

9 & 10 NOVEMBER 2024 NATIONAL TENNIS CENTRE, JALAN DUTA

TOURNAMENT FACT SHEET

TOURNAMENT ORGANISERS

Fuzzy Balls (a brand of Twenty-Four Consulting PLT) & Ignite Asia)

DATE & TIME

9&10 November 2024 (8:00am to 8:00pm)

VFNUF

National Tennis Centre Jalan Duta, Kuala Lumpur

OFFICIAL TENNIS BALL

Dunlop AO

EVENT

Men's Singles (32 draw) - Outdoor Courts Men's Doubles (32 draw) - Outdoor Courts Ladies Doubles (16 draw) - Indoor Courts *Only one event per person. You cannot play both singles and double*

ENTRY FEES

Men's Singles – RM 200 per player Men's Doubles – RM 280 per pair Ladies Doubles - RM 280 per pair

Payable to Twenty-Four Consulting PLT [Affin Bank - 106580024992]. Fees are non-refundable.

ELIGIBILITY

Open only to **amateurs** or **social tennis players**. Current national or state tennis players, and high-level coaches are NOT allowed to participate. This is to ensure the level of play stays at a social level and ensures everyone a chance. Entries will be screened and entries may be denied at the discretion of the organising committee.

AGE QUALIFICATION

Open only to **adults** that have or will reach 18 years old on or before 31 December 2023.

PRIZES

Individual prizes will be awarded to the winners. Please refer to Appendix 1 on the breakdown of prizes.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Please refer to Appendix 2 below.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

- Group stage followed by knockout rounds. In all events, players/teams will be drawn into eight groups with four players/teams per group and will play each other once during this group stage.
- Two points are awarded for each win. Upon completion of the group matches, the top two players/teams in each group will advance to the main knockout rounds.

- In all events, the bottom two finishers in each group will play in the plate knockout rounds on Sunday.
- 4. In the event of a tie in points, players/team will be ranked based on the games won/lost ratio. If games won/lost ratio is similar, the head-to-head record will be the final deciding factor.

MATCH FORMAT

- 1. All men's matches shall be the pro set (first to win 8 games) with a tiebreak to 7 points to be played if games are tied at 7-7.
- All ladies matches shall be one set (first to win 6 games), with a tiebreak to 7 points to be played if games are tied at 5-5.
- For all matches, normal deuce points format shall be used.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Saturday 9 Nov 2024 – Group Stage Men's Singles – 8:00am to 2:00pm Men's Doubles – 2:00pm to 8:00pm Ladies Doubles - 9:00am to 5:00pm

Sunday 10 Nov 2024 - Knockout Rounds

Men's Singles – starts from 8:00am Men's Doubles – starts from 10:00am Ladies Doubles - starts from 9:00am

Note

1. All players are required to play on both days.

2 All players are to register an hour before the start of play on both days.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the case of inclement weather, matches may be rescheduled and/or alternate scoring method may be used at the sole discretion of the Tournament Director.

ENTRY FORMS

All entries are to be submitted online via our website, fuzzyballs.my.

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ORGANISING COMMITTEE

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to alter the above conditions and programme in any way they see fit for the successful conclusion of the tournament.



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APPENDIX 1 - PRIZES

PRIZES FOR THE FUZZY BALLS COMMUNITY TENNIS OPEN

MEN'S SINGLES

Main Draw:

Men's Singles Champion: RM700 cash + Framed Certificate + Prizes from sponsors Men's Singles Finalist: RM400 cash + Framed Certificate + Prizes from sponsors Men's Singles Semi-Finalists: Certificate + Prizes from sponsors

Plate Event:

Men's Singles Plate Champion: RM100 cash + Certificate + Prizes from sponsors Men's Singles Plate Finalist: Certificate + Prizes from sponsors

*Prizes above are subject to a full 32 draw, and could change

MEN'S DOUBLES

Main Draw:

Men's Doubles Champion: RM700 cash + Framed Certificate + Prizes from sponsors Men's Doubles Finalist: RM400 cash + Framed Certificate + Prizes from sponsors Men's Doubles Semi-Finalists: Framed Certificate + Prizes from sponsors

Plate Event:

Men's Doubles Plate Champion: RM100 cash + Certificate + Prizes from sponsors Men's Doubles Plate Finalist: Certificate+ Prizes from sponsors

*Prizes above are subject to a full 32 draw, and could change

LADIES DOUBLES

Main Draw:

Ladies Doubles Champion: RM600 cash + Framed Certificate + Prizes from sponsors Ladies Doubles Finalist: RM400 cash + Framed Certificate + Prizes from sponsors

Plate Event:

Ladies Doubles Plate Champion: RM100 cash + Certificate + Prizes from sponsors Ladies Doubles Plate Finalist: Certificate + Prizes from sponsors

*Prizes above are subject to a full 16 draw, and could change



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APPENDIX 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS

Rules and regulations will be strictly applied during the course of the two-day tournament. At this tournament, all matches except the final will be played without a Chair Umpire. So should there be any conflicts or disagreements during a match, we do hope to resolve them quickly and amicably based on the set of rules and regulations outlined here. It is in the best interest for all competitors to be familiar with the rules below.

GENERAL CONDUCT

- 1. Behaviour. We have a zero-tolerance for unsporting behaviour towards other players. Swearing at or threatening physical harm to other players is not allowed nor is it accepted during matches. Those found guilty will be kicked-out of the tournament, and subsequently banned from future events. Also, please refrain from shouting obscenities during matches (even ones directed towards yourself); or rather keep the volume down.
- 2. Punctuality. We expect all players to make it to their matches on time. Players who are more than 10 minutes late will forfeit the match with a score of 8-0 given in favour of the other player. If both players are more than 10 minutes late, an alternative scoring method will be used at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
- 3. Fair Play. No Chair Umpire will be present during matches except the final. Players are responsible to make calls on their side of the net and thus are expected to be fair to their fellow player.
- 4. Time limits. As there won't be an umpire, please try not to slow down the game too much. Take a sip of water or a bite to eat after each change of ends, but please do it quickly. The unofficial allocated time per match is 60 minutes.

MATCH RULES

At this tournament, all matches except the final will be played without a Chair Umpire. All players should be aware of the following basic principles when playing a match in these circumstances:

- 1. During each match, switch sides after every odd game (eg, 1,3,5,7,etc...).
- 2. Each player is responsible for all calls on his/her side of the net.
- 3. All "out" or "fault" calls should be made promptly after the ball has bounced and loudly enough for the opponent to hear. If in doubt, the player must give the benefit of the doubt to his/her opponent.
- 4. If a player incorrectly calls a ball "out" and then realises that the ball was good, the point should be replayed, unless it was a point winning shot or unless that player made an incorrect "out" call earlier in the match. In these circumstances, the player who called "out" loses the point.
- The server should call the score before each 1st serve, loud enough for his/her opponent to hear
- 6. If a player is unhappy with his/her opponent's actions or decisions, he/she should call the Referee (or assistant).

LINE CALL DISPUTES

- If the Referee (or assistant) is called to the court over a disputed line call and he/she was not
 watching the match, he/she should ask the player who made the call (on his/her own side of
 the net) if he/she is sure of the call. If the player confirms the call, the point stands with this
 call.
- 2. If the Referee (or assistant) is off-court and happens to be watching a match when a player makes a blatantly incorrect call, he/she can go on-court and tell the player that the incorrect call was an unintentional hindrance to his/her opponent and the point will be replayed. The Referee (or assistant) must also tell the player that any further clearly incorrect calls may be considered as a deliberate hindrance and the player will lose the point. In addition a Code Violation for Unsportsmanlike Conduct can be given if the Referee (or assistant) is sure that the player is blatantly calling incorrectly.



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SCORE DISPUTES

- 1. If the Referee (or assistant) is called to court to resolve a score dispute, he/she should discuss the relevant points or games with the players to find out the points or games that the players agree on. All points or games which the players agree on stand and only those in dispute should be replayed. For example, a player claims the score is 40-30 and his opponent claims the score is 30-40. You discuss the points with the players and discover that they disagree only on who won the first point in the game. The correct decision is to continue the game from 30-30, since both players agree that each of them has won two points in that game.
- 2. When a game is in dispute, the same principle applies. For example, a player claims that he is leading 4-3, but his opponent disagrees, claiming that he is leading 4-3. After discussing the games you discover that both players claim they won the first game. The correct decision is to continue the match with the game score 3-3, since both players agree that each of them has won three games. The player who received in the last game that was played will serve in the next game.

OTHER ISSUES

- There are a number of other issues that are difficult to handle when there is no Chair Umpire.
 When there is a dispute regarding lets, not-ups and foul shots, the Referee (or assistant) should try to find out from the players what happened and either confirm the call that was made or replay the point, as he/she deems appropriate.
- 2. Foot Faults can only be called by a Referee (or assistant) and not by the receiver. However, to call foot faults the official must be standing on-court for the match. Officials standing off-court are not allowed to make foot fault calls.
- 3. Coaching, as well as other Code and Time Violations can only be handled by the Referee (or assistant), so it is extremely important that there are officials observing the conduct of the players and coaches. When issuing a Code or Time Violation, the Referee (or assistant) should go on to court as soon as possible after the violation and briefly inform the players that a Code or Time Violation has been issued.
- 4. The decision made by the Referee (or assistant) is final. Players who do not fairly follow these procedures can be subject to the Unsportsmanlike Conduct provision of the Code of Conduct, but this should only be used in clear situations.