



Cannock Winter Singles League



- 16yrs+ Singles League open to all abilities, members and non-members during November til March.
- All matches to be played at mutually agreed venue/time at clubs, park & community venues.
- Counts for LTA Rating. Additional rules attached.
- 5-6 players per division (1 match per 3wks approx.). Divisions will be seeded based on perceived ability. Promotion and relegation. Trophies.
- **Closing date for entries 10th November.**
- **How to enter: Send form below to Chris Perrin** Via email cheslynhaytennis@live.com OR Tel 07871 993921. £10 entry.

Full Name:	Phone Number:
British Tennis Number (if known):	Rating (if known):
Email:	Home Venue (where you wish to play home games):

Rules

1. At the beginning of each league season, players will be sent a list of the players in their division. Players will then be expected to organise the matches on a date suitable to both players before the league deadline date. Only players that have paid their entry fees and entered on time will eligible to play in the league.
2. All matches will be the best of 3 tie break sets to 6 games. Although players may replace the final set with a championship tie-break (first to 10 points, by 2 clear points) if both players agree, in which case this set will be scored as 7-6.
3. In each division half of the matches will be played as the home player and the other half as the away player. It is both players responsibility to arrange the match and the home player has the right to choose the venue for the match. The

home player must provide new(ish) match balls and pay any court fees/ visitor fees. Any floodlight costs should be split between the two players. All matches must be played in South/Mid Staffordshire.

4. Players are responsible for arranging their own matches. However, if a player does not respond to three contact attempts (email/phone/text) within reasonable time in between each contact by his/her opponent, the opponent has the right to claim a walkover. Proof of contacts made (e.g. e-mails & text copies) are needed when claiming a walkover, and should be sent to the organiser(s) immediately and before the league deadline. These claims will then be passed onto the League Referee for adjudication. **If there is a problem organising matches the home player will give the away player 3 days (of different days of the week) and times to play. If the away player cannot fulfil any, it will be a walkover.**
5. With the exception of bad weather, a player must give more than 24 hours notice when cancelling a match; otherwise his/her opponent has the right to claim a walkover.
6. If a player arrives more than 15 minutes late for a match, his/her opponent has the right to claim the first set of the match, and if more than 30 minutes late a walkover.
7. A player must play at least one match by the mid point date of the league, otherwise the league organiser(s) has the right to disqualify that player from the league and (s)he will be replaced by a reserve list player and disqualified from the following season's league.
8. If a player does not play any league matches and has not officially withdrawn from the league (as per rule 9), (s)he will be excluded from the following season's league.
9. Players are expected to comply with general LTA competition regulations and the League Referee's role is to ensure these are adhered to in the league. In cases of inappropriate behaviour, the organiser(s) has the right to deduct points or in exceptional circumstances permanently exclude the offending player(s) from the league based on the League Referee's appraisal of the situation.
10. At the end of the league, the player with the most points will win each division with the top 2 in divisions lower than Division 1 winning promotion to the higher league. The bottom 2 (unless specified at the beginning of the season) in each division will be relegated to the lower division.. In the event that players are level on points at the end of the season, players will be separated on head to head record.
11. All match results will be sent to the LTA for rating purposes. Therefore all players are encouraged to be a British Tennis Member.

