

INTER LIVERY REAL TENNIS RULES for the 2024 TOURNAMENT To be held at The Queen's Club on Wednesday 6th November 2024

- There will be two separate competitions – with the lowest handicap pairs competing for the Skinners' Leopards on the East Court the higher handicap pairs for the Thomson Tyndall Trophy on the West Court
- All players must be members of T&RA
- the handicaps will be taken from RTO 9am Sunday 3rd November 2024. Any players without a recorded match on RTO since 3rd August 2024 will be penalised four handicap points. The handicap for each pair will be capped at 65 (meaning that if your combined handicap is greater, you will be required to play off 65)
- Each competition will comprise three boxes of four pairs. The winner of each box will go through to a knock-out phase, along with the best pair from those in second place from the three boxes IE four pairs, in total, will progress to the knock-out.
- The box winner will be decided primarily upon the better ratio of matches won vs. matches lost; and secondarily upon the better ratio of games won versus games conceded.
- All matches will be the first to seven games or 25 minutes on the buzzer – coin toss or Racquet spin should happen on entry to the court for each match – Only a short knock-up will be possible.
- If the buzzer goes whilst a point is in progress, the match stops immediately and whoever was ahead at the end of the previous point is the winner. All chases being null and void at this juncture. If the match is level then one final point is played, and if a chase is then set, you immediately change ends to play it off.
- If one pair is three or more games down and they are at the receiving end, they can elect to change receivers but only once during the match
- All matches will be marked. The senior marker will be the Tournament referee. The referee will record the results
- Penalties for lateness – one game will be sacrificed for each full three minute period a player is late.
- In case of doubt, tournament committee decisions are final.