	treatment for moss. Courts cleaned and leaves removed regularly and before matches and coaching		requested to wear suitable footwear and courts are regularly maintained. Hedges are cut regularly to prevent moss build up
Court net structure	Junior players	Regular checks/maintenance	Low	Coaches supervise children so they do not lean on them
Court fencing	All players and guests	Regular checks of retaining wires/posts	Low	Courts are locked to prevent vandalism by footballs etc
Uneven ground surrounding courts	All members and visitors	Grounds maintenance company employed to maintain paths/grass and adjacent hedges	Low	Regular maintenance
Icy courts	All players and guests	Courts are locked and players are advised not to play. Winter match times scheduled post thaw.	Med	Hedges are cut regularly to aid air circulation and prevent damp and frost build up

****** Our current Chairman Alastair Mein after many years of valuable service to the Club is stepping down at the end of 2019. If any member would like to take on this role please contact a committee member.**

Our next AGM is at 7.30pm on Tuesday 4th of February 2020 at the Clavering Christian Centre, Stortford road, Clavering please come along or contact one of the committee members if you wish to raise an issue. New Committee members are always welcome !!!