

## **SINGLES LADDER**

### **PURPOSE OF THE LADDER**

The purpose of the ladder is to allow participants to play competitive singles matches against other participants. The following section describes the rules that apply to the challenge ladder:

### **RULES**

1. The ladder is open to all senior and student members. Junior members that are adult team players or have been granted senior playing rights may also join the ladder.
2. New participants can join the ladder - I will determine their starting position.
3. Participants are encouraged to play as often as possible as this should avoid participants "blocking" progress for other participants. Complaints about people failing to accept challenges will be looked at individually but may result in that player being moved down the ladder.
4. A player may challenge any other player on the ladder up to 4 places above them. It is expected that challenges made will be accepted and a date for the match agreed.
5. Once a challenge is made and date agreed then this match should be completed. A withdrawal or cancelled challenge is a default loss for those responsible. As a matter of good sportsmanship where ladder positions alter after a match is arranged then the match should still be played.
6. Ladder matches shall be the best of 3 tie break sets.
7. It is the responsibility of the winner to send the result to the riverside gmail account at [riverside.ltc@gmail.com](mailto:riverside.ltc@gmail.com) The ladder will then be updated if appropriate and a new one printed and displayed in the Club House and on the club's website ([www.riverside-ltc.org](http://www.riverside-ltc.org)).

Ladder positions shall be as follows:

- a) If the winner has the higher ladder position - no change to ladder positions
  - b) If the winner has the lower ladder position - they will swap positions with the loser
8. Courts for ladder matches should be booked on our new online court booking system which is accessible from the website. You will need to register with Clubspark to do this but the system will prompt you to do this and it is very straightforward. Bookings made on the online system will override any simply updated in the Clubhouse so please use this new system although we will try to keep the paper copy in the clubhouse as up to date as possible too!
  9. By entering the ladder you agree for your contact details to be made available so that participants are able to make contact.
  10. The ladder will commence 5 April 2017. You may contact participants to arrange ladder matches any time after this date.
  11. The ladder will be administered by a "ladder administrator" to whom all disputes should be referred. The "ladder administrator's" decision will be final.

### **LADDER ADMINISTRATOR**

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