

Information Sheet for New Members



The President's Message

Welcome to the APLTC. This booklet is designed to help you get maximum enjoyment from your membership. We want you to enjoy the club as much as we do.

You'll find answers to questions you might have about playing at the club, one of the oldest in Victoria, here. But do have a look at our website -www.apltc.com.au It has up-to-date information about what's going on and what's coming up, as well as the how, when, where and why of the club. You'll also receive a newsletter every couple of months to keep you informed. The committee is always available to assist in any way they can to make new members feel at home. And feel free to contact me if there is anything else you need to know.

Yours faithfully, Peter Davidson 0409 935 936

The Committee 2020-21

President: Peter Davidson Vice-President: John Dunne Secretary: Paul Robinson Treasurer: James Arnold

Committee Members:

Michael Fisher
Alison Hamilton
Bill Katelis
Dennis Klapas
Rebecca Richardson

Annual Events and Activities

Annual General Meeting - November Senior Club Championships - March/April/May Junior Club Championships - November Mixed-up Doubles Round Robin - March The Club organises a couple of social events annually. You will get plenty of notice via the newsletter or a dedicated email. The noticeboard in the clubhouse and the website will have details as well.

Access to courts

Your fob is your key. If you lose it, there's a \$25 replacement fee. Please note that anyone who lends a fob to a non-member will have it cancelled.

Lights

To operate the lights: Buy tokens at Bisbas Hardware, 196 Bridport Street. The cost is \$10 for 30 minutes and the lights' meter is in the outside cupboard near the water fountain.

To keep our neighbours happy, Port Phillip Council has decreed that the lights must go out on the courts at 10 pm.

Visitors

Members can invite visitors to play twice a month. Please make sure you sign them into the visitor's book just inside the clubhouse door & pay the \$10 fee.

Use of Clubhouse

We welcome events, like family parties, but you need to contact the president, Peter Davidson, to get the OK and be advised about any requirements. The barbecue is easy to use, and the newly renovated kitchen is well equipped with a fridge, stove, microwave, dishwasher and crockery, glasses and utensils.

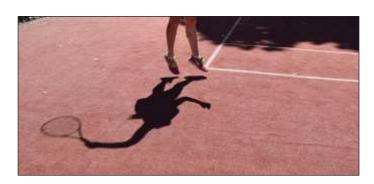
Please note: The club has a BYO licence that restricts alcohol consumption to the clubhouse & veranda.

Court Usage and times

We don't have a booking system for the courts, it's just a case of pot-luck. You turn up and take your turn but we do have protocols to follow.

These are:

- Coaching sessions, competitions, team practice, organised social play or an approved booking in progress takes precedence over members having a hit. (Note that function bookings will be displayed on the noticeboard.)
- If there are senior and junior members waiting to play, seniors have priority over juniors.
- If a set is being played, whether its seniors or juniors, any arriving member must wait for the set to finish before they can play.
- If a parent who is a member is having a hit but not actually playing a set -- with a young child, they are allowed to play for 20 minutes after other members arrive for a game.
- Both seniors and juniors may have a visitor who has the same rights as the member. But remember that visitors must be signed in and a \$10 visitor fee applies to all age groups. Visitors are restricted to two visits per month.



Competition Tennis

The club usually has two teams in the Tennis Victoria or Bayside Competitions. The men play on Saturday afternoon and the women on Thursday from 10 am to 2.30 pm. We are always on the lookout for new players, either as a regular or as a fill-in. See our website at **www.apltc.com.au** for details. The men's team practices on Thursday night.

Social Play

Keen to play without committing to a team? The club has three organised social tennis sessions each week and we welcome new members. All playing levels are welcome on Sunday and Wednesday but the men's game on Tuesday night is of a high standard and very competitive. Invariably, there are always members keen for coffee or a meal afterwards.

Sunday 9am-1pm. Mixed. Tuesday 5.30pm – 9.30pm. Men's. Wednesday 5.30pm – 9.30pm Mixed.



Coaching

Nicole Bruce-Smith has been coaching at the club for more than 27 years. She offers group and private lessons for juniors and seniors generally during school term time. She also offers holiday programs. You can contact her on 0403 610 547.

Coaching times are

- Monday 3.30pm 7pm. 1 court
- Tuesday 3.30pm 5.45pm. 1 court
- Wednesday 3.30pm 5.30pm. 1 court
- Thursday 3.30pm 8.30pm. 1 court
- Friday 3.30pm 7.00pm. 1 court
- Saturday 8am Noon. 2 courts

Also, the club sponsors local lads and lassies to join in the fun of Saturday morning group lessons with Nicole. These one-hour lessons are \$6.

Club history

Learn about APLTC's rich history in Playing in the Park, the book written by long-term member Joy Bandy that chronicles the birth of the club in 1884 to 2012. You can get your own copy at the Club.

Polo Shirts

Show you belong with an APLTC Polo Shirt. Available in numerous sizes. Order them at the Club on Sunday morning.

Official Documents

Club rules and by-laws are available for inspection on the noticeboard in the clubhouse and on the website.

Life Membership

The club allows the election of life members who have made an outstanding contribution.