

Membership Information

Snitterfield Tennis Club aka Snitterfield Tennis 2000 Club (STC) is a section of Snitterfield Sports Club Ltd

Season:

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PLEASE REFER TO THE WEBSITE FOR CLUB CODES OF CONDUCT

LTA ADVANTAGE

1. Visit: <https://www.lta.org.uk/advantage/>
2. Click the **Join Now** tab
3. Complete your personal details
4. Don't forget to affiliate yourself to **SNITTERFIELD TENNIS CLUB**
5. You will receive an email inviting you to 'OPT IN' in or around January, if you haven't joined LTA Advantage then you won't get the opportunity to have access to Club Wimbledon ticket ballot.

This does not affect you entering the public ballot!

A WARM WELCOME...

This welcome booklet aims to provide you with useful information about our club and its facilities.

Our committee and volunteers work hard to keep our facilities to a high standard and to maintain a friendly club.

Exciting times are ahead this summer when our new clubhouse will be completed. This will provide us with amazing opportunities to provide new sporting and social facilities, so please look out for fund raising events coming up.

Recently we have updated to LED lights, had the courts cleaned and soon there will be a 'new look' to court 3.

We have made provision to safeguard the welfare of all members. Our policy can be found on our website, in this booklet and on our notice board.

Social tennis is played all year round on Wednesday evenings (coach led), Friday mornings and Sunday afternoons. Please see page 5 for further details.

Snitterfield Tennis Club is proud to have 4 ladies, 4 mens and 3 mixed teams in our local leagues. We are always on the lookout for new recruits so please contact Ralf or one of the captains if you are interested. We encourage all members to join the LTA which is free, and gives easier access to our court booking system and entrance to the Wimbledon ticket draw.

Your tennis membership automatically entitles you to Social Membership of the Sports Club which has a competitively priced bar, function room with skittles alley and most televised sport.

I think that just about scratched the surface!

Enjoy your tennis and please feel free to contact any of the committee with any questions.

Claire Niblett
Tennis Club Chair

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GENERAL INFORMATION

LTA ADVANTAGE MEMBERSHIP

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LEAGUE TENNIS

We have a variety of teams playing in local leagues. 3 ladies teams, 3 men's teams, 2 mixed teams and 1 mens vets team. If you would like to play team tennis then let us know. The contact details of all captains can be found on page 11.

Those playing in matches pay a match fee each time they play of £3.00 per person. This covers the cost of the new balls needed for each match and floodlights as required.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Ralf and Mandy organise the annual Club Championships through the summer, don't worry if you haven't got a partner for any of the doubles events, one can always be found. Please look out for details and pay extra attention to deadline dates for match completion!

SOCIAL TOURNAMENTS

We run a number of one day tournaments throughout the year - these are a lots of fun and a great social excuse! Everybody is welcome to enter. The floodlit tournament runs throughout the winter which again is a mixed social tournament. In September, the ladies section hold an open tournament whereby other clubs are invited to compete.

CARDIO TENNIS

Cardio tennis sessions are currently held on:

- Monday mornings from 9.30 - 10.30am
- Thursday evening from 6.30pm to 7.30pm

Open to all members. There is a £6 charge payable direct to Ralf - non members are more than welcome at a charge of £8 - Please let Ralf know (07889 191 212) if you would like to be included on either or both of the WhatsApp groups.

GENERAL INFORMATION

CLUB SESSIONS (SOCIAL TENNIS)

Club sessions can take place but not quite as normal! We run 3 social sessions per week as follows:

Wednesday Sessions

To be booked online at: <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/Snitterfieldtennisclub/Coaching>

Session 1: 6 - 7:15pm run by Claire (8 places available)

Session 2: 7:30 - 9pm run by Ralf with a £2 fee for each session attended (12 places)

Friday Sessions

To be booked via WhatsApp: **Alison 07817 736 213**

Session: 9:30am to 11:30am run by Alison (8 places available)

Sunday Sessions

To be booked via WhatsApp: **Maggie 07764 756 588**

Session: 14:00pm to 16:00pm run by Maggie (8 places available)

BEGINNERS, IMPROVERS & RUSTY RACKETS COURSES

If you are completely new to tennis or if you have played previously but not picked up your racket for a while, then fear not! Ralf runs regular courses and will make sure that you are in amongst players of a similar ability. Want to know more? Contact Ralf on 07889 191 212

FLOODLIGHT TOKENS

Floodlight tokens can be purchased from the Sports Club bar at a cost of £5 per token - each token gives you an hours worth of lights.

SOCIAL EVENTS

We generally run a number of social events each year with a view to raising funds for the tennis club. You will be emailed in advance and posters will be displayed on the courts and the notice board.

STC WELFARE OFFICER



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ABOUT ME

I've lived in the village since before my children were born and they are now young adults so I have been involved in village life through the school and the tennis club for a good number of years.

I've played tennis for most of that time at Snitterfield as have my husband and children so have a real interest in making sure we have a thriving club which enables whole families to get involved and play the game safely.

I also work in the field of child protection and have done for a long time, first in children's homes in Birmingham, then as a social worker in Birmingham and Warwickshire and more recently managing a team employed by Her Majesties Courts ensuring best outcomes for children who come before the Courts across Warwickshire, Coventry and Northampton.

I attend lots of courses to ensure that my learning is constantly updated and also assist with the development of safe practice across all three authorities which in turn ensures that I have a good knowledge of all aspects of safeguarding children.

I am a member of the body which regulates social work practice and have this membership scrutinised regularly and also have an enhanced DBS check which again is subject to regular renewal.

If you have any concerns about how your child/ children is treated at Snitterfield tennis club, or have seen anything while at the club which concerns you in relation to any other child, please give me a ring and we can discuss it. I will have to act on your information particularly if I consider it constitutes a safeguarding concern but we can talk about your details remaining confidential if you are concerned about this at all.

CLUB COACH



RALF NIELSEN

LTA SENIOR CLUB COACH

LEVEL 4

DBS checked

First Aid trained

Vastly experienced and well respected coach who has worked in the profession for over 30 years. Worked with players of all ages and all abilities.

Ralf is available both weekday and weekends for:

- Individual lessons
- Group Coaching
- Children's Parties

Please contact Ralf on: 07889 191 212 OR BY E-MAIL AT: r.nielsen64@outlook.com

SNITTERFIELD SPORTS CLUB

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The **SPORTS CLUB BAR** offers a wide variety of competitively priced beers, lagers, wines, spirits and soft drinks plus all of your favourite sport on the big screens throughout the year. Everybody always welcome!

WANT TO HOLD A FUNCTION?

We have a traditional Skittles Alley & Function room which can seat 80 people. To book or make an enquiry **contact Lee on 07747 095 543**

www.snitterfieldsportsclub.co.uk

COURT USAGE

CLUB EVENTS & CLUB SESSIONS ORGANISED BY STC TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER ALL OTHER PLAY. THESE EVENTS ARE ENTERED ON THE COURT BOOKING SYSTEM.

1. MEMBERS OF SNITTERFIELD TENNIS CLUB:

- Are able to book courts via the web site between the hours of 09:00 and 22:00 seven days a week. If you do not have access to the internet please contact a member of the committee;
- Can turn up and play on the courts at anytime (as above) except when the courts have already been booked;
- Will cover the cost of floodlights themselves;
- Will benefit from the club covering floodlight costs during club sessions and tournaments;
- May play during club open sessions which take place on Wednesday evenings 18:00 - 19:15, 19:30 - 21:00, Fridays 09:30 - 11.30am and Sundays 14:00 - 16:00. These sessions are open to all adult members and invited junior members only;
- May introduce guests to the club at a charge of £5 per hour. The member must be present with their guest. Each guest may visit a maximum 6 times in any year. Please pay either a committee member, Ralf Neilsen or at the bar
- Your annual fee includes social membership to the sports club which includes the Snipe Bar. Please support your facility
- Free parking on site

2. NON-MEMBERS OF SNITTERFIELD TENNIS CLUB

- Are welcome to use court 3 which can be booked via any member of the committee. This can be booked by non-members up to 7 days in advance;
- **A fee of £5 per person, per hour is payable.** When needed floodlight tokens are to be bought aswell. These are £5 per token with each token affording approximately one hours play. Tokens can be purchased from the Sports Club bar.

COURT RULES

A LOT OF VOLUNTEER TIME, MONEY AND EFFORT IS PUT INTO KEEPING OUR COURTS TO THE STANDARD THAT THEY ARE, THEREFORE, FOR ALL TO ENJOY, ALL WE ASK IS THAT THE FOLLOWING RULES ARE ADHERED TO...SO PLEASE:

1. Don't overtighten the net.
2. Do slacken off the net after use.
3. Wear appropriate, non-marking, footwear - please check for muddy feet. There are shoe brushes at the entrance to each court so no excuses!
4. Remember to remove any items you take onto the court, to include balls, empty ball tins, drinks, hats, etc. There are bins located at the front of the club for rubbish and the yellow bin for recycling old balls is outside court 1.
5. Don't take glass onto the courts.
6. Don't drop chewing gum.
7. Do sweep the courts with the brooms provided after use - this helps keep the sand distributed and the moss at bay!
8. Please adhere to our Code of Conduct which can be found on our website and on the notice board as a reminder!
9. Enjoy your tennis!!!

Please note - you enter the court and play at your own risk



IN THE EVENT OF AN ACCIDENT OR EMERGENCY

There is a basic First Aid kit located in the flood light box

There is a defibrillator located on the wall at the entrance to the Sports Club

For all 'finished with' balls, please empty them into the yellow bin outside Court 1 - this bin is emptied a couple of times a year for recycling and raises money for the club.

There are bins at the front of the club for disposing of all rubbish.

CODE OF CONDUCT

All members of staff and volunteers must agree to:

- Prioritise the well-being of all children and adults at risk at all times
- Treat all children and adults at risk fairly and with respect
- Be a positive role model. Act with integrity, even when no one is looking
- Help to create a safe and inclusive environment both on and off court
- Not allow any rough or dangerous behaviour, bullying or the use of bad or inappropriate language
- Report all allegations of abuse or poor practice to the club Welfare Officer
- Not use any sanctions that humiliate or harm a child or adult at risk
- Value and celebrate diversity and make all reasonable efforts to meet individual needs
- Keep clear boundaries between professional and personal life, including on social media
- Have the relevant consent from parents/ carers, children and adults before taking or using photos and videos
- Refrain from making physical contact with children or adults unless it is necessary as part of an emergency or congratulatory (e.g. handshake / high five)
- Refrain from smoking and consuming alcohol during club activities or coaching sessions
- Ensure roles and responsibilities are clearly outlined and everyone has the required information and training
- Avoid being alone with a child or adult at risk unless there are exceptional circumstances
- Refrain from transporting children or adults at risk, unless this is required as part of a club activity (e.g. away match) and there is another adult in the vehicle
- Not abuse, neglect, harm or discriminate against anyone; or act in a way that may be interpreted as such
- Not have a relationship with anyone under 18 for whom they are coaching or responsible
- Not to have a relationship with anyone over 18 whilst continuing to coach or be responsible for them

All children must agree to:

- Be friendly, supportive and welcoming to other children and adults
- Play fairly and honestly
- Respect club staff, volunteers and Officials and accept their decisions
- Behave, respect and listen to your coach
- Take care of your equipment and club property
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, gender, ability, race, culture, religion or sexual identity
- Not use bad, inappropriate or racist language, including on social media
- Not bully, intimidate or harass anyone, including on social media
- Not smoke, drink alcohol or drugs of any kind on club premises or whilst representing the club at competitions or events
- Talk to the club Welfare Officer about any concerns or worries they have about themselves or others

All adults must agree to:

- Be positive and encourage your child and show an interest in their tennis
- Use appropriate language at all times
- Be realistic and supportive
- Never ridicule or admonish a child for making a mistake or losing a match
- Treat all children, adults, volunteers, coaches, officials and members of staff with respect
- Behave responsibly at the venue; do not embarrass your child
- Accept the official's decisions and do not go on court or interfere with matches
- Encourage your child to play by the rules, and teach them that they can only do their best
- Deliver and collect your child punctually from the venue
- Ensure your child has appropriate clothing for the weather conditions
- Ensure that your child understands their Code of Conduct
- Adhere to your venue's safeguarding policy, diversity and inclusion policy, rules and regulations
- Provide emergency contact details and any relevant information about your child including medical history

SNITTERFIELD TENNIS CLUB



60
minutes

Burn
600+
calories

Tennis
inspired
workout

Get fit the fun way with this exciting group cardio workout!

Absolutely no tennis skills required (though you will pick some up along the way!)

This is a fun, group activity available to all abilities where everyone is constantly moving and hitting balls - giving an ultimate, high intensity workout.

Monday mornings from 9.30-10.30am
Thursday evenings from 6.30-7.30pm

Free trial session for newcomers.

...and you don't need to be a tennis player (or member) to do it!

(Rackets provided if needed)
Class charged per session

£6
members

£8
non
members

Places are limited so have a word with your friends and book now by contacting Ralf on 07889 191212 or at r.nielsen64@outlook.com



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