

CRESWICK & DISTRICT COMMUNITY BANK CORPORATE CHALLENGE



Community Bank
Creswick & District

RULES 2023/2024

1. Matches played in the Creswick & District Community Bank Corporate Challenge shall be governed by the Rules of the Mt Prospect Tennis Association where they apply.
2. Competition and Tournaments shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Tennis as adopted by Tennis Australia. Any matter not covered by these Rules shall be submitted to the Executive Committee whose ruling shall be final.
3. In the event of wet weather or excessive heat, the Association Committee will endeavour to inform team captains about any cancellation by 5.30pm.
4. In the event the grass courts are deemed unsuitable for play, matches will be rescheduled to the adjacent hardcourts. Matches will be reduced to six game sets with tie breaker played at six games all.
5. Teams in the Creswick & District Community Bank Corporate Challenge shall consist of four players. Matches shall consist of nine game sets with tie break at eight games all.
6. Matches shall commence at 6.00pm and conclude at 8.15pm
7. If play has not commenced by 6.30pm then the offending team will forfeit the first 4 games of the first set, if play hasn't commence by 6.45pm then the offending team will forfeit the entire first set.
8. Tennis balls will be provided by the Mt Prospect District Tennis Association.
9. In the event of rain preventing the completion of matches, play must continue past 7.00pm to constitute a match, with the scores at time of cancellation, determining the match result
10. Any team forfeiting must notify the Association Committee and the opposing Captain as soon as possible before the time set down for playing.
11. Score sheets must be correctly filled in, including Christian names, and signed by both Captains. Score sheets must be handed in immediately after the match finishes.
12. **Points** – Matches will be won on sets with one point awarded for each set won and three points for winning the match. Should sets be tied 2 all, then the team with the most games will be declared the winner. Each team will receive three and a half points each in the event of a match being drawn on sets and games. In the event of a washout no points will be awarded.
13. **Finals** - Will be played over 2 weeks. Semi Finals and Grand Finals feature all teams playing off for final ranking.
14. **Finals** - In order to qualify for Finals, players must play at least three matches, with that team. A player may be given permission by the Executive to qualify for Finals in exceptional circumstances.
15. **Finals** - If a player is unable to play due to illness, injury or exceptional conditions; the Executive may give permission for a replacement provided that player is not as strong as the player being replaced. The opposing team Captain must also agree to the replacement.
16. **Draw in Finals** - In the event of a draw in a Men's Competition Final, the first named pair on the Score Card will play a tiebreaker to determine the winning team. In the event of a draw in a Mixed Competition Final, the first named mixed pair on the Score Card will play a tie breaker to determine the winning team.
17. **Washout in Finals.** The team finishing higher on the ladder at the end of the home and home round is declared the winner.