## **At the AGM is was emphasised the need to arrange matches and get them played promptly so the tournament can run fairly to all.**

To ensure the tournament runs smoothly for the benefit of everyone, the Rules to be followed are below (with additional notes):-

1) Every Competitor is responsible for arranging matches they are in (please do not wait for others to make contact with you)
2) Matches are best of 3 sets, with a tie break at 6-6 in any set.
3) Matches are to be played by the dates shown on the Draw sheets.
4) If a match is not completed by the stated date, ALL players in that unplayed match will be scratched. If one pair feel they tried everything to arrange the match and that the opposing pair were culpable in the non-playing of the match, then they can appeal by email to lain, with evidence of their communications, for a final decision on the matter.
5) Matches cannot be played on courts used during Club Evenings unless they become free later in the evening.
6) Results are to be given to lain Stewart or James Maddox immediately after matches have been played (please also copy in hoveparktennis @ btinternet.com or on Club private Facebook group).
7) If you are unable to compete further, even for a temporary period, please inform lain/James. Please also try and let your partner/opponents know.
8) A reminder will be sent if results have not been received by the stated date (but please do not wait for this - see Rule 4)
9) If you are not free on Finals Day you must withdraw from the Tournament asap.
10) If necessary the Tournament Directors will arbitrate in the event of a dispute (and have the final say).
11) If you have an injury last more than two weeks then you need to withdraw from the tournament,
so you aren't holding it up.
Most important - Have fun and enjoy!! - lain
