



CROFTSIDE TENNIS IMPORTANT UPDATE – 1st June 2020

I'm pleased to let you know that due to changes in Government and LTA guidelines, doubles tennis is now allowed on the courts.

Please familiarise yourself with LTA guidelines as shown <https://www.lta.org.uk/globalassets/news/2020/lta-guidance-for-tennis-players---covid-19.pdf>

Key changes are:

- Doubles tennis allowed
- Sharing of tennis balls allowed

Please note that previous court guidelines, social distancing measures and hygiene caution still to be maintained.

We will also be changing the booking system to allow members to book and play whenever they choose. Members can book in multiples of 15 minute time slots of up to 2 hours maximum for each booking, and can have more than one booking per day. Please remember to cancel your booking if you no longer need it, in order that we can make full use of the courts.

I will be resetting the system to accommodate these changes and will be manually rebooking those that already have slots booked for this week. Please check your bookings in case there are any issues and apologies in advance if there are!

We'll continue to monitor the situation. As always, do let us know if you have any feedback.

ANNOUNCEMENT – 12th MAY 2020:

I am delighted to announce that, following Government and LTA advice, Croftside will re-open the courts to members only from Wednesday 13th May. The Clubhouse will remain closed until further notice so, even if you have a key, please do not access it.

CONDITIONS OF COURT USAGE:

The courts will only be available to fully paid up members who have paid for the year 2020/21.

Please may we remind you a parent is only allowed on court with their child if the parent is also a paying member.

Children under the age of 15 can only play with their parents who also have to be fully paid up member.

In view of the circumstances we have decided to reduce the membership rates. In order to renew your membership, please click the Clubspark link <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/croftsidetennisclub/join>

We are expecting high demand for the courts so in the interest of fairness it will only be possible to play for one hour per day and to book only up to 7 days in advance.

As you are probably aware, it is allowable to play singles with one person outside of your household and doubles only with members within your household.

There are a number of conditions that we must adhere to in order safeguard the health and safety of all users.

1. All courts must be pre-booked via the Clubspark booking system which is straightforward to use <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/croftsidetennisclub/Admin/Booking>. This is in order to ensure we are strictly following the LTA guidance. This is to ensure we can track and trace as per government guidelines so please inform us if a member of your family develops symptoms. The link to book courts is here:

2. Please use your own tennis balls which should be marked with your name or initials.

3. It is recommended players bring their own hand-sanitiser and or wipes.

4. The gates to the courts are to remain open and should not be touched and the nets are to remain at their set levels and not touched.

Players must also follow the guidelines set out by the LTA which can be found at <https://www.lta.org.uk/globalassets/news/2020/lta-guidance-for-tennis-players---covid-19.pdf>

Tom will also be available for one to one coaching with members from 9am until 1pm every day and if you wish to book a lesson with him, please contact him directly on 07506 756589.

Obviously, these are unprecedented circumstances and we will be reviewing matters on a regular basis and will adapt accordingly. If you have any feedback going forwards, please let us know.

Welcome back & enjoy your tennis!

Sue Bowden