Pen-y-ffordd Tennis Club

Pen-y-ffordd Tennis Club Ladder – Basic Ladder rules

This tennis ladder has been introduced to provide members with an opportunity to meet new players and play competitive yet friendly games of tennis over a specified period.

It is likely to take a little while for sensible rankings on the ladder to be established. If you feel that you would like to challenge a player higher than 3 places above you in the ladder during the first month after its introduction then please do so. You will have one "flying challenge".

Initial starting placements on the ladder will be ranked as best as possible. New members wishing to join the ladder will be placed at the bottom.

Each player must provide a telephone number and where possible an email address where he/she can be reached for setting dates for matches.

Please use the following rules with a degree of flexibility and good humour. Remember, it's only a game!

- Only fully paid members of the club may participate in the ladder.
- You can challenge any player higher than yourself.
- Once a challenge has been set no other challenge can be taken on until the match has been cancelled, forfeited, or played and the results entered.
- If the challenger wins the match, the challenger moves to his opponent's position on the ladder while the opponent drops down to the challenger's position. If the challenger does not win both players stay in their current positions.
- The date and time of any match should be mutually convenient for both players. A challengee must respond to a challenge within 7 days after being challenged and a match must be set up within 14 days of the challenge or give a default.
- If any player fails to turn up for an arranged match the other player wins by default.
- Matches must be played to best of 3 sets or short sets (to 4) if agreed by both players.
- New players wishing to join the ladder should do so by emailing simon.briscoe@virgin.net
- Any player forfeiting twice will automatically drop to the lowest position on the ladder.
- All match scores and forfeits should be reported to the ladder administrator by email to <u>simon.briscoe@virgin.net</u> or via text to 07920052686 clearly stating names and set results
- The ladder will be updated on a regular basis in the clubhouse or external noticeboard. It will also be available on request via email.
- The challenger is responsible for checking court availability.
- The Ladder will operate until XXXX / XXX / XXXX.