



## Pelican Sound “Ladder Up” Event

**Entry Fees:** The entry fee for the ladder entitles players to participate in the ladder activity for a full season (October 19, 2020 – December 8, 2020, 8 weeks of play). The cost is \$10 per player.

**Joining the Ladder:** A team joining an existing ladder has one initial chance to challenge anyone in any position on the ladder. If they lose that challenge match, they will be placed at the bottom of the ladder and will have to challenge to move up. If they win, they move into the position of the team they just defeated. The challenged team will then move down a position on the ladder.

**Playing format:** All matches will be the best of three sets, **NO-AD scoring**. The third set, if needed, will be a standard 10-point tiebreaker, with the match going to the first team to win 10 points with a two points difference. All other aspects of fair play and conduct will follow USTA guidelines. Matches stopped for bad weather or similar reasons must be completed within 3 days or the leading team wins.

**Challenge Guidelines:** Teams may challenge upwards a maximum of three positions. Challengers must issue the challenge to the higher team and the match must be accepted and scheduled within 3 days.

In any event, all matches must be played within a week of the challenge unless both teams agree to an extension of the ladder director (Racquet Professional) accepts a reasonable reason for the delay (player out of town or injured).

**Time between challenges:** To avoid excess challenges against any team, no team may be challenged within 5 days of having played any challenge match unless both teams agree.

**Challenger Responsibilities:** Challengers will make all needed court reservations and supply a new can of balls for the match. The time of matches must be convenient for both teams.

**Reporting Scores:** Winners of the match must report the score to the ladder director within 24hrs of the match completion.

**Post-match Positions:** If the higher position team wins the match, there is no change in position. If the challengers win the match, they move into the loser’s position and everyone in between moves down a spot.