



TENNIS CLUB • WESTMINSTER PARK



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Welcome to the 2024-25 season. Please find below useful information that will assist you.

YOUR COMMITTEE

Mark Chappell – President
Colin Barnard – Vice President
Ken Wither – Treasurer
Sue Britton – Secretary
Kate Drew – Membership Secretary
Andrea Hopkinson & Will Grattan – Welfare Officers
Sara Banim
Sophie Winter
Aidan Wiggins – Head Coach

We are always looking for enthusiastic members who would be interested in joining the Committee. Please speak to any of us about ways in which you can volunteer.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION & CONTACT DETAILS

All members should make themselves aware of the Club Rules as well as safety procedures and safeguarding policies which are available on the Glan Aber website (Important Information) and can be accessed via this link www.glanaber.com.

The website will have the most up-to-date information. Please like and follow our Facebook page.

SAFEGUARDING

The safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults is of paramount importance at our Club. The Club's Welfare Officers are Andrea Hopkinson (andreaHop@talktalk.net / 07792 474504) and Will Grattan (w.l.grattan@gmail.com / 07794 216097) who can be contacted in the first instance if you have any concerns. The club's Safeguarding Policy and further useful details can be viewed on the safeguarding noticeboard in the clubhouse and on the Club website under the 'Important Information'.

We recommend that children up to Year 6 are accompanied at the Club by a responsible adult unless on a supervised session.

ACCESS

The club operates a keyfob access system which gives access to the main gate and the clubhouse. If you need a keyfob, please contact our Membership Secretary, Kate Drew, (membership@glanaber.com). There is a £20 deposit, refundable on return. This can be paid by BACS to Glan Aber Tennis Club account 17014760, sort code 77-48-10. If the Clubhouse is locked, there is a keysafe – access details are on the outside noticeboard.

COURT BOOKING

We have a court booking system to help manage the use of the courts. Members are able to book courts either by using the link from our Glan Aber website (www.glanaber.com), the Clubspark website (www.clubspark.lta.org.uk), or by downloading the ClubSpark booking app for your phone. Members can book up to seven days in advance and can book up to 5 sessions (max 2 hours each) per week. If you have any issues, please ask.

There are currently some blocks that cannot be booked: these are reserved for junior/ adult group coaching sessions, League matches and organised Club social tennis sessions.

SOCIAL TENNIS SESSIONS

The following organised group sessions run at the club:

Adult Club Nights – Tuesdays and Thursdays from 18:00

Weekend Adult Session – Saturdays 13.00-15.00

If you are interested in attending any of the sessions please email your name, mobile number and which session(s) you would like to attend to glanaberadmin@btinternet.com so we can add you to the WhatsApp Group for the relevant session.

COACHING

All Court Tennis Academy (ACTA) offers a full programme of junior and adult group and individual lessons. For all coaching enquiries, please contact our Head Coach, Aidan Wiggins (UKCC4) - 07808 657765 or email awiggins85@hotmail.com. Phil Hough and Lydia Mountford both offer coaching and we are fortunate to have junior coaching assistants and leaders on the team.

Aidan is delighted that ACTA will continue to provide tennis at the Kings School in addition to the sessions at Glan Aber and Tarporley tennis clubs.

TENNIS COURTS

The four floodlit courts were re-surfaced with [Tiger Turf Advantage Pro](#). There are no specific maintenance tasks to be completed after play but please remember to remove all your possessions. We undertake regular court maintenance – at these times the courts may be closed.

FLOODLIGHTS

We are delighted with our LED floodlights which operate by on/ off switches. Lights can be paid for by bank transfer and cost £1.50 for half an hour. To aid our Treasurer please pay in £5 or £10 amounts. Club night sessions are £2 each and can be paid in advance by bank transfer (again in £10 amounts) or in cash on the evening (if no committee member is present please put money in the red box in the club house). We have a curfew of 10.00pm and the lights will switch off automatically at that time.

TENNIS BALLS – NEW & OLD

Whilst there are usually tennis balls in the Club house, it's as well to bring balls with you just in case. Sometimes balls get wet and are left in tins which makes them unfit for play. Tins of 4 tennis balls can be purchased from Sue Britton by prior arrangement... usually Dunlop Fort All Court. We do recycle old balls for which the Club receives payment.... there is a recycling bin in the clubhouse.

CLUBHOUSE

It's up to us, the members, to keep the Club clean and tidy, so please do your best to keep it as you find it.

Tea and coffee are available in the kitchen but you'll need to bring milk. Do help yourself but please remember to wash up and put away cups after use.

LOST PROPERTY

There is a box in the Clubhouse for lost property. After 12 weeks, items are disposed of appropriately.

CLUB SOCIALS AND EVENTS

We run a range of events throughout the year including Open Days, tournaments and Club competitions. Details can be found on the Club website and will be put on the noticeboards at the Club.

BRITISH TENNIS MEMBERSHIP

Our members are encouraged to become British Tennis Members at no cost (www.lta.org.uk/member). Apart from accessing LTA offers, you have the option to join the ballot for Wimbledon tickets. Tickets are now issued directly by Wimbledon and BTM members must opt into the ballot each year – if you have chosen not to receive email communications, you won't be notified when the opt in window opens. If you are successful in the ballot, you will be given instructions on how to choose and accept tickets..... you also have the option to decline.

GUESTS

Members are allowed to bring local guests to play a maximum of 4 times before the guest is required to join. Those living more than 25 miles from the Club are unrestricted. The visitor's fee is £3.00 and can be left in the black box in the Clubhouse.

CODE OF CONDUCT TO BE OBSERVED BY MEMBERS AND USERS OF GLAN ABER FACILITIES

All persons playing tennis at Glan Aber Tennis Club are asked to show consideration to other players by adhering to the following

1. DRESS / FOOTWEAR

- Players must be appropriately dressed
- Tennis shoes/ trainers must be worn on court
- Football boots or shoes with any sort of spikes are not permitted
- Normal footwear with heels is not permitted

2. BEHAVIOUR

Players to refrain from unacceptable behaviour, i.e.

- Throwing of rackets or other items
- Use of offensive language
- Spitting
- Chewing gum is prohibited on court
- Smoking, including e-cigarettes, is prohibited
- Games other than tennis are forbidden
- No bicycles are permitted on court

3. USE OF COURTS

- Juniors may play at all times except for adult club sessions
- The committee recommends that juniors (up to Year 6) are accompanied by a responsible adult unless attending a supervised session
- League matches to be played at Glan Aber Tennis Club will have priority
- Courts should be booked through the Clubspark booking system

4. DOGS

- Prohibited on court or in clubhouse
- Must be kept on a leash whilst on premises (CWaC directive)