

TEAM LEAGUE season has arrived.

Below is a summary of the rules and format.

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The TEAM LEAGUE will be played on THURSDAY evenings. We are purposely emphasizing the word TEAM because this is the distinctive feature of the league and the reason why you should play if you are interested. All levels of players are encouraged to play. Each team will have different levels of players from more experienced higher skilled players playing the top positions down to improving and newer players playing at the bottom positions. Each week you will play against another player of similar skill level.

#### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE YOU COMMIT TO PLAY.

We want everyone who plays to be fully committed to coming on THURSDAY evenings and, not simply playing your own match, but also supporting, coaching, and mentoring your other teammates. The idea is for everyone to get to know each other and to help all of us get better at squash. The only way this works is when everyone makes a commitment to the concept of TEAM.

If you can't make this commitment, please don't sign up. We want you to play but only if you can commit to coming and supporting your team. We will have other individual leagues, ladders, tournaments, challenge nights, and other events for you to play. You can also sign up to be a substitute which will allow you to occasionally play when needed.

#### PURPOSE OF TEAM LEAGUE

The primary purpose of the TEAM LEAGUE is to create a social squash evening where players of all standards (from beginner to advanced) interact with each other in TEAMS where teammates help each other to get better.

#### COST

\$100 for adults (\$150 for non members)  
\$60 for juniors and students (\$90 for non members)

#### TIME COMMITMENT

The expectation is for league participants to commit to at least 2 Hours on Thursday evening. This should allow you to play your match as well as referee and watch most of your other teammates as well. There will be some flexibility but remember the idea is to come and support your team. If you can't commit to at least 2 hours, then (as stated earlier) please don't sign up.

#### SUBSTITUTES AND RESCHEDULING

The flexibility to reschedule is the biggest issue for everyone. We recognize that none of us are going to be able to make it every week. Although rescheduling allows flexibility it does ruin the TEAM cohesiveness and the Thursday evening social experience. With this in mind, each league participant can only reschedule TWO matches. If you cannot make a match, you will be responsible to reschedule

with your opponent and report your score or you must find a substitute to play for you. We will have a list of “approved” substitutes for each level of play (note, substitutes receive half points for the Team). Also, in the event that a substitute cannot be arranged, we will allow lower-skilled team members to substitute up and play for a higher-skilled team member who cannot make a Thursday match.

## POINTS AND SCORING

Each individual match result will be scored in the following manner:

3-0 match; 5 points to winner, 0 points to loser,

3-1 match; 4 points to winner, 1 point to loser,

3-2 match; 3 points to winner, 2 points to loser.

## BONUS POINTS

Each player has the potential to receive 2 additional bonus points each evening: 1 for being there for at least two hours, 1 for refereeing (or helping to referee) at least one match.

## FOOD ASSIGNMENT

Every other week your team will be responsible to bring food to share with all other teams. This is a VERY IMPORTANT part of the league evening. Make sure to check the schedule each week to see if your team is bringing food.

## CAPTAINS RESPONSIBILITY

Each team will choose a team captain who will be responsible to calculate points each week and turn into Squashworks Staff. Also, the team captain will be responsible to make sure everyone is coming each week and to help coordinate substitutes if necessary.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE AND ORDER-OF-PLAY

We will publish a schedule online. The league will run Thursday nights from 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM starting November 9, 2023 and running through March 2024. We won't play Thanksgiving (11/23/23) or 12/21/23 and 12/28/23 for holiday break.

During the regular season, each team will play a round robin schedule where every team plays every other team once. After the regular season, we will have a playoff tournament where the seeding will be determined by the finishing order in the regular season.

## PRIZES

Prizes will be given to the 1st and 2nd placed finishing teams of the regular season based on total points.

Prizes will also be given to the winners of each individual division.

In addition, prizes will be given to 1st and 2nd team finishers of the season ending playoffs.

Please sign up. This a great way to get to know others in the club. Guaranteed fun!

Thanks,  
Craig