



**PENARTH LAWN TENNIS CLUB 2009 SEASON**

**New/Renewal Membership Application Form**

**Fees due from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009 – must be paid by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2009**  
**One form per household can be used; PLEASE WRITE IN BLOCK CAPITALS**

Name of Proposed Adult Member	Tick if new this year	Full Playing <sup>1</sup> £125	Social £36	Country £75	Student £51	Receipt of Benefits <sup>2</sup> £76	Total £	Email (please WRITE CLEARLY)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		NB: Communication to members is by email. Tick box if you wish to receive by post only <input type="checkbox"/>
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<sup>1</sup> Note: Fee includes entry to July Championships. <sup>2</sup> Covers unemployment, income related, incapacity.							<b>a) Total £</b>	

Name of Proposed Junior Member	Tick if new this year	10 yrs or under <sup>3,4</sup> £29	11-17 yrs £47	Date of Birth	School	Total £	Email (please WRITE CLEARLY)	No Photo
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<sup>3</sup> At least 1 adult member must join with a junior member 10 yrs or under. <sup>4</sup> Age as at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2009.						<b>b) Total £</b>		

**PLTC Child Protection Policy & Photographs.** The Club regularly takes photos of members at events and tournaments, which are published in its newsletter, local papers and on the web for members to view (and obtain copies). Tick the NO PHOTO box above if you do NOT want your child's photos to be used in this way. See [www.pltc.org.uk/childprotection](http://www.pltc.org.uk/childprotection) for more information.

<b>Total a) + b)</b>
<b>Less 10% discount if family (ie at least 1 adult &amp; 1 child)</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL £</b>
<b>Make cheques payable to 'Penarth Lawn Tennis Club'</b>

I/we hereby apply to join the club. I/we am/are aware of, and agree to abide by, the rules of the club (see overleaf)	<b>Signed</b> on behalf of all applicants
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Home Tel:</b>	<b>Mobile:</b> (important for parents of juniors)

**British Tennis Membership**

British Tennis Membership is the LTA's scheme for individual participants in tennis. As PLTC is affiliated to the LTA, by joining the Club, you also become a British Tennis Member at no additional cost until at least the end of February 2012. The benefits of British Tennis Membership include entry into the club ballot for Wimbledon tickets; a player rating; a TeamCard (which is a way of collecting points when you shop which you can redeem against tennis equipment) and discounts on tennis tickets (e.g., Davis Cup). Visit [www.lta.org.uk/BritishTennisMembership](http://www.lta.org.uk/BritishTennisMembership)

**New members - Can you help?** As a club entirely run by volunteers, we are always looking for members who are willing to use their skills and experience to help in its management— whether on a one-off basis or as part of the committee. Please register where you may be able to help by ticking the box(es) below – note that there's no obligation or commitment implied

- Grounds, DIY  Bar  Finances  Publicity  IT/Web  Social  Junior Tennis  Admin  Fundraising  Legal.

**Send this form – plus payment - to:**  
**Chrissie Pegg, 26 Plas Taliesin, Penarth, Vale of Glamorgan, CF64 1TN**  
 Visit the PLTC website at [www.pltc.org.uk](http://www.pltc.org.uk)

## Club Rules

### 1. Playing Tennis & Tennis Etiquette

<p>1.1 The rules of lawn tennis, as they may be fixed from time to time by the Lawn Tennis Association, shall be the rules of lawn tennis for the club.</p> <p>1.2 The courts are open each day until 10.00 pm.</p> <p>1.3 A member may play at any permitted time, except during official coaching sessions, matches, tournaments or other non playing periods.</p> <p>1.4 When using floodlights players must use their own funds for coin box.</p> <p>1.5 The committee reserves the right to prohibit play on any courts when it thinks necessary, and to reserve any court for tournaments or matches.</p> <p>1.6 No member may play more than two sets, or be entitled to play within half an hour, if other members wish to play.</p> <p>1.7 Members may not start to play singles when three or more other members are waiting to play.</p> <p>1.8 Full paying members shall have prior claim to the use of the courts over other membership categories after 6.00 pm on weekdays.</p> <p>1.9 No match or tournament shall be arranged to take place without the previous sanction of the committee.</p> <p>1.10 Social members are not permitted to use the courts, (except during specially designated events).</p> <p>1.11 Guest players may use the courts if accompanied by a full paying member. They should sign the visitor's book, and pay the appropriate guest fee. It is the responsibility of the member to ensure that this is done. A guest can be signed in on up to three occasions in any membership year. Guest members cannot also hold any category of membership.</p> <p>1.12 All members should play in suitable tennis clothing and wear appropriate footwear that will not damage the playing surface. Mobile phones should be switched off on court.</p> <p>1.13 Glass bottles or containers should not be taken on to the tennis courts.</p> <p>1.14 Players should wear suitable tennis clothing, and have appropriate footwear that will not damage the playing surface.</p> <p>1.15 Players are responsible for calls on their own side of the net. They should not make decisions or volunteer opinions on calls on the other side of the net. If asked for an opinion by the opponent, they should be helpful and polite.</p>	<p>1.16 When a player is in doubt during a rally as to whether a ball is in or out, he or she must play on, giving the opponent the benefit of the doubt. When a call is made, it must be made immediately and clearly audible.</p> <p>1.17 If a dispute over the score does occur, and the players cannot reach agreement, then they must resolve the problem on a point-to-point basis, counting only those points in the game on which they both agree. If the dispute is over games won, then a similar method must be used.</p> <p>1.18 Players should not walk onto a court when play is in progress. Walking behind players is dangerous and discourteous. If people are playing on the first court, always use the centre gate. If there is play on the centre court wait until the players change end before entering the court.</p> <p>1.19 Help by passing balls back to the opponent for their service, and by having 2 balls ready when serving.</p> <p>1.20 Do not smash the ball directly at your opponent. If the ball accidentally hits them, apologise immediately.</p> <p>1.21 If a ball hits the net cord and drops on to the other side leaving the opponent no chance of reaching it, acknowledge to the opponent the good fortune in winning the point.</p> <p>1.22 Players should acknowledge a good shot by their opponent.</p> <p>1.23 A player should not waste time during a match. The maximum time for changing ends is 1½ minutes, and the maximum time between points is 20 seconds (and between games with no change of ends).</p> <p>1.24 A player shall not use an audible obscenity, make an obscene gesture, or hit, kick or throw a racket, ball or other object in anger.</p> <p>1.25 If a ball ends up on a neighbouring court, the player must wait until the end of the other players' point before politely asking for it back.</p> <p>1.26 When playing mixed doubles against a strong player and a weak player, do not deliberately and forcefully drill the ball at the weaker player.</p> <p>1.27 If a player wishes to visit the toilet, he or she should wait until the end of the game and ask the opponent to be excused.</p> <p>1.28 Shake hands with your opponent after the match.</p> <p>1.29 When finished, players should collect up the match balls and return them to their owner/ organiser. Tidy up all equipment and rubbish.</p> <p>1.30 The winner(s) of the match should offer to buy the loser(s) a drink in the clubhouse</p>
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### 2. Clubhouse

<p>2.1 Only committee members, their nominees or members of the official bar rota, are allowed to serve behind the bar.</p> <p>2.2 No person under the age of 18 is allowed to purchase alcohol from the bar or consume alcohol on the premises</p> <p>2.3 Juniors shall not have use of the clubhouse unless a senior member is present.</p> <p>2.4 Drink purchased elsewhere may not be consumed in the clubhouse.</p> <p>2.5 'Last orders' shall be called at the bar at 10.50 pm. From Sunday to Thursday, the bar will close at 11.00 pm, with 'drinking up time' at 11.20 pm (unless special licensing arrangements are in place). Closing time is midnight on Friday and Saturday.</p>	<p>2.6 Swipe cards issued for clubhouse access remain the property of the club, and should be returned to the committee when requested. They must not be loaned or given to others.</p> <p>2.7 Members are welcome to bring guests to social functions, though will be deemed responsible for their behaviour.</p> <p>2.8 Members should pay for food and drink before consumption, and refrain from the use of 'IOU's' left in the till.</p> <p>2.9 Smoking is not permitted in the clubhouse, or on the decking, or in other designated no smoking areas.</p> <p>2.10 The member to last leave the clubhouse should ensure that it is securely locked, that the alarm system is activated and that all lights and heating are switched off</p>
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### 3. Off Court Behaviour

<p>3.1 Members with young children should keep them under control at all times and ensure that they do not interfere with tennis matches. Parents should ensure that children are aware of, and comply with, the rules of tennis etiquette and general behaviour when at the club.</p> <p>3.2 Members should endeavour to keep the club premises tidy, and treat the property with respect.</p> <p>3.3 Casual ball games or similar activities are not allowed to be played near, or in view of, the courts when matches or tournaments are in progress.</p>	<p>3.4 Junior members are not allowed to be left unsupervised on club premises, and should be accompanied by a parent, guardian or appointed adult.</p> <p>3.5 Members should only use the car park when using the club, and should not leave vehicles unattended. Vehicles are left at members own risk and the club is not responsible for any damage incurred when parked in the car park.</p> <p>3.6 Members are welcome to bring guests to social functions, though will be deemed responsible for their behaviour.</p> <p>3.7 Members should refrain from rowdy or anti-social that may upset local residents, especially when leaving the clubhouse at night.</p>
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### 4. Disciplinary Procedures & Complaints

<p>4.1 A member who has not paid his or her subscription within one month of the due date will not be allowed to use the club's facilities or represent the club tennis teams. The committee reserve the right to apply a surcharge to late payers of subscription fees.</p> <p>4.2 A member who persistently breaks club rules may face disciplinary action by the committee, which may include suspension from membership or expulsion from the club. In the first instance, the committee will issue a written warning.</p>	<p>4.3 If the behaviour persists, the committee may then suspend or expel the member. A member has the right to meet the committee to discuss any disciplinary action imposed. The committee's decision is final on all disciplinary matters.</p> <p>4.4 A member who wishes to make a complaint about any aspect of the club should do so in writing to the club secretary. The complaint will be raised and considered at the next available committee meeting, and the member will be informed in writing of the committee's decision or next action. The committee's decision is final on all such matters</p>
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### 5. General

<p>5.1 Any breach of the law committed on club premises is deemed to be a breach of club rules.</p> <p>5.2 No dogs (except guide dogs) or other animals are allowed on the club grounds or premises.</p> <p>5.3 Membership subscriptions are due from the 1<sup>st</sup> April of each year. New full playing members joining from 1<sup>st</sup> September will receive a discount, which may be varied by the Committee at any time. No subscription refunds are given.</p> <p>5.4 The use of club facilities for any social function or activity needs the prior approval of the committee, and will be subject to a charge.</p>	<p>5.5 The club's annual general meeting will usually take place in February each year, for appointment of club officers and other matters.</p> <p>5.6 The club will not be responsible for damage caused to cars parked on club premises.</p> <p>5.7 The categories of membership are: life, full playing, county, student, unwaged, social and junior. New categories of membership may be introduced by the committee.</p> <p>5.8 A Committee is elected annually at the AGM. It comprises of a chairman, treasurer and secretary, plus a variable number of committee members.</p>
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