



Elevate Tennis “Matchplay Sessions” Winter 2022 Format

Dates:

Week 1 begins on Friday May 6th and runs throughout term 2&3 for 15 rounds.

Day/Time:

Each Friday evening - 8-9 matches at 4pm and 3-4 matches at 5.15pm.

Venue:

Edgeware Tennis Club, 459 Innes Road
(another venue may be added)

Draw:

The draw for each week will be sent out on Tuesday evening via email and available to see on the tournament website. Please notify us ASAP if you are unable to play as a “reserve player” will be used.

Each week, you will be paired up against players of a similar ability, with a mixture of players “above” and “below” you to ensure a good variety of opponents. For the 15 rounds, you may play the same opponent, for a maximum of 2 times (1 each term).

Scoring Format:

Each match will be 2 sets to 6 games, with a tiebreaker to 10pts being played if it's 1 set all. We will be using the “no lets” serving rule and long deuce will apply per usual.

Matches will also be “timed”, with a maximum of 80 minutes to complete your match. If the match is in a tiebreak, then we can exceed the time limit, otherwise the match will need to be stopped (due to darkness). This is also to ensure that the 5.15pm games can start on time.

Post-Match Analysis:

Like previous years, we will have 2 coaches watching the matches and taking notes on the match. This may include technique, tactics, shot selection, body language etc...

Nic will email each parent on Friday evening with these match notes, including both positive and constructive feedback. It's recommended that parents go through these comments with their children and look to take the advice on-board for future matches.

NOT on Match Hub:

Matches will not be entered onto Match Hub as we want players to compete without the pressure of losing ranking points. This gives players an opportunity to “try new things” with their game and take on feedback (from coaches/players) when they play.

Matchplay League Table (NEW!):

We're excited to be running a new format in 2022 to provide healthy competition to Matchplay with some cool prizes on offer! A league table will be made with players getting the opportunity to accumulate “points” each week across the 15 rounds.

Each player will receive “1 point” for every set they win (e.g. 2 points if you win 6-2 6-3) and “game differential” in case we have a tie at the end of the season (e.g. 2 players on 26 points). Game Differential relates to the games won/lost and the more convincing you win the set, the better the difference (e.g. 6-3 is +3, 6-1 is +5, 7-6 is +1).

For the top 3 players (after 15 rounds), they will receive a prize of:

- 1x Dunlop AO tube (4 balls)
- 1x Dunlop white cap
- 1x Dunlop 3pk Grips
- 1x Elevate Tennis t-shirt
- Most importantly, bragging rights!

Prizes:

Alongside our prizes for finishing in the top 3, we will also have weekly prizes, thanks to our amazing sponsors; Dunlop.

For the player who gets the most “convincing win” (e.g. the least amount of games dropped) they will receive a 3pk of Dunlop overgrips for free! Hopefully this prize will be a good incentive for players to keep their intensity even if they are winning comfortably.

Balls:

The Dunlop AO 2022 tennis ball will be used for every match.

Cost:

\$225 for a total of 15 matches, post-match analysis and prizes!

Each player must commit to Matchplay at the start of term 2 as this will give our matchplay competition consistency and limit the use of “reserve players”.

To Register:

Please email Nic by April 15th 2022 - n.jenkins687@gmail.com

Website:

www.elevatetennis.co.nz