

Braid Tennis Club -brief info for new members

(All information can be found on our website)

Gates. Access to the grounds is gained by a keypad on each gate. The code will be issued to all members on payment of their subscription.

Clubhouse. The new clubhouse door code will be issued to you once payment has been received. Please take a screen shot of your payment or download your confirmatory email as proof of membership, as you will not be sent a receipt.

ClubSpark. This is the software package we use for our website and online payments. You will have had to login to join using an LTA (Lawn Tennis Association) login. You will have to login to book courts or coaching. The **Booker App** from the app store is really helpful if you are just booking courts and especially if you belong to another club which also uses ClubSpark as it works for both.

If you have problems with the system, you can either contact the ClubSpark Helpdesk support@clubspark.co.uk or contact the secretarybraidtc@gmail.com.

Floodlights

The floodlights are currently free to members. Tokens are kept in a jar on the small table under the notice board. One token puts the lights on for one hour. They are ready for play immediately and can be put back on right away if they switch off.

You will see that there is an override key hanging on a chain. Use this to wind down the meter timer should you finish early.

Guest Fees (£3 adult, £1 junior)

The guest fee for adults is £3 and the juniors' rate is £1.

The same guest can be invited up to 6 times per annum (or 3 times if you are a winter member)

If you have any outstanding guest fees from the last subscription year, please contact the treasurer to make a payment. treasurerbraidtc@gmail.com

Club Play

Booking Courts

Courts can be booked via the website and can be booked a week ahead from 8am.

If you have any problems booking, contact the secretary. secretarybraidtc@gmail.com

Club Activities

East of Scotland Leagues (ESLTA)

The East of Scotland League starts at the end of April until the end of June with matches being played on Monday to Thursday evenings. We have four men's teams and four women's teams in the ESLTA.

We also enter several teams into the ESLTA junior league.

Those interested in being considered for a team please contact;

Tom Johnston, Men's Captain; tdjohnston9@googlemail.com

Suzie Provan, Women's Captain; suzie.provan@btinternet.com

For our junior teams contact;

Sophie Black, Junior Convenor; sophielblack@yahoo.co.uk

Junior Members

We have an extensive junior coaching programme. All courses can be found on the website, where you can book your child into coaching programmes online. The coaching team update parents regularly with news of all new courses and for tennis camps held over holiday periods.

Please contact our junior convenor Sophie Black sophielblack@yahoo.co.uk or our head coach Eugene Creally at e.creally@virgin.net with any junior enquiries.

Coaching

Our LTA qualified coaches comprises Eugene Creally, Head Coach, Mhairi Beattie, and Lorraine Stronach. They run junior and adult coaching sessions as well as offering individual lessons. The adult classes are tailored to different abilities. Watch out for emails and info on the web about these sessions. [Braid LTC / Coaching \(lta.org.uk\)](http://Braid LTC / Coaching (lta.org.uk))

Social Tennis

Saturday Social- We run two sessions of 90 minutes each, currently 1.-2.30pm and 2.30 to 4pm. This will move on an hour once the clocks change. Contact Wilma wilmacochrane@gmail.com and she will add you to the WhatsApp Saturday Social group.

Tuesday and Thursday Social- Contact Andrew Fleming aflem@blueyonder.co.uk or just come along to Social Tennis on a Tuesday morning 10-11.30am or Thursday afternoon 2-3.30pm.

Singles Ladder-We also have a club singles ladder. Check [Braid LTC / Singles Ladder \(lta.org.uk\)](http://Braid LTC / Singles Ladder (lta.org.uk)) for how to join.

Welfare and Safeguarding

Braid has an LTA qualified welfare officer Dawn Ellis who can be contacted at welfarebraidtc@gmail.com. All discussions will be confidential. See the website [Braid LTC / Safeguarding Policies \(lta.org.uk\)](http://Braid LTC / Safeguarding Policies (lta.org.uk)) and clubhouse noticeboard for more information.

Defibrillator and first aid

The club has a defibrillator kept on the front right of the clubhouse during the summer. There are electrodes fitted for adults but also ones for children also available.

We share the defibrillator with the bowlers. We are currently working to improve access to it during the winter as it has to be kept warm.

A training course in defibrillator use and CPR will be on offer this summer which we would encourage all members to take. You will be sent more information.

There is a basic first aid kit in the kitchen drawer.

British Tennis Membership and Wimbledon

As Braid members you are entitled to free LTA Advantage membership. www.lta.org.uk

This allows you to play for an ESLTA team and opt in for Wimbledon tickets. This ballot is now run automatically by the LTA.

Social Events and Competitions

We hope to run social tournaments again this year as well as the club championships and a senior tournament at the end of the summer. All activities will be advertised by email and put up on the website.

There is more information on the club website.

Please feel free to contact the secretary or any other member of the committee.

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