



NAPTON TENNIS MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS AND RULES



Napton Tennis Club is a British Registered Venue and meets the LTA's Minimum Safeguarding Standards to ensure a safe and inclusive venue. Our Safeguarding Policies can be found on the club's website together with a link to the LTA's related Policies and Guidance.

Tennis Mark

Napton Tennis Club has been awarded Tennis Mark by the LTA, this is a quality assurance scheme which ensures that as a club we have the necessary policies and procedures in place to operate effectively and that we comply with all relevant child welfare legislation. It gives our members the confidence that the club is being run efficiently providing you with a playing programme and facilities that best meet your needs.

What you get for your membership

- **Free use of the courts** - all members are entitled to use the club courts free of charge when there are courts available. These must now be booked online via our Clubspark website. Please note - matches and coaching take priority.
- **LTA membership** – as club members you have automatic membership of the LTA which entitles you to sign up for free with Advantage (previously British Tennis Membership) at <https://www.lta.org.uk> Membership entitles you to loads of free offers and information e.g. discounts and pre-sales on tickets for events and a monthly newsletter. Advantage adult members who have paid their membership fee are also eligible to apply for Wimbledon tickets - we will email further details to you at the appropriate time.
- **Club sessions** – these take place on Wednesday evenings at 6.30pm. Open to more experienced adults and older teenagers. (Floodlights and balls are provided free of charge). A tennis member will be on duty to organise short sets of doubles or singles as appropriate.
- **Social tennis** - Saturday afternoons (2pm to 4pm) open to adults and older teenagers and Sunday mornings (10am to 11.30 am) recommended for 'back to tennis/rusty racket' players. Please Note: Our Saturday and Sunday tennis sessions are organised via our various WhatsApp groups.
- **Coaching and Tennis Camps** - the club is extremely lucky to have an LTA qualified coach, Lee Moreton, who offers a wide programme to suit all ages and abilities for adults and juniors, as well as tennis camps for juniors during the main school holidays. As a member you are entitled to discounted rates for all coaching sessions. Lee may be contacted on 07990 971036 or by email through Wendy Hatfield at wendy@a-tec-systems.co.uk
- **Social events** - we regularly organise friendly tournaments for club members (usually involving homemade cakes!). For forthcoming dates, please see our website.

INSURANCE - please note you are NOT insured via the club, and use the facilities at your own risk

How it Works

- **Access keys** – keys are available to adult members for the tennis court gate (£10 refundable fee) and entrance security post (£15 refundable fee). Please see details on our Membership page before sending your membership fee.
- **Vehicle access** - the entrance to the site off the Priors Marston road is protected by security posts (see details of access key deposits above). **Please remember to raise the security posts and close the gate if you are the last player to leave the site.** Do remember you can also walk to the site along the footpath from Fells Lane or use the pedestrian gate adjacent to the main gate.
- **Floodlights** – these may be operated by purchasing tokens from Jayne Warman on 07906 965682 or Sue Kluth on 07941 988874 and cost £1.00 per 30 mins. The machine for the tokens is to the left of the gate. **Lights must go off at 10.00pm at the latest.**
- **Clothing / footwear** - we must insist that you wear suitable sports footwear. You CANNOT wear astro turf trainers as these will damage the courts. We would recommend you wear tennis or sports clothing - any colours are allowed. In summer children should wear hats and sun screen.
- **Visitors** - visitors may use the courts as long as they are accompanied by a member and pay a visitor's fee of £2.00 per person. Please pay the fee to the club member for him/her to forward via BACS to the club's Bank Account. Guests may only play 4 times before they are required to become members themselves.
- **Junior Members** - Napton Tennis Club does not provide supervision of youngsters whilst they are using the facilities. Parents should therefore make their own arrangements to organise the level of adult supervision they believe is appropriate for their children. If your child is 16 or under, you can pay a £10 refundable deposit and have a court key but we ask that you take responsibility for your child's use of the courts. This means ensuring they only play with other members, checking that the gates are locked and the nets put down, making sure the courts are left clean and tidy after use.
- **Club matches** - for those players who are more competitive, there is the chance to compete at club level. Any members interested in playing for the Ladies team should contact Sue Kluth on 07941 988874 or Jayne Warman on 07906 965682. We do not currently have a Men's team, however, if you are interested in playing in local mixed friendly matches please email us at naptontennis@gmail.com
- **Clubhouse** – both the clubhouse and pavilion (including toilets and showers) are open and available during organised sessions.