

JUNIOR TENNIS INFORMATION WINTER 2019



Happy Valley Tennis Club welcomes you and your family to our Club for the up and coming winter season 2019.

We are proud to have registered 9 Junior teams - 6 boys and 3 girls teams – playing in the SDTA Winter Competition in 2019. All matches are played on Saturday mornings and are divided into 2 sessions – 8.30-10.45 am and 10.45-12.45pm depending on which division you are playing. For this winter season the Div 9 boys will be playing in the second session starting at 10.45am. All other teams are playing in the first session commencing at 8.30am. Please be at the venue 15 minutes before the start time each week.

FOR THE FIRST WEEK ONLY please report promptly to the Happy Valley Tennis club on the first Saturday at 7-45am if you are playing in the 1st session or 9-45am if you are playing in the 2nd session. Everyone comes to Happy Valley for the first week. After the first week you may go straight to your venue for matches. The teams as emailed will tell you if you are playing in the first or second session.

The 14 week season commences on 4th May for all teams. There will be no matches on the 8th of June for the June long weekend, or in the school holidays July 13 and July 20. The last minor round game will be held on Saturday August 24. The finals will be held over 2 weekends on the 31st August (semi finals – 1v4, 2v3) and 7th of September (grand final).

Fees are \$140 and if you have a second child (same family) playing it will be \$120 **if paid by the due date of July 6.** If paid after July 6 fees are \$150 for the first child and \$130 for the second child. Please pay by cash or by EFTPOS at the canteen on Saturday mornings making sure that you obtain a receipt. (Please do not pay during the week as we are unable to process your payment) You can also pay directly into the Happy Valley Tennis Club bank account. BSB - 085-741 Account number – 205-068-092. Please put the players name in the reference/description.

Team managers will be required to help us run each team. Communication will be by emails and our website. Another good way to keep up to date with what's happening at the tennis club is to like our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Happy-Valley-Tennis-Club/267662583245363>

Teams will be displayed on the club's website www.happyvalleytennis.com prior to the season commencing on the Junior page under Competitions. Please check which team you are in, whether you are in the first or second session and the venue for that Saturday's match. It is so important that you are available for all matches as replacements are hard to find. The teams and venues will also be put up on the website each Wednesday/Thursday during the season. **Please check the website each week for your venue and reserves.**

All teams MUST play in the order given to them. Any changes in order of merit during the season due to our 2 consecutive win/2 consecutive loss policy will be emailed to the team prior to the weekend and will be reflected in the teams which are loaded on the website each Wednesday.

Any changes in the order of merit will be highlighted in green. If you do not play in the order given then the game played out of order will be forfeited and the points will go to the other team. If this happens in finals your team will forfeit the whole match.

On the first week, each team will be given a red folder containing the draw for the season. If required please allocate reserves for each week and a supervisor for each week as well as a team manager for the team. The team manager will be the person we contact if there are any changes for the team or if a match is cancelled. Please fill in the reserve & supervisor information in the copy of the draw provided and give a copy to Simon at the Club or email to Sue at suetomh@internode.on.net. It is important that we receive this information as it assists us to contact the correct people if there are any reserves required to play during the season. It is also helpful if a player will be away when they are listed as a reserve to indicate this or to put N/A next to their name for that week so that we know not to ring them if a reserve is required. The draw, when available, will also be available on the Tennis Australia Match Centre website - <http://leagues.tennis.com.au/> You will need to create a log in to use this website. Once logged in search for Southern Districts Tennis Association or Happy Valley Tennis Club and navigate to your team from there using the drop down menus.

On match day, each team is required to fill in a score sheet. It is the responsibility of the team supervisor for the day to fill in the score sheet. The score sheet is signed by both teams and then needs to be placed in the score sheet box located at the front of our Club. If you are playing away the team supervisor from the team will need to bring the scoresheet back to the Club. Please do this straight after your match. Our recording secretary will collect the score sheets on Saturday afternoon and has time limits to enter the information on the Tennis Australia database. No score sheet submitted will result in a fine for our Club so please make sure that the match supervisor puts the scoresheet in the box provided on the day.

Club practice night is Wednesdays. You will need to organize your own hits.

Our range of club merchandise is now available. We encourage all our players and members to wear club shirts. We have limited stock so we may need to order items for you.

For tennis competition days:

Boys are to wear white, black or navy shorts. NO BEACH WEAR OR FOOTBALL SHORTS ARE PERMITTED.

Girls are to wear either white, black or navy skirts or shorts. NO BEACH WEAR IS PERMITTED.

Please bring to each match a hat, drink and sunscreen. Fold up chairs may be needed at some venues. Each player will receive a copy of the draw for their team giving details of where you will be playing and who against. They will also receive a copy of the match rules. You will receive this information on the first day of competition.

We look forward to meeting you and your family and hope that you will enjoy your time with the Happy Valley Tennis Club. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

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