



Kirkstall Abbey Tennis Club – Re-opening May 2020



Kirkstall Abbey
Tennis Club

Dear Member,

It is with great pleasure that I write to you to confirm we are able to open the courts up for use by members of Kirkstall Abbey Tennis Club from **Monday 18th May 2020**. We are committed at the club to providing you with a place to play however we need to ensure that we do this, first and foremost, with safety in mind.

Please adhere to the following guidelines when you are returning to the club to play tennis and be aware that if guidelines are not being followed, you will be asked to leave. Please also note that this is a changing situation and the government and LTA could change the rules at any point so please continue to check emails and Facebook for information.

Please be aware, the courts have been risk assessed and we are aware that they do require some moss treatment over the next couple of weeks and the committee will be completing this work as soon as possible.

When playing tennis from Monday 18th May 2020:

At all times, please adhere to social distancing of 2m or more

When entering the courts

- Please bring with you hand sanitiser and use this before touching and unlocking the gates
- As you enter the courts, please wipe down the lock with disinfectant once you have unlocked the courts. If possible, wear gloves to do this, disinfect the gloves and take these away with you.
- If possible and it is safe to do so, please leave the gate slightly open whilst you play which means less contact

When playing tennis

- Please do not touch the nets. These have been adjusted and checked by the committee and are at the correct height
- Please do not sit on the benches. There is a possibility that surfaces could hold the virus so these are not to be used at this time to stop the spread of infection. These have been taped up for your safety.
- Please bring your own equipment and do not share rackets
- In relation to singles you may play with a club family member or with one other club member who is not from your household for the duration of the match.
- You may only play doubles if you can do so with club members of your own household.
- If the courts are quiet, please play on non-adjacent courts to allow lots of room between players.
- Only pick up balls that you are playing with so it may be helpful to number your tennis balls. If a ball comes across from another court, kick or use your racket to pass this back. Please only touch (with hands) your own tennis balls therefore if playing with a member from another household you will need two sets of tennis balls in order to serve with your own.
- Please only play for one hour. The clocks are not in use at this time, again to ensure as few people as possible are touching surfaces at the courts. Please use common sense and allow other members the opportunity to play when your hour is up. I (Nici) will be attending some training from the LTA on Friday 15th May to look at the possibility of having an online booking system so that people can see when the courts are available/busy and therefore select an appropriate time to allow better social distancing. I will update once I have decided if this is something which is suitable and feasible for KATC.

When leaving the courts

- Ensure that there is an appropriate (2m or more) social distance between players, particularly at the entrance and exit point.
- Use hand sanitiser before you touch the gate and then lock the gate.
- Wipe down the lock and gate with disinfectant once you have finished. Use gloves to do this if possible and ensure you take these away with you.

Membership Renewals

A decision has been made by the committee that membership renewals will start from Monday 18th May 2020. The committee would strongly recommend an online transfer of fees however however cheques via post will be accepted as well. Please complete the membership form attached to this email and make your payment as

soon as possible. Locks will NOT be changed at the moment in order to give people chance to get back on court and renew memberships during the next 6 weeks.

Locks will be changed on **Monday 29th June 2020** and all keys to members who have renewed will be sent out w/c **Monday 22nd June** to allow you to access the courts once the lock change happens. Please keep your old key and give to a member of the committee so that we can use these again in the future. If you would prefer to return the old key by post, please contact Nici Pedley on 07921 170597 to arrange this.

Please remember, the safety of all club members is our priority during these strange and unforeseen times. Please respect and adhere to all rules in place to ensure the safety of all members so that we can all get back to and enjoy our tennis. Should you wish to read the guidance for players from the LTA in more detail, please find attached here

<https://www.lta.org.uk/about-us/tennis-news/news-and-opinion/general-news/2020/march/coronavirus-covid-19---latest-advice/>

Many thanks in advance,

Nici Pedley (Chairperson)

LTA
TENNIS
FOR BRITAIN

PLAYING TENNIS DURING LOCKDOWN

- 
Max 2 people per court
(unless players are all from the same household)
- 
Only handle your own racket and personal (marked) tennis balls
- 
Only one to one coaching permitted
- 
Avoid changing ends or change at opposite sides of net
- 
No shaking hands or physical contact with other players
- 
Allow others to leave before you enter the court - wait away from the gates
- 
Maintain social distancing (2m rule) at all times
- 
Follow public health guidelines for hygiene
- 
Do not play if you are self-isolating

Full guidelines for players, coaches and venues at [lta.org.uk/coronavirus](https://www.lta.org.uk/coronavirus)

KIRKSTALL ABBEY TENNIS CLUB
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION – 2020/2021

Please note that the Membership year runs to/from the date of the AGM. This year the AGM was not held due to COVID-19 therefore the membership renewals will take place from 18th May-29th June 2020 via the online payment system. Keys and shoe tags will be sent out w/c 22nd June 2020. The locks at the tennis courts will be changed on Monday 29th June 2020. **As proof of membership please have your shoe tag on court with you.**

Type of membership	Fee	No	Total
Single Adult	£30.00		
LEEDSCARD EXTRA or LEEDSCARD 60 Holder (enclose photocopy of card)	£15.00		
Family	£60.00		
Junior (under 18 on 1st April 2019) Please give age(s) here	£ 5.00		
Key charge –Key charge must be paid by all new members – this is a one off payment and is non-returnable. For renewals you need to return the old key or £3.00	£ 3.00		
Bank Transfer strongly recommended Send payment to:- s/c 20-48-42 a/c no. 53389987 Please enter applicants first name & surname in the reference box.	TICK HERE <input type="checkbox"/>		£
Cheque payment with cheque made out to Kirkstall Abbey Tennis Club	TICK HERE <input type="checkbox"/>		£

ALL applicants must complete this form and send to Jason Sears with a S.A.E. (stamped addressed envelope) for new key w/c 22nd June

New/Renewal* Membership (* delete as necessary)

NAME

ADDRESS

..... Postcode

TEL..... MOB..... e-mail.....

Signature:

Family memberships - other names included - for Juniors please give date of birth

1) 2)

3) 4)

Checklist: (Please tick)

Membership Application Form

SAE for key posting

Online payment to KATC

Please send to:

Jason Sears, Flat 5a, Victoria Avenue, Yeadon, Leeds, LS19 7AS

For general enquiries please ring Jason Sears on 07814-549170

If you give consent for your child to be photographed during tennis activities please tick this box Photographs will be taken for the purpose of local media and may be used in future promotional material.