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INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Thank you for considering joining our Club. We are a family friendly, vibrant community hub that encourages people of all ages, standards and ethnicities, to meet and play tennis more often. We hope you will find this summary information useful.

HOW DO I GO ABOUT JOINING?

To download an application form, follow the link to: <http://eastmalverntc.com.au/memberships/>

Please feel free to contact any member of the Committee, or call us at the Administration office, on 9886 0858. We have found it's a good idea to talk to us first before submitting your application – we want you to be comfortable that we're the right club for you. At that time, you can organise to come down on a Sunday afternoon, for a hit.

CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP

Memberships allowing unrestricted access to the courts and club facilities (subject to availability) are:

Adult (Full)

Junior / Student (U21 no ID required / 21-25 Full-Time Uni Student id required)

Family (includes 2 adults and all children U25 at 30Sept17 living at the same address).

Membership with restricted access to courts and facilities (subject to availability) Monday to Friday from 9.00am to 3.00pm is: **Adult (Midweek)**

JUNIOR MEMBERS

We welcome junior members (18 and under) into club competitions. We enter teams into WDTA Saturday and Sunday morning competitions, which run two seasons a year. Coaching is available for all levels of juniors through our Club Coach.

COMPETITION

The Club enters teams in various types of competition, all of which require participants to be financial members of East Malvern Tennis Club;

District Competition for Seniors and Juniors.

Played each Saturday and Sunday – Juniors in the morning and Seniors in the afternoon. This competition is played against other Clubs with the aim of winning a flag for East Malvern TC. This is a strong form of competition and a good way to start playing the game with meaning and purpose.

Pennant Competition

Played on Saturday or Sunday during the winter months. This is a much more competitive level of tennis which is played against Clubs throughout the metropolitan area and Geelong.

Night Competitions

The Club enters teams in various grades of night competitions. Generally there are two seasons per year. Games are played from 7.00pm to about 10.00pm at various south-eastern venues on different nights.

Midweek Competition

District Competition (ladies) is available on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.



VISITORS

Each member may invite any given visitor on up to three occasions per year. **Visitor fees (\$10 pp)** are payable prior to commencement of play by lodging the appropriate payment in the Visitors Fee Box next to the Whiteboard outside the Clubhouse main entrance.

COURT BOOKINGS

During the day bookings are not required, but there are times when court access is restricted due to coaching or competition requirements, which take precedence over social play. We ask that members who are playing on an occasional basis (ie not in any organised social or competition event) share courts fairly with other members who may be waiting. A "Court Availability" sheet is displayed on the clubhouse noticeboard and on our website, as a general guide to when courts are available, as are the Court Access Rules.

NIGHT BOOKINGS

Members wishing to play at nights do need to book in advance. Bookings can be made on 9885 0270 or booklights@eastmalverntc.com.au - cost for members is **\$12 per hour per court** – visitors accompanying members are required to pay a visitors fee of \$10 each.

SOCIAL PLAY

Members are able to use the courts for social play at any time except during times of competition, organised members-only social tennis, or when courts are booked for Coaching (except for midweek members, see above). See the charts on the Board in the Clubhouse for times of Court availability. **Organised** social play for **Seniors** is available on Sunday afternoons from 1.00pm – 4.30pm and Friday 9.30am – 12.00noon.

SWIMMING POOL

The swimming pool is for members. Members may invite one guest (per member) who **MUST pay a "Facility Fee" of \$10 PRIOR** to entering the pool (not required if they have paid \$10 Visitor Fee for tennis). Correct swimming attire (not tennis wear) must be worn in the pool. An adult must supervise children under 12 at all times. The wearing of swimming attire in the Clubhouse is **not** permitted. Pool rules are on the gate and also on the notice board.

CLUB COMMUNICATION OF EVENTS AND INFORMATION

EMTC uses *Campaign Monitor* to email members about current information and events at the Club. We suggest you put our email address in your 'contact list' so your emails don't go to the junk folder. We also have a great website www.eastmalverntc.com.au where you can be kept up to date on what is going on around the Club. Our noticeboard also has a variety of information, updated regularly.

COACHING

Coaching is available at East Malvern through Futures Tennis Academy, our Tennis Australia registered coaching group. FTA run coaching programs (at separate cost) for all levels of players from beginner to advanced, and for all ages. Contact FTA on 9813 8484 or visit www.futurestennis.com.au

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Our membership year changed in 2016 and now runs from 1 October to 30 September. There is a **Joining Fee** (once-off), plus an **Annual Subscription** which is adjusted according to how much of the year remains when you join.

Please see the Membership Fees Form on our website.

TENNIS SHOES:

Only approved flat soled (including herringbone or feathered) tennis shoes are to be worn on our courts.

*Ripple sole, cross trainers, jogging, running, cricket shoes or shoes with a raised heel or with studs that cause damage to the courts **are not permitted.***

For images of soles please see posters around the Clubhouse and our website:

<http://eastmalverntc.com.au/policies-by-laws/>

