

# WOMEN'S SINGLES LADDER

Our singles ladder is open to women of all levels. It's a great opportunity to improve your game, increase your fitness and expand your social network within the club. The Ladder gives members a chance to play competitively against members of similar skills. It's about **fun, competition** and **meeting new people**.

## Format

- ✓ Players are arranged into boxes (groups) with other players of a similar skill level.
- ✓ A list of the boxes will be emailed to all participants and will also be posted on the club bulletin board.
- ✓ You play 1 match against each player in your box.
- ✓ Players are responsible for scheduling matches with opponents in their group at mutually convenient times. Each round will have a begin and end date, and players must complete the matches by that date. For example, if there are 4 players in the box, you have 4 weeks to complete the 3 matches in that round
- ✓ You can join the Ladder at any time, but new entrants will begin at the beginning of the following round. You will be placed on the Ladder in a box with other players of similar skill level. You will not be placed at the bottom of the Ladder.

## Rules and Scoring

- ✓ Participants must be CCTC members.
- ✓ All Ladder matches are to be played at CCTC during Club hours.
- ✓ No fees to join, players play applicable court rate.
- ✓ Players provide their own balls
- ✓ USTA Match Format. Best of 3 sets. 3<sup>rd</sup> Set 10 point tiebreaker. If the match is not completed within the length of your booking (1.5 hrs), whoever was leading the match gets the win. If both players agree, the match can be continued to completion.
- ✓ If a match has been scheduled and a player does not show up or cancels within 24 hours of the match, the player loses by Default.
- ✓ Record scores on club bulletin board.
- ✓ Points are awarded for each match as follows: playing=1pt, winning=2pts, completing all matches in round=2 pts

## End of Round

- ✓ At the end of each round, the player(s) with the most points will move up to the next higher box, the player(s) with the fewest points will move to the next lower box, and the others will remain in the same box. The exceptions are the top player(s) in the highest level, who will stay in the highest level and the bottom player(s) in the lowest level will stay in that lowest level.
- ✓ If players are tied, the player who lost fewer games is considered the winner.
- ✓ In the event of players leaving the ladder, we will do our best to maintain a fair system.

## Winning the Ladder

The player finishing in the top spot of the top box at the end of the season is the Ladder Champion (this player must have competed in at least 50% of the sessions). Player who has accumulated the most total points at the end of the season will also be recognized.

