A guide to Ebbisham squash leagues

How the internal leagues work, how to score, and what to do if a match can't be played

The Ebbisham Squash and Racketball section welcomes members of all ages, from beginners to experienced club players. Membership gives you use of the courts, access to the online booking system, and a place in the internal squash and racketball leagues, which are run by volunteers.

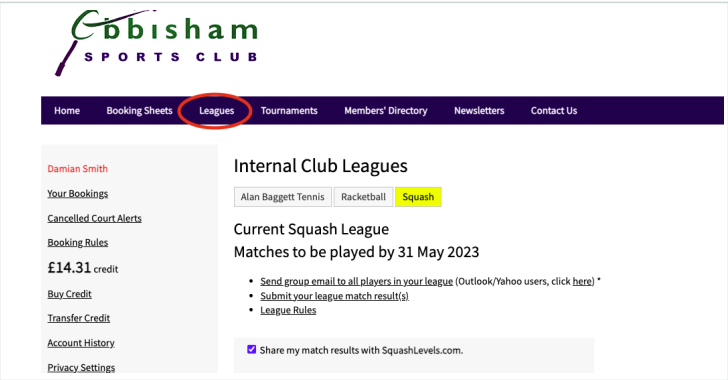
The leagues let you play people of a similar standard and give you a clear way to improve. To get the most out of your membership, we encourage everyone to join, whatever your level.

At a glance

Each league	About 5 players (varies with numbers)
Each round	One calendar month: play everyone in your league
Deadline	Results in by **10pm on the last day of the month**
Movement	Usually 2 up and 2 down each month
To join or leave	Email ebbishamsquash@gmail.com

How the leagues work

- Leagues are run through the **online booking system**. Log in with your member login and password, then choose **Leagues** in the top menu and the **Squash** tab.
- There you can see your league, your opponents and the results entered so far. You can also email everyone in your league in one go.
- The league page gives your opponents' contact details. Please make sure you have given consent on the website for your own details to be shared.
- Leagues carry on as normal through the club championships and holiday periods.
- Promotion and relegation (usually 2 up, 2 down) can vary as players join or leave the leagues.



Finding the leagues: log in, click **Leagues**, then the **Squash** tab.

The League Cup

Everyone in the leagues is entered automatically. The League Cup goes to the player who gains the most league points between September and the Squash Championships (usually April).

Playing your matches

- Matches are **best of 5 games**, using point-a-rally (PAR) scoring up to 16. At 14–14 the game continues until one player is two points ahead, e.g. 16–14 or 17–15.
- Both players share responsibility for arranging the match. Please make every effort to arrange and play it.
- Either player can enter the result, but it is up to the **winner** to make sure it goes in, to get the points.
- **Enter the result in games** (e.g. 3–1), not the points in each game. The system turns this into league points using the table below. If you make a mistake, just enter the result again.
- Full playing rules: England Squash rules and regulations.

League points

You score one point for every game you win, plus a bonus: **2 for winning the match and 1 for losing it**. If a match is unfinished, both players get a bonus of 1.

Result (games)	Games points	Bonus	League points
Completed matches			
3–0	3–0	2–1	**5–1**
3–1	3–1	2–1	**5–2**
3–2	3–2	2–1	**5–3**
Unfinished matches			
2–0	2–0	1–1	**3–1**
2–1	2–1	1–1	**3–2**
2–2	2–2	1–1	**3–3**
1–1	1–1	1–1	**2–2**
Matches not played			
Walkover	–	3–0	**3–0**
Draw (neither can play)	–	0–0	**0–0**

If a match can't be played

- **No-show:** if a player doesn't turn up for an arranged match without notice, they get 0 points and their opponent gets 3 (a walkover).
- **Late cancellation:** if a confirmed match is cancelled and can't be rearranged, the player who cancelled forfeits and the opponent takes a walkover.
- **One player unavailable:** the player who is available gets a walkover.
- **Neither player able to play:** enter it as a draw (0–0).
- **Nothing entered:** the match is treated as not arranged and recorded as 0–0.
- Please don't agree any other score for a match that wasn't played. It isn't fair on the rest of the league. Otherwise, use common sense: the aim is to be fair to both players and everyone else in the league.

How final league positions are decided

1. Most league points.
2. If level on points: the result of the head-to-head match between the tied players.
3. If still level: fewest points conceded (total points against).
4. If still level: current league position, which reflects last month's results.

Questions? Get in touch

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