



JUNIOR MEMBERS GUIDE – 2019/2020

COURT TIMES

During school term time all courts are reserved either for junior coaching or for juniors to play socially between 9am and 1pm on Saturdays.

Juniors have priority over courts on weekdays during school holidays between 9am and 4pm but adults may play if there are free courts.

At all times children under 11 must be supervised by a responsible person aged over 16, unless they are having coaching.

JUNIOR COACHING

Please see weekly coaching and club programme available on the club noticeboard and on our website www.carshaltontennis.org

Chris Dent and Alexia King offer individual and group session coaching for juniors throughout the year. To organise coaching ring Chris on 07720 941494. Phone calls before 9.00pm please.

Junior coaching takes place every day from Monday through to Saturday. On Saturday mornings a maximum of 5 courts are used at any one time. The other 2 courts can be used by any junior for social tennis or match play. We will endeavour to have the club bar open at these times.

Tennis sessions run during most school holidays, for all levels of tennis. Both fun tennis and tournament afternoons are held for all ages. Please check with Chris Dent for further details including booking and costs.

BRING A FRIEND/PLAY WITH A PARENT OR GUARDIAN

You are welcome to bring a friend to play for fun, a match or join in junior social night. Just sign the visitor's book in the Junior corridor and pay £1 in the box.

Encourage your parents to join as associate members and they can benefit by getting information about club events – where your whole family are always welcome. They will also be able to play tennis with you on Saturday mornings, 7 times a year at other times, and use the bar and clubhouse (when full members are present).

Parents who join as Associate Members must sign in the Visitors Book when they play and instead of writing and paying £5 simply write AM1 the first time you play (meaning Associate Member – 1st play), AM2 the second time you play (Associate Member 2nd play), etc until you have used your 7 turns. After 7 turns in a year, if you wish to play anymore then you will need to continue to sign in the Visitor's Book but pay £5 each time in the box provided. The visitor's book for adults can be found in the Clubhouse, by the patio doors.

UNDER 5'S CATEGORY MEMBERS

Parents are welcome to join their children on court to throw balls to them for up to 20 minutes at a time without the parents having to be members. This is subject to court availability and must be outside of adult Social Tennis times (Saturdays 1-4pm and Tuesdays 6:30-10pm). Please ensure you wear suitable footwear.

JUNIOR SOCIAL NIGHT – FREE FOR MEMBERS

Please see the weekly coaching and club programme available on the club noticeboard and on our website www.carshaltontennis.org

KEY FOB

Junior members can obtain a fob key with a deposit of £10 at the bar on Saturday mornings or contact Lynne O'Brien at cltcmembership@gmail.com.

The key fob allows you to open the main gate and use the tennis courts independently (if aged over 11 years). It also means you can access the toilets, a basket containing balls and the junior notice

board. The fob used by juniors does not provide access the clubhouse and juniors should not use the clubhouse without an adult club member present.

BRITISH TENNIS MEMBERSHIP

British Tennis Membership is free for all. Juniors are encouraged to sign up for the following benefits:

- Acceptance into the club ballot for Wimbledon tickets
- Get an Aegon British Tennis Rating (play in teams/tournaments)
- Discounts and pre-sales on tickets for events
- Discounts on tennis equipment and clothing

Go to www.lta.org.uk/members/join and click on Club Members (all ages).

Please affiliate to Carshalton Lawn Tennis Club by selecting '**Manage My Account**' and then selecting '**My Tennis Venue**'.

RESPECTING OTHER PLAYERS

- Please respect players on other courts and do not cross behind players to collect balls when play is in progress.
- When players are already on court and playing a set, please wait quietly until you are invited to cross over their court.

BOOKING COURTS

Courts can be booked up to 7 days in advance, in the booking folder, which can be found in the clubhouse. Sheets are marked up showing court availability. Please note that juniors are not able to book courts on Sunday mornings and during adult Social Tennis times (Saturdays 1-4pm and Tuesdays 6:30-10pm).

FLOODLIGHTS

General - Floodlights can be used between dusk and 10.00pm and are operated by meters taking ½ hour tokens. These are available from the bar – cost £2.50 per token.

Please organise tokens well in advance to avoid disappointment.

Tuesday Club Sessions (for Juniors who have been promoted to playing with the adults) – Where floodlights are required during Tuesday Club Sessions, members (both adults and juniors) are required to pay a £2 fee. This will apply regardless of how long you choose to play for, but won't apply if the floodlights are turned on after the sessions starts (6.30pm), you are 'mid set' at the point they are turned on and you choose not to continue playing after your set has finished. If you choose to start playing before 6.30pm you will be expected to purchase tokens or meet the additional cost, which is £2.50 per court per half hour.

JUNIORS JOINING ADULTS SESSIONS

Chris Dent monitors all junior players' progress and when he feels you are competent will encourage you to join the adult social sessions. If you would like to be assessed please ask Chris. There is a list of juniors on the noticeboard that can participate in adult sessions. This is a great way to improve your tennis and is usually run as a doubles format. Don't panic, just turn up and you will be made very welcome.

CLUB MATCHES AND TOURNAMENTS

There are tournaments arranged throughout the year for all standards. A list of current junior members contact numbers is also displayed on the junior notice board.

If you are interested in playing for the club teams, please let Chris or Alexia know.

An annual club junior tournament is run with the finals day in July. Leaflets are also on display, promoting other LTA events.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Keep an eye on the Junior notice board for details. Members and friends are welcome. If you have any suggestions for events please let Chris or Alexia know. We are all very keen for juniors to enjoy their tennis and club membership.

TENNIS BALLS

Tennis balls are provided for junior players (ball basket in junior corridor).

CLOTHING

Appropriate tennis clothes and footwear must all times whilst on court.

THE COMMITTEE

You can contact any of the committee by emailing cltcmembership@gmail.com

HIRE OF CLUBHOUSE

Please contact info@carshaltontennis.org.

PLEASE NOTE

The full version of the Club Rules, Regulations and Junior Rules are posted on the noticeboards in the clubhouse.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Check out our website and social media accounts:

www.carshaltontennis.org

<http://www.facebook.com/CarshaltonLawnTennisClub>

Follow us on twitter: @CltcTennisSM5