## Club Tournament Rules \& Regulations: For Display:

© All tournaments are Closed, (only Club Members can enter).

- The Club reserves the right to charge for entry into the various tournaments, but currently no charge is made.
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mbers who enter competitions, must sign that they will comply with all the Tournament Rules.
All entries \& fees (if required) must be returned by the designated time \& date
- Entrants to arrive prompt for their matches.
- No refund of entry fees in any event for any reason.
© Every Competitor shall dress him/herself for playing in acceptable tennis attire
- All matches to be the best of three sets
© Please be available to play your matches ASAP and by any relevant round dates stated.
- Failure to complete matches by the stated date will result in both/both pairs of Competitors being withdrawn from the Competition
© If score reaches 6 games all in first/second sets, a tie-break to be played
© If a third set is needed to be played, it is to be a normal advantage set
$\odot$ If seeds are chosen in any event - they are placed into the Draw as according to LTA Tournament Regulations
© Winner/s to put result of match onto Drawsheet and then contact their next opponent/s
© To allow matches to progress smoothly through the Rounds, all matches must be played by the relevant round date.
© Part of the various Competitions may be held as a 'Round Robin' - please be available to play your matches as soon as possible in early rounds.
© Balls will be provided for Finals only
© Competition matches will take preference over normal Club play
- No matches, unless absolutely necessary, to be played at Club Session times

If a match has to be played at a Club Session, those playing to provide tennis balls, not using Club balls
Umpiring decisions and scoring will normally be made by the players on court, unless the services of an Umpire is used, and only then by mutual agreement by those playing. The Umpires decision is final !!
Please be available to play your matches throughout the time the competition is in progress, including the Final, otherwise please do not enter.
Over 35 minutes late to play an arranged match, your opponent(s) can claim the match.
All Finals will be played on the date \& time advertised (unless due to bad weather) and cannot be postponed due to illness or injury of finalists or for other personal reasons. If any Final is postponed or left uncompleted due to bad weather on the Finals day, the Finalists are left to arrange another date \& time accordingly but must be played before the end of September. All competitors to contact each other regarding match times, etc.
© It is really important \& helpful if all competitors state their contact telephone number on the entry sheet, therefore making contact that much easier.
© It is up to Club Members to view the date when Competitions are to be entered, not the responsibility of Club Officials to inform, and in some instances where there is a limited number of entrants, any club member wishing to enter after this limited number has been reached, will not be entered into that event in any circumstances.
$\bigcirc$ Similar to above ruling, in the case of any doubles event, the last person to get drawn, if the numbers are not even, will result in that person unfortunately, not being able to participate. But that person can be held in reserve, in case someone has to withdraw from the competition after the pairings have been drawn. Of course, this can only happen if the original pairing has not already started playing in that competition.
© From the start of any Competition, no entrant in doubles can pick \& choose their partner.
$\bigcirc$ If, any person does not wish to partner the person they have been drawn with, then they must withdraw from the competition immediately, notifying the Tournament Organiser. They then loose the right to be in that particular competition.
© Should any matters arise not covered by these Rules, the final decision will be made by the Clubs Committee \& Tournament Referee:
$\odot$ All Club Members, irrespective of whether entering Tournaments or not, are reminded that on paying their Annual Membership, agree to abide by all Club Rules and Regulations, including these Tournaments Rules. Any dispute to be raised by email or letter to the Club Secretary.
© Summery Footnote 1: as above, any couple paired in any doubles Competition can only substitute a partner, if there is a named reserved player from the time the draw was conducted, not just someone of their choice, who could stand in at a later stage. If there is no such reserved player, then that pairing have to scratch from the tournament. In addition to this ruling, the above can only happen if the original pairing have not already played a match previously. If so, they have to scratch as a pair immediately.
© As also pointed out, members must make sure they can commit to playing not only the final, but the preceding matches leading up to the Final.
© It appears that members enter the various competitions with no entry fee, without checking if they have availability to complete the necessary matches. When the club had Entry Forms for those members who wished to take part, they signed their name agreeing to abide by the Club Tournament Rules:

