

# SSTA Summer Box League

## A note to start:

As far as I'm aware, we haven't run singles box leagues in the SSTA, certainly not indoors anyway. So let's call this first round a trial. For Round 2 starting in late July, we'll keep what worked well and, with your feedback and suggestions, tidy up what didn't work.

## Instructions for Participants:

### **The Boxes**

I may have gotten the boxes wrong first time around but your results from this first round will shift you in future rounds into a box best suited for your ability, and you'll meet some nice new folks along the way.

1. You'll find the members of your box on the contacts page you received with your information package. These are the 4 people you are to play in Round 1. The names are placed randomly within a box and do not represent any kind of ranking.
2. Remember, it is now up to you to contact your box mates and arrange to play a match before the final day of the Round 1 schedule. It is a good idea to schedule your matches early so there's no rush at the end of the round.
3. Round 1 will run from Monday June 21<sup>st</sup> to Tuesday July 27<sup>th</sup>.

### **The Matches**

1. A match is 90 minutes long.
2. A match is best 2 out of 3 regular sets (to 6 games) with a tie-breaker if the score gets to 6-6. In the event a match is not completed in the available time, the person ahead when 90 minutes is up is the winner.
3. Games are no-ad (or no advantage) meaning, once a game goes to deuce, the winner of the next point is the winner of the game (ie. games do not go to someone's advantage).
4. Balls will not be supplied.

### **Scheduling**

1. Since you will have already paid for your court time, you do not book the courts as you normally would. Once you and your box mate have a day and time selected and you have checked that a court is available, email [SSTA.TennisDirector@shaw.ca](mailto:SSTA.TennisDirector@shaw.ca) and I will book the court for you.
2. Please give me plenty of advanced notice to make your booking on ClubSpark.
3. If you find you cannot make the day and time you have booked, you must find a spare to play for you if it is within 24 hours of the appointed time. You may cancel beyond 24 hours if you notify me and arrange with your opponent to reschedule your match.

### **Reporting Results**

1. Upon completion of the match, the players should agree on who will report the results.

2. Complete results including winner and scores should be emailed to [SSTA.TennisDirector@shaw.ca](mailto:SSTA.TennisDirector@shaw.ca) as soon after the match as possible. These will be posted to the club website.
3. Match wins will be used to determine final positions within a box. Sets won (or games won, if necessary) will be used to break ties.
4. In the next round, the top 2 players will move up a box, the bottom 2 will move down a box and 3<sup>rd</sup> will stay put.

### **Payment**

1. Court costs are \$42 for each round. E-transfers should be made to [payments@saltspringtennis.ca](mailto:payments@saltspringtennis.ca) before requesting scheduling for your first match (answer to security question “tennis”).

### **Coaching!!**

1. We are extremely fortunate that Club Professional Pete Schelling has agreed to participate in the Box Leagues. Pete has kindly agreed to “visit” different boxes throughout the summer providing free coaching on singles tactics, strategy and tips for success to those in his box. When it’s your turn to play a match with Pete, you’ll have the very good fortune to take in a little of Pete’s lifetime of singles coaching and competitive experience. He’s going to start in lucky Box F.

**Have fun everyone!**