

## 2017/2018 WINTER LEAGUE FIXTURE LIST FOR ALL DIVISIONS Ladies & Mens (Sunday dates shown)

<b>H – A</b>	<b>H – A</b>	<b>H – A</b>	<b>H – A</b>	<b>H – A</b>	<b>H – A</b>	<b>H – A</b>
<b>OCT 1</b>	<b>OCT 8</b>	<b>OCT 22</b>	<b>OCT 29</b>	<b>NOV 12</b>	<b>NOV 19</b>	<b>DEC 3</b>
1 v 2	8 v 1	1 v 4	6 v 1	1 v 5	7 v 1	1 v 3
3 v 4	2 v 3	3 v 6	4 v 7	3 v 7	5 v 3	7 v 5
5 v 6	4 v 5	5 v 8	2 v 5	6 v 2	2 v 8	4 v 2
7 v 8	6 v 7	7 v 2	8 v 3	8 v 4	4 v 6	6 v 8
<b>DEC 10</b>	<b>JAN 7</b>	<b>JAN 14</b>	<b>JAN 28</b>	<b>FEB 4</b>	<b>FEB 18</b>	<b>FEB 25</b>
<b>A – H</b>	<b>A – H</b>	<b>A – H</b>	<b>A – H</b>	<b>A – H</b>	<b>A – H</b>	<b>A – H</b>

### WINTER LEAGUE RULES

**no results accepted after 17<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**Please also note clarification regarding Rule 15 shown at the bottom of the page**

1. A team to consist of 1 pair of Men's or Ladies doubles.
2. Teams formed into divisions as agreed by IDL committee at their Autumn meeting.
3. Each team to play each other teams in divisions twice, Home & Away as stipulated on fixture list.
4. **MENS** matches to be the playing of **3 long sets** (not best of 3) with 1 point awarded for each set won.  
**LADIES** matches to be the playing of **3 tie break sets** (tie break at 6-6 in all sets) with 1 point for each set won.
5. League positions based on points obtained, i.e sets won, tied positions on matches won. All promotions and relegations subject to requirements of league entries and division numbers.
6. All Men's matches to be played on date stipulated at 10.30am. In the event of inclement weather matches to be played or completed on 1<sup>st</sup> following free Sunday. Postponement is not permitted for any other reason. If home courts are unfit every endeavour must be made to play match elsewhere on that day. Ladies matches to be played on weekend stipulated at time mutually agreed. **Opponents to be informed 6 days prior to fixture date if Saturday morning is unsuitable.** Home team has choice if there is disagreement.
7. Home team is responsible for sending result **preferred option** send an image/photo of the signed card emailed to [idltennisresults@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:idltennisresults@yahoo.co.uk). or card to Mrs L Jacobs, 21 The Fairways, Rushmere St Andrew, Ipswich IP4 5TN Failure to do so within 7 days of match being played will result in away team being awarded all 3 points. **Telephone results will not be accepted.** Enter the original fixture date on card. Requests for relaxation will not be granted.
8. If a match is not played on date stipulated for any reason apart from adverse weather full points will be awarded to aggrieved team only if a detailed claim is made by them.
9. Home team to provide **FOUR** 'Official' balls of good condition on which makers name is still visible. Home team to ensure opponents know venue for match.
10. A player may not play in a lower nominated team after having played twice in higher nominated teams.
11. No player may play for more than one club in a season.
12. Matches may be played before the fixture date by mutual arrangement but a player may not take part in two matches originally scheduled for the same date.
13. One substitute may be used to complete unfinished matches provided the player is of equal standard, accepted by the opponents and eligible under other rules.
14. Each team to pay an entry fee of £2.00.
15. Any team conceding 3 or more matches shall be withdrawn from the League.
16. A team may claim 1 set for every 15 minutes their opponents are late on court beyond the stipulated or agreed starting time.
17. Matches may be played on indoor courts only if all players agree.
18. The visiting team shall decide whether or not conditions are suitable for play so long as the home club deems the surface is playable. ( In inclement weather players must go to the courts or telephone each other, allow at least half an hour for conditions to improve )

**Clarification of Rule 15. Any team conceding 3 or more matches shall be withdrawn from the League.**

This means that if the withdrawn team wishes to play next season, the Club must re enter that team and they will start in the bottom division. All league positions belong to the named Club and therefore it is advisable that any withdrawals or possible withdrawals by default should be referred as soon as a problem arises, by current players to their Club for consideration in order to prevent unwanted loss of Club league positions.

## **IMPORTANT RULE CHANGE FOR LADIES**

**Please see rule 4 showing the rule change proposed and voted in at AGM that Ladies matches are now 3 TIE BREAK SETS (at 6 all)**

As with the Summer League, emailed results are my preferred option as cards do still get lost in the post and of course it's free to email (no teams will be excluded if they cannot do this and cards will continue to be made available for those who request them)

This should be a photo (or scan) of the signed result card sent to:

**idltennisresults@yahoo.co.uk**

I hope that this will speed up results being sent in and also save postage costs and lost cards in bottom of bags!

To reduce the number of actual result postcards issued and speed up the process, the Rules, playing schedule and score sheets will now be emailed out, which players will be able to print for their use.

I will keep a record of who continues to use the postcards via the post and of course will continue to make postcards available to those teams, otherwise it's hoped that we can move to email as main method of communication.

Reminder Janet Hambling has retired so please do not post any old cards you may have if they have her address **any problems, please email me on above address or for more urgent enquiries call/text 07941-196142**

Thanks

*Lisa Jacobs*

League Administrator