

Winter Handicap Tournament 2019/20

Rules

1. To enter, please visit the 'Tournaments' section on the WELTC website and complete the online entry form (<https://www.pinnertennis.co.uk/winterhandicaptournament20192020.php>). Only online entries are accepted. Please do not enter on another person's behalf.
2. Do not enter without reading the rules. **Please tick the box to confirm you have read the rules.**
3. The closing date for entries is **Sunday 13th October 2019.**
4. There is no set Finals Day, but all semi-finals must be completed by Sunday 8th March 2019 and all finals by Sunday 29th March 2020.
5. Without exception, late entries or replacements will not be accepted.
6. Full, 7-Day, Country, Student and Vacation Student members are eligible to enter.
7. Doubles partners will be drawn at random. If there are an unequal number of doubles partners, those at the top of the list will take precedence.
8. If you are entering for another person, you must have their agreement.
9. Please make sure you are available to play matches in the period from the beginning of November 2019 to the end of March 2020.
10. You must contact your opponent(s) as soon as possible to arrange your match, please don't sit back and wait for everyone else to contact you! You should offer your opponent multiple (preferably 3) dates/times that you (+/- your partner) can play.
11. If you cannot contact or do not get a reply from your opponent(s), contact the tournament referee (by e-mail) as soon as possible.
12. If you are going away for a long period (a week or more), please inform the tournament referee (by e-mail) and your opponent(s), if known.
13. Players who make no attempt to contact their opponent(s) will be withdrawn from the tournament.
14. Only 2 courts can be booked for tournament matches at any one time. To maximise court availability, at weekends courts may only be booked at 08.00,

10.00, 12.00 or after social (16.30). Floodlit courts cannot be booked at any time.

15. Results (including scores) must be written on the draw sheet in the club house immediately after a match (Please also e-mail them to the tournament referee, if possible).
16. When you have won a match and your opponent(s) for the next round is/are already known, it is your responsibility to contact them as soon as possible.
17. All matches must be completed by the relevant date. If you cannot complete your match by the date, please contact the tournament referee (by e-mail).
18. Matches not played by the relevant date, where no contact has been made with the tournament referee, will be decided by the toss of a coin.
19. The tournament referee's decision is final.

How to play

- Each player/pair is designated a handicap, eg. +30, -15.
- To work out your net handicaps for each match use *Table 1* (which will be on noticeboard in club house), eg. -15, -30 becomes SCR, -15.
- All matches are one long set, first to 12, no tie-breaks. There is no requirement to win by 2 clear games, so 12-11 is a valid winning score.
- To work out the starting score for each game, use *Table 2* (which will be on the noticeboard in club house).
- Whoever wins the toss may elect to serve or receive, but you must stick to the starting score sequence in *Table 2*.
- All games should start from the right, but if both players/pairs agree then it can start from the left for ease of scoring (it should be remembered that there can be an advantage to one side if the games are not always started from one side).
- Any queries should be addressed to the tournament referee

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