



World Team Tennis - 2nd May 2022

We had a great day's sport and social with World Team Tennis™ at DTSC. We had 2 closely fought matches and the Casterbridge Chargers and the Poundbury Pounders came out as the winners. Many thanks to the very generous sponsorship by Pengillys which enabled us to provide some fun prizes and a delicious lunch. This was the 2nd time we've done a WTT event, which is a fun team event, where coaching and cheering your team is encouraged. Each match consists of 5 sets (first to 5) - Women's Doubles, Men's Doubles, Women's Singles, Men's Singles, Mixed Doubles. Each eligible team member must play at least one point in each set that they are eligible for.

Winners on Court 1 - the Casterbridge Chargers. From left to right: Julie Nash, Al Clark, Sally Dinham-Scott, Rebecca Hambleton, **Alister Millar** (Captain) and Pete Jelly. They beat the Fordington Flyers 21-19 in overtime.





Runners up on Court 1, the Fordington Flyers. From left to right: Keith Butterfield, Ros Clark, **Mike Williams** (Captain), Jon Pryce, Ann Williams and Jessica Kennedy.



The teams cheering and heckling from Court 2



Winners on Court 3, the Poundbury Pounders, who beat the Dorchester Devils 20-17. From left to right: Sarah Skidmore, Chris Porter, Duncan Heath, Jane Jones, **Philippa Fortescue** (Captain) and Tony Broomfield.

Runners-up on Court 3, the Dorchester Devils. From left to right: Sue Ramsbottom, Stephen Hockaday, **Alison Beaven** (Captain), Keith Mason, Lorraine Slowther and Mike Elliott.



World Team Tennis Rules - normal tennis rules except...

MATCH: Each match consists of 5 sets (first to 5 games with a tiebreak at 4-4) in the following order - Women's Doubles, Men's Doubles, Women's Singles, Men's Singles, Mixed Doubles. Toss for serve, then server declares player(s) and receiver fields their player(s). The overall winner of the match will be determined by the total number of **games** won.

NO-AD SCORING: Games are no deuces - receiver's choice (except Mixed: gender-to-gender).

NO LETS: Lets are playable. In doubles, either player on the receiving side may return the ball after it bounces. If any player on the court calls "let" (or anything similar), their team loses the point. If players on both teams call "let" then the point will be replayed.

CHANGE OF ENDS: After four games players change ends (but not at 4-4). In the tiebreak, change ends only after the first 4 points.

SUBSTITUTIONS: A team can at any stage (between points), substitute a player (same gender) into a set. Once a player is replaced, they cannot return in that set. In doubles, the remaining player cannot change the side on which they receive or the service order. **Each player MUST play a least one point in any event they are eligible for. Failure to play an eligible player loses the set 5-0 automatically.**

COACHING is allowed (and encouraged) throughout the match as long as it does not interfere with continuous play. Coaching/cheering is not allowed between first and second serves. On- court players call their own scores and lines. Team members along or near the court **cannot** make line calls or call foot faults.

TIEBREAK: A tiebreak (first to 5 points) will be played at 4 games all in any set. Each player serves 2 points in succession starting from the deuce court. If the tiebreak reaches 4-4, the person who served the 8th point serves the 9th (final) point (again Receiver's choice - except Mixed: gender-to-gender). The winner of the 9th point is the winner of the set. Note: The tiebreak CAN be won by one point. The tiebreak counts as one game in overall match scoring.

OVERTIME: If the trailing team wins the mixed doubles set, the match is not over. Mixed doubles play continues until the leading team wins another game or the trailing team ties the score. If a tie occurs, a Supertiebreak will be used to determine the winner of the match.

SUPERTIEBREAK: *In the unusual event of a tie, a Supertiebreak is played. Toss/spin for serve, this is treated as a **new** set and substitutions are allowed. Each player serves 2 points in succession starting from the deuce court. Players change sides after 6 points. The first team to score 7 points wins the Supertiebreak. If the Supertiebreak reaches 6-6, the person who served the 12th point will serve the 13th (final) point. Since this set is mixed doubles, the final serve will be gender-to-gender. The winner of the 13th point wins the Supertiebreak and the match.*