

Old College Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club

Information for New Members 2009/10



Tennis * Croquet

*Tournaments * Matches * Coaching*

*Teams * Club sessions * Social functions*

Welcome to Old College Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club!

WHO WE ARE

Old College, established in 1884, is one of the oldest clubs in London and is open to all. It is a friendly club offering croquet and a wide range of tennis activities as well as a lively social side.

The Club is an LTA affiliated, non-profit making organisation run by volunteers headed by the Main Committee. Members are encouraged to volunteer to help run the Club. Elections to the various committees are held annually.

FACILITIES

Tennis	3 artificial grass courts (2 floodlit) 4 tarmac hard courts (2 floodlit) Tennis balls provided for most club sessions
Floodlights	Courts need to be booked in advance. Tokens cost £4 for an hour and a quarter
Booking courts	Members are welcome to book courts free of charge. The booking sheets are displayed in the clubhouse three weeks in advance.
Croquet	1 grass lawn
Clubhouse	Changing rooms Showers Toilets Kitchen Bar Lounge Pay phone TV

TENNIS

Old College has a good reputation for the standard and quality of its tennis facilities, activities and coaching.

We run a full range of club sessions for the various membership categories. No prior booking is necessary. Members are invited to mix in with players of a similar standard to themselves.

The Club provides free balls for each of the club sessions.

Club Play times by Sections are available at the end of this booklet.

Tournaments

Members are invited to take part and compete in the various one day events and the Club's Main, Veteran and Master knockout tournaments.

Ropey ladder

All adult and junior members are eligible to play in the Old College singles ladder – see (www.ropeyladder.com)

Teams

The Club enters three Ladies, four Men's and two Mixed teams to the Surrey County Leagues. We are also running junior teams in numerous age categories, from Mini Tennis up to U18. There is also a Midweek Ladies team, a Men's and a Mixed team competing in the Southwark Leagues.

Coaching

Coaching has been a major part of the success of the Club.

The Club benefits from a team of excellent coaches headed by Jon Modica and his assistant, Hamid Irshad. Coaching is available on an individual and group basis throughout the year. Drop-in coaching sessions - for which no prior booking is necessary - are run on weekdays and Saturday mornings. (See times at the end of this booklet).



Head Coach - Jon Modica

LTA Licensed CCA level 4 coach. Currently working towards Level 5, Bolletierri level 1

First Aid: Appointed person

Experience: Coaching since 1995

Age: Older than you'd think!

Ind lesson: £30/hr*

Grp lesson: Please call on:

07769 747 402

Assistant Coach - Hamid Irshad

LTA Licensed DCA level 3 Coach,
Advanced Mini Tennis,

First Aid: Appointed person

Experience: Coaching since 2004

Age: Older than Jon!

Ind Lesson: £25/hr*

Grp Lesson: Please call on:

07737 755 821

*Floodlights and non-members fees are extra.



Visitors

Members are welcome to bring non-members to play for a visitor's fee of £4 per guest, no more than five visits per year per guest. Please enter your name and the visitor's name in the book, which is kept by the pay-phone **before you play**. This ensures that our insurance policy covers your guest. Either pay a committee member – (please see that they sign the book to confirm that you have done so), or pay when you renew your sub.

Membership

OC tennis offers Peak and Off-Peak membership. Peak members play any time, 7 days a week; Off-Peak members from morning till 6pm, Monday till Friday.

There are three playing standard categories:

Advanced – for players of team/good standard

Intermediate – for players whose potential will develop with practice and play

Improvers – for those learning to play or returning to the game

In order to join the Club we would like to invite you to attend one of the "drop-in" coaching sessions, held on Saturday mornings, to be played in by the Head Coach to the most appropriate membership category.

The membership year runs from 1 April to 31 March; members may join at any time during the year; subscription reductions apply for those joining after 1 September.

Student Superdeal

This is available to students in full time education, aged 18 – 23. The Student Superdeal offers either a three-year membership with a one off payment of £108, or an annual fee of £46. A £10 joining fee is payable by new members. Contact Rosie Allen Rosiecampbell@btconnect.com

Mini tennis red level – no membership available

Group coaching is available for children from 3-8 years old. Initial enquiries should be made to the Head Coach jmodica@blueyonder.co.uk

Mini tennis (orange and green level) Membership

Available for children from 8 -10/11 years old playing at mini-tennis orange or green level. Initial enquiries should be made to the Membership Secretary or Head Coach. Application forms can be found in the clubhouse or on the website. Members may join at any time during the year.

Junior Membership

Open to those aged from 8-18 years: initial enquires should be made to the Junior Membership Secretary or Head Coach. Application forms can be found in the clubhouse or on the website. Members may join at any time during the year; subscription reductions apply for those joining after 1 September.

Juniors can be played up to and then granted an adult 'intermediate' or 'advanced' standard by the Head Coach, Jon Modica. This then qualifies them to take part in adult events, use floodlights and book any of the courts.

A separate booklet is available for the junior section.

GOLF CROQUET

Golf croquet is played by four players competing in pairs over a course of nine or a long thirteen hoops.

The croquet members (adults only) play from Easter till Autumn. Club sessions are on Friday mornings, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons. A tournament is held each year over two days. A tea is enjoyed after the final on the second day. A dinner is also arranged once a year. All standards are catered for.

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

The Social Committee runs a range of social functions throughout the year: quiz nights, parties, barbecues, discos etc. We aim to cater for all needs.

PARKING

Parking is available on the road outside the Club. Within the dotted lines you may park with your wheels on the kerb. Outside the designated bays, you must **not at any time** park with your car wheels on the kerb this is an offence day or night and Wardens pass the Club regularly.

SUBSCRIPTIONS – 2009/2010

Category		Peak	Off Peak	Home Address Outside M25
Advanced		£168	£114	£61
Intermediate		£139		
Improver		£ 83		
Junior Tennis	£57	Temporary	£45	
Croquet	£130	Social	£15	
Joined Tennis & Croquet: 25% discount				

JOINING FEES – 2009/2010

Adult Tennis	£50
Junior Tennis	£15
*Croquet	£50
Student Superdeal	£10

*No joining fee in 2009/10

To apply for membership please see separate application form or download from the website. www.oldcollege.co.uk
 Special terms are available for those wishing to play tennis and croquet.

Club Play times by Sections (subject to changes)

DAY	TIME	COURTS	
Peak Advanced			
Wednesday	18.30 – 21.00	1 – 5	
Saturday	13.30 – 16.00	1,2, 4 and 5	
	16.00 – 17.15 priority	4 and 5	
Sunday	13.30 – 16.30	1 and 2 (+3 if necessary)	
Peak Intermediate			
Thursday	18.30 – 21.00	1 and 2 (+ 6 if necessary)	
Saturday	12.00 – 13.30	4 and 5	
Sunday	13.30 – 16.30	4 and 5 (shared)	
Peak Improvers			
Tuesday	18.30 – 21.00	1 and 2	
Sunday	13.30 – 16.30	5	
Off-Peak Advanced			
Thursday	09.00 – 12.00	4 and 5 (+6 if necessary)	
Off-Peak Intermediate			
Tuesday	09.00 – 12.00	1, 2, 4 and 5	
Wednesday	09.00 – 12.00	3, 4 and 5	
Friday	09.00 – 12.00	1-5	
Drop-in Coaching Sessions			
Wednesday	09.30 – 11.00	Improvers/Intermediates	6 and 7
Friday	09.30 – 11.00	Improvers/Intermediates	6 and 7
Saturday	09.00 – 10.30	Improvers	6 and 7
	10.30 – 12.00	Intermediates	6 and 7

Note: Members may play in a Club Session in a lower category to that which they have joined but may not play in a category higher than that which they have joined.

Contact details

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