



VICTORIAN COUNTRY TENNIS ASSOCIATION

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Country Week Tennis

Hosted by
WODONGA TENNIS CENTRE

All matches conducted on permanent and temporary grass courts

Teams of 4 Men or 4 Women

Team Matches commence **9.00am Monday, 8 February, 2016**

Entries Close Monday, 11 January, 2016

Fees must accompany Entry Forms to:

VCTA

Post Office Box 91, Creswick, Vic. 3363

Phone (03) 5345 2926

Email: vctaadmin@bigpond.com

Web: www.tennis.com.au/vcta

Tournament Manager: Mrs Pat Gilchrist
Asst. Tournament Manager: Mrs Carol Pearce
Referees: Ken Hastie or Deputies
Committee: Helen Hastie,
Heather Lees,
Trevor Holt

CONDITIONS

1. This tournament shall be played in accordance with the regulations as approved except where altered by the following conditions.
2. This competition shall be open to all Clubs and Associations in country areas and the team members of such competing teams shall be permitted to play provided they are financial members and have during the previous 12 months played the MAJORITY of their competitive tennis with a country Club or Association.
3. Entries must be accompanied by team fees and be lodged with the Administrator of the VCTA and must be signed by the team captain.
4. Each team may nominate up to EIGHT players only. The names and Member I.D. Nos. of the players so nominated to appear on the attached Entry Form. Any team playing an unregistered player shall forfeit the sets that the unregistered player has played. Teams may be entered in A, Special B, B, C grades and Women's Special C grade but the final classification is at the discretion of the Tournament Committee. **The number of Men's A grade teams and Women's A grade teams shall not be more than eight.**
5. In all grades teams may be divided into two or more sections.
6. When a Club or Association has multiple teams entered a player cannot play in a lower grade/section than the team they are registered with unless permission is granted by the Referee.
7. When a Club or Association has two or more teams in the one grade/section a player having played THREE matches with a team in that grade/section is tied to that team. Said player can go up but not down or across.
8. All grades/section shall play an 8 game, 7 all tie-break set in minor rounds, semi-finals and finals except for Men's A grade who shall play rubbers with tie-break at 6 all in each set in the Grand Final.
9. All matches are to be doubles with each pair of one team playing both pair of the opposing team.
10. The personnel of the teams shall be nominated prior to the commencement of each match, and no alteration to the personnel of the team shall be allowed during the progress of a match except for illness, injury or other sufficient reason, and then only with the permission of the Referee. Should the Referee approve the substitution of another player, the team is to forfeit the uncompleted set and the substitute can take such player's place in remaining unstarted sets only.
11. If a team is 5 minutes late reporting for their match after being called, the team at fault shall lose 1 game for each 5 minutes thereafter and lose the set 8-0 if unable to commence play 15 minutes following the team being called.

If a team is unable to field a complete team 1 hour after scheduled time of play that team shall forfeit the match and no points shall be awarded to that team.
12. If default be made by any team without, in the opinion of the Referee, sufficient cause being shown, their opponents shall receive 6 points as for a win, and shall be credited with 4 sets, 32 games. Should any team default more than once, that team shall be debarred from further competition.
13. All minor round matches will be of 3 hours duration. eg. 9am to 12 noon. When time is called, matches are to finish (game being played is to be completed).
14. Teams must use courts allocated for that match.
15. The winner of each match shall be decided by the number of games won and if the games be equal then by the number of sets won. A point shall be awarded for each set won and two points for winning the match. No points shall be awarded for a bye.
16. At the conclusion of each match, the captain of the winning team must hand in the official score sheet, signed by both captains, to the Tournament Box.
17. In the event of any teams in a grade/section being equal on points at the conclusion of the minor rounds, the ladder shall be decided by sets won and if equal, by the percentage of games won over games lost.
18. To be eligible to participate in semi-finals or grand finals a player must have played in THREE matches with that team. No player may play in more than one semi-final or grand final.

In finals matches in all grades, should rain interfere and cause matches to be abandoned after they have commenced, the following will apply: unless a result has been obtained, the team finishing higher on the ladder in the minor rounds shall be declared the winner.

Should finals be unable to be commenced, then the team finishing higher on the ladder in the minor rounds shall be declared the winner.

Should there be a draw in any finals match, the first named pairs on the score card shall play a tie-break to decide the winner of the match.
19. Tennis Australia approved tennis balls shall be used throughout the Competition.
20. Correct tennis attire must be worn. Tennis attire logos must not contravene VCTA sponsors.
21. Conditions 2, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 18 may be altered at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.
22. Any team which enters and participates in one or more matches and then forfeits without reasonable cause may be fined \$80 for each match forfeited. Permission to forfeit can only be given by the Tournament Manager or Assistant.
Forfeits: An average of points will be allocated.
23. I hereby give the VCTA the unconditional right to use at its discretion photographic pictures and personal information on me in any form of media, art, advertising, trade, visual documentary, promotional material, merchandise or film coverage of any kind without compensation to me or approval by me.

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2016 Country Week Tennis Entry Form

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, 11 JANUARY, 2016

ENTRANCE FEE \$200 PER TEAM (Inc. GST)

Men's - Women's: A Grade Women's: Special C Grade
 Men's - Women's: Special B Grade Men's - Women's: C Grade
 Men's - Women's: B Grade

All players are required to be a current registered member of a Tennis Club or Direct Member with Tennis Victoria to play in this event. If you aren't able to connect with a club, you can register for free online via:
tennis.com.au/vic/play-tennis/membership/how-to-join , Click on 'My Tennis' and select 'Direct Affiliation with Tennis Victoria' from the drop down list and complete your details.

The..... desires to enter a Team in the Grade Competition
 (Name of Club or Association) (Men's or Women's) (e.g. A, Special B, B, C Grade)

The Team will consist of the following players. If an Association, the name of the Club to which each player belongs must be stated:

OFFICE USE ONLY	Round	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	S	F	MEMBER I.D. No.	PLAYER DETAILS			LAST COUNTRY WEEK PLAYED			
															ASSOCIATION	CLUB	GRADE		YEAR	GRADE	TEAM
															FEE	\$ 200.00					

TEAM NAME
 (ONE WORD - to be added to Association/Club name when multiple teams entered)

Entries to be lodged with:
VCTA

P.O. Box 91, Creswick Vic 3363

I hereby certify that all players are bona fide members of the above Clubs and are eligible to compete in conformity with Condition 2 and that all team members have read the Conditions.

Signed..... Name.....(Captain)
 Address..... Post Code.....
 Email.....
 Phone..... Mobile.....

NOTE: Entries will not be accepted unless all above details completed and Entry Fee paid. Any subsequent alteration to teams must be notified.
 THE NAME AND CLUB of Substitute and the grade last played must be given, in writing to the V.C.T.A.
 TEAMS CONSIST OF 4 MEN OR 4 WOMEN, NO SUBSTITUTION WITH OPPOSITE SEX
NOTE — ALL PLAYERS MUST BE REGISTERED ON THIS ENTRY FORM. NO MORE THAN EIGHT PLAYERS MAY PLAY IN ANY ONE TEAM



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