



New Members: 2023-2024

Why join Woodlands Tennis Club?

Woodlands is a friendly, sociable, community based tennis club run by the members for the members. Throughout the season there are social events and club tournaments with the emphasis on enjoying tennis. You can play social or more competitive club and league tennis - tennis balls are provided by the Club. Subscriptions, which vary with the type of membership, are quoted on the application form which you can find displayed in the Clubhouse or on the Club's website www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/woodlandstennisclub or **E-mail AndyShaw our Membership Secretary** woodlandstennismembership@gmail.com

Andy Liles – Mobile 07494493420 is the person for members to contact re: Clubhouse keys and Tokens for floodlights.

Safeguarding

Woodlands takes the safeguarding and welfare of its members very seriously. Policies can be accessed at www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/woodlandstennisclub and on noticeboard in Clubhouse. Sally Acton is Welfare officer for the Club.

Club facilities

There are five artificial grass all weather courts and three excellent porous macadam hard courts. Woodlands can boast more courts per member than any other Club in Derbyshire!

When can I play socially?

Woodlands normal summer programme generally is social tennis throughout the summer season (usually April to September) and normally mixed doubles though there are occasions when there are men's and ladies doubles. Some singles play can be fitted around the mixed doubles. Social tennis takes place throughout the year on **Tuesday and Thursday mornings** (social doubles) **from 8.30am** onwards.

There is also social play from **5.30pm on Monday and Friday evenings, Saturday afternoons** (arranged fours) and on **Sundays from 9-11am.** (social play) **Tuesday evening Ladies match practice and Thursday evening Mens match practice.**

There is year-round general club play, anytime, any day or evening. Matches and coaching take priority, but all courts not in use are available for members to play. At busy time members are asked to play 7 games if other members are waiting to play. There are adult coaching groups held daytime mid-week of various levels led by Woodlands coaches

Matchplay

Derby summer league matches for the six men's teams, five ladies teams and four mixed teams run from **April to August.** We have 4 men's, 2 ladies and 2 mixed teams in the Derby Indoor Winter League. Match practices for the summer season start in April and are run by the team captains.

Various **club tournaments and social events** are held throughout the year (watch for emails or notices in the clubhouse).

Junior tennis

Junior members are most welcome at the Club and membership still only costs **£60 for the full year, mini membership costs £40** (for under 8's). Woodlands has a thriving Junior membership as a result of the coaching programmes introduced since the hard courts were constructed.

This year there are a number of Junior teams playing in the Leagues and, in addition, there are many Junior Competitions and Tournaments arranged by our Club Coach, Leighton Lee, during the season assisted by Katy Wilson and Alex Roome. These include Mini Red, Mini Orange and Mini Green and older (see coaching programme). Some of the older junior members have competed in the adult teams. If you are good enough, you are old enough!!

For playing times, rules, school holiday clubs run by Leighton Lee, costs, and coaching details please see the separate **Junior notice board** in the Clubhouse or contact the coaches.

Adult Coaching

Adult coaching for beginners/improvers and more experienced players (including cardio tennis) will be organised through the year by Leighton and our Performance Coach, Phil Wilcock. For details please see the notice board in the clubhouse for the coaching programme or see Leighton or Phil personally.

Contacts

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Club Coach	Leighton Lee	07771637410
Committee Member	Adam Speck	07803307827
Performance Coach	Phil Wilcock	07540398389

Visitors

Visitors are welcome at Woodlands. **The adult and junior visitors' fee is £5.00** and visitors need to be signed in by an adult member. To be fair to the members a maximum of **four visits per season** is allowed except by arrangement with the committee.

Am I good enough to play without coaching?

The best way to judge is to come to the club and see for yourself. We support many different playing standards and prospective new members are encouraged to bring a racquet and tennis shoes and have two or three social sessions to see if tennis at Woodlands is for you. If you feel you need help the coaches are available.