

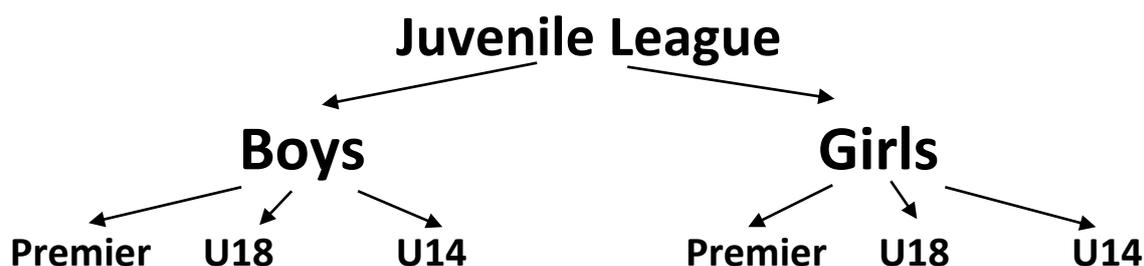


Belfast and District Tennis Leagues

Juvenile League Booklet 2019

The League is split into Boys and Girls with Under 18 & Under 14 age Groups.

Players must be under the age limit on 30th June in the year preceding the Competition.



Premier Divisions: Teams consist of two Boys or two Girls.

Divisions 1 - 4: Teams consist of four Boys or four Girls.

New for 2010
Premier Divisions

Players play
2 x singles matches +
1 x Championship Tie-Break
Doubles match

Adapted **FAST 4 TENNIS** rules apply

1. FIRST TO 4 GAMES WINS
2. TIE-BREAKER AT 3 GAMES ALL
3. NO AD SCORING
4. PLAY LETS AS NORMAL



ENJOY YOUR TENNIS

Each team must be accompanied at all times by a **Responsible Adult.**

Failure to do so will result in loss of points!

1. First to four games wins

*It doesn't matter how you get there,
just make sure you do before your opponent does!*

2. Tiebreaker at 3 games all

*At 3 games all a tiebreak is played to 5 points.
A deciding point will be played at 4 points all.*

FAST4 TENNIS

3. No ad scoring

*If the score reaches deuce,
it's a sudden death point.
The receiver chooses which side to take the serve on.
This also applies in doubles with the
receiving pair deciding who receives the serve.
However the pair cannot change positions.
In mixed doubles the player of the same gender shall receive.*



Details of the adapted format

Details of the Fast Fours format:

- Matches will be played as the best of 2 short sets first to 4 games with a short tiebreak (first to 5 points, deciding point at 4 points all) played at 3 games all. If sets are even at the conclusion of the second set, a Match tiebreak (first to 10 points, deciding point at 9 points all) will be played to determine the outcome of the match.
- A short tiebreak is a tiebreak played as the first to 5 points, sudden death at 4-4. Players should change ends every 4 points. The player whose turn it is to serve shall serve the first point of the tie-break game. The following two points shall be served by the opponent(s) (in doubles, the player of the opposing team due to serve next). After this, each player/team shall serve alternately for two consecutive points until the end of the tiebreak game (in doubles, the rotation of service within each team shall continue in the same order as during that set).
- All singles and doubles matches will be played using no-advantage scoring, with the receiver choosing the service side when the game reaches deuce.

NB. Let-cords will be played as normal

Check the website to follow the scores

www.bndtennis.net



U18 & U14 Boys & Girls

Divisions 1- 4

Each player plays

1 x Singles match +
1 x Doubles match



Each tie consists of 11 games
the 11th being a tie-breaker



The **Winning** team is the team who wins the most ties.

If ties are equal → games won count.

If games won are equal - the match is a **DRAW**

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Challenge Trophies (Winners & Runners-Up of Div 1-4)

Challenge Cups start: **Saturday 22 June 2019**

Competitions are played on a Knock-Out basis on scheduled dates.

Where a match finishes all square in ties and games,
a deciding Tie-Break Doubles set shall be played by nominated pairings.

**Each team must be accompanied at all times
by a **Responsible Adult**.**

Failure to do so will result in loss of points!

Nomination of Players

All players (including Reserves) must be registered to play in the Juvenile League. They must be registered in order of strength ability and should be played in accordance with their Registration Form.

Additional players can be nominated via E-mail to the Juvenile Secretary.

An unregistered player who plays a match shall **forfeit points won**.

A player playing in a lower position who wins a tie will **forfeit points won**.

U14 Players who also wish to play U18 League **must be registered for both**.

A player may not play for a lower team. However a player may play twice for a higher team without affecting their eligibility for a lower team.

Prior to the start of each match the Responsible Adults (Parents or Coaches) fill in the names of the players on the Result card [clearly] according to the Registration List in order of merit.

No player may play in a Competition for more than 1 Club during any one season.

Arrangement of Matches

A list of Fixtures can be found on the B&D League website www.bndtennis.net

The Home Team Captain should contact their Opponents and arrange a date according to the schedule. If the Away team is not contacted then they should take the initiative and get in touch. Matches should be arranged Wed 24 April 2019.

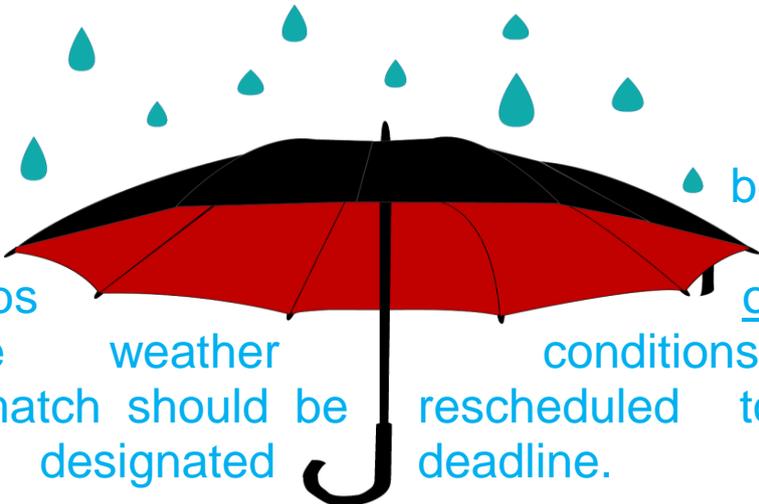
Fixtures must be played within the given deadline. **Sunday 16 June 2019**

Any team which fails to fulfil a fixture will be fined £10.

Teams giving more than 2 Walk Overs will be withdrawn and fined £25.

Walk Overs are not encouraged and where possible all Matches should be played even if Clubs do not have a full team.

A Match may be postponed by agreement between the opposing Clubs only by reason of adverse weather conditions or unplayable courts. The match should be rescheduled to be played within the designated deadline.



Result cards

Result cards can be found on the website. Always have spare ones with you.

The cards should be clearly completed with all the necessary information with the names of players written in FULL.



The name of each Responsible Adult must be included on the Result Card. Failure to do so will result in loss of points!

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MATCH THE WINNING TEAM PHOTOGRAPH THE RESULT CARD AND E-MAIL IT TO THE DIVISIONAL SECRETARY WITHIN 24 HOURS.

The correct E-mail address is on each Result Sheet.

CODE OF CONDUCT

The Juvenile League operates according to the Tennis Ireland Code of Conduct and Clubs should consult the Ulster Tennis Handbook for details with regards to Clothing, Etiquette and Court Conduct.

A Responsible Adult should accompany all Juvenile teams and be present for the duration of the Match.

All Club Coaches, Parents and Team Captains are expected to ensure that matches are played in a friendly and hospitable manner.



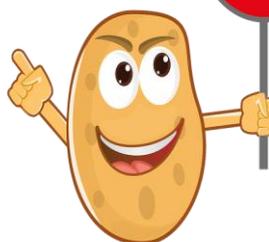
Players should be encouraged to acknowledge good play in their opponents, introduce themselves at the start of a match and shake hands at the end.

At the Conclusion of the match

Home teams are kindly requested to provide for the visiting teams and a short Captains should be made at the



provide some **refreshments** **speech** from both team end of each Fixture.



Most importantly, remember that it should be Good Fun for all.