

Winter Challenge Ladder Tournament

December 1 – April 1

- You may challenge up to three places higher on the ladder. You can find the current standings at <https://thevillagesttc.weebly.com/winter-challenge-ladder.html>
- When challenged you can accept the challenge, refuse the challenge, or tell the challenger that you already have a challenge. A refusal will be recorded as a loss so accept the challenge even if you think you don't have a chance.
- Only one challenge at a time. You cannot challenge a player who already has a challenge. You cannot ask to be next in line. You cannot challenge a player assuming you will win (or lose) a current challenge. Only one challenge at a time.
- The date, time and location of the match will be as agreed upon by the players. Be flexible and play the match as soon as possible. If the match is not played within 4 days the challenger wins.
- All matches are best 3 of 5 games.
- There is no penalty for an unsuccessful challenge. If the challenged player wins there is no change in the ladder. If the challenger wins he/she moves ahead and the loser and everyone in between moves down one place.
- The winner must report the results, see the reporting form on the website.
- The losing player may not immediately challenge the winner, wait at least 4 days to give someone else a chance.

During the winter months the tables are often crowded. Be courteous, schedule matches early before the crowd arrives or at the end after players start leaving. Other than during club hours on Sunday afternoon doubles takes precedence.