

In future League Selection will happen as follows. This will be written into the club bye laws to be discussed at AGM in October but will apply in the men's and ladies league for August as a trial.

The League committee is made up of three tennis members. This committee is to be decided by Tennis committee directly after AGM as well as the decision as to whom will head up the league committee.

- 1) Member availability will be assessed three weeks before league starts.
- 2) Members must make themselves available for at LEAST three of the five league games.
- 3) League committee will meet (all 3 members must be present) at least 10 days before league starts and choose teams based on following criteria:
 - a. Availability
 - b. Strength. This will be based on previous league experience and the club championships and any other tournaments.
 - c. Best "couple" combination
 - d. Loyalty and support towards club
- 4) Captains for each team will be chosen by league committee based on:
 - a. Leadership skills
 - b. Experience captaining an playing league
 - c. Captain(s), if needed, can be co-opted onto the committee
- 5) Squad system to be used (i.e. each team has one couple as reserve)
Should the team consist of 4 couples, and 5 couples are chosen to be part of that team, the "reserve couple" should be rotated within that team. The couple who is sitting out for a specific league match, should then rather be used in the next team down, instead of merely sitting out until the "two" games rule applies.
 - a. Advantage: Strong members get strong games, other teams not affected as much if changes are made, Juniors can play with stronger members. Juniors should **only** be placed in a team if they are capable of playing at that level.
 - b. Disadvantage: Members can get to sit out unnecessarily
- 6) Before 10am on the Monday each week after preceding league games the captain of the respective teams gives feedback to the committee and the other captains of the games that were played either by email or telephonically. Captains will be encouraged to write short report giving the results, availability and feedback.

- 7) Members to be notified of the team before Tuesday evening via email. Captains to send SMS on the Wednesday giving confirmation that member is definitely playing, indicate whether at home or away and time to meet at the club. Captains to be given R100.00 at the start of league (to be loaded on card) to cover sms costs.
- 8) Members will be able to provide feedback on league or any other matters using an ICC Internet blog (to be set up).
- 9) Rules regarding member withdrawing or being late for league
 - a. Note 3 week player rule as per the above
 - b. Members whom do not pitch for a league game will not be eligible for future league games in the league season. They will also need to explain their actions to the league committee.
 - c. Members whom have indicated their willingness to play league but prove to be unreliable (i.e. phoning in the week with a feeble excuse) or being late without a valid reason cannot expect any sympathy from the league committee.
- 10) Members are encouraged to BE ON TIME FOR THEIR GAMES. By being on time you can be a) better prepared for the game, b) respect your team members and c) respect your opposition as well.
- 11) New members/visitors cannot expect to be incorporated into the teams with immediate effect at the expense of other members. The new members also need to be registered with GNTA before they can play
- 12) Enjoy the league. It is fun to play against other clubs. Help create a good team spirit. Don't take the result to seriously. Be courteous and watch those line calls.**

Schedule

- 1) League committee chosen after AGM for the year.
- 2) Three weeks before league starts availability of members will be assessed by the league coordinator. Members need to commit to play at LEAST 3 of the five matches or will then be put on reserve list.
- 3) Committee meets 10 days before the start of league to assess teams/availability, to choose captains and decide on teams.
- 4) Captains given a “flip” file containing:
 - a. List outlining captains responsibilities
 - b. League booklets with scorecards
 - c. League rules
 - d. Names and tel. numbers of players in each team
 - e. Email addresses
 - f. Venues and dates and opposition club numbers
 - g. Schedule for the league
 - h. Members’ availability schedule
- 5) Email of league teams to be sent out by Tuesday evening
- 6) Captains to confirm team members by sms on Wednesday

Outline of email to members at the beginning of league:

- a) Criteria of how league teams are chosen and the rules as per the above.
- b) Procedures followed when members are playing away.
- c) Teams and team captains (including cell no.)
- d) Selection members names and cell numbers and email addresses for feedback.

Outline of responsibilities of league coordinator

- Send out list of availability
- Meet with committee 10 days before league starts to choose teams using criteria as per the above.
- Send ICC a list of sandwich requirements and league dates / also court requirements i.e. courts need to be washed.
- ACCESS FEEDBACK FROM CAPTAINS. CONTACT LEAGUE COMMITTEE AND DISCUSS NECESSARY CHANGES. League teams announced by Tuesday evening at the latest.
- Ensure balls are available at the Pro Shop. Captains MUST sign for the balls in the book provided.
- Attend Gauteng North league meeting
- Ensure league books are collected
- Ensure that R100 gets loaded onto the captains club card

Letter to captains (to be provided in Flip file)

League coordinator

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- 1) As captain of the 1st team it is your responsibility to see that your team is ready every week. Teams will be announced at the start of league.
- 2) You will have received a “flip” file from the league captain containing League booklets with scorecards. Included is the
 - a. Names and tel. numbers of players in each team (including reserves)
 - b. Email addresses
 - c. Venues and dates
 - d. Schedule for the league + telephone numbers
 - e. League rules
 - f. League cards
- 3) An email with the team will be sent on Tuesday evenings
- 4) Captains need to sms each member by Wednesday evening. Let members know that they are playing on Saturday (or Sunday), where they are playing and what time they should meet. Each Captain will receive R100 before the start of league for sms costs. This money will be loaded onto the club card to spend at your leisure.
- 5) Captains need to provide a short feedback to the league coordinator & the rest of the committee members by Monday morning 10am either via email or telephonically.
 - a. Give the results
 - b. Suggested changes to team/availability
 - c. Any necessary feedback
 - d. The league co-ordinator will consult with his committee with regards to the teams for the next league match, before names are being published.
- 6) Captains need to ensure that 6 new balls are provided. These will be available from the Pro shop and will need to be signed for in the book.
- 7) Send winners card to TGN or hand in to League coordinator.
- 8) MEMBERS OF YOUR TEAM CANNOT PLAY LEAGUE UNLESS THEY ARE FULLY PAID UP MEMBERS