

## KLM Junior Team Tennis League

### Information, Rules and Regulations

#### 1. Roster

Your team manager is your point of contact for the league. **They will contact you** and give you all relevant information regarding the draw, team roster etc. The team manager will be responsible for rostering when you play. There are 6 people in your team and therefore you should play a minimum of 5 weeks. If you are unable to make your scheduled week, please contact your team manager as soon as possible. **DO NOT** contact him/her on the day of the match. It is important to give your team manager enough time to find a replacement. Your manager will do their best to roster you on again to ensure you get your allocated matches.

**There will be 7 weeks of rostered matches and an 8<sup>th</sup> week for finals and play offs.**

**Round 1:** 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> February

**Round 2:** 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> February

**Round 3:** 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> March

**Holiday Break** 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> March – 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> April

**Round 4:** 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> April

**Round 5:** 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> April

**Round 6:** 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> May

**Round 7:** 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> May

**Round 8:** 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> May Finals and prize giving

More information regarding prize giving will be sent at a later date

#### Times of Play:

Saturday: 16/U 9am – 12pm (if required) 12pm – 3pm 3pm – 6pm

Sunday: 12/U 9am – 12pm 12pm – 3pm 3pm – 6pm

#### 2. On – Site Coordinator

There will be an onsite coordinator at every match, employed by JTT. This person will be your teams point of contact for each tie (other than your team manager). All issues or conflict during the tie will be managed by the onsite coordinator.

#### 3. JTTL Project Director

Communication regarding the roster and weekly matches should be with your team manager. Other communication regarding the JTTL may directed to the Project Director Niki Tippins 9173-5142 or [JTT@savitargroup.com](mailto:JTT@savitargroup.com).

#### 4. Team Sheet and Balls

The onsite coordinator will have all balls and team score sheets at the site. Each tie will have 6 new balls (3 for each court). If you lose a ball the onsite coordinator will have extra balls. All balls must be returned to the onsite coordinator at the end of the tie. Managers do not need to bring or fill out separate team sheets.

#### 5. Match Day

Please arrive at the courts at least **20** minutes before your scheduled time. You may warm up on court if not in use.

## 6. Results

Upon completion, team sheets must be signed by managers and kept by the onsite coordinator. The coordinator will communicate results to the Project Director. The winning player must give results of each match to the coordinator.

## 7. Points Calculations

One point will be rewarded for each match won. An additional two points will be rewarded for the overall winning team (team with the most matches won). If it is 3-3 in matches then it is a **count back** of games.

**The points table and full results for each tie will be updated by Wednesday of each week and will be available for viewing at [www.savitargroup.com](http://www.savitargroup.com) (click on KLM Junior Team Tennis Link)**

## 8. Rain

Every endeavour must be made in the event of rain to complete the contest on the date set. It is up to the coordinator to decide if the match is to stop due to rain. If at least 50% of matches are complete (with two doubles and at least one singles fully completed) then the tie is considered completed and the scores will count as is.

**NB: Everyone is required to go to the site regardless of weather. The onsite coordinator will be onsite regardless of weather prior to the tie starting to determine if the courts are playable.**

**Only the onsite coordinator will cancel the tie. Ties that are cancelled will be re-scheduled if possible.**

## 9. Ranking of Players

All players must be ranked in order of ability (#1-6) on the entry form. Four players are rostered to play each week. Players cannot play out of order, e.g. if you have your number 2, 3, 5, 6 playing that day then the number 2 becomes number 1 for that day and so on, with the number 6 playing number 4. If there is a dispute or concern over the ranking you receive, it can be officially challenged by team managers and adjusted by JTT within the first two weeks of play. Please discuss with your manager and/or onsite coordinator.

## 10. Contest

Each tie will consist of six matches - four singles and two doubles. Each player will be guaranteed two matches each tie – one singles and one doubles. \*Unless you manager chooses to play more than 4 people each week, in that case the 4 singles and 2 doubles will be shared amongst the players.

Each match shall be the first to 9 games with a tie breaker at 8 all. Sudden death deuce for all matches (no advantage). When it is deuce the receiving team chooses which side to return from. There will be two doubles and 4 singles per tie. For doubles one and three play together and two and four play together. With singles 1 plays 1, 2 plays 2 etc.

## 11. Order of Play

Both doubles will be played first followed by the singles as players become available, unless both teams agree otherwise with the onsite coordinator. It is up to the team manager to ensure that each week you change the order of play for singles. E.g. so that the number 4 singles does not always play last.

## 12. Warm Up and Toilet Breaks:

You will have a 5-minute warm up with your opponent prior to starting your match. No toilet breaks during matches unless an emergency.

## 13. Attire:

Appropriate tennis attire and non-marking shoes must be worn at all times. **We strongly recommend that caps are worn at all times during sunny weather.**

#### 14. Behaviour on/off Court:

No racket or verbal abuse or unsportsmanlike conduct will be tolerated at any time. The coordinator will be monitoring behaviour. You will receive one warning, then the next warning will result in the loss of a point and your third warning will be loss of the match. JTT has the right to default or restrict play of any participant.

#### 15. Late Arrival/not enough players/no show:

If a team arrives for a match with an insufficient number of players, they must default matches from the bottom of the lineup, i.e. A team arriving with only three players must default the teams fourth singles and second doubles. If a player is less than 30 minutes late with a phone call to advise the manager, the singles match will be played first. If the doubles match can be completed within the allotted time, it should be. If the player is over 40 minutes late without a phone call, an attempt will be made to play the singles match; however, the doubles match will be forfeited.

#### 16. Time Run Out:

If you have run out of time to finish your singles matches you may continue only if there is nobody waiting to play. If there is someone waiting then the score that you have finished on will be the final score. If it is tied then you must play one more game to decide the winner.

#### 17. Injuries during the Tie:

There shall be no substitution of players once a tie has started. If a player defaults or retires during a match the score is counted as 9-0 regardless of how many games the retiring player has won.

#### 18. Rules of Tennis:

All matches are to abide by The International Tennis Federation Rules of Tennis 2009 (<http://www.itftennis.com/abouttheitf/rulesregs/rules.asp>). The onsite coordinator will have a copy of these rules.

#### 19. Self-Umpiring:

A player is required to make all calls on his/her side. It is important that lines are called honestly, and to make any call that is in doubt in favor of their opponent. If a lines person is needed, the player recognizing the problem should immediately stop the match and notify their manager. The player should walk to the net and raise their hand to ask for assistance. The manager may get the onsite coordinator. Obvious **foot faults**, when observed by the players, should be brought to the attention of the manager by the player who suspects a foot fault has been committed. The manager will notify the onsite coordinator who will observe. If it continues the coordinator may choose to call foot fault.

#### 20. No Coaching:

No coaching and interference from anybody outside the court. Managers/parents are not to sit court side (at change of ends). If there is only seating courtsides then managers/parents are to sit away from the players.

#### 21. Score Dispute:

In any disagreement over score, players are to go back to the last score they agreed on, and resume play from that point. Help establishing the rules/solving disputes is the role of the coordinator. No managers/parents to be involved.

#### 22. Disputes:

If there are any disputes on or off court this must be settled by the coordinator. If disputes are over line calls the onsite coordinator may go on court to umpire or oversee. The coordinator may overrule if he/she sees an obvious error.

#### 23. Complaints:

If there are any complaints regarding your tie or any other areas, they must be received via email to the Project Coordinator Niki Tippins ([JTT@savitargroup.com](mailto:JTT@savitargroup.com)) who shall act further if deemed necessary.