



Women's Progressive Doubles League SUMMER 2026

Buchanan High School

Tuesdays @ 7:00 PM

July 14–September 17

Coordinator: TBD

CTC WOMEN'S PROGRESSIVE DOUBLES LEAGUE RULES

Membership: League players **MUST** be members in good standing of the Clovis Tennis Club (CTC) to update your CTC membership, go to <https://clovistennisclub.com/membership/>.

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 no-ad sets of doubles, 1 set with each of the other 3 players assigned to that court. Each player earns an individual score for the match consisting of the total games won in each of the pairings over the 3 sets. At the beginning of the league all players will be assigned to a group based on their rating. The player with the highest score (i.e., most games won) after the 3 sets 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. League winners are those with the highest individual season cumulative point total.

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

Withdrawing from the League: If a player needs to withdraw from the league, a replacement player is required. Finding a replacement player is the responsibility of the withdrawing player and should be at the same level. The new player will inherit the record of the person they are replacing, this includes their court position and cumulative points.

Subs and Rescheduling: If a player is not available to play a scheduled match, they **must get a sub that is similar to their own playing level**. Subs are not required to be members of CTC but must be at least 18 years old. A list of subs is provided 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 than the regular player. Contact the coordinator ahead of your match if you have any questions about the skill level of your potential sub.

Each player is allowed to use a sub in two "grace" matches without penalty (player will be awarded 1 point for each game won by the sub). **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 twice, then 6 points will be deducted that week from the **season total**.

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, if tied at 5-5, the next game is the deciding game, and the final set score is 6-5. **NO TIEBREAKS.**
2. “NO AD” SCORING is used instead of regular deuce scoring—if the game goes to DEUCE, then sudden death is played on the DEUCE point. The return team chooses 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 partners and begin a new set until all 3 sets have been played with a different partner.

Points and Rankings: Each player earns an individual score for the evening’s match consisting of the total games won in each of the pairings over the 3 sets. A player’s **Season Total** points is based on the points they earn for each week’s match adjusted for any penalties. The most points a player can receive for an evening's match is 18.

Ties: If a tie occurs for the highest and/or lowest score of the match, then those players will spin a racket to see who moves (up or down) and who stays.

No Call/No Show: Players will receive 0 points for the 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 spin to see who moves up. The players will get the points that equal the average of their individual points up to that week. The 3 players who were available for the match have the option to reschedule the match with a sub, and those 3 players would record the scores from the make-up match (the “no show” player would still receive a 0 as indicated above). The rescheduled match must be played and the score reported to the coordinator by 8:00 PM on the following Monday.

Rescheduling: Rescheduling is **discouraged** but can be used as a last resort. If a player who cannot find a sub, they must contact the other players in their group prior to the match. **All players must agree to reschedule**, and the rescheduled match must be played and scores reported to the coordinator by 8:00 PM on the following Monday.

Score Reporting: A scoresheet will be provided for each court. Record the set scores and individual totals on the scoresheet before leaving the court. All players should review the scoresheet for accuracy. Designate a player to **return the clipboard/scoresheet to the coordinator**. If the coordinator has left, text or email a photo of the scoresheet to the coordinator and return the clipboard the following week.

Awards: The person with the highest point total at each USTA level (e.g., 4.0, 3.5, 3.0) in the league with at least four players will receive a CTC league registration credit that can be used for any future CTC league.

Courts: CTC has access to courts 5–12 for our league matches. Courts 1–4 are reserved for Buchanan coaches and players. The Coordinator will play on court 7 to be close to the lights. The first player to arrive in a group should pick up the clipboard/scoresheet and the balls and choose one of the remaining courts assigned to our league.

Rain or Cancellation for Other Environmental Conditions: I will email everyone by 5:00 PM if league play is cancelled due to rain, excessive heat, and/or air quality deemed “unhealthy for all” as reported on EPA Air Now. You can text me after 5:00 at (559) 417-8203 to check if you don’t have access to email.

Scoring Examples

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.

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.