

2019 AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS TENNIS CHALLENGE

The Australian Schools Tennis Challenge has been the premier secondary school team tennis event in the country since 1996. This event provides an opportunity for the best secondary school teams to come together to play each other and celebrate their achievements on a national stage. This year the winning teams will have an opportunity to come along to the 2020 Australian Open.

Entries are invited for all schools who have won the senior boys or girls (or the equivalent) tennis competition through their School Sport Association in 2019. Please direct all enquiries to the coordinator and complete the entry form and return via email by **Friday 20 September 2019**.

Dates:

Saturday 23 November – Wednesday 27 November 2019

Venues:

Albury Tennis Association (Townsend Street, Albury, NSW)

The complex has 25 natural grass courts, a pro-shop and a canteen. The City of Albury has daily air and rail services from both Melbourne and Sydney.

Accommodation:

Several motels are located within a short walk of the courts;

Elm Court Motel – Ph: (02) 6021 8077

Hume Inn Motel – Ph (02) 6021 2733

(These 2 motels offer a complimentary breakfast)

Format:

- Separate boys and girls team divisions, a maximum of 12 teams in each event will be accepted.
- Teams consist of 4 – 6 players and must be accompanied by a teacher/coach from the school.
- Matches will consist of 4 singles and 2 doubles matches.
- Singles matches will be the best of 2 sets. The first 2 sets will be a tie breaker at 6 games all and the deciding set will be a match tie breaker (if required). Doubles matches will be the best of 2 short sets (first to 4 games) and the deciding set will be a match tie breaker (if required).

Eligibility:

- School must qualify by winning their School Sport Association competition.
(other team nominations for wild card spots will be considered according to player AR rankings)
- All players must be born in 2002 or later. This is to comply with the International School Sports Federation rule for entry into ISF events (held bi-yearly).
- Players must be enrolled as students at their school.

John Newcombe Sportsmanship Award:

The John Newcombe Tennis Academy, Texas, USA will again offer the sportsmanship award to one boys and one girls team who display outstanding sportsmanship throughout the event.

2020 Australian Open Experience:

More information will be given to the winners at the ASTC19 presentation ceremony



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ENTRY FORM

Name of School:

School Sport Association:

Wishes to enter:

1 x Senior Team

Boys

Girls

Nominating for a wild card?

Yes

No

- We confirm that our school wishes to participate in the 2019 Australian Schools Tennis Challenge and accept the rules and conditions of entry (as set out above)
- We accept to pay the entry fee of \$550 per team entered prior to the event

Name of Team Manager:

Position at School:

Ph:

E-Mail:

Signature:

Date:

Name of Principal:

Position at School:

Ph:

E-Mail:

Signature:

Date:

To be returned by Friday 20 September 2019

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