



## **THE CLUBHOUSE**

### **RECEPTION**

The Weald Reception is open 10am-7pm, Monday to Friday and 9am-5pm at weekends. Our Club Assistants will be happy to answer any questions you may have, deal with court bookings, serve hot/cold drinks, tennis/squash balls and related accessories sales..

### **THE BAR**

The Bar is open until 11pm, Monday to Friday and until 5pm at the weekend.

### **SOCIAL**

There are various Club social functions during the year, barbecues in the summer and special food nights in conjunction with social tennis/squash events. These are organised by members so any suggestions or offers of help are always welcome.

The Function Room/Bar is available for hire at weekends and will accommodate a maximum of 120 people. We also have a meeting room which will seat up to 12 people. Please contact the Club Manager for availability, cost and bookings. Preferential rates are available for members.

### **200 CLUB**

The 200 Club has been part of the Club for many years and gives members the chance to win money in a quarterly draw held at the Club. Cash prizes are 1 x £100, 1 x £50 and 3 x £25. If you are present in the bar when the draw takes place names are picked out of a hat for 3 x £10 winners.

Draws are organised – usually on a Thursday night – at the end of January, April, July and October. The exact dates will be posted on the Club noticeboards and on the website prior to the event. The draw itself takes place at 9 pm in the bar. If you are interested in joining, there is a charge of £8.00 per quarter (*paid by direct debit, forms for which can be obtained from Reception*).

## **SQUASH**

### **CLUB SESSIONS**

Club night sessions are held on Tuesday nights with 2 courts from 7.20pm and another 2 from 7.40pm. The night is open to both members and non-members and is an ideal opportunity for future members to meet existing players and to gauge their standard if they want to enter the internal leagues. The session is informally organised by the members.

### **SQUASH COMPETITIONS**

Two formal competitions are run each year – the Handicap Tournament (October/November) and the Annual Tournament (March/April).

### **LEAGUES**

The leagues provide the best opportunities of meeting and playing other members at The Weald. As a member, put your name and details down on the sheet next to court 2 and you will be e-mailed the details of the next league as it starts. Points are awarded for turning up and games won according to the rules on the board. There is a year round singles league-table competition. Please contact the Head Coach to enquire and for entry.

### **TEAMS**

The Weald currently has five men's teams in the Sussex Division. Playing in the team gives you the opportunity to play other Clubs and if you are interested in joining a team, please contact Trevor Morgan or Sarah Naish.

### **COACHING**

Coaching sessions are available for all ages. Regular sessions are on Friday afternoons with individual or group coaching available on request.



### **RACKETBALL**

There are a growing number of members who play racketball at the Club. This is a good indoor sport with a ball that bounces like a tennis ball, but using the more complex angles from the court walls. Everyone is welcome to have a try. It is a very good way of introducing juniors to squash. Spare rackets and balls are available if you want to play for the first time.

### **SHOES AND CLOTHING**

It is essential that the courts are kept free of dirt so shoes must NOT be worn outside and must NOT have dark coloured soles. Non-members' shoes will be checked by Reception prior to play. Any sports clothing can be worn on court with a top and shorts/bottoms as a minimum.

### **HIRE OF COURTS**

The squash courts can be hired by the public for individual use or for external matches.

## **TENNIS**

### **CLUB SESSIONS**

Regular Club sessions are held on Tuesday evenings, 6.30pm – 8.30pm and Saturday afternoons 2pm – 4pm and are open to all adult members of any ability. All players should come to Club sessions with at least one set of four balls and offer these for play. New balls and used match balls are available for sale from Reception.

The Club Closed tournament (club championships) is held in July and has entries for ladies' and men's singles and doubles, mixed doubles and Vets. One-day American Tournaments are also held throughout the year and sign-up forms are posted in the Clubhouse prior to the event.

### **SOCIAL TENNIS**

Feel free to join our regular sessions held on the following days:

<i>Monday</i>	<i>10.00am</i>	<i>Book with Jan Gonnella (janganella@hotmail.com)</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>6.30pm</i>	<i>Turn up and play</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>9.30am</i>	<i>Book with Jan Gonnella (janganella@hotmail.com)</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>9.00am</i>	<i>Turn up and play</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>2.00pm</i>	<i>Turn up and play</i>

Cardio Tennis which is organised by Zoe Cranfield (contact via reception to book) on Wednesday evenings 7.00 - 8.00 and Saturday mornings 9.00 - 10.00 at a cost of £5.00 for members or £6.00 for non-members.

### **TEAMS**

We currently have men's and ladies' teams in the Sussex leagues. If you are interested in playing for a team please speak to the Tennis Chairman or any of the coaching team. The Club is keen to encourage members to participate in team play.

### **COACHING**

The Club has a team of qualified coaches who offer both one-to-one and group coaching from mini tennis to county standard and beyond. Details are available on our website or from reception.

### **PLAYING MORE TENNIS**

In addition to all the above opportunities, you may wish to play friendly matches either against other members or against non-members. The Club is open to you every day of the year so there are plenty of opportunities to play. Non-members are welcome - a court fee is charged and a maximum of 6 visits is permitted.

### **COURT ETIQUETTE**

Consideration of other players is most important so would you please observe the following:

- Do not enter the court until play stops between points
- Do not move behind a court when a player is about to serve
- Close the gate after entering or leaving the court



- Drag clay courts on completion of your match
- No cans or open bottles on court
- Please take all your rubbish with you when you leave
- Do not disturb other courts with excessive noise
- Please be considerate to other players on your court

**\*\* Please use the brushes to clean shoes after play on clay courts before entering the Clubhouse.**

#### **DRESS CODE**

Men are not permitted to play bare-chested and ladies are asked not to wear crop tops. Proper tennis shoes are required.

#### **WIMBLEDON TICKETS**

We encourage all Club members to join British Tennis and register as members of The Weald. We are eligible to participate in the annual ballot for Wimbledon tickets, which are assigned to the Club by the LTA and have to be paid for at face value. The more opted-in BTM members we have registered to The Weald, the more tickets we are allocated. The draw for tickets is made in May. Further information can be obtained from the Tennis Chairman.

## **GENERAL COMMITTEE**

The Club is a Community Amateur Sports Club managed by the Committee. Club Officers and the General Committee are elected by the members at the Annual General Meeting and they are always happy to answer any questions you may have.

*Chairman - Gill Andersson*

*General Secretary - Kristina Banham*

*Treasurer – Julie Nicholson*

*Membership Secretary – Alison Cumberland*

*Tennis Chair – David Cumberland*

*Squash Chair - Sarah Naish*

General Committee: Noel Poncelet, Gill Stafford (Marketing)

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **COMMUNICATION**

To keep you informed of what is going on at the Club we issue a weekly Newsletter, posters are displayed at the Club and the website which gives information on tournaments and social events.

#### **SECURITY and HEALTH & SAFETY**

For security purposes, the Club has installed a fob system on the two main entrance doors. On joining you will be given a fob (*for age 14 and over*) to be used to enter the building when Reception is closed. As you will appreciate, the Club is left unattended out of hours and so the possibility of vandalism and burglary is a serious concern. Please ensure you close all windows and lock external doors when leaving the premises outside Reception hours. Please report any security concerns to the Club Manager or Club Chairman. Health & Safety is everyone's responsibility. If you see something unsafe please report it.

Please be mindful of the 10mph SPEED LIMIT when using the private road to the Club.

If you require any further information then please contact Reception at the Club or email [wealdreception@btconnect.com](mailto:wealdreception@btconnect.com), our Club Manager Sharon Slade at [manager@the-weald.co.uk](mailto:manager@the-weald.co.uk) or visit our website: [www.the-weald.co.uk](http://www.the-weald.co.uk)