

Orindawoods Tennis Club
Reopening Plan
1 May 2020

Orindawoods to Reopen May 4th

The Club is reopening on Monday, May 4th, as allowed by the CC Health Order of 4/29, with heavy restrictions in place.

It is a tremendous privilege granted by the Contra Costa Health Services to be able to play again, and it comes with some heavy responsibilities, which we want to be sure to comply with and support as individuals and as a community. If we don't comply, as a Club or as individuals, the right to play could be revoked.

Personal and public safety is still the most important issue.

We want to thank everyone for supporting us in April with your kind thoughts, well wishes and dues payments, which has enabled us to act quickly, and respond to this ever-changing crisis.

Our expenses for April were virtually the same (maintenance, landscaping, pool, management, staff, etc...). Your support has kept the club going. Thank you.

The Club will be open in May, and dues continue to be in place. Please pay your May dues.

The TAC and staff met on Thursday, April 30th to adjust and adopt the reopening plan. Attached is the Reopening Plan for Orindawoods Tennis Club, starting May 4th.

It is going to be great to see you all out on the courts again! We have an opportunity and a responsibility to do this right. And I know we will!

The Reopening Plan:

Based on the Health Order of April 29th, there are four key components to whether an activity at the Club can be permitted. They are:

1. Social Distancing
2. Wearing masks in public places where social distancing is difficult
3. Tennis is permitted
4. No shared equipment

Each activity must pass all four of those tests for Orindawoods to be in compliance with the Health Order, and we will not permit any activity that does not pass that test.

We need to err on the side of safety, so some decisions may not seem equal, or even fair at first glance, but each decision is based on what is the safest environment for our club members and staff (which is what is ultimately fair).

Personal Protection:

Social distancing (always!!!)

- Physical distancing required. 6 feet.

Face mask required to be worn on Club property. (Optional when you are on court, playing singles, or engaged in individual activities, i.e. serving practice).

- Gloves (optional)

If you don't feel well, stay home. Protect yourself, protect your friends, protect the community.

Play and Go

- No socializing at the Club

Avoid touching surfaces. Wash hands after any contact.

- Gates (open), benches, fences, doors, tables, court surface, etc...
- The more you can limit contact to your racquet, clothing and the balls, the better.
- Bring your own hand sanitizers, etc...

No shared equipment. Each player brings their own can of balls (see below for more detail).

Pathway / Deck etiquette,

- Deck is wide, keep social distancing
- Pathways quite narrow, especially to and from the courts, and the stairway.
 - One group, one direction, at a time, at social distance (walk 6 feet apart)

No Guests (see below)

Clubhouse:

Clubhouse / Pro Shop is closed for everyone but workers / staff

- Doors propped open during business hours to avoid contact with handles,
- Staff will come outside to talk to people (masks required)

Bathrooms Open

- Single use at a time (one in men's, one in women's)
- Social distancing while waiting

Pro Shop Services: By appointment

- Stringing (cleaning, wiping down)
- Racquet sales
- No demo racquets

Hydration:

- Drinking fountains shut off
- Bring your own water, own bottles (abandoned water bottles will not be saved / no lost and found)

Deck / Lobby

- Play and Go
- No patio seating
- No lobby seating
- No social gatherings, functions
- No spectators
- Wait for player / students in your car

Pool Closed – CC Health Services directive of 4/29/20 says pools are to remain closed thru 5/31. The pool area is also closed, no sunbathing.

Ball machine: closed for the time being, to be evaluated later.

Sadly, we are unable to have "ball machine use" pass the "no shared equipment" test which is very strongly stated in the health directive. Balls, metal surfaces,

remote, ball mowers, switches, power cord, ball tubes, etc... are all shared equipment.

Lesson / Tennis Playing Guidelines:

Lessons

- Pro and student only, no groups, except same household
- No clinics (Men's and Women's), junior program, Hit and Fit, etc...
- Payment: credit card by Square Payment only

Lesson protocol

- Gates open
- No sitting or bags on the bench
- No spectators
- Only pro touches the balls
- Only pro picks up the balls or uses pick equipment
- For serving, bring your own balls (which only the student will touch, and pick up, and will be kept separate).

Members Playing

(No coughing or sneezing on balls – cover your mouth, cough into elbow)

No Guests (possible exceptions talk to Keith 24 hours in advance, singles only, permission required)

Court Reservations / Drop-in Courts

- Play at Orindawoods is now by reservation only.
- Courts 4&5 will become reservation courts. Court 2 is primarily lessons.
- There may be some lessons on other courts.

Hours / Controls

- Regular Club hours

Permitted Playing options:

1. Same Family / household can share equipment, masks on court optional (wearing masks required entering and exiting court and Club).
2. Singles.
 - Two people per court.
 - Social distancing
 - Two cans of balls, only server's tennis balls in play.

- Masks optional on court. (wearing masks required entering and exiting)
 - No third player waiting to rotate in.
3. Doubles
- Wearing masks required. NO EXCEPTIONS
 - Social distancing
 - Four cans of balls, server's tennis balls in play only
 - Not congregating at the benches
 - No bags on the benches
 - Only four people on a court at a time, no one waiting to rotate in.

No organized Events: Women's Day, Men's Day, Large arranged groups, switching courts and partners

Rules for Play (Binding Etiquette)

- Ball comes on your court from a neighboring court, don't pick it up, instead roll it, kick it or toss it with your racquet
- Benches are closed
- Social distance at all times.
- Change sides on opposite ends of the nets, or don't change ends.
- Exit through the gate for your court only (don't cross other courts).
- Leave or enter the court, single file, six feet apart
- No social gatherings after play (on the deck, lobby, parking lot, etc...)
- Bring your own water, masks, gloves, tennis balls, equipment, etc...
- No handshakes, high fives, etc...
- **Court change:** new groups walk to court masks on (single file, social distancing) past the gate (do not enter the court), announce the court is theirs, existing group leaves court masks on (single file, social distancing) before the new group returns to the gate to enter.

Please wash or sanitize your hands upon completion of play.
Great to be back playing again! Be safe!