

Squash Club, Playing Update

England Squash have announced that the return to playing can now move to Phase 2. In addition to current modes of play this allows normal squash to be played in bubbles of up to 6 players. A player can only be a member of ONE bubble. Members of the same household may be a member of a bubble and still play together.

Effective Tuesday 1st September the bubbles can be created, and play can commence. ManageMyMatch has been set up so that the bubbles can be created within the system. Instructions on how to set up a bubble can be found [here](#).

The ES rules around the squash bubbles are as follows:

- Maximum of 6 people per bubble and full court play
- No interchange of players between bubbles
- No competitive inter-club play
- Personal eye wear is compulsory, using the club's eye protection is not permitted
- Only two players on court at one time
- Play best of 3 games
- Play first to 11 points sudden death at 10 all
- Use sides as warm-up
- During each game, when the first player reaches five points, both players should wipe away excessive sweat, sanitise their hands and ball and repeat this between games.
- The same player to serve/touch the ball during each half of the game and at halfway of the game the service is switched
- Players must not wipe their hands on the court walls
- Players are not allowed to shout or raise their voices

- Each bubble that is set up will be monitored for compliance by the Covid 19 officer (Michael Stroud)
- Box leagues can be played within a bubble
- Social distancing off court must be maintained at all times
- If a player within a bubble exhibits Covid signs and symptoms all players who have come into contact with them must isolate for 7 days or until its is determined through testing that the player is not infected.

To set up a bubble at the Club is a relatively simple process, a Club member registers the bubble on MMM in My Groups and then adds up to 5 players. Full instructions can be found [here](#). There will not be a published directory of bubbles, however if you would like to join an established bubble please contact Myself/Ruth/Sean for a list of bubbles with spaces.

Tricia Malliff will start group coaching as of 21st September, more information on this will be sent out by Tricia in the next few days.

Best Wishes

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