

Divisions 1, 2, 3 & 4 [may be mixed gender teams]

Team Fee \$720 - to be paid no later than Sunday 1st October 2023. Team entry fee includes balls, lights & gate fees for the season.

Team entries are limited and will be accepted on a first in first served basis with priority to existing team & **close Sunday 10th September 2023.** Entries can be emailed to admin@midcanterburytennis.co.nz Payment can be made to bank a/c 03-1351-0448178-00 Please use Sunset & Team Name as reference. **Payment is to be made in full no later than Sunday 1st October 2023.**

Teams consist of a minimum of four players, name any reserves you have in mind so that they can receive their membership card so that they can stay for a drink and comply with liquor licence rules. Please ensure you have extra players available so defaulting does not occur. Ring all other captains if you are still short and to minimise the chance of defaults call Peter Leonard or Phil Crozier for assistance.

Start times:	Early game	Arrive 5.45 pm for 6.00 pm prompt start	Finish 7.45 pm
	Late game	Arrive 7.45 pm for 8.00 pm prompt start	Finish 9.45 pm

Players to be ranked 1 to 4 – strongest being No 1 and weakest being No 4

Three rounds are played on the night, each round lasting 35 minutes

- In the first round 1 and 4 play while 2 and 3 play each other
- In the second round, 1 and 3 play and 2 and 4 play
- In the third round, players 1 and 2 play the opposing teams 1 and 2 while 3 and 4 do likewise
- At deuce – first point played after deuce is the deciding point. Receivers choose to receive serve on either left or right side of court
- Toss to be made at start of each match
- Play stops immediately on the sound of the bell
- Gates will be unlocked during play for ball retrieval

Two points for each match won, no count back for overall draw. One point for each match drawn.

Competition will run two full rounds of round robin then split for playoffs. The trophies will be awarded to the winners at the completion of the playoffs.

Score sheets are to be completed by captain and returned to the pavilion along with the team balls. Points will not be allocated if balls are not returned with the score sheet. The points table and draws are displayed on the Mid Canterbury Tennis website.

Competition is played on Thursday evenings and **starts Thursday 5th October 2023 until 14th December 2023** for Christmas break. **No play on Thursday 16th November 2023** [Canterbury Show weekend]. Competition **starts back on Thursday 18th January 2024 and finishes Thursday 21st March 2024.** Rained out games will be played at the organisers discretion, at the end of the round.

A cancellation notice will be available on ph 308 3020 [opt 3] from 5.00 pm. Any further questions contact Peter Leonard 027 433 2264