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# MARTINBOROUGH

LAWN TENNIS CLUB

The grass courts are looking as green as they ever have at this time of year and still playing nicely with not too many bare patches. Thanks for all the hard work put in on the baselines last year and the rain that continues to frequently water the courts.



Summer Evening Tennis is back underway with only last Wednesday getting rained off by a very heavy and persistent shower.

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## Junior coaching

Junior coaching starts up again on Monday 13 February 2023. If you haven't let Marco know or want to make sure that your child is enrolled, please contact [Marco](#) on [021 566 489](tel:021566489).



## Club Champs

The Club champs are going to be held on the weekend of 25-26 March. We hope to try a new format this year to encourage more club members to put their names forward to play. So even if you can't compete for the championship titles, there will still be other titles to play for. More details will follow.

## Sponsorship

With Over the Hill being cancelled this year because of the weather, the Club is particularly grateful to its sponsors. You'll have seen all the sponsorship boards along the back fence, and now we have the great-looking sponsorship boards on the new nets. Special thanks go to all our sponsors and the massive contribution they make to the Club.

You'll see that we still have a couple of sponsorship opportunities left on courts 7 and 8, so if your business is keen to take part or you know someone who is, please get in touch with [Ed Isaacs](#) on [021 937 936](tel:021937936).

Please make sure that you support these businesses around town, so they continue to support the Club.



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# Junior interclub

Junior interclub is about to start again and entries are due in this week. As usual, teams are of 4 players, girls/boys, and it is divided into 4 grades:

## Primary Entry Grade

Year 6 and under. New players to the game who have a basic ability to play and can score themselves. Under-arm serving is allowed. Team manager assistance should extend to helping keep the score and explaining the rules for this grade.

## B Grade

Year 7 & 8 Beginners, & Year 5 and 6 with some experience. Players can rally, serve overarm and understand scoring. Team manager assistance can extend to help keeping the score and explaining rules.

## A Grade

Primary and Intermediate players who can play a variety of shots and can have a competent rally.

## Championship Grade

Teams with college players (Year 9 only), plus players below Year 9 who are competent at playing a variety of shots and can compete at a high level.

## Format

The season is 7 weeks long and first games are in the week of 13 February 2023. The grades play on the following days and times:

Grade	Time
Primary Entry Grade	Tuesdays 3.30pm
A Grade	Fridays 3.30pm
B Grade	Fridays 3.30pm
Championship Grade	Fridays 3.30pm

If your child is interested in playing, please contact [Marco](#) on [021 566 489](tel:021566489) to get your entry in.

# Options for play at the Club

There are lots of options available for club members to play tennis throughout the week and on the weekends.

## Active tennis

This is run by club captain, Marco de Groot, who will have you on your game as you practise drills, go to the net, team up, take on the challenge, and generally have a great time. The cost is \$15 per session, and you can book with [Marco](#) on [021 566 489](tel:021566489) for:

- Monday – 9am
- Friday – 9am and 10:30am

Marco is also looking to start another class on Mondays at 10.30am so if you're interested and this suits your timetable, please give Marco a call.

## Midweek tennis

- Tuesday – 9-10am
- Thursday – 9-10.30am

Contact Jenny Wilkie for details on 306 9790.

## Wednesday Whackers

Wednesday Whackers is on at 9am on Wednesday mornings. It is seriously fun tennis where you get to play three sets. It is free to participate for club members so speak to [Richard Le Mare](#) on 022 400 8619 to get onto the WhatsApp group for the sessions.

Richard calls for interest each week on the WhatsApp group and then makes up games of doubles to ensure everyone gets a good match.

## Sunday casual

Casual and social tennis happens Sundays from 3 – 4:30pm where, depending on numbers, we rotate players on courts and have a fun time. Turn up and join in – it's free for members.