

Frank Keane Fast 4 Winter Series Tournament Rules

1. This tournament is a Fast 4 competition, the scoring system is available [here](#) or on the noticeboard.
2. Players enter the tournament individually based on their current Championship Doubles Ranking, [available here](#) or on the notice board. Entry fee is €15 per person.
3. Entries are limited to 4 places each for men and ladies in Championship, Band 1 & Band 2 and 8 places each for Band 3, Band 4 & Band 5.
4. A total of 72 players will be accommodated on a first come first served basis with entries going live [Wednesday 9th at 10am](#)
5. The tournament will take place over 8 weekends on Fridays from 7pm and Saturdays from 4.30pm.
6. Players will play only 1 night on 6 of the 8 weekends scheduled for play.
7. Each discipline, Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles will have two rotations and partners are allocated on a random basis. Dates of play are as follows:
 1. 11th/12th Oct. Mixed Doubles
 2. 18th/19th Oct. Ladies Singles
 3. 25th/26th Oct. No Play
 4. 1st/2nd Nov. Men's Singles
 5. 8th/9th Nov. Ladies Singles
 6. 15th/16th Nov. Men's and Ladies Doubles
 7. 22nd/23rd Nov. Men's Singles
 8. 29th/30th Nov. Men's and Ladies Doubles
 9. 7th Dec. Mixed Doubles
8. If a player cannot play on a scheduled night a sub of the same doubles band ranking must be found by the player. If a sub of the same doubles band cannot be found you may use a player of a lower doubles band only.
9. Ineligible subs shall forfeit all points scored and rule 11 shall apply.
10. Any score accumulated by a sub shall have 6 points deducted from their total points on the night.
11. Failure to provide a sub will result in zero points being scored on the night with unopposed players being awarded 4 points. In doubles, players who do not have a partner to contest a match shall receive 2 points.
12. Play will be in round robin groups of 4 with everyone playing each other twice on the night, totalling 6 sets.
13. Scoring: 1 point shall be awarded for each game won on the night and minus 1 point for each game lost. The winner within each band classification shall be the person who has the largest nett differential of points. In the event of a tie the winner shall be decided by whom ever has won the most sets, then games and if still tied then the most 4-0 wins and so on through to the most 4-2 wins. In the event of there still being a tie the winner shall be decided by lot.
14. In mixed doubles at deuce point the man shall serve to the man and similarly the lady to lady.
15. In doubles at deuce point the receiver chooses who will receive the ball.
16. No change of ends in tie breaker, first to 5 points.
17. There are weekly prizes for highest points scorers in each band.
18. Overall men's and ladies winners shall receive a prize and the use of a brand new BMW for one weekend each in January 2020.
19. Prize giving will happen immediately after play on Finals Night 7th December.
20. All committee decisions are final.