

## Club Update – 25<sup>th</sup> September 2020

The LTA have released updated guidelines to enforce the latest Government guidelines which we must ALL adhere to for the safety of the individual and others. Full details for 'tennis players' can be viewed via <https://www.lta.org.uk/globalassets/news/2020/lta-guidance-for-tennis-players---covid-19.pdf>

One of the major changes is: UPDATED LIMITS OF GROUP SIZES. Everyone must avoid social interaction with anyone outside the group they are with, even if they see other people they know, at all times during their visit. This includes both 'on and off' the court.

A few important items to remember when visiting the club:

- Please continue to bring your own hand sanitiser to the club and use before entering and leaving the gate/door.
- Register via the NHS Test and Trace App – more details listed below plus additional email.
- Keep your social distance to others.
- Do not socialise with more than 6 people both 'on and off' the court.
- Observe notices and social distancing markers displayed around the club site.
- Indoor Centre – if courts are in use due to a prior booking, please wait outside until they have exited the building.
- Face coverings should now be worn by both staff and customers if purchasing refreshments from the clubhouse on a Saturday morning.
- Report any illness to the Club via [info@altc.net](mailto:info@altc.net)

### NHS TEST AND TRACE APP

Following the Government and LTA guidelines, the club has introduced the NHS Test and Trace App system for all members/visitors to register when they visit the club. Various QR posters are displayed around the club site – at court entrances and the clubhouse entrance – to scan via your phone. Please ensure you register on arrival.

If you do not have access to download the App on your phone, please ensure you register on arrival to Social Nights with the Social Organiser (normally Trevor, Mick or Mark). A register of court bookings is also recorded via Clubspark. If you purchase any refreshments from the club on Saturday mornings, please register when purchasing items.

CLUBHOUSE FACILITIES - To restrict areas which will need daily cleaning, only ONE toilet will be available for use. Therefore please note the following:

- Observe the notices and use hand sanitiser on entering and leaving the building.

- Use the TOILET situated to the RIGHT.
- The WET-ROOM remains CLOSED.
- The CHANGING ROOM remains CLOSED.
- The COMMUNAL and KITCHEN areas remain CLOSED. This will avoid any possible contamination to a wider area of the clubhouse and will ensure cleaning to be made to a contained smaller area.
- DRINKING WATER is available from the outdoor tap situated on the grass area between the sheds and the outdoor courts.

The INDOOR CENTRE – the indoor courts continue to be open - please book in the usual way via Clubspark on-line booking system. If the court is still in use for a prior booking, please wait outside the centre until the players have exited.

AUTUMN COACHING PROGRAMME – the programme will continue for adults, juniors and minis. A separate email will be sent by JG Tennis to ensure you are all aware of the extra precautions which have been put in place to ensure everyone's safety whilst at the club and during the coaching sessions.

CLUB NIGHTS AND WEEKEND SOCIAL PLAY will continue and will follow the new guidelines as advised by LTA. Remember, you MUST be a member to attend these sessions.

As a reminder:

- ADULT MEMBER'S CLUB NIGHTS (from w/c 5<sup>th</sup> October) will be held on Friday evenings from 6pm. A charge of £2 per session per adult will be payable for lighting fees. The Wednesday session will be re-introduced in April 2021. Following the latest guidelines, Club Night will continue as usual for outdoor play with sub-groups of no more than 6 players for indoor play. Each sub-group should stay separate from other sub-groups and not mix during the session. More details will be given on the night.

- WEEKEND SOCIAL PLAY will be held between 3pm and 5pm on courts 3 and 4 (outdoor courts). Any member is welcome to attend for a social game of tennis.

PLEASE NOTE - To ensure guidelines are met, if you attend these socials, the Club is obliged to record its attendees so individuals can be contacted if a COVID-19 case is confirmed by an individual who has used the club. Therefore, please ensure you add your name to 'Attendee List' which will be monitored by Trevor.

Social distancing MUST be observed at all times especially on the patio - gatherings should not congregate in this area. Please observe the notices and social distancing markers.

Lastly, thank you for all of your support during these unprecedented times. By members following the above points we can support the safety of everyone using the facilities which will hopefully ensure we can continue to reach the new 'normal'.

If you have any queries please email [info@altc.net](mailto:info@altc.net)

Thank you

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(on behalf of The ALTC Directors and General Committee)