

Girton Tennis Club Committee Meeting (6th July 2020)

Via Zoom at 7.00pm

1. Members present

Andy Luff, Alan Franklin, John Irwin, Victor Travieso, Alan Richardson, Bruce Parker, Kevin Keeves, Mark Lawton.

Apologies: James Page

2. Introduction

The LTA recently updated their guidelines for tennis venues. The meeting was called to discuss if we need to make any changes as a result. JI also wanted to thank VT for his excellent work on the website booking system.

3. LTA guideline changes

The main changes are to do with club house use (which doesn't apply to us), the removal of any time requirement between bookings and the use of two courts side by side. The LTA now suggests that courts can be booked individually but that there should be no more than 6 players per booking and no interaction between the players on the two courts.

Following much discussion, it was agreed that:

These changes do not allow us to reinstate club nights or larger gatherings yet. The requirement to have a gap time between bookings will be removed.

Although our booking system could be modified, there was a unanimous vote to keep the same arrangement for the time being as it seems to be working well and members have got used to having either a free adjacent court or members of their group (still max 6) playing next to them.

Typically 40 slots are booked up at any one time which shows how popular the facility is. Members are finding spare slots to book ahead so the demand is not currently over running the capacity. We will review the booking situation on a regular basis.

KK will inform members that we have reviewed the booking system, that the current arrangements remain in place but no gap between bookings is now needed.

4. AOB

KK reported that we have 113 members (117 last year) with 18 family memberships, 43 single male and 29 single female. This is very encouraging and several want to play matches and have coaching.

VT said coach DN was running his adult catch-up session this Sat but was very busy so has no formal plans for Sept. VT will explain new coaching demand and encourage action.

5. Next Meetings No dates were set but may be called as required.