



ANNUAL RYE LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT 2026 PLAYER INFORMATION & GENERAL RULES

We look forward to welcoming you to the Annual Rye Lawn Tennis Tournament. Please read the following information carefully before you play.

1. GENERAL RULES FOR PLAYERS

- The Draw and Handicapping are carried out during the weekends preceding the Tournament; late entries cannot be accepted.
 - In order to make the most of your weekend, we would suggest the **men enter 4 events** and **women up to 5**. However, we would ask the best players only to play in the three open events (singles, doubles and mixed doubles).
 - If any event is over-subscribed, entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis.
 - We cater for all standards, some of the events being handicapped and others split into A & B sections according to skill.
 - While we aim to play most matches on grass, some matches may be scheduled on one of our three hard courts.
 - Clothing on court must be almost entirely white in accordance with Club rules; club merchandise is available to purchase at the Club alongside a pop up sports shop and restringing service.
 - A club photographer will be taking photos on and off court; images may be used on the Club website and social media channels.
 - Refunds cannot be made after the closing date for entries, even if bad weather or other unforeseen events prevent play.
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2. TIMINGS & ORDER OF PLAY

- From Wednesday 29 July, the Order of Play for Day One will be published on the Club website and social media, then again each evening for the following day's play.
- Timings for events may be affected by the weather.
- The Order of Play and draws will also be displayed on the noticeboard by the pavilion.
- All Semi-Finals and Finals are normally scheduled for the Monday. If you need to leave on the Sunday, ***please scratch at match point.***

- If your name appears as “**or**” on the schedule, that will normally indicate the time of your second match, following a prior scheduled match.
 - It is each competitor’s responsibility to find out when they are due to play and to be at the Ground at the start time; failure to do so may result in disqualification.
 - If you wish to withdraw from the Tournament at any stage, please inform the Referee as soon as possible.
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3. CLUB, PARKING & FACILITIES

- Car parking by the courts is £15 per day or £30 for 3 days. There is free parking in the adjoining field; please do not park on the road.
 - A full bar will be operational all day with lunches and teas available each day in the marquee.
 - Only Members and Temporary Members over 18 may purchase alcoholic drinks at the Club.
 - Our Tournament BBQ / Dance will be held on Saturday evening and a chance to enjoy some off court time. Tickets will be available online at an early bird price, or at the Club on Friday and Saturday (subject to availability).
 - While every effort is made to safeguard members, players and visitors, the Club and Committee Members accept no responsibility for accidents, loss or damage.
 - Limited accommodation with host families may be available, and the Club may be able to advise on local options. For enquiries, please email: sharon.massey@ryelawntennisclub.org.uk
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4. CONTACT DETAILS (TOURNAMENT WEEKEND)

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