

## Thrapston Tennis Club – Ladies' Summer 2021 Tournament Rules

The Tournament provides members with an opportunity to meet new players and play competitive yet friendly games of tennis over a specified period.

The arrangement is that each doubles pair plays once against each other doubles pair usually over a 6 month period. (29 March 2021 – 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021)

New pairs wishing to join should contact Caroline Arkell via email:  
webmaster@thrapstontennisclub.co.uk.

A WhatsApp group is used to facilitate arranging matches. Results are publicised on a master sheet and posted to the group from time to time so everyone knows what is going on.

These are the rules:

- Only full members of the club may participate in the ladder.
- Each match will consist of 20 games.
- Your score will be the number of games you win, with the victorious doubles pair getting an extra point for winning the match, ie a total of 21 points available per match.
- If the match is 10 all, then a 10 point 'championship' tie break must be played. (This would result in one pair gaining 10 points and the winning pair being awarded 11 points.)
- Results will need to be reported to me either by WhatsApp or email.
- The winners of the tournament are the couple achieving the highest total number of points when all matches have been played.
- The challengers are responsible for booking a court and providing good quality balls for the match. The cost of lighting should be shared.
- Dates and times of matches should be mutually agreed by all players.
- If any player fails to turn up for an arranged match the other pair wins by default.
- In the event of poor weather, both teams should be in agreement about postponement. The weather would really have to be unplayable - not just a little damp, windy or cold!
- If a doubles pair has to 'retire' from the competition (for whatever reason) then the results of all matches played against that pairing would be void.