



Clovis Tennis Club SPRING 2021 At Buchanan High School and Clovis High School (if needed)

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League play is on Wednesdays, April 7th - June 16th, 7:00 pm

2021 CTC WOMEN'S PROGRESSIVE DOUBLES LEAGUE RULES

Membership

League players must be members in good standing of the Clovis Tennis Club (CTC) in order to sign up for leagues. To join the CTC go to the website www.clovistennisclub.com.

In the event a league participant's membership expires during the league they will be allowed 2 weeks from the expiration date of their membership to renew their membership. If they have not renewed the membership within 2 weeks of the expiration they may be dropped from the league. Any matches played after the 2 weeks would be forfeited.

General Summary of Progressive League Format

Players will sign-up and score points as individuals. All matches consist of 3 sets of doubles, 1 set with each of the other 3 players assigned to that court. Each player collates an individual score for the match consisting of the total games won in each of the pairings over the 3 sets. All players will be assigned to an initial court based on their rating with top rated players on court 1 and lowest rated players on the highest numbered court i.e. court 10/11/12. The player with the highest score (i.e. most games won) for the 3 set match will move up one court the following week. The player with the lowest cumulative score will move down and the other two players will remain on the same court for the next week's matches. An individual season cumulative point total will also be tallied and rewarded.

Assigning Courts and Match Ups

In assigning the initial court placement, NTRP ratings will be used as the primary determination. Those individuals that do not have an official NTRP (i.e. USTA rating) will be assigned a rating based on previous CTC doubles league play, CTC self rating as recorded in the membership roster, or as determined by the progressive league coordinator. 4.5 level players will be randomly assigned to spots on court 1 and then court 2 if needed. 4.0 players will be randomly assigned to the next set of spots on subsequent courts followed by 3.5, 3.0 and finally 2.5 level players.

Court assignments for all subsequent weeks will be determined by an individuals total match score (see scoring) earned the prior week. The player with the highest score on each assigned court the previous week will move up one court for the current week. The lowest score will move down one court, and the other two players will remain on the same court. Court 1 is the highest level court and only the player with the lowest score will move down and the other 3 players will remain. On the lowest level court, only the player with the highest score will move up to the next court while the other 3 will remain on that court.

Every player will be assigned a court number and a spot letter A, B, C, or D for the current week. The order of play for the 3 sets will be as follows. Set 1: A&B vs. C&D. Set 2: A&C vs. B&D. Set 3: A&D vs. C&B

In the event a player is unable to complete a league due to injury or other extended circumstances a replacement player will be required. The replacement player will inherit the record of the player they are replacing. Finding a replacement player is the responsibility of the "injured" player but the coordinator will include a sub list as a resource.

The start time for leagues is 7:00 PM. Players should be at the courts by 7:00. Warm-ups should be completed and match play started by 7:15.

Players that arrive after 7:10 PM more than 3 times may be dropped from the league.

Subs and Rescheduling

If a player cannot make a scheduled match on the scheduled date/time they **must** get a sub as a replacement.

Subs must be of a similar or lower (if necessary) skill level to the player they are replacing. Subs are not required to be members of CTC. Subs are required to be at least 18 years old. I will provide a list of subs as a resource, but your sub does not have to be on the list. An additional 6 points will be deducted for subs that are determined by the coordinator to be significantly higher in skill level to the regular player. Contact the coordinator ahead of your match if you have any question about the skill level of your potential sub.

A player will be allowed 1 "grace" match where a sub will be scored as a normal match for **season** cumulative point totals. However at no time can a sub move a player up a court for the following week. The player with the sub will either stay or move down. If a player's sub happens to have the lowest total match points for that week then the player will move down the next week. If the sub has the highest point total then the permanent player with the second highest score for that match will move up the next week. If a player uses a sub more than once then 6 points will be deducted that week from the **season** cumulative point totals.

Match Scoring

At the beginning of **each set** teams will spin the racquet to determine serve and side.

Scoring is as follows: **1.** First team to 6 games wins the set. Therefore at 5-5 the next game is the deciding game and the final set score is 6-5. **NO TIEBREAKERS.** **2.** Three point deuces will be played instead of regular deuce scoring. Therefore, if the game is not decided on the very 1st AD point then sudden death is played on the 2nd DEUCE point. The return team gets to elect which player will receive the serve on the deciding deuce point.

When a team has won 6 games the set is over and the players switch teammates and begin a new set until all 3 sets have been played with a different teammate.

Points and Rankings

Each player collates an individual score for the evenings match consisting of the total games won in each of the pairings over the three sets. Players will also receive a **Season** cumulative point total based on the points they earn at each week's match.

Example: Players A, B, C, D

1st Set	A&B vs. C&D	6-4
2nd Set	A&C vs. B&D	3-6
3rd Set	A&D vs. C&B	6-5

Players Scores:

A: $6+3+6= 15$ (3) Stays
B: $6+6+5= 17$ (1) First place moves up one court next week
C: $4+3+5= 12$ (4) Last place moves down one court next week
D: $4+6+6= 16$ (2) Stays

Player A will receive 15 points, B will receive 17, and so forth, for that weeks match and that will go towards the Season cumulative point totals.

The most points a player can receive for an evening's match is 18.

Sub scoring example #1: Player B has sub for the first time:

A: $6+3+6= 15$ (3) Stay
B: $6+6+5= 17$ (1) First place but the "player" will **STAY** the next week
C: $4+3+5= 12$ (4) Last place moves down one court next week
D: $4+6+6= 16$ (2) This Player will move **UP** the next week

Player B will get the full 17 points toward their season cumulative point total.

Sub scoring example #2: Player C has sub for the second time:

A: $6+3+6= 15$ (3) Stay

B: $6+6+5= 17$ (1) First place moves up one court next week

C: $4+3+5= 12$ (4) Last place so "player" moves down one court next week

D: $4+6+6= 16$ (2) Stay

Player C will get 6 points (12-6) toward their season cumulative total points.

If the sub, in either of these examples, is determined to be a significant skill level higher than the regular player then that player could be subject to an additional 6 point deduction.

Ties: If a tie occurs for the highest score of the match, then those players will **report to the coordinator to select a token**. The player that selects the "Move Up" token will move up the next week. The other player(s) who select the "Stay" token(s) will stay. If the tie is between the lowest scoring players then they will move down with a "Move Down" token or stay with the "Stay" token.

No Call/No Show players will receive 0 points for a match and will automatically move down one court for the next match.

Awards: The 6 players with the highest Season Cumulative Point total will receive a free league registration credit.

Score Reporting

Each player is responsible for reporting their match score to the coordinator. Please report the score on the scoresheet before leaving the courts. **PLEASE be sure to circle the winning team for each set and also indicate the names of any subs who may have been used in your match.** The scores should be recorded as of the point of view of the winning team, regardless of which team is listed first or second on the scoresheet.

Courts: Courts will be assigned each week by the coordinator. You are required to play on the specified court number and use the designated letter to determine set partners. The court nearest the light panel is court 1 and will be used for the highest level players. The "Queen" of the court (i.e. Court 1, Player A) will be in charge of the light panel unless one of the other players on the court 1 offers to be in charge of the lights for the evening. Court levels are as follow Top Court is Buchanan Court 1, Court 2, Court 3 down to court 11. If needed we will use Clovis High for matches. The courts at Clovis High will be below the courts at Buchanan. Therefore after Buchanan Court 11 will be Clovis High Court 1. The lowest court could possibly play at Clovis High Court 10.

Rain: I will email everyone by 5:30 pm if league play is cancelled due to weather.