## WAM 2024 USTA League

## **Team Coordination Changes - WHY?**



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- Philosophically, we feel USTA League Teams belong to the members vs the club. All members
  have the ability to form teams and compete for Sectionals and National titles. It is their names on
  Championship Banners, not WAM Clubs.
- We want to encourage members to take more ownership in the team organization.
- Players want to play with their friends and groups they play/practice with on a regular basis.
- Captains have always put together a group of players to create a team no change.
- This format will make the sign-up process easier with the captains in charge of creating the teams. WAM league coordinator will assist the captains when necessary.
- We understand that new members and players who are not "connected" might have trouble finding a team. Our league coordinator will help connect them with a captain/team when there is space available.

## **Updated Process**

- Members who are interested in being a captain must email the WAM league coordinator stating interest.
  - Mountain Park: andrew.pritchard@wamclubs.com
  - West Hills: dave.edwards@wamclubs.com
- · Captains will form their own teams.
  - o 3 line leagues | 12 players
  - o 4 line leagues | 14 players
  - 5 line leagues | 16 players
- WAM will work with the captains & may add players to a team if the team is not filled by the captain.
- Email the WAM coordinator if you are new to the club or don't know the captain and the coordinator will place players on a team provided we have space.
- WAM does encourage members to play at their rated USTA level.
- Captain will submit the team roster to the WAM league coordinator.
- WAM registration fee: Team fee \$250 (3 line), \$275 (4 line), \$300 (5 line)
  - The fee will be divided evenly among the team at the end of the season.
  - The fee will be charged to the player's WAM account.
  - See WAM USTA League Procedure & Policies at wamclubs.com>adult tennis page for more information regarding procedures and policies.
- WAM will reimbursement team fees up to \$150 for teams that advance to Sectionals/Nationals