

Committee Report from the Women's Player and Ranking Committee :

It was a less hectic year for the Women's Committee, as we were able to see how our rules and regulations we implemented the previous year were received by our tournament players.

The new point system that the Men's Committee has been using was met with positive feedback and as a result, the players as a whole were very pleased with the increased points given deeper in the draws at NRT's, Grand Prix's , and Nationals.

Thanks to Shannon and her Nationals Committee, Presidents Cup and Nationals was a success and the 4 day event had few problems or issues concerning the women players.

Our committee is steadfast in keeping with our previous decisions regarding sportsmanship and behavior. It was important for the committee to uphold a decision concerning a team who disrespected the rules of the APTA .

Our goal is to always keep with the integrity and traditions of our game which includes fair play and sportsmanship .

The biggest issue we will continue to assess, is the handling of violations of players in 2 areas:

1) sportsmanship and behavior on and off the court which includes: treatment of opponents, umpires, hut commanders, and tournament officials.

2) Defaults and forfeits in backdraws.

Although the incidences of defaulting in the backdraws of NRT's are a very small problem for the women, the committee needs to implement a clearer and consistent system to handle such situations.

We will be discussing and developing a plan this summer for the 2018-19 season.

Respectfully submitted,

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