



MYRTLEFORD LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Aggregate Competition Guidelines



ELIGIBILITY FOR AGGREGATE COMPETITION

(Aggregate is our Saturday afternoon competition)

1. You must be a financial member of a Tennis Victoria Club or play as a visitor to MLTC
2. You must be of a sufficient standard to play competition tennis.
3. You must be graded by the match committee.

1. Financial

All competition players must be members of the Club. Membership fees are due on October 1st. Current members must renew by 1st Saturday in November.

- Prospective or non members may play up to FOUR Saturdays (Green Fee of \$ 8)

2. Sufficient Standard

Players are expected to have the ability to a) keep score; b) serve the ball into play; c) rally the ball; d) consistently score 10 or more games when playing in the lowest section. Those who have difficulty with this requirement may be asked to seek assistance from the club coach. However, we do encourage new players, and provide the opportunity for them to show that they have the ability to improve as they gain experience on a weekly basis.

3. Grading by the Match Committee

New players (including those who didn't play in the previous season) must contact a member of the match committee before playing their first match. A phone call may be all that is required to determine an initial grading level.

4. Junior Players

Junior club members are welcome to play in the Saturday aggregate as long as they can meet clause 2

(Sufficient standard)

Aggregate Competition Format

Players Per Section

- Where possible there will be five (5) players in each section. When the player numbers are not a multiple of 5, there will be sections with either 4 or 6 players.
- In a section with 5 or 6 players, each player will play four 6-game sets; tiebreak at 5 games all.
- In a section with 4 players, each player will play an 8-game set; tiebreak at 7 games all.

Trophies

- Each player who wins a section will receive a trophy. Trophies will be presented at the end of play.

Movement on the Grading List

Automatic Movement is a 2-stage process.

Stage 1: the winners/losers are moved up or down by the scheduled number of places (see below). Multiple players may now be at the same position on the list.

Stage 2: the list is re-ordered based on priority in the position. Winners/losers have priority on the position over the incumbent. The result of this two stage process is that winners/losers don't always move by the scheduled number of places. See the worked example for details.

Scheduled Number of Places

- The Winner of a section will move up by 3 places.
- The 2nd placed player in a section will move up by 1 places.
- In the event of a tie for 1st and 2nd, both players move up by 2 places.
- In the event of a tie for 2nd, the player highest on the ladder will take the honour.
- The loser of a section moves down by 3 places. But not if the score is 19 or greater.
- In the event of a tie for last place, both players move down by 2 places.

Grading of Players

The match committee is responsible for the grading of new players and the re-grading of current players. We request that our more experienced players report to the match committee any player who appears to be incorrectly graded on the player list. This can be done verbally.

End of Season Aggregate Winners

- Best scores from 4 out of 6 rounds of the scheduled matches will be used to form your aggregate total.
- Major trophies are allocated for the top 3 players.
- Trophies will be presented following the last round.

PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES

Inaccurate entries for Saturday competition causes frustration and delays. Please ensure accuracy by noting the following points:

- **Register Your Name Every Week**

You must register each week to be included in the draw. Deadline is 12.30pm Saturday.

- **How To Register**

There are 2 ways to register. Whichever one you use, always ensure that your Full Name is recorded (don't use initials).

1. Leave your name on the list at the Clubhouse.
2. Phone the Marcus on 0429 015 985 or Marnie on 0428 837 394 any time up to 12.30pm on the day of competition

- **Names Must Be Recorded By 12.30pm Saturday**

Late entries may not be accepted.

- **Remove Your Name If You Can't Come**

If you register your name and then find that you can't play, you must let the match committee know by 1:00pm. If there is a possibility of confusion with your entry, please call Marcus on 0429 015 985 or Marnie on 0428 837 394 to withdraw.

- **Commencement of Play**

Players are required to be at the courts at 1.30pm for 1.45pm on court start.

- **Be Ready For Your Next Match.**

If you must leave the Tennis Complex, be back in time for your next match. When you are scheduled for the next match, keep an eye on the court