

Niagara Australian Championships Gold Coast 2018



7 - 12 January (Teams) 14-19 January (Individuals)

Grade A ITF Seniors Tournament
**INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
FOR MEN AND WOMEN
35 YEARS AND OVER**

Sunday 14 January to Friday 19 January, 2018
(Note: This is a six day tournament)

**VENUES: Gold Coast Seniors Tennis Club, 24 Pizzey Drive &
Miami Tennis Club, Courtside Drive, Pizzey Park, Mermaid Waters.**
**Tournament Office: Located in the Jack O'Keeffe Clubhouse
at Miami Tennis Club**

All matches will be played on synthetic grass

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ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY 1 JANUARY 2018

**ENTRIES: Enter online at www.itftennis.com/ipin (for all IPIN events)
Tournament Week 15 January and also at
www.92computing.com.au/seniorsentry.htm (for all events)**

COMBINED DOUBLES EVENTS ENTRIES: only at www.92computing.com.au

Players nominating for selection in a representative 2018 Australian World Cup team must
apply via the internet on www.92computing.com.au/teamsnomination.htm

Nomination closing dates are as follows:

Young Seniors Cup Teams – **Friday 1 December 2017 (8pm AESDST)**

Seniors Cup Teams - **Friday 29 June 2018 (8pm AEST)**

Super-Seniors Cup Teams - **Friday 18 May 2018 (8pm AEST)**

Nominations can ONLY be made ONLINE via the above website.

OPEN TO PLAYERS 35 YEARS AND OVER @ 31 DECEMBER 2018

Tournament information and regulations

1. The Tournament is entirely under the management of the Tennis Seniors Queensland Incorporated (on behalf of Tennis Seniors Australia), who reserve the right to make any changes to the conduct of the **Tournament it considers necessary**.
2. **This is a Grade A "ITF IPIN Seniors" Ranking Points Tournament for Singles/Doubles and Mixed events. Players MUST have an IPIN Number and enter on both sites ITF www.itftennis.com/ipin and www.92computing.com.au/seniorsentry.htm. Players must enter prior to the closing date Monday 1 January, 2018.**
3. The Tournament will be played over six days commencing at 8.30 am on Sunday 14 January 2018. This tournament is open to all players who are 35 years and over **as at 31 December 2018**.
4. **COMPETITORS:** All Australian resident players must provide their MYTENNIS ID number on demand. All competitors **should** be **CURRENT FINANCIAL MEMBERS** of a recognized Seniors Tennis Association in your Country, State or Territory, or if no such body exists then you must be a member of your state Member Association.
5. **EVENTS:** Players are limited to enter a maximum of three (3) events. Refer to the List of Events to ascertain the options available. Doubles competitors are expected to enter with partners. Players entering in a Doubles Event without naming a partner shall accept the partner allocated by the committee; however, this does not impose any obligation on the committee to find a partner. Singles events with less than eight (8) entries, the Tournament Committee may combine that event with a lower age group or play the event as a round robin. The method of determining winners of round robins will be decided as per ITF Seniors Regulations.
6. **ENTRIES:** Each competitor **MUST** submit a separate electronic entry form via the internet accompanied by all fees. **No entry will be accepted unless accompanied by entry fees.** Telephone/Email/scanned forms will not be accepted. No refunds will be given once the draws have been made.
7. **WITHDRAWALS:** Any player withdrawing should firstly email the Tournament Director. Players entered in IPIN events; note the withdrawal deadline is **Friday 5 January**. IPIN players withdrawing must login to their IPIN account and withdraw before this deadline.
8. **PAYMENTS:** Entries close on **Monday 1 January, 2018. Entry fees in full must accompany the entry. Payments to be made online at www.92computing.com.au/seniorspayment.htm with Visa, MasterCard, Amex, PayPal or direct deposit.** If requesting to pay via a direct banking deposit, banking details BSB: 638-070 A/c No. 7014953 A/c Name: Tennis Seniors Qld. Payment by cheque is discouraged, however if you have to pay by cheque, make your cheque payable to TSQ, 30 Samba Place, Underwood. Qld 4119. Allow 10-14 days for cheques to be received and processed.
9. **ENTRY FEES: IPIN events - Singles \$65.00: Doubles/Mixed \$35.00 per player: Non IPIN Combined Doubles \$35.00 per player. ENTRIES RECEIVED WITHOUT FEES WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE DRAWS.**
10. **MATCH FORMAT: SINGLES MATCHES (under 80)** will be the best of **THREE TIE-BREAK SETS** – The seven (7) Point Tie-Break will commence at six (6) games all. **ALL DOUBLES AND SINGLES 80+** will be played as two (2) tiebreak sets with a ten (10) point match deciding tiebreak at one (1) set all. The "Seniors" tie-break must be played with players changing ends after the first (1) point and thereafter after every four (4) points.
11. **CONSOLATION SINGLES:** Consolation singles will commence from Tuesday 16 January, for first match losers in 1st or 2nd round Championship Singles matches only, but will not be held unless at least eight players sign up for the event. If less than eight players, events may be amalgamated. Consolation events match lengths will be advised. **THE ONUS IS ON THE ELIGIBLE PLAYERS TO SIGN-UP FOR THESE EVENTS ON ELIMINATION FROM CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES EVENTS.**
12. **PLAYERS SCHEDULE:** A complete schedule of matches will be published before each day's play. For any player, if singles matches are scheduled on a particular day these singles matches will be played before any of their doubles or mixed matches on that day. Events in the older age groups will be given precedence to play early or late in the day depending upon the weather conditions. Matches will be allocated a match number, which will be displayed on the Tournament Sheet. Matches will be called for play by that match number and name. All match times will be published at www.92computing.com.au and onsite. It is the responsibility of the player to ascertain where, and at what time, he/she is drawn and to be at the venue ready to play 15 minutes before the scheduled time, subject to forfeiture if not present when required.
13. **The REFEREE**, or a nominee, shall be the final authority in any dispute in respect to the Rules of Tennis, Tournament Regulations, the Code of Conduct, and the Dress Regulations. The Referee in consultation with the Tournament Director shall also make decisions in respect to court conditions and extreme weather conditions — that are caused by wind, rain or excess heat. In any match that is postponed or discontinued, it shall be resumed from the point at which it stopped, at such time and place as determined by the Tournament Director.
14. **ATTIRE.** Correct tennis attire must be worn during all matches, Shoes with barred, studded or ripple soles will **NOT** be permitted on any **COURTS**.
15. **MANUAL ENTRY FORM:** A manual hardcopy of the entry form may be obtained by contacting the Tournament Director @ maxgailbates@bigpond.com

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LIST OF EVENTS — INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Players may enter a MAXIMUM OF THREE EVENTS which can be made up of:

- No more than ONE (1) IPIN singles* * Singles must be in your age group if nominating for ITF Cup Selection.
- No more than TWO (2) IPIN men's doubles or TWO (2) IPIN women's doubles.
- No more than TWO (2) IPIN mixed doubles.
- If entering in THREE (3) doubles/mixed events only TWO (2) of these can be IPIN events
Events 53-61 are Combined Age Doubles for which a player IPIN is optional. The age of the two players is added to be equal or more than the age specified.

SINGLES – \$65 per player: DOUBLES/MIXED – \$35 per player

1. Mens 35 Singles	12. Womens 35 Singles	22. Mens 35 Doubles	33. Womens 35 Doubles	43. Mixed 35 Doubles
2. Mens 40 Singles	13. Womens 40 Singles	23. Mens 40 Doubles	34. Womens 40 Doubles	44. Mixed 40 Doubles
3. Mens 45 Singles	14. Womens 45 Singles	24. Mens 45 Doubles	35. Womens 45 Doubles	45. Mixed 45 Doubles
4. Mens 50 Singles	15. Womens 50 Singles	25. Mens 50 Doubles	36. Womens 50 Doubles	46. Mixed 50 Doubles
5. Mens 55 Singles	16. Womens 55 Singles	26. Mens 55 Doubles	37. Womens 55 Doubles	47. Mixed 55 Doubles
6. Mens 60 Singles	17. Womens 60 Singles	27. Mens 60 Doubles	38. Womens 60 Doubles	48. Mixed 60 Doubles
7. Mens 65 Singles	18. Womens 65 Singles	28. Mens 65 Doubles	39. Womens 65 Doubles	49. Mixed 65 Doubles
8. Mens 70 Singles	19. Womens 70 Singles	29. Mens 70 Doubles	40. Womens 70 Doubles	50. Mixed 70 Doubles
9. Mens 75 Singles	20. Womens 75 Singles	30. Mens 75 Doubles	41. Womens 75 Doubles	51. Mixed 75 Doubles
10. Mens 80 Singles	21. Womens 80 Singles	31. Mens 80 Doubles	42. Womens 80 Doubles	52. Mixed 80 Doubles
11. Mens 85 Singles		32. Mens 85 Doubles		

You may enter only one Singles which must be in your age group (*see above) - Age at 31/12/2018
See Conditions No. 11 for details of the Consolation Events for Singles.
You may enter Doubles Events as per the above listed options.

COMBINED DOUBLES – \$35 per player

53. Mens Combined 95+ Doubles	59. Womens Combined 100+ Doubles
54. Mens Combined 110+ Doubles	60. Womens Combined 120+ Doubles
55. Mens Combined 120+ Doubles	61. Womens Combined 130+ Doubles
56. Mens Combined 130+ Doubles	
57. Mens Combined 140+ Doubles	
58. Mens Combined 150+ Doubles	

You may enter Combined Doubles Events as per the above listed options.
All IPIN events must be entered on www.itftennis.com/ipin tournament week 15 January. Also all events including Combined Doubles must be entered on www.92computing.com.au/seniorsentry.htm

Terms and conditions of entry

1. The tournament specified on the Player Entry Form (Tournament) is sanctioned by the International Tennis Federation (ITF) and approved by Tennis Australia (TA) and managed and administered by Tennis Seniors Queensland (TSQ) (on behalf of Tennis Seniors Australia (TSA)). The tournament will be run by the Tournament Committee.
2. By submitting a Player Entry Form for the Tournament, each player agrees to be bound by:
 - i. the Terms and Conditions
 - ii. the Tournament Information and Regulations including the eligibility requirements, and
 - iii. the Rules of Tennis as approved by the ITF, the ITF Seniors Circuit Regulations and TA's national policies including, without limitation, the Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program, the TA Code of Behaviour (including its reference to spectator behaviour and interference), the TA Member Protection Policy and the TA Anti-Doping Policy (which may be obtained at <http://www.tennis.com.au/about-tennis-australia/reports-and-policies/policies>).
3. If there are any inconsistencies among the above documents, these Terms and Conditions will prevail.
4. Each player wishing to enter the Tournament must submit their Player Entry Form together with their ITF IPIN (if applicable) and the relevant Tournament fees in accordance with the details set out in the Player Entry Form. To be eligible to enter the Tournament, each player must be 35 or older as at 31 December 2018.
5. Non-Australian residents:
 - i. must ensure that they satisfy all Australian Visa entry requirements in order to participate in the Tournament.
 - ii. who have a current MYTENNIS ID are covered by the Group Personal Accident Insurance policy but only while they are in Australia
 - iii. who do not have a current MYTENNIS ID are not covered by the Group Personal Accident Insurance.

Therefore all non-resident players should take responsibility for their own personal injury, medical and travel insurance arrangements.

6. By entering the Tournament, each player declares that they are medically and physically fit and able to participate in the Tournament. A player must immediately notify TSA of any change to their medical condition, fitness or ability to participate. Each player acknowledges that TSA will rely upon this declaration as evidence of that player's fitness and ability to participate in the Tournament.
7. Each player authorises representatives of TSA and TA to use and disclose the medical information provided on their Player Entry Form to obtain any medical assistance, treatment and transport for them as deemed reasonably necessary by TSA or TA. Each player consents to any such medical treatment and/or transportation and acknowledges and agrees that they will be responsible for any costs associated with any such medical treatment and/or transportation.
8. Each player acknowledges that TSA, TSQ and TA require the information requested in the Player Entry Form and other personal information collected, obtained or derived by TSA and TA to administer player registration. Each player acknowledges that their personal information will only be used for this purpose and related or similar purposes which can reasonably be expected (including the provision of player and associated services). Each player consents to TSA, TSQ and TA's use of their personal information in accordance with TA's privacy policy located at <http://www.tennis.com.au/privacy>.
9. By entering the Tournament each player consents to the ITF, TSA, TSQ and TA recording and photographing their participation in the Tournament. Each player agrees that any such photographs, electronic images, sound recordings or video footage may be used by the ITF, TSA, TSQ and TA, perpetually in resources and reports, or promotional, advertising or marketing materials, without any further notice or payment to the player.
10. The Tennis Officials Australia Tournament Referee (the Referee) will act as final authority in relation to all matters arising that require immediate resolution during the Tournament. No protests will be accepted for on-court or result issues. Should a player wish to dispute any other matter relating to the Tournament, including any question arising from the interpretation or construction of these Terms and Conditions, the notice of dispute must be received in writing by the Tournament Committee no later than 5pm on the next business day following the tournament. The Tournament Committee must adjudicate upon any dispute referred to it for determination within fourteen days of the date of request for such adjudication by any party.
11. Any dispute relating to the Terms and Conditions will be dealt with in accordance with the laws of the State of Victoria, and each player agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Victoria.