

# Wanaka Tennis Inc

Social Team Tennis ~ Starts Wednesday 24 Oct 2018

Important Information ~ Please Read!

As previously, this competition is open to members and non-members. Each team pays a flat fee of \$80 whether you have 4, 5, or 6 players in your team, plus a \$20 fee for each non-member. Of course we will encourage non-members to join up if they enjoy the contest and want to participate in other Club events.

**Scoring System:** Each match consists of 9 games. The points system will be as follows. Each team will score the number of games that they win each week. e.g. Win 5 - 4, 6 - 3, 6 - 3 and lose 2-7 the winning team will score 19 points plus a bonus 4 points for the win and the losing team will score 17 points. If a team wins three or four of the matches they will be deemed to be the winner regardless of the number of games won. If there is a 2-2 draw then the team to win will be the one with the most games or if equal in games the bonus points will be split between the two teams.

At the end of the competition the team with the highest number of points will be the winner.

For A grade and B grade the competition will be a round robin and there will be a finals night for the last night for B grade. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on a head to head basis.

**Rules:** Play 9 games each match, with a short deuce after one long deuce. If playing a short deuce with mixed teams, a man will serve to a man, and a woman will serve to a woman. A tie break only needs to be played if tied at 4 - 4. Change ends after 'odd' games (1, 3, 5, 7)

## Weather (or not)

In the event we are rained out, games will be rescheduled for the following week. If some sets are completed then the remaining sets need to be played before the final night, otherwise zero points for sets not completed. If called off, Team Captains will be notified by 5pm on the day, by text where we have a mobile number. If the weather is doubtful an attempt to call earlier will be made to assist the teams preparing dinner. If you need to find out please call/text Jeanette Hatten 021 298 6229. Late decisions (up to 5pm) could be made as weather changes are often rapid!

## Ring-ins

It is each team captain's responsibility to ensure there are enough players present on time, on the night ready to play. There is a list of ring-ins up at the Club. We will indicate which players are A grade, and these players can only play for A teams. B grade ring-ins can play in A or B teams. Liaise with Jeanette if you are short of a player.

## BBQ

Each week two teams will cater for food for that night. Please note when your team is scheduled. Talk to the other team captain to ascertain who will bring what – good idea for each team to bring enough meat / salad / bread for 20 people.

Condiments are provided by the Club. The hosting teams are also on dishes and tidy up at the end of that night. Both duty teams will be hosting about 40 players, so you'll need all your team members present.

## Tie Break Rules:

### Points

Tie breaker points are scored numerically, '0' '1' '2' '3' and so on, instead of 'love' '15' '30' and '40'. A tiebreaker is won by being the first team to 7 points (however you must win by 2 points).

### Service Rotation

During a doubles tie breaker, all players take turns serving and continue serving in the same order throughout the game. The player who is next to serve begins the tie breaker by serving the first point from the right (deuce) side of the court. The next two points are served by one player of the opposing team, this time beginning on the left (adv) side of the court. Thereafter, the players alternate serving two consecutive points until the end of the tie breaker. The players' service rotation remains the same until the end of the game.

### Change Ends

Players change ends when the score adds up to 6 or a multiple of 6.

### Two Point Margin

The first team to win seven points wins the game as long as there is a winning margin of two points. For example, a tie breaker score reaches 5-5. The team that reaches 7-5 first wins the game and the tie breaker is over. However, if the score becomes tied at 6-6, then the winning team is the one to reach 8-6 first. The tie breaker game continues for as long as necessary until the winning team achieves this two-point margin.

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