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# Information for Members

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Real tennis is currently enjoying a revival. Several new courts have been built recently, and others are planned. Cambridge, with its two excellent courts, is one of the best places in the world to play this fascinating game. Membership of the Cambridge University Real Tennis Club is open to all, not just to members of the university. There are at present approximately 260 senior members (under a number of different categories) plus about 40 student and 40 junior members playing at the Club.

This introduction is designed to help you feel at home and enjoy your membership to the full.

**Contacting the club, Tel: 01223 357106 CURTC, Grange Road, Cambridge CB3 9DJ**

One of the professionals will usually be available during office hours to answer your telephone calls but if they are all busy every effort will be made to respond to you as soon as possible.

Our two professionals are: Kees Ludekens (Head Professional) and Peter Paterson (Professional).

You can send an email to [curtcpros@gmail.com](mailto:curtcpros@gmail.com) or [kees@curtc.net](mailto:kees@curtc.net) or [peter@curtc.net](mailto:peter@curtc.net).

Club information is available on Twitter – [@cam\\_tennis](https://twitter.com/cam_tennis), Facebook – [Cambridge University Real Tennis Club](https://www.facebook.com/Cambridge-University-Real-Tennis-Club) or [www.curtc.net](http://www.curtc.net) or [www.cam.ac.uk/societies/curtc/](http://www.cam.ac.uk/societies/curtc/)

The club Administrator (part-time) is Simon Stokes ([simon@curtc.net](mailto:simon@curtc.net))

There are three internet sites with a great deal of information about the game itself, plus real tennis events and competitions in the UK and abroad: the information site for the Tennis & Rackets Association at [www.tennisandrackets.com](http://www.tennisandrackets.com), the international handicapping site at [www.realtennisonline.com](http://www.realtennisonline.com) and the International Real Tennis Professionals' Association site at [www.irtpa.com](http://www.irtpa.com).

## Clubs elsewhere

There are 27 real tennis courts in use in the UK, including our two. Check out our interactive world court directory map for other clubs around the world [www.curtc.net/wp/map/googlemap.php](http://www.curtc.net/wp/map/googlemap.php). A full list can be found at the International Real Tennis Professionals Association website – [www.irtpa.com](http://www.irtpa.com).



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# Club facilities

## Courts

We are unusually fortunate in having two courts at our club: the Green Court, whose 150th anniversary was celebrated in 2016, and the Blue Court (which for the uninitiated is largely red).

## Club rooms

The Blue Court dedans is downstairs, to the right of the main entrance. There is a seating area and this room offers good viewing of play on the Blue Court. The dedans is also where the professionals have their office area and you may book your games on the computer here. Games on the Blue Court can also be watched through the glass wall in the first floor club room. This room has kitchen facilities and is used for club events and meetings.

## Notice boards/Website

The boards in the passage-way and the website ([www.curtc.net](http://www.curtc.net)) are a constant source of information about club events and tournaments and what's on in the real tennis world. Check them regularly so you don't miss out.

## Telephones

Players and spectators are asked to be considerate to others and avoid the intrusion of mobile phones, which should be switched off unless their use is absolutely necessary.

## Health and safety

Because tennis is a fast game played with a heavy ball on a hard court, a main risk is injury to the eye, usually from a ricochet. If you wear spectacles with glass lenses, there is a risk of shattering due to impact or a fall. If you wear glasses, you should ask advice from your optician, and/or consider using contact lenses. Non-prescription safety goggles can be obtained, as well as goggles or special safety sports glasses which incorporate a prescription lens.

Another generic risk of injury is from slipping. A good grip is essential for all footwear, which should be clean and dry. In certain weather conditions, courts are liable to 'sweat'. When a professional is present, play may be suspended for this reason, but all players need to take responsibility for their own safety and should stop playing if the court becomes damp. Loose balls should always be removed from the court surface before play, including during a knock-up.

A tennis ball can leave a racquet at speeds of up to 100 mph. The netting in the dedans and the side galleries protects spectators. Spectators, players and markers need to keep a safe distance from the netting to avoid contact.

There are first aid boxes and instant icepacks situated half-way along the side galleries of each court. If there is an accident, please fill in a report form, and notify one of the professionals. The three professionals have first aid training and have also been trained in the use of the defibrillator which is positioned by the notice boards.

Please familiarise yourselves with the position of the fire exit doors, which are clearly signed.

**No smoking anywhere in the club please.**

## **Safeguarding and protecting young people and vulnerable adults**

The Club is committed to creating and maintaining an enjoyable environment for all children and vulnerable adults who wish to take part in real tennis at the club.

We believe that young people and vulnerable adults have the right to be treated with respect, and to have their concerns listened to and acted upon. It aims to ensure that regardless of age, gender, religion or beliefs, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation or socio-economic background, all children and vulnerable adults are protected from abuse whilst participating in Real Tennis or outside of the activity, and should have a positive and enjoyable experience in an environment sensitive to all.

The Club's Safeguarding and Protecting Young People and Vulnerable Adults Policy Statement can be read at **[www.curtc.net/wp/curtc-forms-and-policies/](http://www.curtc.net/wp/curtc-forms-and-policies/)**.

More information can be found in the Safeguarding and Protecting Young People and Vulnerable Adults Handbook at **[www.curtc.net/wp/curtc-forms-and-policies/](http://www.curtc.net/wp/curtc-forms-and-policies/)** or from your welfare officer, whose name and contact details are given on the Welfare Officer poster on the noticeboard, and on the website **[www.curtc.net/wp/membership/#welfareofficer](http://www.curtc.net/wp/membership/#welfareofficer)**.

# Coming and going

## Hours of play

7am to 10pm on the Green Court and 6am to 10pm on the Blue Court.

Play outside these hours is not permitted: the noise disturbs the residents of Tennis Court House.

## Guidance for bringing friends or family on court

Non-members should join CURTC, or the member should pay their guest's court fee and visitor donation (see price list page).

## Car parking

The spaces alongside the court off Grange Road are reserved for spectators or players who have booked courts and who are in the building. The Trinity Hall car park (by the main wall of the Green Court) may only be used during the evening after 6pm and at weekends; please observe this rule strictly.




## Entering the club

The main entrance door, located on the left-hand side of the building, has a combination lock. Players may contact one of the pros for details of the combination. The light switch inside is fairly high up on the wall on your left. The main lights for the Blue Court Dedans and office area are fairly high up on the right of the door directly in front of you as you come in. Please take your bags and coats to the changing rooms and do not leave them in the clubroom while you are playing.

## Changing facilities

The changing rooms are down beyond the dedans of the Green Court. If there are players on court, wait for a break in play – usually when they are changing ends – before walking through. You may leave clothes, kit and bags in the changing room while you play, but please take your valuables on court with you. To support the safeguarding policy (see previous page), the changing rooms are out of bounds to under-18s unless the Professionals have given express permission otherwise. Under-18s should whenever possible change for tennis before arriving at the Club, and leave the Club in their tennis clothes. They may use the WC near the front door to change.

## Junior tennis at CURTC

-  Saturday afternoon junior club
-  Midweek early morning and afternoon clubs
-  Introductory courses for schools
-  Holiday courses
-  National competitions
-  Lessons and Drills with the pros

Please contact the pros if your child is interested in playing.





## **Peace and quiet**

Please respect the rights of the professionals to privacy outside their working hours. Please also avoid noise that can cause disturbance; loud voices in the showers can be heard clearly in Tennis Court House, and its living room is the other side of the Green Court main wall, so *you are asked not to practice by hitting balls against this wall.*

## **Lights for the courts**

The light switches for the Blue Court are opposite the notice boards next to the connecting door that leads to the Green Court. The light switch for the Green Court is located just to the right after you go through the connecting door, next to a louvred door. These take the form of a press switch which starts them; they turn off automatically after ten minutes with no detected movement on court.

## **Leaving the club**

Always leave the outer door securely closed. If you are the last to leave in the evening, please switch off all lights. Please check that the fire exits by the courts have also been closed.

## **Equipment**

### **Balls**

Balls (made by hand by the professionals) are provided for players' use. There is a basket for each court. The hand stitched felt covers are renewed at regular intervals. At the end of your game, please return all balls to the basket, including those in the galleries. If you are last on the Green Court in the evening, please leave the basket on the raised table, behind the glass in the dedans (the life of the balls is prolonged if they are kept at room temperature. If the balls are kept in the inner-dedans, it makes no difference and they may as well be kept on court).

### **Racquets**

After your first few games, you are expected to buy your own racquet. Racquets are sold by the professionals, who can advise you on your requirements. Do not forget to write your name on the butt!

You can hire a racquet from the pros. Racquet hire is paid for in advance for four games at a time. Prices are at the end of the price list page.



# **The Answering Service (TAS)**

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Some older racquets, kept in the Blue Court dedans, may be used if you break a string during a game or are awaiting repairs to your racquet. If you are new to the game you may also use one of these racquets. Any contribution to this stock is greatly appreciated.

Racquets for repair should be left in the repair cupboard in the clubroom, with a note indicating your requirements. Repairs should normally be carried out within four weekdays. Your racquet can be collected from the next door cupboard, and the repair fee paid to “Kees Ludekens and Peter Paterson”. It is very important that members only take racquets belonging to themselves.

## Net height

You can check the height of the net using the marked stick hanging by the entrance to each court. It should be three foot high in the middle.

## Dress and footwear

Conventional sports clothing should be worn at all times when on court, as must non-marking soles. For representative matches, whites are preferred; please refer to the clothing on display in the pro shop. We recommend that you do not wear jewellery when playing; alternatively, cover jewellery with protective tape.

## Arranging games

### Bookings

The BooknowPlus System allows players to book the court and view the status of their bill from a computer that has access to the Web. A computer is available at the Club for this purpose and the professionals will be only too happy to help with any queries. Alternatively, bookings can be made by telephoning the professionals at the Club (01223 357106). **Players must ensure that they have booked their court time prior to entering the court to play.**

### Club night

A ‘social’ club night is booked on a Thursday at the end of the month, which typically involves short doubles games, although singles matches may also be played if numbers are appropriate. This is an excellent opportunity to meet other players. A small flat fee is made for the whole evening’s play. All are welcome. Search the booking program to find the dates.

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## **Ladies' morning**

Every Friday morning, from 10am until 12pm, the Green Court is reserved for Ladies' Morning. This is an informal fun session, open to all female players, and is a particularly good way for newer players to learn more about the game.

Depending on numbers, we usually play doubles, with players swapping in and out every few games. A small flat fee is made for the morning's play. Every few weeks we try to arrange a drill with the Pros, for which there is an extra charge.

If you want to know more about Ladies' Morning please contact the Pros at CURTC.

## **Lessons**

If you want to book a lesson with one of the professionals please contact the Club by telephone or email. Lessons last an hour and are charged at the rate on the Price List page.

## **Cancellations**

Late cancellation of bookings usually prevents the professionals from finding other players to fill the court. If the court is left empty and not paid for, the Club suffers financially, but more importantly, so do the professionals.

If you discover you are unable to use a court you have booked, please inform the professionals as soon as possible (or leave a phone message). If you notify us of your cancellation by 10am at least one weekday before the day of your booking (eg by Tuesday 10am for a Wednesday booking, by Friday 10am for a weekend or Monday booking) you will not be charged for the court. Otherwise you will be liable for your court fee and your opponent's court fee, charged at your rate (eg a senior member cancelling pays 2x senior court fees, a junior member cancelling pays 2x junior court fees).

In the case of 'exclusively' booked courts, any cancellation will need to be made further in advance – 48 hours instead of 24. This means that a cancellation of an 'exclusive' booking will need to be made by 10am on Monday for any Wednesday booking and by 10am on Thursday for any weekend or Monday booking. Failure to do this will mean that the full court fee (for both players) will be payable by the maker of the original 'exclusive' booking.

As summer season ticket holders have pre-paid their own court fees, they will only be liable for their opponent's court fee in the event of a late cancellation.

It is understood that there will be occasions when it is simply not possible to cancel well in advance and the Club will look at each situation individually and try to adopt a reasonable approach.

## Playing the game

You can access the rules and an explanation of the scoring system and how handicaps work at [www.curtc.net](http://www.curtc.net). If you do not normally have access to the internet, you may use the computer in the Blue Court dedans which is provided for this purpose, or just ask the pros for assistance when you come to the club.

Revised handicap listings are posted on the notice board every Tuesday and are available online at [www.realtennisonline.com](http://www.realtennisonline.com) (registration is free). Please record all your results on the paper sheet provided by the entrance to each court.

## Finishing on time

It is important for players to finish by their allotted time. The next players due on court are entitled to their full hour! Players whose hour is ending should make sure they finish in time to gather up the balls so that the incoming players can start promptly. Even if nobody is apparently waiting to come on court, you should check and enquire before running over time.

If a tournament game is over running, permission must be obtained from the players who are waiting to continue. Players are expected to respect the feelings and wishes of other players.

## Court etiquette

Real tennis has its courtesies and accepted practices. New players should take note of the following points.

If you arrive while a game is in progress on the Green Court, you should wait for a gap in play before walking through the gallery passage. Usually this means waiting for the players to change ends.

You should agree before starting your match what handicap difference (if any) you are applying.

Players of unequal handicaps may nevertheless choose to play level, ie start each game at love all (if you do this, the computer will make an allowance for the 'correct' handicap difference in determining the effect of the result on your subsequent handicap, but it will record a null result if the difference was more than six).

It is usual to spin a racquet to determine who will start out as the server. Before the game commences, it is common practice for the receiver to take the basket of balls from underneath the net, put the balls in the dedans for their opponent and replace the basket, before taking their position at the hazard end.

When changing ends, if you are about to leave the service end, you should wait for the other player(s) to cross the net first. It is also usual to place a couple of balls on your opponent's racquet, before moving to the hazard end. When you finish your match, please gather any loose balls (including those in the galleries) into the basket.

In the heat of competition, please remember that junior members and other children may be within hearing range of your language.

## **Marked matches**

If you are fortunate enough to have your match marked (either by one of the professionals or another member), it is important to respect both the marker's role and decisions and to accept any apparent errors with good grace.

## **Administration**

### **Price list**

The price list page details charges for membership, annual subscriptions, court fees, racquets and grips, racquet hire, repairs, lessons, clothing and books on the game. Prices may be revised without notice.

### **Accounts**

Please assist the Club by ensuring that your account is clear (and preferably in credit) and by paying your subscription as soon after 1st October as possible. It would also be very helpful if you would set up an annual standing order for your subscription payment – most easily achieved if you use online banking. Please see below for the Club's account details.

If this is not possible, then completing a standing order form would be fine (blank forms available from the pros). Subscription rates are to be found on the following page.

It would also be helpful if you would set up regular payments to cover court fees. Any resulting credits will be repaid on request or carried forward by agreement. Again this is most easily achieved online. Alternatively, a monthly standing order would again assist. The Club's bank details are as follows:

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Account number 90032190

Account name "Cambridge University Real Tennis Club"

To those of you already making payments online, many thanks, it helps us a great deal. All payments will normally appear on your BookNowPlus account within two weeks after the end of the calendar month in which the payment is made. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ring or email Kees ([kees@curtc.net](mailto:kees@curtc.net)), Simon Stokes ([simon@curtc.net](mailto:simon@curtc.net)), or Julian Stafford ([julian.stafford@me.com](mailto:julian.stafford@me.com)).

## **Change of address**

Please inform the Administrator of any changes to your address, email or telephone numbers.

## **Club tournaments**

Cambridge University students compete for the Bostock Cup (men) and the Lawrence Cup (women), and a Freshers' tournament is also held each year.

The Graduate Cup is the premier annual club handicap tournament, open to all Senior members (it is not restricted to members of the University).

The Club Championship, Ladies Club Championship, Category tournaments, junior tournaments are other notable features of the club calendar.



# **Real Tennis beyond Cambridge**

## **Matches and tournaments**

The club has a programme of friendly matches with other clubs (see fixture list and the notice board), and enters teams in a number of competitions and tournaments, including The Varsity Match, and the Ladies Varsity Match and University 2nds Varsity Matches.

The National League: For the 2017/18 season, we are fielding four teams. We also participate in the Pol Roger Trophy and Brodie Cup – national inter-club tournaments.

## **Tennis & Rackets Association (T&RA)**

Many of the national tournaments (and also the Field Trophy/ Brodie Cup team tournament) are organised by the T&RA, the game's governing body, which you may wish to consider joining. A membership form and details can be found in the Blue court dedans. The Association also trains professionals in conjunction with the Real Tennis Professionals' Association UK, and assists with the funding, planning and maintenance of courts, safeguards the supply of rackets and oversees the quality of the balls. T&RA Members receive a full rulebook for both games, regular newsletters, and have the right to play in T&RA tournaments and at other Clubs and receive other benefits such as an invitation to attend the annual dinner.



Cambridge University Real Tennis Club

Target 300 - 2017/18

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Status July  
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# Target 300 - 2017/18

Following the great successes of the past few years, we are determined to increase the number of players at CURTC. We hope that you will contribute to our drive to reach a total of 300 senior members by the end of the year.

## Attractive packages for groups

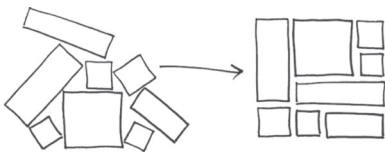
Kees and Peter are determined that we should reach our target over the next few months. To make this easier, they will be offering attractive packages for groups keen to start the game together and a number of other incentives. There will also be improved ongoing support for everyone who joins the Club to help ensure that they feel valued and welcome.





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# Price list

## Subscriptions

Adult member	£185
Adult member (plus Giraffe Club Membership)	£210
Under 28 years	£93
18 – 21 years	£47
CU Student	£80
(inc off peak court fees and peak court fees if booked on the day)	
Country members (≥30 miles from Club)	
Playing <6 times a year	£62
Playing ≥6 times a year	£93
Junior	£32
Giraffe Club Membership	£40

## Court fees per hour

	Per player	Whole court
Single (off peak)	£7.25	£14.50
Single (peak)	£8.25	£16.50
Doubles (off peak)	£4.75	£19
Doubles (peak)	£5.25	£21
Three-Handed (off peak)	£5.50	£16.50
Three-Handed (peak)	£6	£18
Under 21 and Junior (off peak)	£4.25	£8.50
Visitor (suggested donation in addition to court fee)	£5+ per hour	

## Note from the President

Real tennis is not the most economic game, and if it is to thrive, and to offer access to all, it needs the full support, especially financial, of those who derive so much pleasure from it. In that context, could I ask that members interpret the charges listed above (deliberately kept modest in comparison with most other real tennis clubs) with generosity of spirit, noting in particular:

- 1 that country membership is really only intended for those unable to play, by reason of geography, more than a few times each year – 30 miles is the suggested minimum distance from the club for country membership, but this is more for guidance than as a legalistic figure
- 2 that a member who wishes to represent the Club in tournaments or leagues should, except in exceptional circumstances, pay a full member subscription, regardless of domicile
- 3 that members should explain to visitors that the suggested donation of £5 (it needs to be a donation rather than a charge, under Gift Aid rules) assumes that the visitor will be playing a one-hour slot only
- 4 that members should enter on the online booking sheet the time on court by all players; or, in the case of visitors, email the pros with details of visitor play
- 5 that members are understanding about late cancellations being charged in full because, at the margin, up to 70% of court fees go to the professionals (upon whom the Club is so dependent) as an essential component of their remuneration, so the loss of a court fee comes largely out of their pocket.

## Match fees

### Inter-club matches

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£29	Best of 3 sets – Singles
£20	Best of 3 sets – Doubles
£42	Best of 3 sets – Singles and Doubles
£20	1st to 8 set Singles
£15	1st to 8 set Doubles
£28	1st to 8 set Singles and Doubles
£18	(off peak) £20 (peak)

### National League

includes opponents' court fees

### Food and drink

£7

## Pro shop

### Rackets

Standard Square	£170
Standard Round	£170
XtraTec Square	£275
XtraTec Round	£265

### CURTC 1866 Celebration Racket

Square handle	£285
Round handle	£285

Normal grip	£4
Overgrips	£3
Restrings	£26
Repairing – first 2 strings	£4.50
Repairing – per extra string	£2
Racket Hire	£15 (for 4 games)

### Clothing

Club Polo Shirt	£27 (100% cotton – embroidered)
Club Tie	£26 (100% silk)
Shorts	£26
Skirts	£26
Sleeveless Club Sweater	£85 (100% wool)
Sleeved Club Sweater	£100 (100% wool)
Tracksuit bottoms	£28
Zip neck tracksuit top	£35

## Professional fees

Kees Ludekens	£32 for one hour
Peter Paterson	£28 for one hour

# Fixtures 2017/18

## September '17

Date	Fixture	Venue	Match manager
Fri 15	Champagne League Finals	Cambridge	CURTC Pros
Sat 16	Old Rugbeians	Cambridge	Michael Firth
Sun 17	Champagne League Finals	Cambridge	CURTC Pros
Sat 23	Old Leysians	Cambridge	
Sun 24	Cambridge Alumni v Oxford Alumni	Cambridge	Christie Marrian
Sat 30	Newmarket	Newmarket	
Sat 30	Prested Juniors	Cambridge	Pros

## Autumn Earthworks Doubles League Graduate Cup

### October '17

Sun 1	Radley	Radley	
Sat 7	Giraffe Club Tournament	Cambridge	Giraffe Club
Sun 8	Giraffe Club Tournament	Cambridge	Giraffe Club
Sat 14	LRTA	Cambridge	
Sat 21	Oratory	Cambridge	
Sun 22	Jesmond Dene in Brodie Cup	Jesmond Dene	Brodie Captain
Sat 28	MURTC	Cambridge	
Sun 29	CURTC Ladies v Hatfield	Hatfield House	CURTC Pros

### November '17

Sat 4	Jesters		George Pearson
Sat 11	Oxford Seniors	Oxford	
Sun 12	Bristol	Bristol	
Sun 19	Brodie Cup	Cambridge	Brodie Captain
Fri 24-Sun 26	Inter-Universities Tournament	Cambridge	CURTC Pros

### December '17

Fri 1	70+ Category Tournament	Cambridge	Fixtures Secretary
Sat 2	70+ Category Tournament	Cambridge	Fixtures Secretary
Sat 9	MCC	MCC	
Sun 10	TBD – Brodie Cup, Holyport Pol Roger Trophy	Cambridge	Captains
Sun 10	Prested Juniors	Prested	Pros
Wed 27	Xmas Tournament	Cambridge	CURTC Pros

## Winter Tayabali & White Singles League, Category Tournaments, Varsity

### January '18

Sat 6	The Dutch	Cambridge	Christie Marrian
Fri 12	Graduate Cup KO Rounds	Cambridge	CURTC Pros
Sat 13	Graduate Cup KO Rounds	Cambridge	CURTC Pros
Sun 14	CURTC Ladies v Newmarket	Newmarket	CURTC Pros
Sat 20	Oxbridge v MCC	Lord's	CURTC Pros
Sun 21	Hatfield	Hatfield	
Fri 26	Ladies' Club Championship	Cambridge	CURTC Pros
Sat 27	Ladies' Club Championship	Cambridge	CURTC Pros
Sun 28	Brodie Cup, Pol Roger Trophy	Cambridge	Captains

## February '18

Sat 3	Giraffe Club Tournament	Cambridge	Giraffe Club
Sun 4	Giraffe Club Tournament	Cambridge	Giraffe Club
Fri 9	60's Category Tournament	Cambridge	Fixtures Secretary
Sat 10	60's Category Tournament	Cambridge	Fixtures Secretary
Sun 11	Moreton Morrell	Moreton Morrell	Christie Marrian
Sat 17	50's Category Tournament	Cambridge	Fixtures Secretary
Sun 18	40's Category Tournament	Cambridge	Fixtures Secretary
Fri 23	Varsity Seconds	Oxford	CURTC Pros
Sat 24	Varsity Seconds	Oxford	CURTC Pros
Sat 24	30's Category Tournament	Cambridge	Fixtures Secretary
Sun 25	20's Category Tournament	Cambridge	Fixtures Secretary
Sun 25	Hardwick House	Hardwick	

## Spring Varsity, Finals Day, Cambridge Week

### March '18

Fri 2	Varsity Match	Lord's	CURTC Pros
Sat 3	Varsity Match	Lord's	CURTC Pros
Sun 11	Brodie/Pol Roger Cup Final	Hyde/RTC	Captains
Sat 17	Finals Day, sponsored by Hannay Robertson Financial Planning	Cambridge	CURTC Pros
Sat 24	Petworth	Petworth	
Sun 25	Leamington	Cambridge	

### April '18

Sat 7	Hampton Court (RTC)	Cambridge	
Sat 14	Newmarket@Manchester		Derrick Wells
Sun 15	Manchester	Manchester	Jimmy Campbell
Sun 22	Brigands	Cambridge	Jeremy Davidson
Thurs 26	CURTC AGM/Captains Challenge	Cambridge	CURTC Committee
Sun 29	Wellington	Wellington	Christie Marrian

### May '18

Sat 5	Prested	Cambridge	Howard Richardson
Mon 7-Sun 13	Cambridge Week – Team Mixed Doubles Tournament	Cambridge	CURTC Pros
Sun 13	Cambridge Week – Finals	Cambridge	CURTC Pros
Sat 19	MCC	Cambridge	
Sun 20	Queen's Club	Cambridge	
Sat 26-Sun 27	Jesmond Dene	Jesmond Dene	

## Summer Champagne Leagues, East Anglia Cup

### June '18

Sat 2	The Hyde	Cambridge	
Sat 9	Holyport	Cambridge	
Sun 10	Seacourt	Cambridge	
Fri 15-Sun 17	Rose Bowl	Newmarket	
Sat 16	Dedanists	Cambridge	Christie Marrian
Sat 23	East Anglia Cup	Hatfield	Fixtures Secretary
Sun 24	East Anglia Cup Plus	Hatfield	Fixtures Secretary



## **Why not join the Giraffe Club...**

The Giraffe Club is a club for Old Blues and supporters of the University Club. Subscriptions to the Giraffe Club go towards the Giraffe fund which supports University Real Tennis players. The principal aim of this financial support is to encourage new players to take up Real Tennis and to nurture the development of current players.

The fund also gives assistance to those players at a sufficient standard to play in major competitions. The expense of travel, entrance fees to tournaments and the frequent re-stringing of rackets are met to some degree.

Funding from the Giraffe Club, and from our local sponsors has helped to develop the strongest men's and women's squads that have been seen for many years. If you're interested in sponsoring the Giraffe Club, please contact Dr Victoria Harvey at [vjh31@cam.ac.uk](mailto:vjh31@cam.ac.uk).

Prices per annum (Standing orders preferred)

Adult member £40

Student and under 28 member £20

Joint member (CURTC + Giraffe Club) £25

Benefactor minimum of £250

Your generosity will be very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

*Matthew Shaw and Olivia Chesser*

Matthew Shaw (Captain 2017-2018)

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