



Tennis Box Leagues Rules

We run competitive all-year-round box leagues for both singles (adults and juniors) and doubles (adults only) and which is a great way to play more tennis and meet other members. Everyone is mutually responsible for contacting the other players in their box and arranging their match fixtures.

We use the LTA competitions portal for our tennis leagues: <https://competitions.lta.org.uk/>.

In order to participate in the box leagues, you will need to ensure that your contact details are searchable on MMM and the LTA websites. See instructions in appendix.

Club social play takes priority over box matches so busy club nights (e.g. early Tuesday evenings) are not good times to play a match! 90 minutes is usually comfortably enough time to play a match (including a 5 minute knock up).

All applicants must be paid-up playing members of the Tennis section of the Club. We promise to get you in for the next round providing the league isn't at maximum capacity. Juniors from Year 9 upwards (13+) are permitted to enter the adult leagues.

Singles Box League

We run a tennis singles box league of around 30 boxes at BLT & SRC and each round runs for approximately 5-8 weeks. The tennis boxes are organised by Dan White and any queries, requests to join or leave the boxes should be directed to him at tennissinglesleague@bltsrc.co.uk.

Joining the singles box league

If you are interested in joining the league please use the address above to email your name (plus parent name for a junior) and suggested approximate box entry level - we suggest you ask your coach (if you are having coaching), or find out by playing other members during club nights etc.

Viewing the singles box league - <https://competitions.lta.org.uk/>

Playing your matches

The match format is a 'Three Short Sets' format:

Please play three sets, (**not** 'Best of 3'). Winner of each set is the first to win 4 games unless you reach 3-3 in which case play a standard* tie-break to decide the set. (In that case the tiebreak counts as a single game so the score for that set should be posted as 4-3 to the winner).

(*A standard tie-break winner is the first to reach 7 points, or higher as necessary until one player gains a clear 2-point lead).

Recording your match result

After the match, if you won, you are responsible for posting the match score on the system. You do this online via the <https://competitions.lta.org.uk/>

If you were the losing player, please try and find the time to visit the box leagues web page (<https://competitions.lta.org.uk/>) sometime soon afterwards to verify that the correct score has been posted! If it's wrong, let us know and we can correct it.

Leaving the singles box league

It is not possible to be removed from the League while a round is in progress - if you are going to be unable to play your remaining fixtures, then for each one, please award a Walkover for your opponent.

You do this as follows - on the score page under 'My upcoming matches' click somewhere in the score boxes for the match concerned, and a blue heading '+STATUS' will appear. Click on that and then fill in the Status panel that displays, correctly identifying which of you - labelled 'Player 1' and 'Player 2' - is the 'Winner' of the Walkover outcome. Then click the SAVE button on the Status panel, and then SAVE again on the score page.

Then please notify Dan that you want to leave the League, - tennissinglesleague@bltsrc.co.uk.

Doubles Box League

Doubles league playing rules

2 full sets, if you go to 6-6 you will need to play a tie-break to 7 points (need to win by 2 clear points). If the score is 1-1 in sets, then you will need to play a championship tie break to 10 points (need to win by 2 clear points).

There are 4 pairs in each box.

At the end of each round, the top pair from each box will be promoted and the bottom pair will be relegated (subject to new joiners and leavers).

For entering the score, you will need to go to the LTA website:
<https://competitions.lta.org.uk/>

Joining and leaving the doubles leagues

If you and a partner are interested in participating (please send your LTA number) or want to leave in the next round, please contact the doubles box league organiser Bobby Mercandino at tennisdoublesleague@bltsrc.co.uk.

Junior Box League

The Junior Tennis Singles League is mixed gender and open to all junior playing tennis members aged 10-18.

Rules

Matches will be played **first to 10 games**. If the score reaches **9–9**, a **Championship Tie-Break (first to 10 points)** will decide the winner.

Players should then enter the final match score. For example:

- A 10–4 win means the winner receives **10 points** and the loser **4 points**.
- A 10–9 win means the winner receives **10 points** and the loser **9 points**.

League positions will be determined by the total number of points accumulated across all matches.

Walkovers

If a walkover is awarded, the player receiving the walkover will be awarded **8 points**, while the player conceding the match will receive **0 points**.

Entering scores

Players and parents should be able to enter scores themselves through the LTA system: [LTA - Tennis for Britain](#).

If you have any questions about the rules or entering scores please contact Olly Culwick on 07956944899 or email juniortennissinglesleague@bltsrc.co.uk.

Appendix

Searching & contacting members to arrange games

VIA LTA:

Log in: <https://competitions.lta.org.uk/> and go to the home page.

Then scroll down to 'My Box Leagues' and click on the correct Box League.

It will list your matches in the box. Every player's name is an active link so click on an opponents' name and view their profile which includes contact details.

Via MMM:

To contact other members:

- Log onto MMM: [ManageMyMatch](#).
- Click on the down arrow on BLTSRC at the top right-hand side of the screen and select 'About BLTSRC' (this is the main dashboard).
- Then click on the green 'Member List' button (see screenshot below).
- Use the search box at the top to go straight to the member in question.

From here you can contact members in 2 ways:

1. If a member has allowed their contact details to be shared, their name will show as a link to their email address and the blue 'phone' icon will show their phone number.

2. To private message another member *within* the MMM system, click on the speech bubble icon to the left of the member's name. You will be able to get in touch with all members this way. Members should receive an email prompt to look in MMM for the message.

To make your contact details appear on the list:

- Log onto MMM: [ManageMyMatch](#).
- Click on the down arrow on BLTSRC at the top right-hand side of the screen and select 'About BLTSRC' (this is the main dashboard).
- Then tick the 'Share contact details with other club members' box. See screenshot below.

Club details

Membership details [Member list](#)

Make this your default club [Set default](#)

ManageMyMatch has several screens that require an initial choice of which club (or section of a larger club) you are dealing with. For your convenience you can set the default choice here.

☐ Share contact details with other club members

Members with whom you have arranged matches will be able to contact you irrespective of this setting. If you are happy to allow all members of the club to have access to your email and phone number please tick this box.

Club details

[Member info](#) [Web site](#)

Club name

BLTSRC

Address

Lower Kings Rd
Berkhamsted

Phone number

01442 863393

Club officials

☒ Notify me when someone links up, purchases a subscription or makes an enquiry

☐ Notify me when the system automatically block books regular events or personal bookings in the context of notifiable events

Official email manager@bltsrc.co.uk

Club Chair: [John Shaw](#)

Administrator: [Vicky Pudney](#)

Administrator: [Susannah Crowther](#)

Distance and time

The approximate driving time & distance from your home (Berkhamsted HP4 2AL, UK) to the club (Berkhamsted HP4 2AL, UK) is:

0 minutes

0 miles

Danger area

To unlink from the club click here [Unlink](#)