Heads up Captains - The 2017 Adult 40 & Over League is Now Open for Team Registration!

You are receiving this email because you were a 2016 Adult 40 & Over League Captain. We sincerely value your role as captain and appreciate that you are the true messenger of NorCal League tennis information. We hope you will captain again in 2016, but if not please forward this email to anyone who is considering captaining a team.

2017 ADULT 40 & OVER LEAGUE SCHEDULE:

- Team Registration: November 14 December 5, 2016
- Rosters open: Early December, once year-end ratings are posted
- Local League season: January 2, 2017 March 26, 2017
- Playoffs: March 30 April 2; April 13 16
- Districts: April 28 30, Sacramento
- Sectionals: June 2 4, Sacramento

2017 ADULT 40 & OVER DAYTIME

- Match start time 9 11:30 am
- 2.5+, 3.5; NEW for 2017 Women's 4.0 & Men's 3.5; 4.0
- 2.5+ level includes 2.5 and 3.0 players
- Players may compete in regular and daytime schedule
- Daytime leagues qualify for championship play

For more daytime information, please contact DeDee Winfield – <u>winfield@norcal.usta.com</u> 707-481-0370

2017 ADULT 40 & OVER FORMAT

Team Levels	Local League	Playoffs*, Districts & Sectionals	Nationals
Men's and Women's 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, and 4.5+	1 line of singles 2 lines of doubles	2 lines of singles 3 lines of doubles	2 lines of singles 3 lines of doubles
Women's 2.5+ Daytime NEW Men's & Women's 5.0+	1 line of singles 2 lines of doubles	1 line of singles 2 lines of doubles	N/A
NEW Women's 4.0 Daytime and Men's 3.5 & 4.0 Daytime	1 line of singles 2 lines of doubles	2 lines of singles 3 lines of doubles	2 lines of singles 3 lines of doubles

Players who turn 40 anytime in 2017 may join a team after January 1st Adult 40 & Over counts for year-end ratings

Why does NorCal keep rosters closed until new ratings are published?

You the captain, or your facility's tennis manager, may register your team as early as November 16, but you will not be able to roster any players until Year-end ratings are published. We do this to assure that players register for the correct level team based on their new 2016 Year End Ratings. USTA National controls the date that new ratings are calculated; USTA NorCal plans to post year-end ratings as soon as they are available, during the first week in December.

^{*} For 2017 Playoffs will be the same format as Championships, 2 lines of singles and 3 lines of doubles

^{**} This league will be running concurrently with the Mixed 40 & Over league

Team registration will be open for over 3 weeks. You will still have time to register your team if you prefer to wait until after ratings have been published. If you need to withdraw a team after it has been registered, be sure to notify the Leagues Department by December 7 to avoid any penalties.

Boundaries for the Peninsula in 2017

We thrive to create the best possible league experience for all teams and players. After research and review we have shifted facilities along the peninsula to help even out the distribution of teams. To see which locations are affected read more here.

New rules for 2017

2.03A(4) One default to count towards eligibility for National Championships

2.07 Only National Championship players will not be allowed to appeal their rating for one year after participating in a National Championship

2.00B(1)c For Adult 40 & Over (playoff only) <u>playoffs are 5 lines</u>, and have expanded playoff weekends Start time on the designated playoff weekend are as follows:

- -Thursday 6 pm 8 pm
- -Friday 6 pm 8 pm
- -Saturday 8 am 7 pm
- -Sunday 8 am 7 pm
- 2.00B(6) Reserving Courts at another Facility
- 2.00D(1)a Prescheduling Ran Make-up Dates for Playoffs
- 2.00D(2) Total Team Match Defaults at Playoffs
- 2.02A(1)b Unplayed Matches that affect Playoffs
- 2.02A(1)c Unfinished Matches that Affect Playoffs
- 2.04B(2) Dynamic Ratings at Championships
- 2.04E(1) Matches Overturned
- 3.03E(1)a Scoring of Matches by Disqualified Player

If you have any concerns or questions, please call me or one of the Adult League Coordinators, we are happy to assist in any way we can.

Good luck and see you on the courts!

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