York Sport Tennis League

The York Sport Tennis League has been set up to provide friendly, competitive playing opportunities. Played outdoors or indoors at York Sport Tennis Dome, the league is open to adults of all ages.

Fixtures will be played over an approx. 12 week period. Entries for the league will be taken throughout the year. In order to register for the start of a particular league season we will require your application and payment before the advertised deadline.

There are limited places in the league; we are therefore encouraging people to sign up as soon as possible. There is a £10 registration fee if you are new to the league, payment must be made prior to the start of the league to secure your place.

York Sport Tennis League operates on a three tier systems: Beginner, Xpress, Intermediate. New entrants will be added to the Beginner division unless spaces become available in the Xpress, intermediate divisions, these will then be given out on a first come serve basis.

Fixtures and a link to the live league status will be sent to all paid members on the first day of the league.

The league positions will be updated on a weekly basis and results will be made available to all members via:

- Online league table found on York Sport Website

League Information & Rules

Fixtures will be pulled at random and sent to all members on the first day of the season.

Fixtures should be made by calling or e-mailing other players. Member contact details can be found on a link provided with the fixtures, on the right hand side of the page under the ‘members tab’.

If you are the ‘home’ player you are responsible for making first contact and making sure the game is scheduled.

If you are challenged, you must play the match within the week where possible. If you are unable to fulfill the fixture in this timeframe an agreement between both players of when this will be played must be reached. If both players have attempted to get the match played a split result will be rewarded (6-6).

It is asked of you to fulfill all scheduled fixtures, however if this is not possible and you are unable to play or an agreement is not made to reschedule you will score 0 points and the game will be rewarded as a default win (12-0) to your opponent. Players must respond to challenges within 2 days where possible.

Match Play Rules

The scoring of matches will follow timed tennis rules. Therefore matches will start as soon as both the ‘challenger’ and ‘opponent’ is ready (warmed up). The game should last for the duration of the
court hire (court hire one hour long). Players are to finish the point they are playing and ensure they are off the court on the hour of their booking.

It is advised to keep to timescales as much as possible.

If scores are equal after the allocated time the game will be a draw, however, if you have time and both agree a deciding match point can be played. If you manage to play more than three games only the first 2 games score will be added to the league.

York Sport will not provide any tennis equipment. Players must provide their own racquets and bring tennis balls to each match. Tennis rackets can be hired from York Sport reception at a charge of £1.00.

Results should be entered onto a score card; these can be collected from York Sport reception and should be handed in to reception on completion of the match. Both players must sign the match card to confirm the score. Alternatively players must submit their scores to the tennis team via email at tennis@york-sport.com cc’ing their opponent into the email.

Scores should be submitted as soon as possible after the fixture has been played. Score card example:
Jon 3 vs Tyler 12

3 points will be awarded for a win, 1point for a draw and 0 for a loss. The league will be updated on receipt of scorecards. Game difference will also be monitored within the league and will be used to position players on the same points.

Registration, Entry and Fees
Members of the ladder are to provide the following details when registering:
- Name
- Email address
- Telephone contact number
- British Tennis Rating (If you have one)

A £10.00 registration fee needs to be paid before registration is complete. This payment is for new members only. Payment ideally should be made on receipt of your application, but needs to be made before the deadline date. Without paying the registration fee your league place will not be reserved.

On receipt of payment York Sport Tennis will send you a confirmation email. Re-enrolling is free of charge, however if you drop out of the league for one season you will be required to pay your £10 registration to re-enroll at a later date if you choose to sign back up. You will be emailed at the end of a season to confirm participation in the forthcoming league season, failure to confirm will result in you been left out of the fixture listings.

It is the ‘home’ players responsibility to liaise with the opponent for their availability and to book the court by visiting or calling York Sport on 01904 323856.

Courts can also be booked online using the York Sport online booking system – in order to access your discount rate you will need to request your membership card number from the tennis team via email.
To alleviate pressure of finding court space we have penciled out numerous booking slots on a weekly basis that you as league participants get priority. To book out or request one of the courts please email the tennis account (tennis@york-sport.com) a member of the tennis team will pick up your request and change to the booking details on XN (XN is the Sport Centers booking system) to your account, payment will then be taken as normal.

The cost of the court should be split between the players (payment should be made before play commences). The court costs are £7.80. If you are booking a court in advance payment will be needed on booking. Courts can be booked 7 days in advance. If you have a York Sport tennis affiliate you will benefit from cheaper court prices and 10 day advance booking.

If fixtures are missed without a minimum of 24hrs notice prior to the match time the court fees will still be payable. Refunds or transferring the booking will however be honored if

- York Sport are responsible for cancelling the booking
- Adverse weather resulting in unsafe use of outdoor courts / dome
- 24 hours cancellation notice is given.

Disputes
Matches will be self-officiated, with the players taking responsibility for controlling the game. The final decision on any disputes must be met as a mutual agreement between the two players and should be conducted in the spirit of fair play.

Any disputes or complaints in connection with a match need to be received in writing within 3 days of the match, addressed to the Tennis Team: tennis@york-sport.com.

Furthermore York Sport reserves the right to ban or expel any player from the league if they are not conforming to the rules of the league and/or are not responding or arranging matches or paying there part of the court fee. There is no opportunity to appeal.

League Champion
On we will officially announce the winner of the York Sport Intermediate, Xpress and Beginner divisions at the end of the season. The Winner will be presented with the York Sport Tennis Plaque, medal and court voucher.

The player that finishes bottom of the Intermediate league will be relegated into the Xpress league for the following season, likewise the person finishing bottom of the Xpress league will be relegated into the beginner league. The Winner or the beginner league will be promoted to the Xpress league and the winner of the Xpress league will be promoted to Intermediate.

For more information or any problems through the league please contact York Sport Tennis team via email on tennis@york-sport.com

Information and league status can be found on our website at: York Sport Leagues