

## Player Conduct

### **Tennis Wear**

All players are to wear appropriate tennis sporting attire and approved flat sole tennis shoes.

Runners/trainers with a ripple sole or heel are not permitted as they damage the court surface (check the board for acceptable sole patterns).

All players are encouraged to wear the official club shirt; however, this is not mandatory.

Casual singlets and tank tops, as well as denim, are not allowed.

Any disputes on tennis wear will be resolved by the Captain's Committee.

### **Behaviour**

Corinthian Park Tennis Club is a family-friendly club and encourages all our members and visitors to enjoy their tennis while respecting the Tennis Australia Code of Conduct.

The club requires appropriate behaviour from every involved person be they spectators, players, club members, officials, participants, administrators, coaches, parents or members of the community. We will ensure:

- inclusion of every person regardless of their age, gender or sexual orientation;
- inclusion of every person regardless of their race, culture or religion;
- opportunities for people of all abilities to participate in the sport and develop to their full potential;
- respect is shown towards others, the club and the broader community;
- a safe and inclusive environment for all;
- no violent or abusive behaviour; and
- protection from harassment or intimidation.

### **Involving players**

Like all clubs, Corinthian Park Tennis Club is only as strong as its membership. We are a club that includes our transitioning junior players, and welcomes new members and visitors.

New members are to be encouraged and supported at all times (no matter their level or quality of play).

Members are requested to be patient and remain positive towards the playing skill and standard of others.

Visitors are to be made feel welcome.

Members will encourage our transitioning junior players to be more involved in the senior club - either during trophy days, social play or helping around the club.

### **Etiquette**

Show respect and courtesy to your opponent, your partner, and others on or near the courts.

Keep your voice down and confined to your court as to not disrupt other players.

Respect your own and the club's equipment.

Do not walk onto another court during a game - wait for players to finish the game, or at least the point, before walking onto their court.

Do not retrieve your ball from the other court - it is courtesy not to disrupt players on court during a match, point or practice.

Close the gates behind you - whether coming onto or leaving the courts.

Pick up after yourself - don't leave empty drink bottles, food wrappers or old tennis balls out on the court when you leave.

Help around the club - take on more than your allocated duties. It is important that we all do our fair share and not leave it to the few.

Remember to have fun!

### **Volunteering**

Members are requested to note and undertake their roster obligations to the club (whether it be tea, sets or bar duty), which are important for the smooth running on any given play or social day. If there are issues with timing or inconvenience, it is the member's responsibility to arrange a substitute or replacement and inform the Committee of the change.

Please remember that the Committee is made up of volunteering club members who often forego much of their social tennis to serve the membership. Members are asked to respect this sacrifice and work with committee decisions irrespective of personal views and preferences.

Members who have ideas and passion for maintaining a strong club are encouraged to be part of the Committee or associated Sub-Committees. This will help spread the workload and ensure our club is forward looking for the membership.

### **Disputes and grievances**

The Committee generally makes every effort to avoid disputes between members but such differences are sometimes unavoidable.

We are proud of our reputation as a friendly, welcoming club and in practice most disputes or grievances are resolved quickly in an informal manner.

Player conduct is taken seriously with the club having a very clear procedure for resolving disputes in a formal manner involving:

- Requesting a person to change their behaviour;
- Issuing a formal or informal warning; and
- As a final measure, imposing bans or refusal of membership.

Thank you

Management Committee, CPTC

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