

# Ramsey Tennis Club Singles Ladder – April 2019

The ladder will operate on the following basis:

## Playing requirements:

- You **must** be a member of the club to play in the ladder. All members may enter.
- Players **must** provide a telephone number and agree to join a WhatsApp group.
- Matches can be played at **any time**, however, (subject to agreement by the committee) the furthest hard court will be allocated for ladder games on each **Monday club night**. This is to enable those attending club night to be able to take part socially and competitively.
- All matches will adopt the “Fast4” rules set out above. There will be two sets and if it comes to one set all, then there will be a deciding “Super Tie Break” to 5 points.
- To play a game a player on the ladder **must challenge** another player. Neither can play another ladder match until they have either won, lost, forfeited or cancelled the game.
- Games which have been arranged should be communicated on the WhatsApp group and when completed the result should be written on the result sheet in the clubhouse and once again communicated on the WhatsApp group.
- A game will be forfeited if one party is unable to fulfil the match within 2 weeks (unless they are ill or away/going away on holiday in which case the match will be cancelled and the challenger can select someone else).
- If a pre-arranged match is to be played on a Monday night it will take precedence over any ladder match arranged on that evening.
- That is - a challenge could be made and played during the course of a Monday evening club night.
- Warm up/knock up is not to take more than 5 minutes (on club night) and service can be decided in the normal way.

## Ladder Positions:

- Initially positions on the ladder will be set by the organiser with assistance from the committee.
- When a challenger plays someone higher on the ladder than they are and wins, they will swap places. If the challenger loses then the positions stay as they were.
- You can only challenge the same player again having played 2 other people in meantime (i.e. challenging or being challenged).
- If a player forfeits twice they will automatically move to the bottom of the ladder.
- If a player does not play a match in a calendar month they will automatically drop 2 places per month.
- The ladder will not be able to be won by any player who has not played at least 5 matches.
- This will only work if players are committed to playing a decent number of matches.
- The ladder will be updated from time to time and circulated to members by email and in the club house.
- I am aiming to have a board with the Fast4 rules on it to go on the fence at courtside in case of confusion.
- The ladder will start after Easter and run until 30 September 2019

Let's see how it goes, and if anyone has any questions then please ask, text or message me. Cheers

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