

# Bucks County Cup Team Selection

This is an impartial process led by the team age group coach in conjunction with the County Performance Officer, Junior Team Co-ordinator and Admin Manager. The age group coach is responsible for confirming selection and non-selection with players/parents through the Admin Manager.

## 18U Team Selection

Players will be selected based on a mixture of the following factors:

- Direct Entry
  1. County & National Ranking on a given date
  2. ITF up to 1000
  3. ATP/WTA Ranking
- Player ranking and rating
- Level of involvement within LTA performance pathway (National, Regional, County)
- Performance in preceding County events/other external tournaments in singles and doubles.
- Attitude towards the Bucks values (Humility, Teamwork, Resilience)
- Commitment to a regular training and competitive programme
- Attendance at County training sessions
- Foreseeable fitness
- Commitment to compete in county events

Age group	Team Players	Direct Entry Places
12 Counties	4	
County Cup	8	At least 4

- The age group coach reserves the right to use a playoff system.
- If a nominated player is unavailable to represent the county the next player(s), if required will be selected based on player rating and ranking on the given date
- The age group coach reserves the right to change the team if a player does not attend any of the arranged practice sessions.
- If a player has not played 8 singles/doubles matches in the previous season they are automatically discounted regardless of ranking or rating. The next player will be selected based on the direct entry criteria
- All of the selections must be justified by the player following the Bucks values (Humility, Teamwork and Resilience), loyalty, commitment/attendance to county events and training, and team spirit towards all county events and activities relevant to the player.

## 11U/12U/14U Team Selection

Players will be selected based on a mixture of the following factors:

- Player ranking and rating (county and national)
- Level of involvement within LTA performance pathway (National, Regional, County)
- Performance in preceding County events/other external tournaments in singles and doubles.
- Attitude towards the Bucks values (Humility, Teamwork, Resilience)
- Commitment to a regular training and competitive programme
- Attendance and performance at County training sessions
- Foreseeable fitness
- Commitment to compete in county events

County Event	Team Players	Direct Entry Places
Lionel Cox	3-4 (11U, 12U)	
12 Counties	4	At least 2
County Cup	6	At least 2

- Direct entry is by ranking on a given date (the selection date).
- The remainder of the team will be selected according to the factors above.

- The age group coach also reserves the right to use a playoff system.
- If a nominated player is unavailable to represent the county the next player(s), if required will be selected based on player rating and ranking on the given date
- The age group coach reserves the right to change the team if a player does not attend any of the arranged practice sessions.
- If a player has not played 8 singles/doubles matches in the previous season they are automatically discounted regardless of ranking or rating. The next player will be selected based on the direct entry criteria
- All of the selections must be justified through the player following the Bucks values (Humility, Teamwork and Resilience), loyalty, commitment/attendance to county events and training, and team spirit towards all county events and activities relevant to the player.

## **10U / 9U Team Selection**

Selection is based on a number of factors:

- Level of involvement within LTA pathway (National, Regional, County, LPDC and Aspirantes Programmes)
- Performance in preceding County events/other external tournaments in singles and doubles.
- Attitude towards the Bucks values in county training sessions and tournaments (Humility, Teamwork, Resilience)
- Commitment to a regular training and competitive programme
- Attendance and performance at County training sessions
- Foreseeable fitness
- Commitment to compete in county events

**9U**

**10U**

<b>County Event 9&amp;U</b>	<b>Team Players</b>	<b>County Event 10&amp;U</b>	<b>Team Players</b>
Corby	8 (4 girls and 4 boys)	12 Counties	4
Lionel Cox	3-4	Lionel Cox	3-4
County Cup	5	County Cup	6

- If a nominated player is unavailable to represent the county the next player(s), if required will be selected based on player rating and ranking on the given date
- The age group coach reserves the right to change the team if a player does not attend any of the arranged practice sessions.
- If a player has not played 8 singles/doubles matches in the previous season they are automatically discounted regardless of ranking or rating. The next player will be selected based on the direct entry criteria
- All of the selections must be justified through the player following the Bucks values (Humility, Teamwork and Resilience), loyalty, commitment/attendance to county events and training, and team spirit towards all county events and activities relevant to the player.

## **8U Team Selection**

Based on observations throughout the county training sessions:

Performance

- Intensity and footwork to be in the very best position to find a comfortable contact point
- Position and reposition footwork
- Improvement in technical and physical elements
- Players of the game: Decision making and problem solving

Attitude & Behaviour

- Practise the way you want to play
- Determination to improvement
- Team player – treat teammates, challenges on court and coaches with respect
- Team player; players actions have a positive effect on the group

<b>County Event</b>	<b>Team Players</b>
County Cup	10 (5 girls and 5 boys)

