

The Parklangley Club

Badminton Information

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WELCOME TO YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Your badminton membership includes social membership. Social members may:

- Use the Club bar and restaurant
- Use the sauna, steam room and changing rooms
- Book squash court 4 for table tennis up to two weeks in advance (£5.80 per 45 minute session)
- Book squash courts at Old Dunstonian's Sports Club (located 400m from The Parklangley Club) up to two weeks in advance (£1.30 booking fee per 45 minute session and £1.30 per 15 minute light token)
- Attend the Club's social functions
- Bring family and friends to all the above with no visitors' fees
- Join the gym: adults £24 (peak)/£20.50 (off-peak) per month + £20 induction fee; juniors/students/young people £20 per month + £15 induction

Members receive newsletters and details of all activities, and may attend the Club's AGM and vote.

Members are entitled to reduced rates at our on-site Sports Injury Clinic which offers physiotherapy and other complimentary treatments and therapies.

1 COURT USAGE

Badminton members may use:

- 4 court international standard badminton hall

Priority bookings are given to badminton teams playing against other clubs.

Priority bookings are also given to all club sessions and these are listed separately.

Regular coaching sessions take priority over club sessions.

The following rules apply to the use of the badminton courts:

- Clean, non-black soled shoes only to be worn on court.
- Drinks in plastic containers may be taken into the courts, on the carpeted areas only.

- Fire exits are for emergencies only and doors should be kept shut and clear at all other times.
- Please ensure that you leave the courts clean.
- Please do not take chairs/tables onto the courts.

2 CLUB NIGHTS

A section, Monday evenings, 7.30pm onwards, 3 or 4 courts

B section, Wednesday evenings, 7.00pm onwards, 4 courts

C section, Tuesday evenings, 7.00pm onwards, 3 or 4 courts

D section, Friday evenings, 7.30pm onwards, 3 courts

G section Friday evenings, 7.30pm onwards, 1 court

The courts for club night are booked for the entire evening but players must vacate the building by midnight. During school holidays the fourth court is available for club play from 8pm on Mondays and 7pm on Tuesdays.

3 BOOKING COURTS FOR PERSONAL USE

Courts can be booked either by calling the Club, or by using Clubsys online, via our app, or using the booking screens at The Parklangley Club.

Members of the badminton section may book badminton courts three weeks in advance.

Any member of The Parklangley Club may block book courts for badminton before 4pm on weekdays and at weekends apart from Sundays after 7pm.

4 CANCELLATION POLICY

Courts can be cancelled either by calling the Club, or by using Clubsys online, via our app, or using the booking screens at The Parklangley Club.

You may cancel a court up to 48 hours before your booking with no charge. If you cancel a court within 48 hours of your booking but the court is not subsequently booked, you will be charged the full cost of the court.

5 COURT CHARGES

Badminton Courts

30 minutes £4.60

60 minutes £9.20

If booking online or using the booking screens at The

Parklangley Club, court charges are displayed in the red bar at the bottom of the screen. If booking by phone, please ask the member of staff for details of the court charges.

6 PAYMENT OF COURT CHARGES

Charges are paid monthly by direct debit. At the end of each month you will be emailed an invoice detailing that month's court usage and charges. Payment will be taken from your account early the following month.

7 BADMINTON CLOTHING

Appropriate badminton clothing must be worn, in particular, shoes worn from the car park to the badminton hall must NOT be worn for playing. Dirt and grit is brought in to the hall which makes the floor slippery and damages the surface. Black soled shoes that mark the court are also not allowed.

8 THE PEG BOARD

When you join the badminton section of the Club, the Membership Secretary will place a named peg in your club night section at the bottom of the peg board. Each section is allocated a different colour.

On your arrival for club night you move your peg onto the playing section at the top of the board to the right of the row of pegs. The player whose peg is at the left of the line chooses three others from the next seven pegs to form a doubles match.

In sections where ladies are in a significant minority, when selecting ladies' doubles, they can pick three from the first eight players and then they can pick the first lady outside of the eight. If a man or lady wishes to pick to select a mixed game and there is only one lady in the first eight they can select a second lady from the first twelve.

A member cannot pick a funny four (i.e. three men and one lady) if it is possible to pick a mixed doubles game out of the first eight. If a member refuses to play a game having been selected they will be moved to the end of the board. A picker can sit out a game and remain the picker for the next game.

Members should play mixed, men's and ladies' doubles games only, except at the end of the night when singles may be played with the agreement of other players still present.

9 SHUTTLES

Sections A and D are allocated up to three tubes of shuttles

during a section evening. B and C section are allocated four tubes and G section one tube. Tubes are issued one at a time and need to be signed for at reception. Any unused shuttles MUST be returned to reception by the last member to leave the hall.

If the shuttles are considered to be particularly poor, they should be collected and returned to the Club manager. There will be an additional tube of shuttles over and above the normal allocation available at reception on each club night. It will only be issued to a rep who will sign for it.

A tube of knockers will be kept at reception for each club night. It is the responsibility of the reps to replenish the tube and return it to reception for the following week.

10 REPS

Each section has up to three representatives (reps). There should be at least one male and one female rep. They are responsible for the efficient running of club night and playing-in new members. In any dispute on a club night the reps' decision is final.

The reps also represent their section on the Badminton Section Committee. The committee meets at least three times a year. Minutes of the meeting will be displayed on a badminton section notice board.

Reps serve a three-year term and then have to seek re-election.

The current reps are:

A Section: Dennis Ward, Mary Benfield and Steve MacIntosh

B Section: Stephen Grindley, Deborah Heron and Alexander Pastron

C Section: Simon Hamilton, Nicki Mitchener and Nichole Forward

D Section: David Tipton, Jenny Breakspear and Franco Scialo

11 MATCHES

The Parklangley Club runs around 14 teams in the Ravensbourne, Orpington and Croydon Leagues covering men's doubles, ladies' doubles, mixed doubles and composite teams. Match nights are Thursdays and Sundays. Team selection takes place in early September and an email will be sent out in August for expressions of interest.

12 PROMOTION OF PLAYERS TO A, B AND C SECTIONS

We encourage members to improve and move upwards through the sections. Members of B, C and D section wishing to play-up to the section above must approach their current section's rep. The rep will then contact the appropriate higher section rep to request a play-up. The rep of the lower section may put forward two members at any one time.

The two members nominated to play-up may attend the higher section on two occasions before their official play-up by a rep of the higher section. The rep will assist the members to ensure they play against other players with a broad range of ability whilst complying with the rule that a player chooses from the next seven pegs.

If a player is successful in playing up and the section has a waiting list, the player's name will be added to the waiting list.

If a player fails to reach the necessary standard, the rep will highlight areas where improvement is necessary. If a player is unsuccessful in the play up then a period of six months must elapse before there is another play-up.

13 PROMOTION TO D SECTION

The Club coach will decide when a player is ready to be promoted from G to D section based on their ability. They will then play-up in D section in the normal way. If they are successful and D night is full they will be added to the waiting list.

If the D section reps decide that they are not of the right standard they will play in for a second time before a designated assessor who will make the final decision on their suitability.

There will be no promotion from G section if numbers fall below 10.

14 PLAYING ON ANOTHER SECTION NIGHT

Provided there are spaces a member may pay an additional annual fee which will entitle them to be a member of a lower section than their current level.

Apart from paying the additional annual fee, a member may only play on another lower section night with the express permission of that section's reps and by purchasing a visitor's peg at reception. If the lower section club night is too busy then the rep is at liberty to refuse a visitor from a higher section.

15 NON-MEMBER VISITORS TO CLUB NIGHTS

Visitors are welcome. However, if you wish to invite a friend along it is important that they play on the appropriate night for their standard. Please consult your Rep for advice as some nights are full and busy. Visitors should follow the correct procedure

- a) Check with the section rep that there is room for a visitor.
- b) Purchase a visitor's peg from the bar. The fee is currently £8 for an adult and £4 for a junior. A receipt will be issued and the visitor's name will be written into the visitors' book.
- c) Return the peg at the end of the evening.

If a visitor attends regularly they will be asked to join the Club or requested to stop attending.

16 CONDUCT

Any complaint regarding play or disputes between members must be referred to the section Rep whose decision on the night is final. In cases of breaches of club rules, or conduct against other section players, the Rep has the right to ask a player to leave for the particular evening as a one off.

The Rep will then immediately refer the matter to the badminton club's disciplinary committee who will agree the appropriate course of action and means of resolution. The disciplinary committee will normally be made up of the chairman, deputy chairman and secretary of the badminton club. Any decision will be subject to the Parklangley Club Rules and Regulations.

17 MISCELLANEOUS

Viewing Accounts

You may view your accounts within the My Details section of The Parklangley Club website once you have logged in.

Member Search

You may view other members' contact details by using the Member Search section of The Parklangley Club website once you have logged in.

Please note that due to changes in data protection laws, you will only be able to view the details of members who have 'opted in'.

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