

Bassett Mixed Singles Box League

FAQ

The aim of setting up this box league is to facilitate friendly but competitive singles matches for those who are interested in them, at all ability levels.

Who can play?

It's open to any member of Bassett Tennis Club, any gender, any ability.

Any cost associated

Tbc with committee, the first round will be free, after that it might be a £5-10/year charge to join to cover the app fees.

Why do I have to download some phone app called Scala

The aim is to set up a continuous box league that allows players to easily set up and play singles matches against a similar standard.

Scala has a system where on commencement of each round players will be put into a group chat on the app with just the players in their box.

In terms of arranging matches this should mean you can simply book a court and broadcast to all players an invitation to play, then the first to respond with a yes means game on, none of the hassle of messaging lots of people individually.

Can I join a round halfway through?

Nope, if you miss the start of a round you'll have to wait until the next round to start playing. All new players will be put into the end box to begin with, this may be reviewed later though depending on takeup and number of boxes.

How will the first round be seeded

The first round will be semi-randomised, based on both the rankings people give themselves in the Scala app and my own knowledge of players.

Can there be a doubles version of this

We'll consider it after seeing how this singles box gets along

What is the match format

Default format is best of 3 sets, with the third set being a 10-point championship tiebreak. Other formats can be played if and only if both players agree.

What to do with results

Enter results into the Scala app. Some paper versions of the boxes may be put up in the clubhouse as well so those interested can see how each of the match ups have been getting on. If so ideally you'll write results on this paper AND enter them into the app (entering into the app is most important)

What if I can't play for a whole round (injury/long holiday)

Most likely you'll drop down a box if unable to play enough matches. Anyone who consistently doesn't play any matches will be removed from the boxes (after we try to get in contact with them first)

Does the app book courts as well

No. You'll need to book courts on Clubspark as usual. Recommended way of trying to set up a match would be:

1. Book a court for a time/date you want to play
2. Post on the Scala group chat for your box an invitation to play at that time
3. First person to say yes means game on.
4. If no-one can make that time, remember to cancel the booking