

18th February 2018

Dear Team Captain,

Seniors Tennis GB Inter-County Championships 2018

Women 40, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75 and Men 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70 and 75

We hope you are looking forward to an enjoyable and successful Inter-County Championships in 2018. This email is being sent to team captains (copying county seniors' organisers) and provides fixture information about your league. **Please note the Finals dates for this year.**

Rules and Scorecards

Please find attached the Rules and Regulations for the Competition together with those for the Finals applying to the 2018 Championships.

Rules and scorecards are available to print on the Inter-County Championships webpage please read the rules before your first match and have a copy with you at all matches.

Note - Once a player has opted for a particular age category in his/her first fixture of the season, this will be deemed to be his/her elected age category unless made clear to the administrator at seniorstennisgb@LTA.org.uk that this is the match/matches to be played in the younger age group (Eligibility regulation - rule 7).

Please will the over 75 women's and men's captains read rule 7.

Draws

This year the Inter-County draws will continue to be available online only. [View the Championship 2018 Draws](#). Click on your age group and then the relevant division to view your league then move to matches- home teams appear on the left.

Contact details

To find your opposition's contact details, click on your opponent's team name in the draw. The name, phone number and email address of your opposing captain will appear. Please check your own contact details and email seniorstennisgb@LTA.org.uk if incorrect.

All matches must be arranged by **30 April 2018**. Please start to arrange the matches with your opposing captain.

As last year captains are required to post the match dates on the system, home captains will input the arranged match dates online. More information on how to do this will be sent out in March.

We ask home teams to be flexible in arranging fixtures when away teams are trying to organise matches on consecutive days, which enables teams to reduce travelling times and expenses.

All matches must be completed by Sunday 16 September 2018 when the competition ends

Inter County Experience

- Home teams are expected to provide a playing surface that has been maintained to an adequate standard for this level of event.
- It is most important that adequate court time is booked for a match. We recommend that a minimum of 4 hours should be set aside for both indoor and outdoor matches.
- Adequate changing facilities should be available for visitors in terms of showers etc.
- The home team is expected to provide suitable refreshments for the visiting team.

Results process

This year the process for captains submitting results is the same as last year. Both captains will still be required to complete a scorecard in full but this will be retained for reference (no need to post). The winning captain will then input the result online within 48 hours. As last year information on how to do this will be communicated in an email in mid March.

Inter-County Championships Finals (Group 1A & 1B only)

The top team in Groups 1A and 1B will contest a Final at David Lloyd Brierley Hill on the dates shown below. No player may play for more than one team during the finals weekend.

Friday 30 November Women 65, 70, 75 and Men 65, 70 and 75

Saturday 1 December Women 55, 60, 75, Men 55 and 60

Sunday 2 December Women 40 and 50, Men 45 and 50

The rules and regulations for the finals weekend are attached

Next Communication

We will email all captains by mid-March with the online results process (Please email seniorstennisgb@LTA.org.uk if you have not received this by 21 March).

Yours sincerely,

Keith Bland

Inter-County Chairman

Cc Championships Administrator - Lenie Van Dooren

For information:

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