

## Heads up Captains – The 2018 Adult 40 & Over League is Now Open for Team Registration!

You are receiving this email because you were a 2017 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 2018, but if not please forward this email to anyone who is considering captaining a team.

### 2018 ADULT 40 & OVER LEAGUE SCHEDULE:

- Team Registration: November 13 – December 10, 2017
- **Player Registration: Early December, once year-end ratings are posted**
- Local League season: January 8, 2018 – April 1, 2018
- Playoffs: April 5 - 8; April 19 – 22, 2018
- Districts: May 4- 6, 2018, Sacramento
- Sectionals: May 18 – 20, 2018, Sacramento

### 2018 ADULT 40 & OVER FORMAT

Team Levels	<b>NEW</b> Local League	Playoffs*, Districts & Sectionals	Nationals
Men's and Women's 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, and 4.5+	2 line of singles 3 lines of doubles	2 lines of singles 3 lines of doubles	2 lines of singles 3 lines of doubles
Women's Daytime 2.5+, 3.5, 4.0	1 line of singles 2 lines of doubles	1 line of singles 2 lines of doubles	N/A
Men's & Women's 5.0+	3 lines of doubles	3 lines of doubles	3 lines of doubles**
<p><b>Players who turn 40 anytime in 2018 may join a team after January 1<sup>st</sup></b>  <b>Adult 40 &amp; Over counts for year-end ratings</b>  <b>**Invitational – Las Vegas</b></p>			

### FORMAT 2018 ADULT 40 & OVER DAYTIME

- Local League and Post Season format will be 1 singles and 2 doubles
- Match start time 9 - 11:30 am
- Mandatory 3<sup>rd</sup> set Match tie-break
- 2.5+, 3.5, 4.0
- 2.5+ level includes 2.5 and 3.0 players
- Players may compete on a traditional and daytime team through postseason

For more daytime information, please contact DeDee Winfield – [winfield@norcal.usta.com](mailto:winfield@norcal.usta.com) 707-481-0370

### 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 13, 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 2017 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.

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.

### [New rules for 2018](#)

#### **2.01C(2)** Team Match.

- A majority of matches must actually be played
- In the case of invalid matches if scores are entered in TennisLink they will count for NTRP ratings and advancement.
- Each Sectional Association shall establish procedures in the event of a team default or double default.

**2.06A** All 2.5 and 5.0 National Championship teams are allowed to retain 3 players who qualified or advanced to National Championships.

Split-up only applies to the same Division (Adult or Mixed), same age group and same NTRP team level that the team qualified for or advanced to a National Championship

The best place to find answers to your questions is on the [League Resources page](#). A link to this page is on every player and team page.

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