



The New South Wales HARCOURT TENNIS ASSOCIATION Inc.

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2021 STL/INTERDISTRICT COMPETITION

Competition and entry details

An invitation is extended to your Association/Club/School/Private Centre to enter teams in the 2021 Interdistrict Competition. This communication will provide you with everything you need to know about entering teams.

DIARY DATES

ENTRIES CLOSE	Vets/Seniors Friday 21st May Opens & Juniors Friday 11th June at 55A Purcell St Bowral 2576 (Internet:- torani45@hotmail.com) Enquiries Ian Campbell 0416 989 722 or 48615238
TEAM GRADING	There will be no special night to view team gradings. When the teams are graded, the information will be sent to Associations who will be given time to respond to or challenge the decisions taken.
SENIOR EVENTS Round 1 commences – for Seniors (Male & Female) Other dates for play (Subject to Entries)	6 Team Divisions:- Round 1 – June 13 -then Sundays June 20, 27 July 4, 11, 18, 25; and then August 8, 15, 22. No play on 1st August (Bank Holiday) and 5th September (Father's Day) 4 Team Divisions:- Round 1 June 20 then Sundays June 27 July 4, 11, 18, 25 and then Aug 8,15, 22.
OPEN AND JUNIOR EVENTS 4 team divisions :- Other dates for play 6 team divisions	Commences July 18 - then Sundays –July 25, August 1, 8, 15, 22 No play on 5th September (Father's Day). Commences July 18 thence July 25, August 1, 8, 15. August 22 to be used for wet weather or other special consideration as advised
Semi finals & Divisional play-offs (All Cups)	Sunday 29 August 2021
Finals	Sunday 12 September 2021

PARTICIPATING ASSOCIATIONS

All 14 metropolitan Hardcourt Associations are eligible to enter teams in the competition. Invitations to enter teams will also be issued to:

- other Metropolitan based Clubs and Associations;
- Associations just outside of the Metropolitan area;
- some Private Schools;
- Private Centre Operators and Coaches

ENTRY FEE

- Hardcourt Association members - \$85 per team
- Non Hardcourt members - \$85 per team plus a once only administration fee of \$25. The Administration fee applies irrespective of the number of teams entered.

The entry fee should NOT be forwarded with entries. Once the entries are received a Tax Invoice will be raised by Hardcourt and forwarded to each Association. Payment will be expected within 14 days.

PROGRAM OF EVENTS All Open & Junior Teams to comprise 3 Players. All Veterans Teams to comprise 4 players

No	Name of Cup	Description
OPEN EVENTS – Team members must have attained the age of 15 years as at 30 September 2021		
1	Blackwell Cup	Men's open event (Min Age as at 30 th Sept..15 years)
2	Angus & Coote Cup	Ladies Open event (Min Age as at 30 th Sept..15 years)
VETERAN MEN'S EVENTS		
3	George Rider Cup	All players to be over 35 years as at 30 September 2021.
4	Shea-Wilton Cup	All players to be over 45 years as at 30 September 2021.
5	George Fletcher Cup	All players to be over 50 years as at 30 September 2021.
6	Life Members Cup	All players to be over 65 years as at 30 September 2021. (Dependant on entries received age groups may be revised)
VETERAN LADIES EVENTS		
7	Jack McCall Cup	All players to be over 35 years as at 30 September 2021. Teams to be graded on assessed ability
8	Bill Austin Cup	
JUNIOR EVENTS – Team Members must be under the stated age as at 30 September 2021		
9	President's Cup	Boys' 16 years and under
10	Esca Stephens Cup	Boys' 14 years and under
11	A J McAndrew Cup	Boys' 12 years and under
12	Stan Pedersen Cup	Boys' 10 years and under
13	Irene Matthews Cup	Girls' 16 years and under
14	Wade & Neal Cup	Girls' 14 years and under
15	M C Crakanthorp Cup	Girls' 12 years and under
16	Harry Beck Cup	Girls' 10 years and under

TENNIS BALL ADOPTION

Unless there is a sponsored ball adoption, approved balls of championship quality are to be used. Slazenger or Dunlop championships balls are available at a reduced price through the Hardcourt Association. Contact General Secretary on 0411 248 178 for details.

Note: the Stan Pedersen & Harry Beck Cups (10yrs & Under Boys & Girls) **must** use the **GREEN Ball** (Tennis Aust directive)

TEAM ENTRY AND COURT DETAILS

Please complete all sections of the entry card (which will be forwarded under separate cover) and provide the following information -

- The name, address and telephone number of the Association Secretary
- The name, address and telephone number of your Association's Interdistrict contact
- The name, address and telephone number of each court that your team/s will be using. If two teams are sharing one court, the name and number of the other team must also be included on the entry form.
- **The date of birth for ALL players**

Note: Associations may nominate as many teams as they wish for each Cup.

GRADING

It is essential that your Association recommend (on a scale of 1 - 10) how you consider your team/s should be graded. **Please note that a rating of 10 will be deemed to be the best performers i.e. potential cup winners.**

JUNIOR ELIGIBILITY

Junior players are required to participate in their own age group Cup *except* where they are chosen to represent in the No. 1 team of any higher age group. Junior players may be selected in an Association's 2nd team in a higher age group but are only permitted to advance one (1) age group. Players competing in the Blackwell or Angus & Coote Cups shall be a minimum of 15 years of age as at the 30 September in the year of the competition.

BIRTH DATE

Players competing in ALL Seniors/Vets Cups shall be a minimum of 35 years of age as at 30 September in the year of the competition. In all remaining Cups players shall be UNDER the appropriate age as at 30 September in the year of the competition.

STARTING TIME

All round matches commence at 12.15pm. The starting time for finals will be listed in the fixture book.

ROSEWALL MEDAL & HARDCOURT MEDAL

The Rosewall Medal for Open and Junior players and the Hardcourt Medal for Seniors is awarded to the player competing in division 1 of the various Cups who is judged by his/her peers as the 'best and fairest' player. Team Captains/Managers nominate players and allocate points after each match.

COMPOSITE TEAMS

Entries will be accepted for composite teams. Points awarded towards the McKerihan Shield will be allocated on a pro-rata basis to the player's Association. The team when entered must be nominated as a composite team with the point distribution to be left to the Competition Secretary.

In the case of Clubs who are invited to enter teams in the competition, any points won towards the McKerihan Shield will be allocated to the Association within whose area the Club is located.

SINGLES AWARD

An award in the form of a trophy shall be made in each Open and Junior Cup. This award will recognize the best overall singles performance. Points will be allocated on a sliding scale depending on the players ranking within the team. Recognition will be made of winners in all Divisions

RULE CHANGES

An updated copy of the Rules has been posted on the Hardcourt website – www.hardcourt.com.au.

Changes for 2021 are:-

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Should a team/s withdraw or be disqualified from the competition after the closing date for entries, grading has been completed and after a “keyed” draw has been published & distributed entry fees shall be **NON REFUNDABLE** unless under exceptional circumstances as determined by 6th Management Committee

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All Divisions of Blackwell, Angus & Coote & Divs Red/Green of Tremlett, Ryan, Presidents, Irene Matthews, Esca Stephens & Wade & Neal Cups shall be played on 2 courts.

Each match shall consist of three (3) best of three (3) set Singles with a Tie Break (7 Point) at 6 games all applicable to the first two (2) Sets & if required a “Match Tie Break” (ie first to ten points) being the third set. There shall also be with Three (3) Pro sets of doubles (First to 8 games with a 2 game advantage or a 7 point Tie Break at 7 games all)

ENQUIRIES

All Interdistrict enquiries should be directed to the **Competition Secretary, Ian Campbell** - telephone 4861 5238, or mobile **0416 989 722**.

Stan Pedersen,
Secretary
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