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# SCHOOLS' CHALLENGE

*Represent your school in a fun teams event*

*Test your skills against teams from across your region*

*Earn your chance to play alongside superstars at Brisbane International*

# Brisbane International Schools' Challenge

The Brisbane International Schools Challenge is a mixed team competition for Queensland primary schools. Each school has the opportunity to nominate one or more teams at Regional ties throughout Queensland. Winners at each tie are then invited to compete at the State final to be held at Brisbane International 2016.

## Teams

Each team must consist of four to five players. Teams can be made up of a mixture of boys and girls or can be solely boys or girls. Players can only enter in either the orange or the green ball competition. Each player is guaranteed to play an equal amount of tennis at each Regional event.

All teams must play in school uniforms, with hats being compulsory for participation. Each school also needs to submit a team name that they will use for the duration of the event.

## Cost

Teams must pay a fee of \$15 (incl. GST) per player to participate in the Regional ties. No additional cost will be incurred for participation at the State Final.

## State Final

The winners and runner-ups from all regional ties qualify for the State Final of the green ball event. For the orange ball, all winners of the regional ties qualify for the State Final.

The State Final will be held from 7-10 January 2016 at the Queensland Tennis Centre (QTC) during the Brisbane International. Players must be available for all days of competition, however a reserve may be called in the case of injury/withdrawal if needed.



While the event is based at the QTC, there may be instances where some matches are required to be played at another venue due to scheduling or weather concerns. The orange ball event will be held on Friday, 8 January at the QTC.

The opening ceremony will be held on the evening of Wednesday 6 January 2016 and all players and team managers need to be available for this presentation. All players, the team manager and a parent of each child will be issued accreditation for the duration of the State Final – this will provide access to the grounds at the event but not to seats in the Pat Rafter Arena. Other family members, friends and spectators will need to purchase a ground pass to gain access to the grounds. For more ticket information see: [www.brisbaneinternational.com.au/tickets](http://www.brisbaneinternational.com.au/tickets)

## Software

All ties will be run using the new Tennis Australia competition software. Players will be able to access their results online and through the new individualised players app as long as they have entered their details and have been provided with a unique identification number.

## Invitational Teams

Students also have the opportunity to nominate as an individual to be selected in invitational teams to compete in the State Final. To be considered for a place on the team please send an email to [tournamentsqld@tennis.com.au](mailto:tournamentsqld@tennis.com.au). Nominations will close for all invitational teams on Friday October 30. Players will be notified of the outcome of their nomination by Friday 6 November.

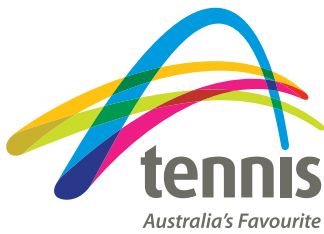
## Competition & Court Size

### Orange event (Grade 5 and below)

Children use 50% compression orange balls and play on regular courts with reduced 10.29 m length 6.4 m width.

### Green event (Grade 6 and below)

Children play on a full-sized court using 75% compression green balls.



**Format**

Teams play 4 singles and two doubles rubbers. Each rubber will be played as a FAST4 set:

- first to 4 games
- tie-breaker at 3 games all
- no ad-scoring
- play lets

Rubbers will be timed at 20-30 minutes. If the set is completed before time is up play will continue. However, only the completed first set will be considered for the final result.

In both the Orange and Green Ball events, players must serve their first serve overarm; however, if they choose, they may serve their second serve underarm and may also choose to let the ball bounce before hitting the serve (ie. bounce underarm feed as 2nd serve).

**Time Slots**

Ball	Time	Presentation
Orange ball	9.00 am - 12.00 pm	12.15 pm
Green ball	9.00 am - 2.30 pm	2.45 pm

**Where Can I Play?**

Region	Venue	Date	Closing Date
Metropolitan West	Queensland Tennis Centre	7 November	30 October
Peninsula	Cairns International Tennis Centre	7 November	30 October
North	Tennis Townsville (2 day event)	7-8 November	30 October
Sunshine Coast	Sunshine Coast Regional Tennis Centre - Caloundra	8 November	30 October
Metropolitan East	Griffith University Tennis Centre, Mt Gravatt	8 November	30 October
Darling Downs	Toowoomba Tennis Association	13 November	5 November
Capricornia	Callide Valley Tennis Association	14 November	5 November
South West	Chinchilla Tennis Association	14 November	5 November
Wide Bay	Bundaberg & District Junior Tennis Association	15 November	5 November
South Coast	Gold Coast Albert Junior Tennis Club	15 November	5 November
Metropolitan North	Shaw Park Tennis Centre	15 November	5 November
Metropolitan North	TBA (if additional venue necessary)	15 November	5 November
North West	Copper City Tennis Club - Mt Isa	15 November	5 November



# Brisbane International Schools Challenge Entry Form

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 1: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 5: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Manager: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Payment Method (please select)

- Cheque or Money Order in post (made out to "Tennis Queensland")
- Payment of cash on day of Regional Final to Tournament Director
- Direct Deposit: Tennis Queensland, BSB 064-000 Acc No. 12745432  
(Please reference your school name and BI Schools Challenge)

## Tournament Conditions

This event is sanctioned by Tennis Queensland and will be conducted in accordance with the laws of the game adopted by Tennis Australia. You acknowledge that as a participant in the tournament you are required to comply with various rules and policies.

By lodging an entry into this event, you agree to comply with and confirm that you understand:

- Tennis Code of Behaviour
- Tennis Etiquette and Rules for Non-Umpired Matches
- Tennis Queensland Extreme Heat Policy

If you do not understand the above rules and policies and/or your obligation under them, you should seek clarification from Tennis Queensland before you complete this form.

It is recommended that all schools review the above mentioned policies prior to signing this entry form. These policies can be viewed on the Tennis Queensland web site: [www.tennis.com.au/qld](http://www.tennis.com.au/qld)

I understand and agree to the tournament conditions, rules and policies outlined above.

Manager Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## More Information

Entry forms should be returned to Tennis Queensland via the details listed below:

- Email: [tournamentsqld@tennis.com.au](mailto:tournamentsqld@tennis.com.au)
- Post: Tennis Queensland, 190 King Arthur Terrace, Tennyson QLD 4105

Please note that the finalised draw and schedule for each Regional final will be emailed to schools five days prior to the start of the event. Also, to allow for travel each Regional final will not start before 9:00 am.

If you require any further information regarding the Brisbane International Schools Challenge, please contact Tennis Queensland on (07) 3120 7900 or [tournamentsqld@tennis.com.au](mailto:tournamentsqld@tennis.com.au).