

## Sundridge Park Padel Championship

It's time for Sundridge Park's 2025 winter/spring Padel championships. Join us for an exciting season of intense matches, friendly competition, and thrilling action on the court. Alex Wilson has volunteered to run this year's tournament and as many of you will have seen from the whats app group, Alex always promises great weather and even better Padel so do sign up!

Entry is now open and free to all of our fully paid Padel Club members. We're conscious that there are a large number of regular players on the waiting list to become full members. We have decided to open up this year's tournament to those individuals currently on the waiting list to join. To be fair to full members, "waiting list" participants will need to have a partner who is a member and the cost of entry for waiting list members will be £10 per draw.

The championship features three draws as a minimum being Men's, Women's, Mixed. If there is sufficient interest then we will also run a Men's vets and Women's vets tournament. For this purpose, vets are those aged 50+ (please don't be offended at being called a vet as life begins at 50!)

### **Important dates:**

The closing deadline for entries is strictly Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February at 6 p.m and the finals day is on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

If you wish to participate in the championship, please send an email to [admin@thesundridgeparkclub.co.uk](mailto:admin@thesundridgeparkclub.co.uk) or a WhatsApp message to Alex Wilson on **07944 513615**.

### **Please ensure that you detail the following:**

- **1.** The event(s) you wish to enter
- **2.** Your partner, or if you require help finding a partner
- **3.** Yours and your partner's contact number

### **Tournament Rules and Information:**

- A player may register for a maximum of three draws, but on Finals Day, they may only participate in two games.
- The tournament is free for fully paid Padel members. Individuals on the membership waiting list as of 31 January 2025 can enter at a cost of £10 per draw but their partner must be a fully paid member (payment will be due by Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February by which time we will know if there is sufficient interest in each of the draws).
- The organisers will seek to seed each draw to the extent practical.

- Finals must be played on Finals day; they cannot be postponed for players' convenience.
- Players who become aware that they will not be able to compete in further rounds of an event should withdraw from the competition not later than at match point (to their advantage) in the previous round. Don't forget that players can only compete in two finals!
- Please play games by the deadlines; otherwise, both players or couples risk being disqualified.
- The link to the online draw will be published on the club's Padel WhatsApp main group.
- The round deadlines can be found on the main overview page and on the right of each match for each round.
- **The match winner is responsible for submitting the result to Alex via WhatsApp at 07944 513615 within 24 hours of the match being completed.**

### Conduct of Matches

- The finals day is on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May. Times for matches will be set closer to the time and players should be prepared to be full available on that day. We cannot alter proposed match start times for players convenience.
- The deadline for the completion of each round will be marked on the shared link.
- Format: all matches (including finals) are the best of three sets. The first two sets are tie-break sets, and the third set, if required, will be a championship tie-break (first to 10 points with 2 clear points).
- Players can enter with their teammates or contact the organisers to find a partner for you.
- Opponents should contact each other at the earliest possible opportunity to ensure that matches are played within the allotted time. Those initiating contact will have the right to claim the match if they offer their opponents three reasonable times for play, none of which are accepted, and an alternative mutually convenient date cannot be found. The tournament organisers will scratch players who delay subsequent rounds.