

# Tennis Tournament 2017

## **BEGINNER AND IMPROVER/INTERMEDIATE TOURNAMENT RULES**

- **ONLY FULLY PAID UP MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY MATCHES!** Failure to pay your subs on time will lead your opponent being automatically put through to the next round.
- Entries must be made online at [www.slccc.co.uk/tournament -2017-entry](http://www.slccc.co.uk/tournament-2017-entry)
- Entry fees must be paid by bank transfer or cheque in accordance with the instructions on the entry form. **ENTRIES RECEIVED WITHOUT THE CORRECT PAYMENT WILL NOT BE ENTERED INTO THE DRAW.**
- Finals day is on Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> September..
- Players at the top of the draw take responsibility for arranging their match(s). If a match is not completed by the end date then the player at the bottom of the draw goes through to the next round.
- Unseeded players in the first round of the Men's and Ladies tournaments will be drawn into groups of between three or four players of a similar ability and play everyone in their group on a round-robin basis. The winner of each group will go through to the second round.
- Before arranging matches, please check when Inter-club matches are being played at <http://sydenhamtennis.mycourts.co.uk/> to avoid congestion.
- It is the responsibility of the player at the bottom of the draw to supply quality tennis balls and share the cost accordingly. The preferred tennis balls are Head. If 1 player wants to play with Head tennis balls, then Head must be used.
- *No extensions will be granted!*
- If you have problems arranging your matches, i.e. pinning down your opponent, it is in your interest to notify the relevant tournament committee member as soon as possible:

Men's singles & doubles: Jeff Richards at [jeff.richards@rcn.org.uk](mailto:jeff.richards@rcn.org.uk)

Ladies singles and doubles: Katharine Beaudry at [katharine.beaudry@slccc.co.uk](mailto:katharine.beaudry@slccc.co.uk)

Mixed doubles: Jeff Richards at [jeff.richards@rcn.org.uk](mailto:jeff.richards@rcn.org.uk)

Beginners/improvers/intermediate tournaments: Dez Lewington, [dez.lewington@slccc.co.uk](mailto:dez.lewington@slccc.co.uk)

Junior tournaments: Jeff Richards at [jeff.richards@rcn.org.uk](mailto:jeff.richards@rcn.org.uk)

In all circumstances the tournament committee's decision is final.

- Each match is the first to 9 games with a normal tie break at 8-8.
- Matches may be played on either the clay or tarmac courts. If players are unable to reach agreement on the preferred court surface, players should toss a coin to decide.
- It is the responsibility of match winners to post results on tournament draws. Failure to do so may lead to your opponent being automatically put through to the next round.
- If you have any queries/complaints concerning the tournaments please contact a member of the tournament committee.
- All finals will be umpired. Other matches can be umpired on request by any of the players involved.

