

Summer Tournament 2021 – Rules

Entering the tournament:

1. To enter, please visit the 'Tournaments' section on the website and complete the online entry form. Only online entries are being accepted this year. Please do not enter on another person's behalf. If you require assistance with entering, please contact the tournament referee.
2. If you are entering a doubles category, you must find your own partner. (each player in a doubles pair must enter online separately)
3. Do not enter without reading the rules (ignorance is not an excuse). Please tick the box to confirm you have read the rules.
4. The closing date for entries is Monday 31st May, when the draw will be made.
5. Only eligible members who have paid their 2021 membership fees will be entered into the draw.
6. Only Full, 7 day, Country, Country Plus, Student and Vacation Student members are eligible to enter. Five Day, Junior, Vacation Junior, Mini, Social and Coaching members are *not* eligible to enter.
7. If one member of a doubles pair does not meet the requirements of Rule #5 and Rule #6, that doubles pair will *not* be entered into the draw.
8. Without exception, later entries or replacements after the draw has been made will *not* be accepted.
9. Please make sure you are available to play matches in the period from 29th of May up to and including 12th of September 2021. Obviously holidays are acceptable, but if you are going away for a long period of time, please speak to the tournament referee before entering.
10. Finals Day will be on the 12th of September. A Finals Day timetable is displayed separately. These times are not negotiable. Please make sure you are available on Finals Day for the relevant times. If, during the tournament, you realise that you are not available on Finals Day, you must withdraw immediately.
11. All matches are the best of 3 sets; the first 2 sets to be decided by tie breaks, if necessary, with the 3rd set to be played out (until 2 games clear).
12. The tournament referee's decision is final.
13. Umpires are needed to help both this years Finals Day run smoothly. If you would like to volunteer, please tick the relevant box.

Booking Matches:

14. 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!
15. All matches must be completed by the relevant date. If you cannot complete your match by the date, please contact the tournament referee.
16. 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.
17. Players who make no attempt to contact their opponent(s) will be withdrawn from the tournament.
18. If you cannot contact or do not get a reply from your opponent(s), contact the tournament referee as soon as possible.
19. If you are going away for a long period (a week or more), please inform the tournament referee and your opponent(s), if known.
20. 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.

Booking Courts:

21. **Please book a court for your match in the diary in the clubhouse, particularly for weekends and evenings. Only 2 courts during daylight and only 1 court after dusk can be booked for tournament matches at any one time.**
22. **To maximise court availability on weekend mornings, courts may only be booked at 08.00, 10.00 or 12.00. Booking courts at any time during social sessions is not permitted.**
23. **Results (including scores) must be written on the draw sheet immediately after a match (Please also e-mail them to the tournament referee, if possible).**

Tournament Referee: