

ASTON PARK TENNIS CLUB

Re-opening of Courts updated 26/3/2021

You will be delighted to hear that as of Monday 29th March we are allowed to play tennis again.

There are some things you need to know:

- Nathan Glynn has taken on the portfolio of membership secretary and will be using the LTA's Clubspark package to administer this. He will work very closely with the treasurer, Pamela Reid to keep track of members, your payments and any special requests you may have made on your membership form.
- The Clubspark booking system has been administered by Kerry Pendlebery since the middle of last year.

THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE NOT YET FILLED IN THE NEW MEMBERSHIP FORM AND PAID YOUR SUBSCRIPTION BY BACS INTO OUR BANK ACCOUNT NEED TO BE AWARE THAT AS OF FRIDAY APRIL 2nd YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BOOK A COURT. This will ensure that non-members who visit our website cannot book a court for casual play.

The three people mentioned above have worked incredibly hard to implement these systems. They are all volunteers and all have demanding day jobs. Because of this there may sometimes be a delay in your submission of a form and making a payment before the system recognises you as a member. So you need to submit your form and pay your fee now, to ensure that you can start booking court time and playing tennis again.

We want to make your return to the game as safe as possible so below are some reminders of the safety rules that we implemented last year and which conform to the LTA and government rules for returning to outdoor activities.

- All activity should be consistent with the government guidance regarding health, travel, social distancing and hygiene at all times. APTC to follow LTA guidance as it is published and will update all members with any changes by email and messaging.
- At all times ensure social distancing is a priority.
- Wash or sanitise your hands when entering the facility and after unlocking the gate. Everything to do this is provided by the outside tap.
- Doubles play is permitted but try to maintain a safe distance between yourself and the other players.

- Consider flicking or kicking balls along the ground back to other players.
- Nominate one player only, to change the score board and they are responsible for wiping it down at the end of the session.
- If you change ends do so at opposite ends of the net.
- Do not shake hands. Touching rackets at a safe distance is a polite acknowledgement of thanks for the game.
- Do not lower the net after play.
- In order to adhere to the rule of six, during social sessions or matches, two players from one court are permitted to move to another court to play with two different people, who of course during a social session could split up to play with a new partner. Using hand sanitizer before changing a good idea.
- Sanitize or wash hands again before leaving and after locking gate.
- Please take away all your belongings and any wipes or paper towels you have used.
- If you use the toilet wipe down everything you touch and use bin to dispose of wipes provided. Use antiseptic wipes to wipe down toilet seat. Do not flush wipes down toilet. Use bin.

NOT PERMITTED

- Spectators
- Socialising after play.
- Entering the pavilion.
- Sharing equipment such as clothing etc.
- Mixing in more than as described above.
- Bringing guest that Kerry does not know about.
- Not reporting arrival of player not advised to Kerry at time of booking, or shortly after playing.

NB. Gate code will change on April 2nd . Enjoy your tennis.