# LTA 14U COUNTY CUP EVENT 2024

## **Competition Pack**

(Information correct as of 1 February 2024)

Introduction and Important Dates Groups, Venues & Personnel inc. contact details Team Captains Fact Sheet Rules & Regulations (including FAST4 Tournament Scoring Format & Rules) Order of Play



#### **Introduction & Important Dates**

Welcome to the Competition Pack for the LTA 14U County Cup Event. It is hoped the following information will help answer any questions you may have about the Event(s).

LTA County Cup Events gives a player the opportunity of representing their county in a competitive team environment and the age groups range from 8U through to open age group categories.

The Finals, Play-Off Groups 1a and 1b and Division 2 groups have been formulated based on the top 4 players' LTA ranking information as of 12 January 2024 taking into account eligible players for the relevant age group (those born in 2010 to 2013) for each county. The seeding for the Finals shall be based on the LTA rankings of the top 4 ranked players of counties in the Finals as of Friday 6 May 2024.

Division 2 groups - this is a one-off Event and counties playing in these groups do NOT progress to the 1 Finals and become group winners.

Play-Off Groups 1a and 1b - to determine which county progress to the Finals (1 county from each Play-Off Group per gender)

Finals -Top 6 counties (boys & girls separately) given direct entry to the Finals. These counties do NOT have to play in the earlier play-off groups.

The revised format for the Event was presented to the Regional Forums in the autumn of 2022 and the following changes were proposed with the primary focus being to address the following issues:

- Level based play as much as possible
- Financing of County Cup Events for counties
- Travel requirements
- · Top 6 counties based on LTA Rankings directly through to the Finals
- Next 12 counties based on LTA rankings will be split into two groups, based on player rankings and location where possible
- Division 2 groups to be made up of groups of 4 6 counties, as much as possible, based on geographic location

Event & Dates	Nominations Open	Nominations Close
LTA 14U County Cup Event For players born in 2010 to 2013		
Play-Off Groups 1a & 1b and all Division 2 Groups Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 April 2024	Monday 25 March 2024	Monday 15 April 2024
Finals – Nottingham Tennis Centre Friday 10 to Sunday 12 May 2024	Monday 29 April 2024	Monday 6 May 2024



#### LTA 14U COUNTY CUP EVENT 2024 Boys Play-Off Groups 1A and 1B and All Division 2 – Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 April 2024 Boys Finals – Friday 10 to Sunday 12 May 2024

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Ven	ue Contact – Tel: 0116 270 8813 / 5279			ue Contact – Helen Sewell – 01273 844 283		
E-M	ail: alice@leicestershire-tennis.co.uk		E-M	ail: <u>wealdgc@gmail.com</u>		
	ue Details – Leicester Tennis & Squash Club, Westernhay Road		Venue Details - The Weald LTC, South Bank, Hassocks			
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	rt Supervisor – Yorkshire			rt Supervisor – Kent		
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E	Buckinghamshire	ŀ	E	Avon		
F	Herefordshire & Worcester	F	F	Hertfordshire		
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	s Division 2A – Edinburgh, EH14 1BZ					
Ven	ue Contact – Mandy Fairnie - Tel: 0131 444 1969 E-Mail: mandyfai	nie@	<u>edinb</u>	urghleisure.co.uk		
	ue Details – Craiglockhart Leisure & Tennis Centre, 177 Colinton R aree –	oad, E	dinbi	Irgn, EH14 1BZ		
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А	South of Scotland		С	North of Scotland		
В	West of Scotland		D	East of Scotland		
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	s Division 2B – Taunton, TA1 2RW					
Ven	ue Contact – Kerry Quirk - Tel: 01823 333 435 E-Mail: <u>kerryquirk@</u>	everyo	oneac	tive.com		
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А	Wiltshire		D	Gloucestershire		
В	Somerset		Е	Channel Islands		
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	s Division 2C – Carlisle, CA1 1LS ue Contact – Barbara Davidson - 01228 514 187					
	ue Details - Chatsworth Tennis Centre, St. Aidans Road					
	rt Supervisor –					
А	Durham & Cleveland		D	North Wales		
В	Cumbria		Е	Northumberland		
С	Lancashire					
Boy	s Division 2D – Grantham, NG31 8HU					
	ue Contact – Sarah Patton - 01476 591 391					
	ue Details - Grantham Tennis Club, Gonerby Road					
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<u>A</u>	Staffordshire		A	Lincolnshire		
B	Northamptonshire		B	Derbyshire		
С	Nottinghamshire		С	Shropshire		
Boy	s Division 2E – Oxford, OX2 8EG					
	ue Contact – Tom Francis - 07747 026 377 E-Mail: noltccompetition	ns@ar	nail.c	om		
	ue Details - North Oxford LTC, Banbury Road North Sports Ground					
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Isle of Man Boys w/d 25 January 2024

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#### LTA 14U COUNTY CUP EVENT 2024 Girls Play-Off Groups 1A and 1B and All Division 2 – Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 April 2024 Girls Finals – Friday 10 to Sunday 12 May 2024

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	Direct Entry – Suffolk			Direct Entry – Middlesex
	Direct Entry – Dorset			Direct Entry – Hertfordshire
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A	Yorkshire		А	Kent
B	Cheshire		В	Essex
C	Nottinghamshire	ı İ	C	Hampshire & IOW
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Ven	<b>s Division 2B – Shrewsbury, SY1 4RG</b> ue Contact – Simon Haddleton - 01743 467 755 ue Details - The Shrewsbury Club, Sundorne Road			
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Isle of Man girls confirmed they are unable to field a girls team 18 October 2023 Channel Islands confirmed they are unable to field a girls team 19 October 2023



## LTA 14U COUNTY CUP EVENT Play-off Groups 1A and 1B and All Division 2 – Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 April 2024 Finals – Friday 10 to Sunday 12 May 2024

## **TEAM CAPTAINS FACT SHEET**

Event Personnel	Event Director – Julie Piper
	E-Mail – <u>countycup@LTA.org.uk</u>
<b>Divisional</b> Rounds Team Captains	To be held no later than 30 mins before start of play Saturday 27 April to include Referee, all Team Captains and a representative from the venue. This should last no longer than 30 minutes.
Meeting	Venue Rep to explain arrangements for:
	<ul> <li>access to changing rooms / toilets, etc.</li> <li>Emergency evacuation procedures and any potential health &amp; safety issues</li> <li>Arrangements for stringing – please ensure contact name &amp; number are made available</li> <li>Catering – to be open from 10.00am to 4.00pm</li> <li>If on site, gym not to be used</li> </ul>
	Referee to explain the Rules & Regulations, start times of play and anything else relevant to the Event
	Team Captains, players & parents to be reminded about the necessity for teams to keep the Tennis Centre tidy. All cups, crockery, glasses, etc. should be returned to the catering area.
Player Eligibility & Provisional	It is a county's responsibility to check the eligibility of all team players. The use of an ineligible player may result in a county forfeiting all rubber(s) in which that player competed and/or relegation.
Nominations	Provisional nominations have been entered into the LP file. However, it is the Referee's responsibility to check all players are Advantage members. If a player is not listed and the player does not have an Advantage number, then the player in question must join Advantage prior to play commencing.
Final & Match	Please refer to Points 2 and 4 of the Rules & Regulations.
Nominations	By signing the appropriate line on the nomination form, the Team Captain is accepting responsibility and acknowledging confirmation of final / daily nominated players and all players' have been nominated in the correct order.
Practice Courts	Whilst most venues open at 9.00am you are advised to check with them regarding availability of courts. Counties are responsible for booking and paying for any courts prior to the Qualifying Event starting + the provision of practice balls.
Start Time & Order of Play	Saturday 27 April – No later than 11.00am Sunday 28 April – No later than 9.30 am
	The Order of Play can be viewed at the end of this pack.
Match Format	Please refer to Points 1, 3 and 12 of the Rules & Regulations
Scoring Format	Abbreviated scoring format – 2 sets to 4. Tie-break at 3-3. 3 <sup>rd</sup> set tie-break to 10. No ad scoring.
Match Scorecards	Once match nominations have been submitted the Referee will produce a match scorecard which will be given to each Team Captain.
	The Referee will keep a master copy which will be updated during the day and following agreement with both Team Captains will be used to update the LP file.
Match Results	The Referee will update and publish the results on the LTA website. At the end of the weekend, the full results and group positions will be updated on the LTA website.

Tennis Balls	12 dozen Dunlop Fort yellow ball.
	The best used balls from singles matches will be re-used for doubles matches.
Catering	Hot & cold refreshments should be available 10.00am and 4.00pm on both days of the Qualifying Event. Counties are advised to check arrangements with relevant venue.
Changing Facilities	Apart from toilets, access to changing facilities maybe limited and counties are advised to check arrangements with the relevant venue.
Scoreboards and Seating	Available on-site at the venue. Please ensure players keep them updated.
Noticeboard	The Referee will have access to a noticeboard and the following information will be posted:
	Updated daily and overall group results as they progress Copies of Team Captains Fact Sheet, LTA Code of Conduct + Event Rules & Regulations
Discipline & Code Violations	Your attention is drawn to Rules 14, 14(a), 14(b) or 14(c) of the Rules & Regulations regarding discipline of all players, both on and off-site, during the Event. All players must abide by the LTA Code of Conduct.
	The Referee will inform the Team Captain if it has been necessary to issue a code violation. These will be recorded on the LP file. The LTA will be notified (verbally) immediately if it has been necessary to default a player. A default counts for the duration of the Event regardless of however many matches/days remain.
Safeguarding	There have been some important updates to the various <u>safeguarding documents</u> . It is a county / Team Captains responsibility to ensure they have read and understood these and, if required, signed acknowledgement of the contents. Where necessary copies should also be given to parents / players and they too read and understand these and, if required, sign acknowledgement of the contents.
	Team Captains should ensure they have been given copies of completed & signed emergency contact details for all players.
	If you or anyone in your county requires a copy of the venue risk assessment where your team(s) will be playing you can view all venue risk assessments <u>here</u> .
Finals Details	The Finals will take place at Nottingham Tennis Centre.
	All teams will be required to report for 9.00am for Team Captain and player meeting. Practice will be available from 9.30am and play will start at 10.00am.
	County Offices + Team Captains of counties progressing to the Finals will be e-mailed all relevant information w/c the Monday after the relevant Qualifying Event has taken place.
Miscellaneous	Team Captains or a nominated deputy, are allowed to stay on court and can only communicate with their player(s) at change of ends within the permitted 60 seconds break (or 90 seconds at set break). Team Captains may also stay on court for the match tie-break / shootout.
	Players should wear recognised tennis clothing as per the County Cup Regulations.
	Additional matches played over and above those scheduled in LTA County Cup Events are not eligible for ranking results - under no circumstances should they be played.
	If on-site, under no circumstances should players use or enter the gym.
	Medals will be given to Divisional group winners.



#### General Rules & Regulations – applicable for all County Cup Events 2024

- The management of the County Cup Events shall be entrusted to the LTA Competitions Team, with power to suspend or modify any of these Regulations to meet exceptional circumstances (including adaptation of scoring format(s)) and to decide any question of eligibility, qualifications of competitors and interpretation of the Regulations. The LTA Competitions Team's decision shall be final.
- 2. For the purpose of the County Cup Events, which shall be area competitions subject to the Lawn Tennis Associations Limited Rules 35 and 36 (including appendix 1), the following shall be regarded as Counties: East of Scotland, North of Scotland, South of Scotland, West of Scotland, North Wales, South Wales, Channel Islands, Isle of Man.
- 3. Although it is not compulsory to compete, all Counties shall be entered in the relevant County Cup Event. Any County intending not to compete in an Event must email notification to the Event Director (countycup@LTA.org.uk) 9 months before the relevant event. Where appropriate, any County that withdraws from an Event shall be placed in the lowest group for the following year and will have any applicable funding for that Event withdrawn.
- 4. A player is qualified to represent an area in any County Cup Event if they meet the criteria outlined in the Lawn Tennis Association Limited Rule 36. No player may represent more than one County in any Event.
- 5. Referee(s) shall be appointed for each venue by the LTA Competitions Team. The Referee shall decide any point that relates to the interpretation of the Rules of Tennis, County Cup Rules & Regulations and / or LTA Code of Conduct which may be referred to him/her. He/she shall decide whether or not the match shall be stopped owing to the state of the courts, the state of the weather, darkness, or other unavoidable hindrance. After consulting with the Event Director and / or Event Referee if necessary, the Referee shall have the final say in all on-site matters. Including adaptation of scoring formats.
- 6. Once final nominations have been submitted no other player may represent the County during the Event except in exceptional circumstances (such as illness, injury or bereavement) which reduces the number of available nominated players for a County to less than the minimum required for the relevant County Cup Event. In this case the Referee shall consult the Event Director, who may authorise the nomination of the necessary number of substitutes for the remainder of the Event.

If any County fails to field at least two singles players on any day, or, in the case of the Summer County Cup Event, 2 pairs, (unless for exceptional circumstances, as decided by the Event Director), all their matches in the competition shall be declared null and void and they shall finish bottom of the group.

Any County failing to show, report to the referee or nominate a full team on any day, (unless for exceptional circumstances, as decided by the Event Director), will have all their matches in the Event declared null and void and they shall finish bottom of the group. Furthermore, subject to investigation, they may be precluded from the following year's Event and will be placed in the bottom group of the relevant Event.

- 7. A County shall not be bound to play the same team throughout the Event but no change shall be made in the composition of the teams engaged in a match after daily nominations have been submitted. If any player, team or doubles pairing play out of order, those rubbers they competed in and below shall be declared null and void. If a match is postponed to the next day before any play has taken place the composition of the competing teams may be changed.
- 8. If an ineligible player competes then the singles rubber involving the player concerned, and all singles rubbers lower in the team order shall be forfeited. Any completed matches may stand for the purposes of ITF World Tennis Number, however, the overall team score for that particular match will be awarded to the opposing team for the purposes of the league table
- 9. If a player(s) is / are defaulted, except in cases of punctuality, then that player(s) is no longer allowed to take any further part in that competition.
- 10. If a match in progress cannot be finished or a scheduled match has been unable to start on any day, it shall be completed on the following day before the start of the scheduled match for that day. In order to complete all matches, the use of abbreviated scoring should be considered for complete rounds of unfinished matches and, if necessary, the scheduled matches for that day.
- 11. If there are still unfinished matches at the close of play on the final day, the result of the matches shall be determined by the rubbers that have been completed providing one or two rounds of the day's programme have been completed in all matches of the group or section at that venue. Second round rubbers will only count if all second round rubbers of all matches at that venue have been completed. If no play is possible or fewer than 3 rubbers have been completed in any match at any venue, the results of all the matches for that day at that venue shall be declared null and void.
- 12. For Events being played outdoors, indoor courts must not be used unless the courts are on-site and any additional cost to the LTA or a County Association has been authorised in advance by the Event Director.

- 13. All players are subject to the Rules and Regulations of the LTA (including, without limitation, the LTA's Anti-Doping Programme, the Disciplinary and Dispute Resolution Procedures and the Regulations Concerning Match Fixing, Financial Speculation and Betting) and fully and unconditionally submit to the jurisdiction and authority of the LTA by competing in the Competition.
- 14. The County Association via its appointed captain (or other designated person accompanying the Team) is responsible for the behaviour of its Team on and off the site for the duration of the event which includes but is not limited to travelling to, staying at accommodation and returning to the County.

Any incident shall be dealt with in accordance with these Regulations and the Lawn Tennis Association Limited Rules (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Appendices). Entry into the County Cup Events constitutes acceptance, by both the County and its individual members of the team, of the LTA's jurisdiction to deal with any disciplinary matter in accordance with these Regulations (including the Code of Conduct) and the Lawn Tennis Association Limited Rules (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Appendices). In particular, the following shall apply:

- a) Any disciplinary matter relating to an incident occurring on site shall be referred to the Referee for decision and any appeal against his / her decision shall be referred to the LTA Competitions Team and will be dealt with in accordance to the LTA Disciplinary & Dispute Resolution Procedures as set out at Appendix 3 to the Lawn Tennis Association Limited Rules.
- b) Any disciplinary matter relating to an incident off site shall be referred to the LTA Competitions Team and will be dealt with in accordance with the LTA Disciplinary and Dispute Resolution Procedures as set out at Appendix 3 to the Lawn Tennis Association Limited Rules.
- c) Any disciplinary matter relating to match fixing, financial speculation and betting, as set out in the Disciplinary Code, shall be referred to the LTA Competitions Team and will be dealt with in accordance with the LTA Disciplinary and Dispute Resolution Procedures as set out in Appendix 3 to the Lawn Tennis Association Limited rules.
- 15. Any complaint relating to eligibility of players and / or nominations must be lodged, in writing, with the Event Director within 48 hours after the end of the Event.
- 16. No complaint in connection with any LTA County Cup Event can be entertained by the LTA unless lodged with the LTA at <u>countycup@lta.org.uk</u> within 48 hours of the occurrence of the cause of the complaint.
- 17. Any on-site dispute(s) or complaint(s) during any County Cup Event can only be discussed by the officially appointed (County Cup) Team Captain with the Event Director and / or relevant referee for that Event.

## LTA 14U County Cup Event 2024 Special Regulations

1. The Event shall be played in two stages – Division 1a and 1b Play-offs and Division 2 and Division 1 Finals.

The county coming top in Play-Off Group 1a and 1b will progress to the Finals. There is no progression to the Finals for the county coming top in Division 2.

The match format for Play-Off Groups 1a and 1b and Division 2 Groups comprising 6 County teams will be to play two round robin boxes of 3 teams over two days with the winners, runners-up and  $3^{rd}$  placed teams of the two boxes playing each other as last match on day 2.

The match format for the Division 2 groups comprising of 4 / 5 counties will be each county plays all other counties as a round robin.

The match format for the Finals comprises of 8 counties and will play two round-robin boxes of 4 teams over the first two days followed by the winners, runners-up, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> placed teams playing each other on day 3.

- Final nominations, in LTA Ranking order must be submitted to the Referee 30 minutes before start of play on the first day. Equally ranked players may be nominated in any order but the nominated order must be maintained throughout the Event. The rankings used for Final Nominations will be based on the latest list available.
- 3. Counties should nominate a minimum of 4 and maximum of 6 players. For players born in 2010 to 2013.
- 4. Subject to age group rules, players will be permitted to play in more than one County Cup Event
- 5. Each match shall consist of six rubbers four singles followed by two doubles: commencing with No 4 playing No 4 of the opposing team, No 3 playing No 3 and so on.

All singles and doubles rubbers shall be played using the Fast4 scoring format - best of two sets to 4 games with a tie-break at 3 - 3 (to 7 points with a 2 point advantage and a  $3^{rd}$  set Match tie-break (to 10 points, with a 2 point clear advantage). All rubbers will use no-ad scoring (receiver's choice) throughout the match.

6. Match nominations must be submitted to the Referee 15 minutes before the start of each match. The team shall be nominated in singles order according to the final nominations (Reg 2).

Doubles pairings shall be nominated in accordance with the lowest cumulative total of the nominated positions of the players in each pairing including players nominated 5 & 6 (as per Reg 2). Where the total is the same, the pairing with the highest nominated player shall be nominated as the higher pair.

Doubles pairings can be nominated once all singles matches have been completed.

- 7. If a player who has been nominated to play singles is unable to either begin the singles rubber or retires during a rubber, for whatever reason, that player is permitted to compete in doubles on the same day if fit to do so.
- 8. Team Captains or a nominated deputy, are allowed to stay on court and can only communicate with their player(s) at change of ends within the permitted 60 seconds break (or 90 seconds at set break). Team Captains may also stay on court for the match tie-break / shootout.
- 9. If a player or doubles pair plays out of order or a county is unable to field a full team, the opponent(s) shall be awarded two love sets.
- 10. If any player is absent when called upon to play by the Referee, that rubber and all rubbers below shall be awarded to the opponent(s) by two love sets. This shall apply separately to singles and doubles. If in any rubber one or more player(s) is absent from each side the rubber shall be void.
- 11. If a player is unable to complete a rubber that has started due to injury, sickness or disqualification, the opposing player or pair shall be awarded the requisite number of games to win the rubber.
- 12. If any County fields an ineligible player, the rubbers contested by that player and all rubbers below shall be awarded to the opposition by a score of 4-0 4-0. This shall apply separately to singles and doubles. Please refer to General Rule 8.
- 13. A team is awarded 1 point for each rubber won.
- 14. At 3 points each a doubles tiebreak shoot-out (to 10 points with 2 clear) shall be played to establish a winner.

Tie-Break shoot out (1 pair):

Player 1: one of the players from the number 1 doubles pair Player 2: one of the players from the number 2 doubles pair

- 15. The team with the most rubber points shall win the match. A team will receive 2 match points on the league table for a match win.
- 16. Under no circumstances should rubbers be conceded. Where there are weather issues, in order to complete all matches, the use of abbreviated scoring should be considered for complete rounds of unfinished matches and, if necessary, the scheduled matches for that day. If, on the final day, a match in progress cannot be finished, the result of the match shall be determined by the rubbers that have been completed as follows:
  - a) By the majority of rubbers won; or
  - b) If there is equality of rubbers, by the majority of sets won; or
  - c) If there is equality of rubbers and sets, by the majority of games won
- 17. The final standings for both Division 1a and 1b and Division 2 and Division 1 Finals shall be determined by the following:
  - a) The team with the greatest number of match points.
  - b) If match points are equal, the team with the greatest number of rubber points.
  - c) If only two teams are level on match points and rubber points; their head to head result.
  - d) If more than two teams are level, the percentage of sets won out of sets played (if after this calculation, only two teams remain level, their head to head result will be used to break the tie).
  - e) If more than two teams are level, the percentage of games won out of games played (if after this calculation, only two teams remain level, their head to head result will be used to break the tie).

NB: A deciding Match Tie-Break shall count as 1 set and 1 game



FAST4 Tournament Scoring Format & Rules Effective from 1st September 2019

- Matches will be played as the best of two (2) short sets (first to four (4) games) with a tie-break (first to seven (7) points, two points clear at six (6) points all) played at three (3) games all. If at the conclusion of the second set, the score is 1 set all, a match tie-break (first to ten (10) points, two points clear at nine (9) points all) will be played to determine the outcome of the match.
- 2. All singles and doubles matches will be played using no-ad scoring, with the receiver choosing the side to receive the service from when the game reaches deuce. In doubles the receiving team cannot change positions to receive this deciding point. The player/team who wins the deciding point wins the game.
- 3. Between points, a maximum of twenty-five (25) seconds is allowed. The maximum time starts from the moment that one point finishes until the first service is struck for the next point.
- 4. When the players change ends at the end of a game, a maximum of sixty (60) seconds are allowed. Players are not permitted to sit down during the change of ends during a set.
- 5. At the end of each set there shall be a set break of a maximum of ninety (90) seconds. Players are permitted to sit down at the end of a set.

LTA 11U - 14U County Cup - Suggested OOP for 6 counties per group Based on 4 boys singles, 4 girls singles, 2 boys doubles and 2 girls doubles

		SATURDAY					
9.00am	TEAM CAPTAINS MEETING & PRACTICE FOR TEAMS ON ALL COURTS						
9.00am							
Play starts	Court 1	Court 2	Court 3	Court 4			
10.00am	A v B (4 v 4)	A v B (3 v 3)	D v E (4 v 4)	D v E (3v 3)			
	A v B (2 v 2)	A v B (1 v 1)	D v E (2 v 2)	D v E (1 v 1)			
	A v B Doubs 1	A v B Doubs 2	D v E Doubs 1	D v E Doubs 2			
After rest							
	A v C (4 v 4)	A v C (3 v 3)	D v F (4 v 4)	D v F (3 v 3)			
	A v C (2 v 2)	A v C (1 v 1)	D v F (2 v 2)	D v F (1 v 1)			
	A v C Doubs 1	A v C Doubs 2	D v F Doubs 1	D v F Doubs 2			
		SUNDAY					
9.00am		PRACTICE FOR TEAMS	ON ALL COURTS				
Play starts	Court 1	Court 2	Court 3	Court 4			
9.30am	C v B (4 v 4)	C v B (3 v 3)	F v E (4 v 4)	F v E (3v3)			
	C v B (2 v 2)	C v B (1 v 1)	F v E (2 v 2)	F v E (1 v 1)			
	C v B Doubs 1	C v B Doubs 2	F v E Doubs 1	F v E Doubs 2			
After Rest							
	Winner of Group A v B (4 v 4)	Winner of Group A v B (3 v 3)	2nd in Group A v B (4 v 4)	2nd in Group A v B (3 v 3)			
	Winner of Group A v B (2 v 2)	Winner of Group A v B (1 v 1)	2nd in Group A v B (2 v 2)	2nd in Group A v B (1 v 1)			
	3rd in Group A v B (4 v 4)	3rd in Group A v B (3 v 3)	3rd in Group A v B (2 v 2)	3rd in Group A v B (1 v 1)			
	Winner of Group A v B Doubs 1	Winner of Group A v B Doubs 2	2nd in Group A v B Doubs 1	2nd in Group A v B Doubs 2			
	3rd in Group A v B Doubs 1	3rd in Group A v B Doubs 2					

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9.00am	TEAM CAPTAINS MEETING & PRACTICE FOR TEAMS ON ALL COURTS					
Play starts	Court 1	Court 2	Court 3	Court 4		
10.00am	A v C (4 v 4)	A v C (3 v 3)	B v D (4 v 4)	B v D (3 v 3)		
	A v C (2 v 2)	A v C (1 v 1)	B v D (2 v 2)	B v D (1 v 1)		
After rest						
	A v D (4 v 4)	A v D (3 v 3)	B v C (4 v 4)	B v C (3 v 3)		
	A v D (2 v 2)	A v D (1 v 1)	B v C (2 v 2)	B v C (1 v 1)		
After rest						
	A v C Doubs 1	A v C Doubs 2	B v D Doubs 1	B v D Doubs 2		
After rest						
	A v D Doubs 1	A v D Doubs 2	B v C Doubs 1	B v C Doubs 2		
		SUNDAY				
9.00am	PRAC	TICE FOR TEA	MS ON ALL CO	OURTS		
Play starts	Court 1	Court 2	Court 3	Court 4		
9.30am	A v B (4 v 4)	A v B (3 v 3)	C v D (4 v 4)	C v D (3 v 3)		
	A v B (2 v 2)	A v B (1 v 1)	C v D (2 v 2)	C v D (1 v 1)		
After Rest						
	A v B Doubs 1	A v B Doubs 2	C v D Doubs 1	C v D Doubs 2		

		SATURDAY				
9.00am	TEAM CAPTAINS MEETING & PRACTICE FOR TEAMS ON ALL COURTS					
Play starts	Court 1	Court 2	Court 3 Court 4			
10.00am	A v C (4 v 4)	A v C (3 v 3)	B v D (4 v 4)	B v D (3 v 3)		
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After rest	///////////////////////////////////////					
	A v E (4 v 4)	A v E (4 v 4)	B v C (4 v 4)	B v C (3 v 3)		
	A v E (2 v 2)	A v E (1 v 1)	B v C (2 v 2)	B v C (1 v 1)		
After rest		()				
	D v E (4 v 4)	D v E (3 v 3)	A v C Doubs 1	A v C Doubs 2		
	D v E (2 v 2)	D v E (1 v 1)	B v D Doubs 1	B v D Doubs 2		
After rest						
	A v E Doubs 1	A v E Doubs 2	B v C Doubs 1	B v C Doubs 2		
After rest						
	D v E Doubs 1	D v E Doubs 2				
		SUNDAY				
9.00am		PRACTICE FOR TE	AMS ON ALL COURTS			
Play starts	Court 1	Court 2	Court 3	Court 4		
09.30am	E v B (4 v 4)	E v B (3 v 3)	A v D (4 v 4)	A v D (3 v 3)		
	E v B (2 v 2)	E v B (1 v 1)	A v D (2 v 2)	A v D (1 v 1)		
After rest						
	C v E (4 v 4)	C v E (3 v 3)	A v B (4 v 4)	A v B (3 v 3)		
	C v E (2 v 2)	C v E (1 v 1)	A v B (2 v 2)	A v B (1 v 1)		
After rest		· · ·				
	C v D (4 v 4)	C v D (3 v 3)	E v B Doubs 1	E v B Doubs 2		
	C v D (2 v 2)	C v D (1 v 1)	A v D Doubs 1	A v D Doubs 2		
After rest	- ()	- (/				
	C v E Doubs 1	C v E Doubs 2	A v B Doubs 1	A v B Doubs 2		
	C v D Doubs 1	C v D Doubs 2				