



## **Clovis Tennis Club WINTER 2023** **At Buchanan High School and Clovis High School (if needed)**

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League play is on Tuesdays, January 10<sup>th</sup> - March 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm

### **2022 CTC WOMEN'S PROGRESSIVE DOUBLES LEAGUE RULES**

#### **Membership:**

League players **MUST** be members in good standing of the Clovis Tennis Club (CTC) to sign up for leagues. To join the CTC LEAGUE, go to the website [www.clovistennisclub.com](http://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. The player with the highest score (i.e., most games won) after the 3 sets of matches 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:**

Courts will be assigned at the beginning of the season and again after 5 weeks as follow:

In assigning the initial court placement, and again at the mid-season remix, 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 individual's 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

#### **Starts time:**

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.

#### **Withdraws from the League:**

In the event a player needs to withdrawal from the league then a replacement player will be required. The replacement player will inherit the record of the player they are replacing this includes their court position and cumulative points. Finding a replacement player is the responsibility of the withdrawing player but the coordinator will include a sub list as a resource.

### **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.** No AD SCORING is used instead of regular deuce scoring. Therefore, if the game goes to DEUCE, then sudden death is played on the 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 week's 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.

If a player or their sub "no shows", then the other 3 players can spin to see who moves up (or the coordinator will draw a name). The players will get the points that equal the average of their individual points for the 1<sup>st</sup> 5 weeks or the 2<sup>nd</sup> 5 weeks depending which half of the season the "no show" occurs. If it is agreed upon by all players, the match can be made up and the score would be recorded accordingly. The 3 players that didn't get to play also have the option to make-up the match with a sub and those 3 would record the scores from the make-up and the "no show" player would receive a 0 as indicated above.

**Awards:** Depending on the total number of players registered for the league, up to 6 players with the highest Season Cumulative Point total will receive a free league registration credit.

### **Score Reporting:**

**The coordinator will place the scoresheet/clipboard and balls on EACH COURT, near the net, before the match.** The coordinator will be available at Court 1 until 6:50 and then will be on my assigned court for the night after 6:50. Please report the set scores and individual totals on the scoresheet before leaving the courts. All players should review the scoresheet for accuracy. Designate a player to **return the clipboard/scoresheets to the coordinator on my assigned court**. If Clovis High courts need to be used in addition to Buchanan, then the coordinator will designate a player to be responsible to hand out all the scoresheet/clipboards and balls at Clovis High.

**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 oversee the light panel unless one of the other players on 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.