

# MT LAWLEY TENNIS CLUB BY-LAWS

Revised December 2019

These by-laws, which have been made by the Board of Directors, in accordance with the Club Constitution rule 35, are to ensure the Club benefits all Members.

## 1. Playing Times.

### 1.1. Organised Social Play

(Times may be adjusted as necessary and communicated to members through 'Dropshot' and social media.)

Tuesday	8.00 am to 11.30 am for all Members.
Friday	8.30 am to 11.30 am for all Members. 4.30 pm to 6.00 pm for Junior Members only.
Saturday	1.30 pm to 5.00 pm for all Members.
Sunday	9.00 am to 11.00 for Junior Members only.

### 1.2. Tennis League - Summer

(Times/days may vary based on number of teams entered and Tennis West timetabling)

Monday	7.00 pm to 10.30 pm
Tuesday	7.00 pm to 10.30 pm
Wednesday	9.30 am to 2.30 pm & 7.30 pm to 11.00 pm
Thursday	7.00 pm to 10.30 pm
Saturday	12.30 pm to dark
Sunday	8.30 am to 12.30 pm Juniors 12.30 pm to dark Seniors

### 1.3. Tennis League - Winter

(Times/days may vary based on number of teams entered and Tennis West timetabling)

Monday	7.00 pm to 10.30 pm
Tuesday	7.00 pm to 10.30 pm
Wednesday	7.00 pm to 11.00 pm
Thursday	7.00 pm to 10.30 pm
Saturday	12.30 pm to 6.00 pm
Sunday	8.00 am to 6.00 pm

## 3. Casual Play

- 3.1. Grass and hard courts are available to Members for casual play outside of these times although special events (e.g. twilight tournaments and organised club competitions) will have priority.
- 3.2. Members may organise their own sets, subject to court availability, in periods when there is no organised social play, except on Mondays when the grass courts are closed until 3.00 pm for maintenance.
- 3.3. Members playing tennis outside organised playing times must provide their own tennis balls.

#### **4. Tennis League Court Allocation**

- 4.1 Tennis League supervisors or nominated representatives in conjunction with the Club Play Director will allocate courts to league players and advise Members of available courts for casual or organised play during Tennis League matches.
- 4.2 The number of Tennis League teams on Saturdays is limited to eight and two teams are to play their matches on hard courts. Maximum of six grass courts are to be allocated to League matches.

#### **5. Court Management**

- 5.1. During organised social play, the courts are under the control of the Club Play Director, Midweek Director, Junior Development Director or a nominated person, which may include the computer operator. Members are expected to join in social play rather than play singles.
- 5.2. Grass courts may be closed by the Facilities Director or in his/her absence, by a Director or majority decision of Directors present, if deemed necessary.
- 5.3. Grass and hard courts are reserved for the Juniors on Sunday morning and Friday afternoon. Permission for adult Members to play during these periods may be sought and granted by the Junior Development Director.
- 5.4 Members are asked to lower the nets at the conclusion of play on grass and roll them up at conclusion of play on Sundays.
- 5.5 Alcohol may not be taken onto or consumed on the courts.
- 5.6 Appropriate tennis attire must be worn at all times when playing at the club.
- 5.7 Grass court shoes and not ripple sole shoes or jogging shoes, must be worn when playing on grass. Non-marking tennis shoes must be worn when playing on the hard courts. Please adhere to this as refusal of play is likely to cause embarrassment.
- 5.8 Hard courts are available to Members for casual play subject to them booking a court online. During daylight hours there is no cost to Members. At night, when use of lights is required a \$5 per hour per court fee is payable to the Coach.
- 5.9 No Tennis League teams may be nominated for play on the grass courts on a Monday or Tuesday.

#### **6. Visitors**

- 6.1 Fees for visitors to participate in organised social play will be set by the Board of Directors and published at the club and on the club website. If the visitor subsequently joins the Club the visitor fees paid may be deducted from the Membership fee.
- 6.2 Visitors may be unaccompanied during organised social play periods only.
- 6.3 Members are entitled to bring visitors to play on both grass and hard courts at times outside of organised play. However, a fee is payable by the visitor and the Member bringing the visitor is responsible for payment of the applicable fee to the Club.

## 7. Tennis Australia Member Protection By-law

The club has adopted the Tennis Australia Member Protection By-law as amended from time to time.

## 8. Membership Categories

In accordance with the Constitution there are two classes of membership:

- Ordinary Members; and
- Associate Members.

### 8.1 Ordinary Members

Ordinary Members, who have voting rights as defined in rule 6.1(5) of the Constitution, and consist of the following categories:

- **Adult Full Members** - who may play on any days that the courts are open and may play in all tournaments and competitions and attend all functions.
- **Family Membership** – includes parents and school age children. Parents have the same rights as Adult Full Members and children have same rights as Junior Members.
- **FIFO Members** – any person able to provide written evidence of fly in fly out employment that must be provided annually and have the same rights as Full Adult Members.
- **Country Members** – any person having their ordinary place of residence more than 80 kilometres from the General Post Office Perth and have the same rights as Full Adult Members.
- **Midweek Legacy Members** – only 2016/17 Midweek Members are entitled to Legacy Midweek Membership and may play on any days that the courts are open and may play in all tournaments and competitions and attend all functions.
- **Young Adult Members** – must be aged between 19 to 25 years and have the same rights as Full Adult Members.
- **Social Members** – have no playing rights but may attend all functions.
- **Life Members** – elected in accordance with rule 6.2 of the Constitution and have same rights as Full Adult Members.
- **50 Years Members** – persons who have been continuous Members for 50 years and have been elected by the Board of Directors. They have the same playing rights as Full Adult Members.
- **Corporate Members** – bodies which have been elected as Corporate Members by the Board of Directors in accordance with rule 6.3 of the Constitution.

## 8.2 Associate Members

Associate Members do not have voting rights as defined in rule 6.1(6) of the Constitution and consist of the following categories:

- **Junior Members** – must be aged 18 years and under at 31<sup>st</sup> December of the current year. May play on the courts at times decided upon by the Board of Directors and may play in all tournaments and competitions and attend functions. (Juniors may be invited to participate in senior social tennis by the Club Play Director, following a recommendation from the Junior Development Director.)
- **John Forrest School Tennis Program Members** – must be aged 18 years and under at 31<sup>st</sup> December of the current year and student at John Forrest High School. May play on the courts at times decided upon by the Board of Directors and may play in all tournaments and competitions and attend functions.
- **Coach Member** – is the current Tennis Professional Coach at the Club and may play on any days that the courts are open and may play in all tournaments and competitions and attend all functions.
- **Tennis League Only Members** – any person who has provided evidence of being a member of another Tennis West affiliated club but who wishes to play Tennis League for MLTC. May only play in Tennis League matches.

## 9. Eligibility to Play in Club Championships

Nominations for participation in club championships will only be accepted from Members who will have been financial for not less than two months prior to the opening of tournament registration. For the purpose of this By-law, non-playing members cannot revise their status during this period. Exceptions (for example, interstate and international new members) can be approved by the Board subject to a written application being made.

## 10. Directors

In accordance with rules 15.2(1) (e) of the Constitution at least 7 Directors are elected by the Members to serve in portfolios as allocated by the Board of Directors. Directors are elected for a two years term with 4 directors being elected in odd years and 3 directors being elected in even years. The Board of Directors prepares a duty statement and responsibilities for each portfolio. The current portfolios are:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Club Play Director –</li><li>• Fund Raising &amp; Sponsorship Director -</li><li>• Midweek Director –</li><li>• Facilities Director –</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Competitive Play Director –</li><li>• Junior Development Director –</li><li>• Social Director –</li></ul>
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