



Buffalo Niagara Community Tennis Association

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To All Area USTA Players:

Thank you for being a USTA League Player and extra thanks to the League Captains!

As is inevitable with the size of this program, the relatively short time of the seasons, and the fact that it is competitive, occasional complaints do arise. Buffalo USTA League Tennis is reaching out to clean up the court fee collection process and make sure captains are aware of the procedure. Fee payment is to be made prior to the match in one lump payment. The USTA League per player court rate will increase to \$15 effective May 4, 2015 for the foreseeable future.

It is our responsibility as league administrators to make teams and captains aware of past problems regarding late court cancellations which has bumped the acceptable time frame to 72 hours (effective May 4, 2015). If courts are cancelled after 72 hours, the teams will be responsible for full payment. We ask each team to verify and sign-off on his/her schedule within the next few weeks to hopefully minimize defaults. Complete match defaults have been an issue with regards to league standings and court booking accountability.

Please work with us and bring any problems that develop to our attention. We will attempt to resolve them in a mutually beneficial way. Captains bear the following responsibilities: to assure that their players adhere to the rules; are respectful of club requirements and proper club decorum; and are to resolve questions or conflicts in a reasonable manner. Our goal is to work with Captains to help educate teams on best League practices to keep the fun in the game and enhance the League experience. Up to date league information is posted on our website: www.bncta.org.

Because our area has been fortunate to have maintained cooperation and support for recreational competition by the players and the clubs in our community, we want to acknowledge your role as a captain in allowing the continued success and interest in this program. We encourage everyone to maintain this spirit so Buffalo may continue to stand out in the USTA League system.

Thank you,

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Buffalo League Coordinator