Internal League Boxes - The rules of engagement

The Competition will begin in October 2025- Prizes are awarded to the winners and runners-up of each competition which are determined by cumulative points awarded in all of the box rounds (consistency is key!).

The Basics:

- Play for 1hr (including warm-up) it's in everyone's interest to get started quickly as points are awarded for games played.
- Singles (mens only), Doubles & Mixed Doubles boxes enter all three events if you wish
- Singles matches: 13 full games the 13th game is a tiebreak
- Doubles matches: 15 full games the 15th game is a tiebreak
- In the event of not completing the required number of games in the allotted time, the player or pairing ahead in the last game will be awarded that game (in the event of deuce, play one more point)
- Rounds are generally 8 weeks in duration, with exact dates communicated at the start of each round. You should aim to play each opponent in your box within the allotted timeframe.

How to Score:

- Results should be recorded directly on the court booking system - <u>ClubManager365</u> - once you log in there should be a box league tab on the top right of the screen - when you click on that it should be straight forward to enter your score for each match.
- Please note that due to a constraint with the IT system, there is a limited number of combinations that can be accepted for entering the scores. The system struggles to deal with matches that haven't been completed. While this isn't ideal, it has been decided that the nearest available option on the system to the actual score should be used and that an equal number of additional games should be given to each player/ pairing to maintain the winning margin where

- possible, or where this isn't possible to give the benefit of an extra game to the winner.
- If you have any questions, feel free to email the result to Conor at sandycove.boxes@gmail.com

Zero points:

- If you do not play any matches in your box, you gain zero points and are automatically eliminated from the next round
- We would really encourage all entrants to play as many games as possible so that everyone has the opportunity to play in a competitive box. If entrants do not play, this has a knock-on effect for promotion / relegation for other players

Relegation / Promotion

 Relegation and Promotion between boxes will happen at the end of each round based on the points scored

Walkovers

- Walkovers may only be given at the discretion of the organisers (generally only given for injuries or special circumstances and not for 'difficulty organising' situations). Please inform us if you believe a walkover should be given to or by your opponents.
- If you are injured or otherwise become unavailable to play, please contact us so that we can let your opponents know

Communication

• Please get in contact with members of your box as quickly as possible once a round commences. It may be useful to set up a WhatsApp group with the other members of your box to co-ordinate matches.

Conor O'Neill will be happy to answer any questions or queries in relation to the boxes - Email at - sandycove.boxes@gmail.com



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