



## 2011 USTA/SCTA MxD LEAGUE SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP

### **CONGRATULATIONS and WELCOME**

*This event features the very best elements of tennis - spirited competition, achievement, sportsmanship, friendship and fun. Out of **346** teams that competed in local league play, this Championship will showcase the top **44** teams that will compete for the right to call themselves "SoCal's Section Champions" in the **Mixed Doubles** Division. Special thanks go to the people who work to make events like this one memorable for the teams:*

***The Tournament and Facility Staff, Captains and Volunteers***

**Good luck and have fun!**

**DATES:** September 23 - 25

**LEVELS:** 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0

### **TENNIS FACILITIES**

*(There may be no Practice Courts available)*

Lakewood TC (LW)  
4212 Clubhouse Dr  
Lakewood, Ca 90712  
(562) 496-3530  
[Click here for directions](#)

Billie Jean King TC (BJK)  
1040 Park Ave.  
Long Beach, Ca 90804  
(562) 438-8509  
[Click here for directions](#)

### **HOST HOTELS**

Ayres Hotel  
12850 Seal Beach Blvd  
Seal Beach, CA 90740  
Room Rate: \$112/per night + tax  
[Click here for directions](#)

Holiday Inn  
2640 N. Lakewood Blvd  
Long Beach, CA 90815  
Room Rate: \$99/per night + tax  
[Click here for directions](#)

**Reservation Deadline: 9/8/11**

[Click here for reservation](#)

(After deadline call: 800-826-9316 or 310-590-4720)

**TOURNAMENT DESK:**  
(310) 208-3838 ext. 223 before the event  
(818) 809-8330 during the event

**TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:**  
Ali Ordoñez

**OFFICIAL REFEREE:**  
Annette Buck

**TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE:**  
Ali Ordoñez  
Linda Milan  
Norman Tam  
Staff members

**PLEASE READ ALL THE INFORMATION****CAPTAIN'S REGISTRATION FORM (CLICK HERE):**

Captains must submit the form within the deadline to confirm their team participation or the team will not be included in the event.

**DEADLINE: No later than 3 weeks prior to the event or as soon as the team is declared Local League Winners.**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

USTA Rules and League Regulations will be enforced during the championship. The Section League Coordinator or the Tournament Committee shall have the right to modify the format and scoring or use alternate sites and court surfaces in order to complete play on schedule in the event that there are more or fewer teams than anticipated, defaults, unforeseen weather conditions, or any other reason, which would necessitate a change in the announced format. If the championship, or part of the championship is cancelled due to rain or unforeseen circumstances, the championship may not be rescheduled – check with the tournament director.

**ELIGIBILITY: (Section Regulations)**

All team members must have current USTA Memberships through the completion of the championship and must bring their USTA card and picture identification, in case it is requested.

- **Minimum Age requirements:** All team members shall have reached the minimum age requirement prior to, or during, the calendar year in which such player plays his/her first local league match:
  - Senior Divisions: 50 yrs of age**
  - Super Senior Division: 60 yrs of age**
  - All Other Divisions (Adult, MxD, TriLevel & SCTA Dbls league): 18 yrs of age**
- **Minimum # of players required:** Players who were on the final roster must be available to compete:
  - Adult Division: 8 Players (3.0-4.5 levels) or 5 Players (2.5 & 5.0 levels)**
  - All Other Divisions (MxD TriLevel, Senior, Senior MxD, Super Senior & SCTA Dbls league): 6 Players**  
(Captains must request a "waiver" from the Tournament Director to participate with less)
- **Minimum # of matches required:** Players must have played a minimum of two matches (1 default received may count as a match played). *Exception: Senior MxD (Waived)*
  - A minimum of three matches played (no defaults) is needed to progress to a National Championship**
  - Exceptions: Senior MxD & Super Senior (2 match minimum)*
  - The SCTA Dbls League is a Section league - No National Championship**

**TEAM FORMAT:**

Adult Division: 2 singles and 3 doubles positions (3.0-4.5 levels) -OR- 1 singles and 2 doubles positions (2.5 & 5.0 levels)

All Other Divisions: 3 doubles positions

**MOVE UP/SPLIT UP RULE:**

Section Championship winners and/or those teams advancing to Nationals may move up one level as a team or must disperse to form new Teams at the same level. The new teams may have no more than (3) players (or (2) for 2.5 and 5.0 Adult division levels) who were on the final roster at the conclusion of local league play of any team or combination of teams that won their section championship and/or advanced to the national championships. This applies to any player who participated in any match for that team during the championship year, including defaults received.

**BALL:** 

**WARM-UP & DEFAULT:**

There will be a five minute warm-up period, including practice serves. A 15 minute default period shall be observed throughout the event. Teams are prohibited from defaulting at any Championship (*Exceptions may include: illness, injury, or personal Emergency*). Failure to complete a Championship can result in loss of future rights to play in any USTA/SCTA League program. Penalties will be given at the discretion of the Tournament Director and the Tournament Committee. (*Refer to the USTA League Regulations 3.03M –Team Defaults*). Local League winners must immediately notify the (ALC) Area League Coordinator and/or (SLC) Section League Coordinator if they will not be able to participate. Their spot may be replaced with the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team or a Wild card.

**COMPETITION FORMAT & SCORING**

All matches played will be the best of two sets, with regular scoring and a set tiebreak (first to 7 by 2) at 6-all in each set. In the event of split sets, a deciding match tiebreak (first to 10 by 2) shall be played in lieu of a third set. The Coman Tiebreak Rotation will be used for the Set and Match Tiebreak. *Procedure: players will change ends after the first point and every 4 points thereafter.* Two minute rest between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> set and between the 2<sup>nd</sup> set and 3<sup>rd</sup> set match tiebreak. Teams will participate in a non-elimination round-robin format. The winner of each flight will be determined by team matches won. In the event of a tie, the tie will be broken by the first of the following procedures:

- Winner of the most individual matches
- Winner of the fewest number of sets lost
- Winner of the fewest number of games lost
- Winner of the head-to-head match
- A method to be determined by the championship committee

**COACHING:**

Coaching is not permitted. No cell phones or electronic devices allowed on court.

**CHECK IN:** Captains will be given their match scorecard to fill in their line-up when they check in at the tournament desk at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the match. *Penalties will be enforced at the tournament director's discretion.* Any questions of eligibility (membership, waiver, and NTRP) will be taken care of at that time. This information must be confirmed before players go on court. Teams must be ready to play when the match scorecard is turned in and courts are available. It is the responsibility of all players to be ready to play whenever their match is called. When a team finishes a match, the winning team/player shall report their score and both captains are responsible for verifying the scores and signing the match scorecard.

### **ROVING UMPIRE**

A roving umpire is an official who exercises jurisdiction over more than one court. His duties are similar to those of a chair umpire and include but are not limited to the following:

- Ensuring that assigned courts are ready for play
- Enforcing the warm-up time and Point Penalty System
- Resolving scoring disputes
- Overruling line calls and calling foot faults when he/she is in direct observation of the courts
- Controlling spectators

There may be certified roving umpires present at championship sites. Roving umpires may be positioned inside the fenced areas and will interfere with play as little as possible. Players should be encouraged to play tennis without the need for umpires to be present for matches. In the case of disputed calls and upon the request of the player, a roving umpire may be supplied to oversee the match.

### **MEDICAL TIME-OUT**

**Medical condition:** Medical condition includes, but is not limited to, an injury, illness, and heat-related conditions or cramping.

**Medical time-out:** A medical time-out consists of evaluation time as determined by the referee plus a maximum of three minutes treatment time.

**Penalty:** If more than 15 minutes elapse between the time an official is notified of the medical condition and resumption of play (re-warm-up, if any), the player shall be subject to the Point Penalty System.

**Bleeding:** A medical time-out shall be called whenever a player is bleeding externally.

**Limitation on medical time-outs for heat-related conditions and cramping:** Only one medical time-out shall be permitted for heat related conditions and cramping in any match, even if the heat related condition or cramping occurs in different parts of the body. Full regulations on Medical time-out may be found in *Friends at Court, USTA Regulation.*

**EMERGENCY:** **Long Beach Memorial Hospital, 2801 Atlantic Ave., LB, (562) 933-2000**

**ATHLETIC TRAINER:** May be available for injury assessments, on and off the court.

**MASSAGE THERAPIST:** May be available for massage and/or stretching. *(Cash Fees will apply)*

### **CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE ON TENNISLINK- [Click here](#)**

- Select "District Championships" for Playoffs; --OR--
- Select "Section Championships"

Then select So. California (twice) - re-select the championship - select the division and level - click on "Match Summary."

### **NO SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM FEES**

#### **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM FEES:**

- 5-line format = \$500 + \$51.03 processing fee – Adult Division
- 3-line format = \$400 + \$40.88 processing fee – MxD; Senior & Super Senior Divisions

#### **INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP FEES:**

- \$125/per player – TriLevel Championship Invitational in Indian Wells, CA
- \$250.00/per team – Sr. MxD National Invitational in Surprise, AZ
- \$350.00/per team - Open/5.5 National Invitational in Las Vegas, NV

#### **PRIZE GIVE-A-AWAYS:**

Random drawings will be conducted throughout Section Championships. In order to win, your name must be on the line-up....*It pays to play!*

#### **T-SHIRTS & AWARDS: *\*\*Additional amounts may be purchased at the site while supplies last\*\****

- 5-line format = (12)
- 3-line format = (10)
- **T-Shirts** - For teams participating at Section Championships
- **Local League Awards (LLA)** - For Local League Winners. *(Wildcard teams do not get LLA's)*
- **Championship Awards** - For Section Champions & Finalists.

## GRIEVANCE & REVIEW PROCEDURES

*Forms and Regulations may be obtained at the Tournament Desk*

**GRIEVANCE** (Written formal complaint regarding an alleged violation of a regulation or procedure.)

### **3.03C Championship Procedures.**

**3.03C(1)** All complaints alleging a violation during championships competition shall be in writing and delivered to the duly appointed site director within thirty minutes of completion of the team match, or prior to the commencement of the next team match involving the individual or team, whichever occurs first.

### **3.03E NTRP Grievance.**

**3.03E(1)** Players who enter the USTA League by inappropriately self-rating at an NTRP level lower than the player's actual skill level is considered to have violated the standards of good conduct, fair play and good sportsmanship. These players may be subject to a NTRP Grievance. USTA League Tennis Regulation 3.00-GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES, with the following exceptions and modifications, shall apply to NTRP Grievances.

**3.03E(2)** A player with a valid NTRP Computer (C) rating, or Benchmark (B) rating, or granted an Automatic Appeal rating of a Computer (C) rating is not subject to a NTRP grievance. Any other player is subject to a NTRP grievance.

**3.03E(3)** Any league captain, coordinator or member of a championship committee may file a NTRP Grievance.

**3.03E(7) Championship Competition.** NTRP Grievances shall be filed in writing with the duly appointed site director or **NTRP Coordinator** and shall be handled by a **Grievance Committee** during a championship event. **Exception: Dynamic Ratings generated by the matches during the Adult & Senior Championships will be the major factor in determining if a grievance is upheld, unless other violations are noted.**

**3.04 GRIEVANCE APPEALS.** (Request for reconsideration of a previous decision determination or finding.)

**3.04A(1)** Any party to the complaint may appeal the decision of the Grievance Committee within the time fixed by the Grievance Committee. Upon receipt of an appeal of the decision of the Grievance Committee, the Grievance Appeal Committee shall act promptly to resolve the appeal.

**3.04A(2) Play During Grievance Appeal Procedures.**

**3.04A(2)a** If the grievance was upheld, the individual is subject to all sanctions imposed by the Grievance Committee during the appeal process.

**3.04A(2)b** If the grievance was **dismissed or** denied and appealed by the filer, the individual may participate during his/her appeal process but must understand that if the decision of the Grievance Committee is reversed; all matches played during that time may be defaulted.

**3.04A(3)** The party appealing shall file written notice of appeal with the duly appointed **site director or NTRP Coordinator** who shall send to the: Chair of the appropriate Grievance Appeal Committee, chair of the Grievance Committee whose decision is being appealed, Local or Section League Coordinator, and to the other party(ies) involved in the complaint.

**3.04A(4)** The parties appealing shall have an opportunity to submit in writing facts and arguments in support of their respective positions.

*\*\*Please take the time to review all of **3.00 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES** to familiarize yourself with the process\*\**

## NTRP DISQUALIFICATION & REVIEW PROCEDURES

**NTRP DISQUALIFICATION** (Having reached disqualification level three times, as designated in the USTA NTRP Computer Rating System Procedures, during the local league competition and/or any level of championship competition below the national championships in the adult or senior division)

**2.04B NTRP Disqualification Procedures.** Dynamic ratings will be calculated for all adult and senior division players during local league competition and at every level of championship competition below National Championships, to determine if any players have reached the NTRP disqualification criteria stated in the USTA NTRP Computer Rating System Procedures.

Who **cannot** be dynamically disqualified based on three strikes in the Adult and Senior Divisions:

- **C** Computer Players
- **B** Benchmark Players

Who **can** be dynamically disqualified based on three strikes in the Adult and Senior Divisions:

- **A** Appealed – all granted appeals
- **S** Self-rated players
- **M** Mixed exclusive players
- **T** Tournament exclusive players
- **D** Dynamic rated players

**2.04B(2) Championship NTRP Disqualification.** SCTA will choose the following option at the Adult & Senior championship events:

**2.04B(2)a** Run dynamic calculations and produce ratings throughout the championship. Through the conclusion of the championship event, notify and disqualify any player that meets the criteria for NTRP disqualification and reverse appropriate matches played.

### **2.04C NTRP DISQUALIFICATION REVIEW PROCEDURES.**

**2.04C(1)** Reviews are considered based solely on missing or incorrect information.

**2.04C(3) Championship.** If the team captain or the player disqualified during or after the conclusion of championship competition desires a review of the disqualification, he/she must request, in writing, a review before the **Section NTRP Review Committee** within the deadline set by the chair of the championships committee.

**2.04C(4)** The request for a review shall be delivered to the chair of the NTRP Review Committee. A review shall be held as soon as reasonable.

*\*\*Please take the time to review all of **2.04 NTRP DISQUALIFICATION AND REVIEW PROCEDURES** to familiarize yourself with the process\*\**

**MATCH SCHEDULE**  
**2011 USTA/SCTA MxD LEAGUE SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**LAKWOOD TC(LW) and BILLIE JEAN KING TC (BJK)**  
**SEPTEMBER 23 - 25**

**6.0 LEVEL**

**FLIGHT - I**

*SAN GABRIEL VLY(SGV)	*INLAND EMPIRE(IE)	*SAN DIEGO(SD)
SGV	vs IE	FRI @ 1:30PM @ LW
IE	vs SD	FRI @ 4:30PM @ LW
SGV	vs SD	FRI @ 7:30PM @ LW

**FLIGHT - II**

*LOS ANGELES(LA)	*ORANGE CNTY(OC)	*SAN GABRIEL VLY(SGV)(W/C)
LA	vs OC	FRI @ 1:30PM @ LW
OC	vs SGV(W/C)	FRI @ 4:30PM @ LW
LA	vs SGV(W/C)	FRI @ 7:30PM @ LW

**FINALS**

FLIGHT - I vs FLIGHT - II SAT @ 2:00PM @ LW

**7.0 LEVEL**

**FLIGHT - I**

*SAN GABRIEL VLY(SGV)	*INLAND EMPIRE(IE)	*ORANGE CNTY-WEEKDAY(OC-WD)
SGV	vs IE	SAT @ 8:00AM @ LW
IE	vs OC-WD	SAT @ 12:30PM @ LW
SGV	vs OC-WD	SAT @ 3:30PM @ LW

**FLIGHT - II**

*SAN FERNANDO VLY(SFV)	*VENTURA(VENT)	*SAN DIEGO(SD)
SFV	vs VENT	SAT @ 8:00AM @ LW
VENT	vs SD	SAT @ 12:30PM @ LW
SFV	vs SD	SAT @ 3:30PM @ LW

**FLIGHT - III**

*BEACH CITIES(BC)	*LOS ANGELES(LA)	*SAN DIEGO NC(SDNC)
BC	vs LA	SAT @ 12:30PM @ LW
LA	vs SDNC	SAT @ 3:30PM @ LW
BC	vs SDNC	SAT @ 6:30PM @ LW

**FLIGHT - IV**

*ORANGE CNTY-WEEKEND(OC-WE)	*TEMECULA VLY(TV)	*BAKERSFIELD(BAKE)
OC-WE	vs TV	SAT @ 12:30PM @ LW
TV	vs BAKE	SAT @ 3:30PM @ LW
OC-WE	vs BAKE	SAT @ 6:30PM @ LW

**SEMI-FINALS**

FLIGHT - I vs FLIGHT - III SUN @ 9:30AM @ LW

**SEMI-FINALS**

FLIGHT - II vs FLIGHT - IV SUN @ 9:30AM @ LW

**FINALS**

FLIGHT - I/III vs FLIGHT - II/IV SUN @ 12:30PM @ LW

**8.0 LEVEL**

**FLIGHT - I**

*ORANGE CNTY-WEEKEND	*SAN GABRIEL VLY(SGV)	*SAN DIEGO(SD)	*BEACH CITIES(BC)(W/C)
OC-WE	vs	SGV	FRI @ 6:00PM @ LW
SD	vs	BC	FRI @ 7:30PM @ LW
OC-WE	vs	SD	SAT @ 11:00AM @ LW
SGV	vs	BC	SAT @ 11:00AM @ LW
OC-WE	vs	BC	SAT @ 6:30PM @ LW
SGV	vs	SD	SAT @ 6:30PM @ LW

**FLIGHT - II**

*VENTURA(VENT)	*SAN FERNANDO VLY(SFV)	*SANTA BARBARA(SB)	*BAKERSFIELD(BAKE)
VENT	vs	SFV	FRI @ 6:00PM @ LW
SB	vs	BAKE	FRI @ 6:00PM @ LW
VENT	vs	SB	SAT @ 11:00AM @ LW
SFV	vs	BAKE	SAT @ 2:00PM @ LW
VENT	vs	BAKE	SAT @ 5:00PM @ LW
SFV	vs	SB	SAT @ 5:00PM @ LW

**FLIGHT - III**

*LOS ANGELES(LA)	*BEACH CITIES(BC)	*TEMECULA VLY(TV)	
LA	vs	BC	SAT @ 9:30AM @ LW
BC	vs	TV	SAT @ 2:00PM @ LW
LA	vs	TV	SAT @ 5:00PM @ LW

**FLIGHT - IV**

*SAN DIEGO NC(SDNC)	*INLAND EMPIRE(IE)	*ORANGE CNTY-WEEKDAY(OC-WD)	
SDNC	vs	IE	SAT @ 9:30AM @ LW
IE	vs	OC-WD	SAT @ 2:00PM @ LW
SDNC	vs	OC-WD	SAT @ 5:00PM @ LW

**SEMI-FINALS**

FLT-I vs FLT-III SUN @ 8:00AM @ LW

**SEMI-FINALS**

FLT-II vs FLT IV SUN @ 8:00AM @ LW

**FINALS**

FLT-1/III vs FLT-II/IV SUN @ 11:00AM @ LW

**9.0 LEVEL**

**FLIGHT - I**

*ORANGE CNTY-WEEKEND(OC-WE)	*BEACH CITIES(BC)	*SAN DIEGO NC(SDNC)(W/C)	
OC-WE	vs	BC	SAT @ 11:00AM @ BJK
BC	vs	SDNC	SAT @ 2:00PM @ BJK
OC-WE	vs	SDNC	SAT @ 5:00PM @ BJK

**FLIGHT - II**

*SAN DIEGO(SD)	*SAN FERNANDO VLY(SFV)	*LOS ANGELES(LA)	
SD	vs	SFV	SAT @ 11:00AM @ BJK
SFV	vs	LA	SAT @ 2:00PM @ BJK
SD	vs	LA	SAT @ 5:00PM @ BJK

**FLIGHT - III**

*SAN DIEGO NC(SDNC)	*SAN GABRIEL VLY(SGV)	*SANTA BARBARA(SB)	
SDNC	vs	SGV	SAT @ 12:30PM @ BJK
SGV	vs	SB	SAT @ 3:30PM @ BJK
SDNC	vs	SB	SAT @ 6:30PM @ BJK

**FLIGHT - IV**

*VENTURA(VENT)	*INLAND EMPIRE(IE)	*TEMECULA VLY(TV)	
VENT	vs	IE	SAT @ 12:30PM @ BJK
IE	vs	TV	SAT @ 3:30PM @ BJK
VENT	vs	TV	SAT @ 6:30PM @ BJK

**SEMI-FINALS**

FLT-I vs FLT-III SUN @ 9:30AM @ LW

**SEMI-FINALS**

FLT-II vs FLT IV SUN @ 9:30AM @ LW

**FINALS**

FLIGHT - I/III vs FLIGHT - II/IV SUN @ 12:30PM @ LW