

Tennis for Everyone



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CTC Ladder

version 1.0

CTC LADDER COMPOSITION

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THE LADDER

The CTC Executive Committee has agreed that the following Criteria and Policy will be used when setting up or amending the club ladder(s), and Selecting/Compiling League Teams:

1. Two (2) separate ladders will be created:
 - Men's and Women's Singles Ladder
 - Men's and Women's Doubles Ladder

Mixed Doubles results along with Doubles results will be considered for Doubles ladders.

2. An inclusive approach will be followed, with a combination of aspects/results being taken into consideration when compiling the respective ladders.

The following key aspects will form part of the consideration/consulting process:

- 2.1 Club Championships results and head to head results during the Championships. However, it is not automatic the respective champions will be placed at the top of the various ladders.
- 2.2 TSA Rankings will also be considered amongst tournament players.
- 2.3 Recent head to head results at tournaments or championships will be considered (primarily singles). In the event of doubles and mixed doubles results providing a "stale mate" situation between players, singles head to head results may be considered if deemed necessary as this can assist with individual ability.
- 2.4 Head to Head results will only be considered if matches are played best of 2 sets and a match tie breaker or best of 3 tie breaker sets. Round robin competitions where games are played i.e. 11 games etc. will not be considered.
- 2.5 Challenge results from organized challenge matches by members or committee members.
- 2.6 General input and knowledge of members by the committee.
3. All initial ladders that are released will be "draft ladders" with a set date by which some required challenges need to be completed, or by which members need to have requested and completed challenge matches in order for any possible "anomalies" to be rectified.
4. The ladder will be updated monthly in terms of the junior positions as per the latest available TSA junior rankings as released on the final Monday of a month.
5. The ladder will not be updated (TSA Rankings) or Head to Head results considered once the first selection has been made for the commencement of League. Once a particular League season has been completed, the Ladder will be re-updated.
6. New members will be allocated a position within the ladder based on performances, results and input from the committee, but will be entitled to a free challenge as described below.

7. In the event of any direct head to head results occurring as 2.4 above at a TSA sanctioned tournament, the latest head to head result will count, with the winner of the match taking the highest position of the two (2) players concerned, the loser of the match, if lower on the ladder, will remain in that position, however, if the loser of the match is the player that had a higher position on the ladder, he/she will move down by 1 position on the ladder, causing a shift of 1 position for all members
E.g. Player A holds position 6 and Player B holds position 15 on the ladder
Player B defeats Player A at a TSA tournament
Player B moves into position 6, Player A moves down to position 7 and remainder of players moved down by 1 position on the ladder

It remains the responsibility of the members to inform the responsible member on the committee or the Chairperson of the date, tournament and result in which such a head to head result was achieved.

8. Coaches may be requested to provide input on their players. However, in the event of a vote, **all coaches** will recuse themselves from the meeting to avoid possible conflict of interest. The same will apply in the event of a committee member or family member of a committee member being discussed. In this case the committee member will recuse him/herself from the meeting until the decision is made.
9. **Challenge Rules:**
Each ladder will have its own direct set of rules

9.1 Singles:

- a. A player may challenge up to three (3) positions above him/herself.
- b. Challenge matches will be the best of 2 sets, with a 10 point match tie breaker being played if the match reaches one (1) set all.
- c. It is the responsibility of the Challenger (the person requesting the challenge match) to provide three (3) new Dunlop Fort tennis balls (as used during Saturday social and league).
- d. Any new member will have the right to a free challenge on the ladder, provided that it is outside of the top 4 positions, unless the committee decides otherwise.
- e. New Member: A new member is a person who has joined the club as per The Constitution and who had the opportunity to participate in the Open, Junior or Senior Championships (whichever may be applicable). Once the applicable tournament has been concluded, regardless whether the new member entered and played the tournament or not, the status of "new member" shall cease and the right to a free challenge will therefore fall away and normal challenge rules (three (3) positions above him/herself) will apply.

9.2 Doubles:

- a. A player may challenge up to three (3) positions above him/herself.
- b. Challenge matches will comprise of each player playing 4 games with each partner (4 games with and 4 games against principal).
- c. A total of twelve (12) games will be played.
- d. This process will be repeated i.e. 24 games played in total (2 rounds).
- e. At the end of the completion of the cycle the number of games that each player

has individually won will be used to determine the final positions amongst the four (4) players, and this will be used to move the players into their new positions on the ladder.

- f. It is the responsibility of the Challenger (the person requesting the challenge match) to provide three (3) new Dunlop Fort tennis balls (as used during Saturday social and league).
- g. Any new member will have the right to a free challenge on the ladder, provided that it is outside of the top 4 positions, unless the committee decides otherwise.
- h. New Member: a new member is a person who has joined the club as per The Constitution and who had the opportunity to participate in the Open, Senior or Junior Championships (whichever may be applicable). Once the applicable tournament has been concluded, regardless whether the new member entered and played the tournament or not, the status of "new member" shall cease and the right to a free challenge will therefore fall away and normal challenge rules (three (3) positions above him/herself) will apply.

10 General:

- 10.1 In the case of requesting and setting dates/times of challenge matches, the Challenger must notify the Chairman or the appointed Committee Member in writing of the date/time and players concerned.
- 10.2 In the event of a member being challenged not being able to come to an agreement on a suitable date/time, the Challenger will be awarded the position on the ladder.
 - 10.2.1 In the event of a doubles match, if one of the 3 players being challenged is not available or willing to play, that player will automatically be placed 4th within the group of 4 and the committee will allocate/appoint the 4th player to determine the result of 1 – 3 amongst the remaining players falling within the challenge.
- 10.3 No player has the right to refuse a challenge without forfeiting their position on the ladder.
- 10.4 A challenge match must be completed within 2 weeks of the match being requested. Challenge matches may be played on a Saturday afternoon during social, provided arrangements have been made for a court to be made available.
- 10.5 In the event of a challenge match being rained out, the match needs to be completed by the following Saturday, with the match commencing from the same score as when it was interrupted.
- 10.6 The committee reserves the right to call a specific challenge match or to refuse a challenge match.