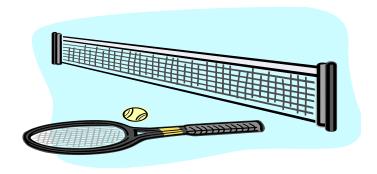
# ENDERBY LAWN TENNIS CLUB

# **CLUB MEMBERS RULES**

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Welcome to Enderby Lawn Tennis Club

We hope you enjoy your Tennis and the facilities provided

# **CLUB RULES**

## 1. AFFILIATION TO THE LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION

**1.1** Enderby LTC is affiliated to the Lawn Tennis Association and, in addition to these Rules, the Rules of the LTA (where applicable) shall also apply to this Club.

# 2. STATUS

**2.1** Enderby LTC is an unincorporated Private Members Club and is managed by a Committee consisting of the Officers of the Club namely Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and other Members elected annually at the Club's Annual General Meeting.

#### 3. CLUB MANAGEMENT

- **3.1** The Club's Officers are responsible for the safety of the Club's premises, facilities and equipment. The Management Committee manage the day-to-day affairs of the Club.
- 3.2 In the event that a Member has a complaint concerning any aspect of the Club, please contact the Chairman whose telephone number is published on the clubhouse notice board.

# 4. MEMBERSHIP

- **4.1** The Club Consists of Adult, Intermediate and Junior Members.
- **4.2** The Management Committee determines the class to which a Member shall belong.
- **4.3** All adult persons admitted to membership of the Club agree to be nominated to the Management Committee if called upon to do so.
- **4.4** All Members may use the premises and facilities of the Club when open according to the membership category.
- 4.5 To remain as a Member, a Member must renew his/her membership on 1<sup>st</sup> January each year. Any person who has not, or does not renew his/her membership by 31<sup>st</sup> March will be deemed to have resigned as a Member and will not be permitted access to the Club or the use of its facilities.

## 5. RIGHTS OF MEMBERSHIP

Every fully paid-up Adult Member has the right to attend, vote and speak at any

- 5.1 General Meeting of the Members of the Club.

  Junior Members have no right to attend any General Meeting of the Members of the Club.
- **5.2** Intermediate Members have the right to attend and speak but not vote at a General Meeting of the Members of the Club.
- Every Member (adult and junior) has the right to play competitive and social tennis either individually or as a member of a team; to use the facilities of the Club and tennis equipment; and to receive coaching from the Club Coach upon payment of the appropriate fee in priority to all non-members, guests and visitors.

## 20. FLOODLIGHTS

- **20.1** The floodlights must not be used after 11.00pm and courts must be booked in the Floodlight Booking Book in sessions from only one week in advance.
- **20.2** The lights are opened by tokens which are obtained from Committee Members. Each token lasts for 30 minutes.

#### 21. CHILDREN

21.1 Children of Members or visitors who are not junior Members may be admitted to the Club premises PROVIDED THAT they remain at all times under the close care and control of a parent or guardian. They may not use any of the clubhouse facilities unsupervised (except for the toilets). The parent or guardian must take responsibility for the conduct of the child when on Club premises and will be held responsible for any damage the child causes to the Club property.

## 22. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- **22.1** Not less than 14 days Notice is given of the Annual General Meeting which is held in October each year *OR* on such other date as the Management Committee shall decide. Members wishing to raise a motion for discussion at the Annual General Meeting must submit the motion of the Club Secretary no later than 7 days before the date of the Meeting
- 22.2 All fully paid up Members are expected to attend the Annual General Meeting and to actively participate in that meeting.

# 23. FINANCIAL YEAR

**23.1** The Financial Year of the Club ends on 31<sup>st</sup> December each year.

## 24. REVOCATION OF RULES

**24.1** The Management Committee reserves the right to make, amend, alter or revoke these Rules at any time in the interests of the Club and its Members.

## 25. DAMAGE, INJURY AND LOSS

25.1 Neither the Club, nor any Officer of the Club can be held liable for any damage, injury or loss caused by any act or omission of a Member. All Members must comply with the Club's Health & Safety Management Systems and all visitors and/or guests are expected to make themselves aware of the Club's Policies in this regard. Members must accept responsibility for their own safety.

## **26.** ANTI-DOPING POLICY

**26.1** The Club is committed to maintain the integrity of the game of tennis and any misuse or abuse of drugs conflicts with the customs and tradition of Tennis. The use of Prohibited Substances and Doping methods is banned under the LTA and ITF Rules and the Club upholds those same principles.

# 10. EXPULSION

- 10.1 If, at any time, the Management Committee is of the opinion that a Member's conduct is such that it is not in the best interests of the Club for him/her to remain a Member, the Committee shall have the power to expel that Member.
- 10.2 The Member concerned shall be given 14 days' written notice of the Committee's intention to expel and within that time, the Member concerned shall be invited to attend a Special Meeting of the Management Committee at which he/she will have an opportunity to submit written or oral representations in defence of the expulsion and to answer complaints made against him/herself.
- 10.3 Between the date of the proposed expulsion and the date of the Special Meeting, the Member concerned shall be prohibited from entering the Club premises and/or participating in any social or competitive play on behalf of the Club including away matches.
- **10.4** If, at the Special Meeting, two-thirds of the Committee members present vote in favour of expulsion, the Member will immediately cease to be a Member.
- 10.4 Any person ceasing to be a Member forfeits all rights to and claims upon the Club, its property and its funds and has no right to the return of any part of their subscription.
- 10.5 No person who has been expelled can be proposed for membership or use the Club's facilities, or attend as a guest or visitor at any time in the future.
- 10.5 For avoidance of doubt, any Officer of the Club shall have the power to suspend a Member on the grounds of gross misconduct or failure to comply with the Club's Health & Safety Management Systems.

## 11 GUESTS, VISITORS AND CONTRACTORS

- 11.1 Any Member may introduce guests or Visitors to the Club PROVIDED THAT no one whose application for membership has been declined, or who has been expelled from the Club, may be introduced as a Guest or Visitor.
- 11.2 The Member introducing the Guest or Visitor must enter the name and address of the Guest together with his own name in a book which must be kept on the Club's premises and pay the Guest Fee as determined by the Management Committee from time to time. The Member must accept responsibility for the safety of the Guest whilst on Club premises and must advise and inform the Guest of the Health & Safety Management systems promoted by the Club and of the Members' and Guests' requirement to comply with those systems and any other Policies and Codes the Club has adopted.
- 11.3 No one may be admitted as a Guest on more than 6 occasions in any calendar year or otherwise at the discretion of the Management Committee as they shall determine from time to time.
- 11.4 No Guest is entitled to attend at any meeting of the Management Committee or Officers or at any Annual or Extraordinary General Meeting.

  The Management Committee reserve the right to refuse admission of a Guest to Club
- 11.5 premises without being required to give reason therefore.

- 11.6 Guests may be prohibited access to certain parts of the Club premises on the grounds of security or Health & Safety and it is the responsibility of the Member introducing the Guest to ensure that the Guest is aware of any restrictions which may apply in this regard.
- 11.7 The Management Committee reserves the right to require Guests who wish to participate in social tennis play to pay a Playing Fee in the amount so determined by the Management Committee.
- 11.8 The Management Committee in exercising its common law duty of care will use its best endeavours to properly vet and approve all and any external contractors before they are admitted to the Club's premises in accordance with the LTA's Children in Tennis Code of Conduct and its own Health & Safety Policies.
- 11.9 The Management Committee reserves the right to impose restrictions or limitations upon the use of courts by playing Guests and no playing Guests or visitor is permitted to reserve or book courts in priority to fully paid up Members or any other class of Member.

## 12. COURT USAGE

- 12.1 The Committee has the right to determine order of play and court usage at any time and can prioritise court usage in respect of any class of Member, team, squad or group in respect of any LLTA/LTA promoted tournament/match and in respect of club matches.
- **12.2** Courts will be set aside for Members/social/mix-in play on Saturday 1.00pm-5.00pm and Wednesday 6.00pm-9.00pm.
- 12.3 Courts are available for Members family play or otherwise PROVIDED THAT courts are not booked or required for senior/junior play or senior/junior matches or practice sessions. Non-members may play with Club Members on a maximum of six occasions, after which a membership fee will be requested. Match used balls are available which MUST be returned after use.

## 13. OPENING HOURS

**13.1** The Club is open for play between daybreak and 11.00pm Monday to Friday: PEAK PERIODS are:

Monday to Friday between 8.00am and 9.30pm

On Saturday between 2.00pm and 6.00pm

On Sunday between 10.00am and 4.00pm

## 14. JUNIOR SESSIONS

14.1 Courts may be designated for Junior sessions from time to time and, on such occasions, the courts designated will NOT be available for use by other Members.

#### 15. MATCHES AND TOURNAMENTS

15.1 The Committee may, at any time, reserve courts for matches/tournaments. Details of pre-booked courts will be posted on the Club notice board in advance of the match/tournament. The Management Committee reserves the right at any time to impose restrictions regarding court usage for Health & Safety reasons.

## 16. MEMBERS' COURT TIME/PLAY

- **16.1** The Club operates a Peg Board system:
  - i) When arriving for play, add your peg to row waiting to play;
  - ii) the player at the front arranges the next four, using any three names from the next five above to produce a mixed foursome/doubles
  - iii) At the end of a set replace the peg to the back of the row, with the winners in front.
- **16.2** The following EXCEPTIONS apply:
  - If the first person is a lady and the next five are men (or vice versa) she may decline to play without going to the back of the row, in which case the second player chooses from the next four pegs.
  - ii) The order of the pegs must not be changed when moving up to or back from the court line.
  - iii) Any player declining to play for any reason when chosen must move to the back of the line.
- **16.3** All players must vacate the court after finishing a set, which must not exceed 11 games if others are waiting.

## 17. REGULATION OF CLUB PLAY

- 17.1 If other members are waiting to play all on-court players shall restrict play to one set with a tie break at 5-all, unless the on-court game is a tournament match. Except in a tournament match, no Members shall play singles matches whilst other Members are waiting to play.
- 17.2 Club play shall be the rotation of sets from name pegs on a board of Members present.

## 18. TENNIS ATTIRE

- **18.1** For reasons of safety, all Members and visitors must wear correct tennis footwear during play. Only proper non-marking footwear will be permitted on any of the courts.
- 18.2 Members are expected to wear appropriate sports clothing.

## 19. COURTS

- 19.1 On the grounds of Health and Safety, the Committee may, at any time, suspend or prohibit play if any court is deemed unfit or unsafe for use, either due to weather conditions or the condition of the surface of a court.
- 19.2 After play, Members are requested to lower the nets, collect balls, lock the courts and clubhouse and close the drive gates.

## 6. CODE OF CONDUCT

6.1 A Member shall at all times, both on the court and in the clubhouse, conduct him/herself in a manner which reflects favourably on the game and upon his/her fellow players and particularly when in the presence of junior players. Audible obscenities, swearing and improper conduct in any form is unacceptable behaviour and will not be tolerated.

## 7. MEMBERSHIP FEES AND ENTRANCE FEES

- **7.1** The Management Committee shall determine the annual membership fee and shall be at liberty to charge entrance fees as and when necessary.
- 7.2 Membership fees paid before end February will merit a discount in the amount shown on the renewal notice.

## 8. RESIGNATION OF MEMBERSHIP

- **8.1** A Member shall be deemed to have resigned if his/her membership subscription remains unpaid after the 31<sup>st</sup> March.
- 8.2 Any Member wishing to resign voluntarily must give notice of his intention to the Club Secretary and thereafter will cease to be a Member of the Club. Members who voluntarily resign are not eligible for a refund (in part or in whole) in respect of their subscription fee.
- 8.3 In the event that a Member dies and has paid his/her current annual subscription in full, the deceased Member's Personal Representative is entitled to reclaim the unexpired portion of the deceased's Members subscription calculated from the first day of the month following the death of the deceased Member to the end of the current year of subscription PROVIDED THAT the Personal Representative of the deceased Member shall submit to the Club Secretary a copy of the deceased's death certificate for registration purposes.

## 9. ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP

- 9.1 Any person over the age of 18 years can apply for membership by completing and submitting an application form to the Management Committee. Application forms are available in the Clubhouse. In the case of persons under the age of 16 years, the parent or guardian of the child(ren) must complete the application form on his/her/their behalf.
- **9.2** Every candidate applying for membership will be admitted as a Member in accordance with clause 5 of the Club's Constitution unless the Management Committee (without being required to give a reason) considers that it would not be in the best interests of the Club to admit an applicant as a Member.
- **9.3** In being admitted as a Member, the applicant agrees to abide by these Rules and to comply with the Club's Health and Safety Management Systems and any other conditions as may be introduced from time to time.
  - The Club does not operate a playing or qualification standard and all players of any age and/or ability are welcome to join.
  - The Club operates a non-discriminatory policy.