

## CLUBHOUSE USAGE

Keys to the Clubhouse may be purchased through the Honorary Secretary for \$30 which includes a \$25 deposit. Children may not use the Clubhouse except under the supervision of an adult. Members when leaving the Clubhouse are asked to ensure that it is clean, that no food is left on benches, tables or in cupboards, that lights and heaters are turned off and that the door is locked. Please report anything amiss to the Clubhouse Officer.

Please watch the notice board. It is the means of advising members of tournaments, social events, competition tennis and many other matters.

## WORKING BEES

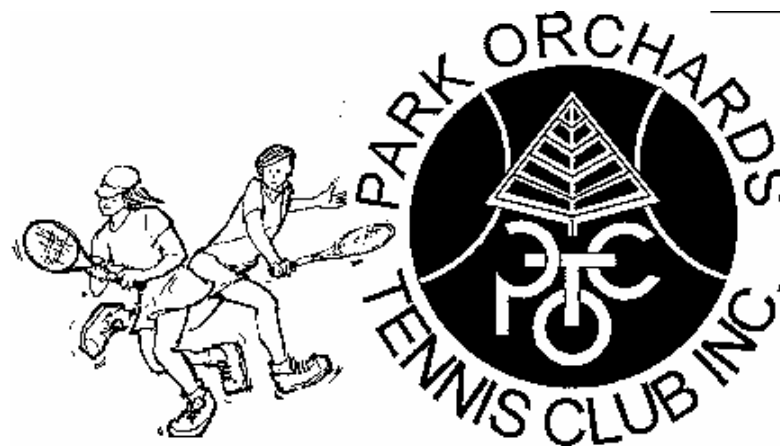
The Club is responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the courts and their surrounds. A portion of each senior membership fee is set aside for this purpose. The grassed area is cut regularly by council, however at times it may be necessary to arrange working bees to carry out repairs, planting and weeding, major re-surfacing of courts, replacement of lines and other odd jobs. The Committee expects that, when working bees are organised, members will make every effort to attend.

## WEB SITE

Information about the Club, latest activities and registration information is available at <http://www.potc.com>. Events and activities are advertised on the club notice boards, the web page and by email.

## TOURNAMENTS AND SOCIAL EVENTS

Throughout the year these are organised for all members. Details can be found on the notice board.



## PARK ORCHARDS TENNIS CLUB

The club was formed in July 1966 and four courts were opened in August. The clubhouse was built in 1972 and in 1989, two more courts were laid. The Club complex, which is on council property, has been developed by members in co-operation with the City of Manningham. The Club was incorporated in 1988.

The President and all members of the Management Committee hope that your involvement in the Club's activities will bring you satisfaction and enjoyment.

The club is managed by an Executive Committee, elected annually by members. The Committee meets monthly, except January, in the third week of the month. The Club's financial year is the calendar year, with the Annual General Meeting being held usually in the second week of June.

The Club operates within the terms of the Constitution which can be inspected by arrangement with the Honorary Secretary. Changes to the Constitution can be made only at General Meetings of members.

## COURT USAGE

It is the responsibility of all Club members to ensure that the rules and etiquette of tennis are observed at all times.

## Upkeep and Maintenance

Courts 1, 2, 3 and 4 have a Classic Clay® surface and do not require watering. Courts 5 and 6 have an *En-tous-cas* surface and must be wet before being used. They need to be watered thoroughly fence to fence, not just the playing area with an emphasis the area around the service lines as this area receives a lot of wear.

Courts must be bagged after each set - fence to fence, not just the playing area. After rain, puddles (not sheets of water) may be mopped up. Never play on frosty courts, water thoroughly to thaw the frost before playing.

## Dress

Correct tennis attire must be worn at all times. Only approved tennis shoes may be worn (not ripple sole or bare feet) and players wearing incorrect types of footwear will be asked to cease playing.

### Court Availability

Competition tennis has precedence over social tennis. If all courts are occupied then no court shall be monopolised by two players when four-handed games are possible, and desired, by members present.

Members may bring guests to play social tennis. A fee (listed later) must be placed in the box attached to the door of the Clubhouse.

Except for competition play, tournaments, and selection trials, members must provide their own tennis balls. New and used balls may be purchased through the Club.

The public is permitted, at the times designated, to hire the courts through the Booking Officer.

### COMPETITION TENNIS

Entry details for all competition teams and provisions for registering for selection are placed on the Clubhouse notice board.

**Saturday Afternoon** The Club enters Open teams (for men and women) in the Eastern Regional Tennis Association (ERT) competition for both Summer and Winter seasons. There is a wide range of standards in this competition. For further information please contact the Senior Convenor. This competition is open to Senior and Approved Junior members.

**Ladies Midweek** Teams are entered for both Summer and Winter competitions with MEMRLTA, (Tue), FTGDLWTA (Wed, Thur) and EDWTA (Wed). A wide range of standards is catered for and further information may be gained from the Midweek Ladies Tennis Representatives.

**V.T.A. Pennant** Pennant teams are entered by the Club on a season by season basis if sufficient interest is expressed. Contact the Club Coach for details. This competition is open to both Senior and Junior members.

**Night Competition** Teams are entered three times a year in the Lilydale Night Tennis Association Monday (Ladies) Tuesday and Thursday (Men) competitions. For further information, please contact the Night Tennis Representative.

**Twilight Men** An intra-club competition is conducted on a Wednesday night. A formal competition occurs between January and Easter and an informal social hit over the remainder of the year. For further information please contact the Twilight Men's Representative.

**Junior Competition** Many standards are catered for in the ERT Junior competition on Saturday and Sunday mornings. Both singles and doubles competition is available. The Club encourages parents to take an interest in the development of junior tennis and those whose children are selected in teams are expected to assist with supervision at home courts and transport to away courts.

**Social Tennis** Ladies, mens and mixed social tennis is held regularly. For further details contact the Club Secretary and watch the Notice Board.

### BALL FEES

Ball fees are charged to all competition players at the commencement of each season to cover the high cost of ball purchase. Rule books and used tennis balls are available and can be purchased from the Club.

### OFFICE BEARERS AND OFFICIALS

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|---------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| President                 | Andrew James         | 9876 2084    |
| Vice-President            | Julie Mill           | 9872 4746    |
| Hon Secretary             | Mark Hughes          | 9876 1307    |
| Hon Treasurer             | Richard Gackenheimer | 9876 1516    |
| Membership Secretary      | Tony Gibson          | 9874 4013    |
| Mid-Week Ladies Rep – Tue | Anne Gackenheimer    | 9879 9868    |
| Mid-Week Ladies Rep - Wed | Sue Waugh            | 9876 3270    |
| Mid-Week Ladies Rep – Thu | Glenda Fullard       | 9876 1187    |
| Twilighters Rep           | Peter White          | 9876 1910    |
| Maintenance               | Bob Hadley           | 9876 3426    |
| Junior Convenor           | Julie Mill           | 9872 4746    |
| Senior Convenor           | Robyn Mayo           | 9879 9777    |
| Night Convenor            | Chris Saliba         | 9870 3580    |
| Club Coach                | Fiona Kulesz         | 9876 1421    |
| Court Bookings            | Chris Saliba         | 0437 440 310 |
|                           | Anne Gackenheimer    | 9879 9868    |

### MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions are reviewed each year at the Annual General Meeting. The current membership categories and fees are.

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| Senior Membership   | \$110.00  |
| Student Membership  | \$70.00 (Full time students over 16 years on Jan 1) |
| Junior Membership   | \$60.00 (16 years and under at Jan 1)               |
| Family Membership   | \$290.00  |
| Twilight Membership | \$110.00 – plus senior membership = \$220 total     |

Subscriptions are due in January of each year.

Unfinancial members are not permitted to play competition tennis or use the Club facilities.

### PUBLIC HIRE OF COURTS

Club non-members must book courts in advance through Mrs Anne Gackenheimer 9879 9868

The fee set by Manningham Council is \$10.00 per hour per court. Courts are available for hire Sunday, Monday and Friday 8.00am - 7.00pm and Tuesday and Thursday 2.00 - 7.00pm or when not required for Club use.

Visitors' fees are \$5.00 per person when accompanied by a Club member.