

SUMMER TEAMS RULES

- Play will start at **6.30pm** on the dot!
- Players will be assigned a time slot to play on the night of their play, so you must be available to start at 6.30pm as times will change over the weeks.
- If you cannot turn up at 6.30pm, you **MUST** inform your team captain and opponent who can rearrange your court time on your behalf
- **IMPORTANT: ALL matches MUST be marked using a proper score sheet and handed to one of the summer team co-ordinators. The marker MUST put their name and team on the score sheet. Team captains are responsible for making sure games are marked!!!!**
- You **MUST** pay on the evening before the scores are finalised for the night. There **WILL** be a forfeit from team net points of 1 point per person that does not pay before the scores are read out at the end of the evening. Team captains will be responsible for collecting money. Even if you do not stay for food, the cost will be £8, this pays for not only the food and chefs time, but the court and the lights (lucky draw prizes will be kept for winners if they are not at the draw)
- Play will be finished by 8.30pm if the rules are adhered to
- Play will be on every Tuesday and Thursday starting Tuesday 8th June 2021.
- There will be 3 weeks of play, followed by plate semi-final on Tuesday 29th June, the main semi- finals on Thursday 1st July 2021 **and finals night on Friday 9th July 2021.**
- All players will be handicapped due to the wide variety in the strengths of players and to try ensure all teams and games are quite evenly matched
- **PLEASE TRY WEAR SOMETHING THAT HAS THE COLOUR OF YOUR TEAM'S NAME e.g., shirt, shorts, armband, sticker, headband, etc**

PLAY

- Each game will be given 30 minutes of court time; 5 minutes to warm up and 25 minutes to play, you will play for the full length of time
- If you leave the court in this time, except for injury or a broken racket you **WILL** forfeit 5 gross points from your score on each occasion- this will be enforced by the marker
- Time wasting will lead to deduction of 5 gross points at the discretion of the marker
- Play will be American scoring and will continue past 15 until the end of the 25 minutes
- If both players have a negative handicap, then the player closest to Zero will start on zero and the other player adjusted accordingly e.g., player1 is -18, player2 is -10, then game will start as player1 is -8 and player2 is 0.
- If both players have a positive handicap, then the player closest to Zero will start on zero and the other player adjusted accordingly e.g., player1 is +10, player2 is +6, then game will start as player1 is +4 and player2 is 0.

- If one player has negative handicap and other player has positive handicap then game will begin on those handicaps.
- Handicaps may be adjusted as necessary in order to provide a better level of play between opponents
- Scores will be given per 15 points gained e.g., $30-15 = 2-1$ $29-14 = 1-0$ **except where the handicap difference is 10 or greater, then the lower handicap player will be given net score on each 10 points gained**
- There will be 5 bonus net points awarded to the winning teams

PLEASE DON'T LET YOUR TEAM DOWN!

MOST IMPORTANTLY – HAVE FUN AND ENJOY THE EVENT!