

## **BDTA Junior Pennant Teams 2010**

Registrations are now being accepted for juniors who play in the Berwick District Tennis Association (BDTA) to represent the association in the Junior Pennant competition for the 2010 season. This is the peak juniors competition run by Tennis Victoria.

The competition is in four age groups: 10 & Under, 12 & Under, 14 & Under and 16 & Under (ages are taken at December 31, 2010). There are separate competitions for boys and girls in each age group except for the 10 & Under which is mixed, i.e. boys and girls play together.

The season will start on August 22 and finish on November 14, followed by a final between the top two teams in each grade on November 21. There will be no play on 19/9, 26/9 or 31/10.

Matches are played on Sunday mornings, starting at 8:30 a.m. and must finish by 1:00 p.m. All players must be at the courts by 8:15 (the venues may be as far as Geelong and Melton). Teams will normally consist of 5 players, with 4 playing each week. Each player plays a singles rubber (two sets plus match tiebreak) and an 8-game doubles set each week.

One of the parents in each team will be appointed as Team Manager, and each parent is required to be the "Duty Parent" 2-3 times per season.

To play for the BDTA, each player must:

- have played 4 matches in the BDTA competition between 1/7/09 and 30/6/10
- wear a BDTA shirt (these can be purchased for \$35) and proper tennis shorts/skirt / skort every week - this is a mandatory condition of the competition
- be available to play every week - this is the premier junior tennis competition in the state; players must make this their first priority and be able to play if a team member is ill or injured
- attend the pre-season information meeting at Casey Tennis Centre at **8:00 p.m. on Wednesday August 11**

- pay the one-off cost of \$60 for the season (covering team registration, court usage and ball costs) at the pre-season meeting.

Players who register will be ranked based on their current BDTA section and playing position (please add any recent tournament results that will assist in selection on the form below). Teams consisting of no more than 5 players will then be formed; players who do not make a team will unfortunately miss out on playing this year. Players will be advised of their team as soon as the sections have been graded by Tennis Victoria, and must then attend the pre-season meeting and pay their one-off cost by **August 11**, otherwise their place in the team will be allocated to another player. The following table is a *guide* to the standard of the competition; it lists the approximate BDTA equivalent sections for each age group for boys and girls competition. Players in lower sections will find the standard quite demanding:

Age Group	BDTA Sections	
	Boys	Girls
16 & Under	1-4	1-6
14 & Under	1-9	1-11
12 & Under	1-12	1-14
10 & Under	1-16	

To register your interest, please complete **all** of the attached form, sign both declarations, and return it either to your club junior coordinator or directly to me by **Sunday May 30, 2010**. If you have friends who you think would be good representatives of the association, please make sure they have registered by May 30 also. No late entries will be accepted.

*Please note:* Some players may qualify to play for more than one association; in this case, they must choose which association they wish to play for and only nominate for one association.

**Bruce Verity**

**Junior Coordinator, BDTA**

# BDTA Junior Pennant – 2010 Season

**\*\*\*Please fill out all information\*\*\***

Name: ..... Date of birth: .....

Address: .....

Parents' names: .....

Home phone: ..... Mobile: .....

Email address: .....

Club: .....

BDTA Section ..... and Position in Team: .....

Tennis Vic Registration Number: .....

(this must be the new My Tennis ID number, starting with "61")

## Player Declaration

I will be available to play every week unless ill or injured, and will wear a BDTA shirt and tennis attire for each match. I am able to attend the pre-season meeting on August 11 at Casey Tennis Centre.

Please select:

I have a BDTA shirt that fits me from a previous season

I need to purchase a BDTA shirt; my chest measurement is ..... cm and the back length of the shirt I require (from nape of neck to bottom of shirt) is ..... cm.

(It is intended that your shirt will be available for collection for \$35 at the pre-season meeting)

Player signature: .....

## Parent Declaration

I agree to act as Duty Parent as required during the season, and to arrange for my child to be at the venue at 8:15 each Sunday. I agree to pay the season cost of \$60 at the pre-season meeting on August 11, and to pay \$35 for the BDTA shirt (if ordered above). **I understand that if the payment is not made by August 11, my child will be removed from the team.**

Parent signature: .....

Please submit this form by May 30, 2010 by either:

- returning to your club's Junior Coordinator or
- mailing to Bruce Verity, 3 Caulfield Court, NARRE WARREN, 3805, or
- emailing to [brucev26@optusnet.com.au](mailto:brucev26@optusnet.com.au)