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DUNEDIN INTER-CLUB HANDBOOK

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DUNEDIN TENNIS SUPPORTERS

- ASB Bank
- Bendigo Valley Sports & Charity Foundation
- Bradley Nuttall Otago Ltd Court sponsor
- Dunedin City Council (new courts in 2012-13)
- Dysart & Gilbert Orthodontists
- Edgar Sports Centre.
- McArthur & Symons Electricians Court sponsorship & electrical work
- Otago Community Trust.
- Otago Sports Depot
- Otago Veterans Tennis Association
- Visique Peter Dick Optometrists. Court signage.
- Wilkinson Adams Lawyers. Court signage. Free legal assistance (Robin Bates). Jenny Guthrie junior interclub.

Please support these businesses as they support your sport.

CLUB/SCHOOL CONTACTS

• Balmacewen Tennis Club	Richard Bourne	455 8479
• Bayfield High School	Ray Spence	455-0113
• Columba College	Cecylia Klobukowska	467-5188
• Cosy Dell Tennis Club	Ian Moore	476-1200
• Eastern Harbour Tennis Club	John Guthrie	454-2499
• Green Island Tennis Club	Elizabeth Gray	488-3767
• John McGlashan College	Michael McKenzie	467-6620
• Kaikorai Valley College	Theresa Johnson	453-6035
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• Kings High School	Judith Rosie	455-7547
• Logan Park High School	Francine Vella	477-3586
• Mornington/Roslyn Tennis Club	Kylie Matheson	454 5573
• Otago Boy's High School	Andrew Swan	477-5527
• Otago Girl's High School	Colleen Hokianga	474-0496
• Otago Secondary Schools Sports Association Inc	Des Smith	470-1337
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AFFILIATION FEES

Affiliation fees are payable for all members by **Friday 28 October 2011**.

Every club member must pay an affiliation fee for the 2011/12 season. Entry to Tennis Otago events will be restricted to affiliated players only.

For 2011/12 the affiliation fee has been set at (incl GST)

- **\$40 for Full Members, 18 years and over (senior competitive)**
- **\$30 for Full Members 12-18 years (junior competitive)**
- **\$20 for Full Members 11 years and under (junior competitive)**
- **\$10 for senior non-competitive, 18 years and over**
- **\$5 for junior non-competitive, under 18 years**

TENNIS OTAGO
2011-12 Calendar

Date	Event	Venue
September		
Sun 4	Dunedin Club Open Day	
Mon 12	Interclub grading evening	LP
Sat 17	Senior Interclub commences	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub commences Pre season	E.C + LP
Tue 20	Senior Development	
Sat 24	Senior Interclub R2	E.C + LP+ clubs
	Junior Interclub Pre season	E.C + LP
Tue 27	Senior Development	
October		
Sat 1	Senior Interclub R3	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub Pre season	E.C + LP
Tue 4	Senior Development	
Sat 8	Senior Interclub R4	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub R1	E.C + LP
Tue 11	Senior Development	
Sat 15	Senior Interclub R5	E.C + clubs
Mon 17-Tue 18	Otago Junior Spring open	LP
Tue 18	Senior Development	
Wed 19- Fri 21	Sth Canterbury Junior Spring open	Timaru
Fri 21- Mon 24	Mid Canterbury Junior Spring open	Ashburton
Sat 22	No tennis Labour weekend TNZ Masters top 8	TBC
Tue 25	Summer League Wk1	LP or EC
Wed 26	Otago Primary/Intermediate school champs	LP
Sat 29	Senior Interclub R6	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub R2	E.C + LP+ T
November		
Tue 1	Summer League Wk2	LP or EC
Fri 4- Sun 6	Tennis Southern Junior teams event (10,12,14)	Dunedin
Sat 5	Senior Interclub R7	clubs
	No Junior Interclub due teams event	
Tue 8	Summer League Wk3	LP or EC
Sat 12	Senior Interclub R8	E.C + LP + clubs

	Junior Interclub R3	E.C + LP+ T
Tue 15	Summer League Wk4	LP or EC
Sat 19	Senior Interclub R9	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub R4	E.C + LP+ T
Tue 22	Summer League Wk5	LP or EC
Sat 26	Senior Interclub R10	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub R5	E.C + LP+ T
Sat 25-Sun 26	Tennis Southern Teams Event Div I	Queenstown
Tue 29	Summer League Wk6	LP or EC
December		
Sat 3	Senior Interclub R11	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub R6	E.C + LP+ T
Tues 6	Summer League Wk7	LP or EC
Sat 10	Senior Interclub R12	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub R7	E.C + LP+ T
Sat 17-Sun 18	Otago Junior Champs	LP or EC

January

Sat 28	Senior Interclub R13	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub R11	E.C + LP
Sun 29	Otago Junior Closed	LP or EC
Tue 31	Summer League Wk8	LP or EC
February		
Sat 4	Waitangi weekend	
Sat 4	Senior Interclub R14 (no mixed grades)	E.C + LP + clubs
Tue 7	Summer League Wk9	LP or EC
Sat 11- Sun12	Tennis masters	LP + EC
Sat 11	Senior Interclub R15 (no mixed grades)	clubs
Sat 11	Junior Interclub R 8	clubs
Sat11 –Sun 12	Southern Junior teams event 10's and 12's	Wanaka
Sat11 –Sun 12	Southern Junior teams event 16's	Queenstown
Tue 14	Summer League Wk10	LP or EC
Fri 17-Sun19	Otago open (no Senior interclub)	LP or EC
Sat 18	Junior Interclub R9	clubs
Tue 21	Summer League Wk11	LP or EC
Sat 25	Senior Interclub R16 (no premier grades)	clubs
	Junior Interclub R10	clubs
Sat 25- Sun 26	Tennis Southern Teams event Div 1,2,3	Dunedin
Tue 28	Summer League Wk12 last week	LP or EC
March		
Sat 3	Senior Interclub R17 round 2 premier begins	E.C + LP + clubs

	Junior Interclub R11	E.C + LP
Tue 6	Student tennis	
Sat 10	Senior Interclub R18	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub R12	E.C + LP
Tue 13	Student tennis	
Sat 17	Senior Interclub R19	E.C + LP + clubs
	Junior Interclub R13	E.C + LP
Tue 20	Student tennis	
Sat 24	Senior Interclub semi-finals (all teams play)	E.C + LP + clubs
	No Junior Interclub Anniversary weekend	
Tue 27	Student tennis	
	Senior Repechage semi	LP or EC
Sat 31	Senior Interclub finals	E.C + LP
	Junior Interclub R14	E.C + LP
April		
Fri 6-Mon 9	Easter	
Sat 14- Sun15	Otago indoors	EC
Sat 21-Sun 22 TBC	Otago Vets	EC
Mon16-Thur19	Otago Junior Indoors	EC

COMPETITIONS OFFERED

Tennis Otago offers the following competitions for the 2011/2012 season for affiliated players in Dunedin:

Senior	Day Played	Time	Composition
Men's Premier	Saturday	1.00 pm	4 men
Men's Division 1	Saturday	1.00 pm	4 men
Men's Division 2	Saturday	1.00 pm	4 men
Women's Premier	Saturday	100 pm	4 women
Senior Women *	Saturday	1.00pm	2 women
Summer League *	Tuesday	5.30pm	2 men or 2 women
Mixed 1	Saturday	1.00 pm	2 men & 2 women
Combined Doubles	Saturday	9.00 am	2 men & 2 women
Junior			
Boy's Division 4 & 5	Saturday	8.45 am	4 boys
Boy's Division 6 - 9	Saturday	8.45 am or 10.45 am	4 boys
Girl's Division 4 & 5	Saturday	8.45 a.m.	4 girls
Girl's Division 6 – 9	Saturday	8.45 am or 10.45 am	4 girls
Mixed Division 10	Saturday	8.45 am or 10.45 am	4 boys/girls
Sec School Comp	Thursday	3.50 pm	2 boys or 2 girls

Please note: All competitions are dependent on having sufficient numbers to run the grade. More competitions may be added later in the year.

Senior Interclub: : There will be a meeting on Monday 12th September 5.30pm Logan Park where selected members from each club will be required to attend with a list of the players and teams they wish to enter for the season, between the attending members they will decide which grade teams will fit into. **Note:** Team lists can be supplied before this date.

Grade Format

Premier

- **Venue:** Either Logan Park, Edgar Centre or clubs at 1pm on Saturday's.
- **Team Makeup:** Four men or four women in separate competitions
- **Format:** All play singles and doubles
Singles - best of three sets with a tie break at six all
Doubles - best of two tie breaker sets with a 10 point tie break as the third set, short deuce
- **Balls:** Each team to provide two pairs of new balls each week

Senior Men

- **Venue:** Either Logan Park, Edgar Centre or clubs at 1pm on Saturdays
- **Team Makeup:** Four men
- **Format:** All play singles and doubles
Singles - best of three sets with a tie break at six all
Doubles - best of two tie breaker sets with third set super tie break, Long deuce
- **Balls:** Each team to provide two pairs of new balls each week

Senior Women

- **Venue:** Either Logan Park, Edgar Centre or clubs at 1pm on Saturdays
- **Team Makeup:** Two women
- **Format:** All play singles and doubles
Singles - best of three sets with a tie break at six all
Doubles - best of two tie breaker sets with third set super tie break, Long deuce
- **Balls:** Each team to provide two pairs of new balls each week

Summer Tennis Competition

- **Venue:** Logan Park or Edgar Centre 5.30pm Tuesdays
- **Team Makeup:** 2 men or 2 women
- **Format:** Teams will play one singles and one doubles.
Singles - best of three sets with a tie break at six all;
Doubles - best of 17 games & short deuce .
- **Balls:** Each team to provide one pair of new balls each.

Mixed 1

- **Venue:** Either Logan Park, Edgar Centre or clubs at 1pm on Saturdays
- **Team Makeup:** Two men and two women
- **Format:** All play doubles and mixed doubles and either singles or reversed mixed – first to nine with tie break at eight all.
- **Balls:** Each team to provide one pair of new balls and one pair of good balls each week

Combined Doubles

- **Venue:** Either Cosy Dell or Taieri club at 9am on Saturdays
- **Team Makeup:** Two men and two women
- **Format:** All play doubles, mixed doubles and reversed mixed – first to nine with tie break at eight all
- **Balls:** Each team to provide one pair of good balls each week

Entries

Team lists and team entry fees must be received by Tennis Otago no less than ten days before that grade commences play.

Team Fees

All team fees include entry to Logan Park Tennis Centre. Those players scheduled to play at the Edgar Centre and are not members will have to pay any entrance fees that may apply.

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| • Premier Grade | \$120 per team |
| • Senior Women's Grade | \$ 60 per team |
| • Senior Men Division 1 | \$180 per team |
| • Mixed 1 | \$180 per team |
| • Combined Doubles | \$180 per team |
| • Summer League | \$ 60 per team |

Please be aware that if a team is scheduled to play at the Edgar Centre and they decide to play at another venue, their club will be charged for court hire.

Draws

- Weekly draws shall be Emailed to each club for distribution. Draws will also be in the Otago Daily Times every Thursday. Note: the first weeks draw may be emailed due to tight time constraints for getting to the newspaper.
- Draws will be posted on the Tennis Otago Web Site

Results

All score sheets must be legible and correctly filled out with players full name and Configure Ranking code. Failure to comply will result in no team points or Configure ranking points.

- Score sheets must reach Tennis Otago no later than 5pm on the Monday following the match. They can be either emailed to Tennis Otago tennisotago@hotmail.co.nz, posted to PO Box 2636, Dunedin North 9059 or placed in the drop box at the Edgar Center.
- **LATE RESULTS = NO POINTS**
- **NO CONFIGURE RANKING CODE = NO POINTS**
- Premier grade are to give 1 copy of the score sheet to to Dennis Radford, the other copy is to be sent to Tennis Otago.
- All other grades 1 copy of the score sheet is to be sent to Tennis Otago
- All results will be entered on the Tennis Otago Web site.
- Results for senior competitions run on Configure Rankings (ex-Top Dog) Premier, Senior Men and Women can be viewed at www.tennis.org.nz
- Results and points tables for Mixed 1 and Combined Doubles will be posted on the notice board at Logan Park.
- Score sheets can be down loaded from the Tennis Otago Web site and are also available at Logan Park & the Edgar Center.

DESCRIPTION OF JUNIOR GRADES 2011-12

(NOTE: Divisions 1 – 3 are senior grades; matches are played on Saturday afternoons)

All teams consist of teams of 4 players except for Div 4 girls.

Division 4: This is our most elite junior grade for Saturday morning and is suitable for players who have played in Division 5 or higher in previous seasons and want quality competition leading up to afternoon grade tennis. For the girls Division 4 section teams will consist of 2 players.

Division 5: This section is a 'stepping stone' between Divisions 6 – 8 and our top section and is suitable for players seeking proper match play with sets who have played in Division 6 for at least one season.

Division 6: This is our top grade for junior players playing to time. It is designed to cater for seasoned players who have played in Division 7 or higher in previous seasons, and is not suitable for new players.

Division 7: An excellent section for players with some experience, this grade is designed to allow players who have played previously in similar sections to improve their game. It is expected that students are receiving coaching prior to or during this competition.

Division 8: This section acts as an entry point for new players to the game – it is expected that players at this level will receive coaching from the school or club prior to or during their time in this section.

Division 9: This section is ideal for primary to intermediate school students who have played in Division 10 or above in at least one previous half season. This section is designed for primary to intermediate school children and is not suitable for Year 9 and above.

Division 10 (Mixed Grade): This section acts as an entry point for new primary and intermediate school players. It is expected that at this level children have the opportunity and are receiving some degree of club/school coaching during the season. Previous playing experience is not always necessary. This section is not suitable for Year 9 and above students. The balls used for this division will be the Green Zone ball; this is 20% lighter than standard tennis balls, which results in the balls being 25% slower and easier to control than a standard Tennis ball.

Dates

- The first 3 weeks will be non competitive due to world cup.
- Pre-Christmas: September 17th – December 10th
- Post-Christmas: January 28th – March 31th
- There will be no tennis at Labour Weekend or Waitangi Weekend in February. Note other parts of the season could be affected by events, at this time limited grades may on be prohibited to play.

Entries

Entry forms and team entry fees must be received by Dunedin Junior Tennis Advisory Group by 12pm on Friday 9th September.

Controlled Venues

These are Logan Park Tennis Centre and Edgar Sports Centre. There are always supervisors at these courts on Saturday mornings.

Divisions 4 & 5

- **Venues and Times:** In addition to Logan Park and the Edgar Centre, these matches could also be played at schools and clubs. Matches begin at 8.45am.
- **Balls:** Supplied at controlled venues. Where teams are not playing at a controlled venue, they will be responsible for supplying two balls every week.
- **Results Sheets:** Supplied at controlled venues. Copies will be e-mailed to all clubs prior to the season commencing.
- **Format:** Doubles: Best of 17 games (up to 9)
Singles: Best of 3 tie-breaker sets up to 6 (tie break at 5 all)

Divisions 6 - 10

- **Venues and Times:** These matches will generally be played at controlled venues at 8.45am **or** 10.45am
- **Balls:** Supplied at controlled venues. Where teams are not playing at a controlled venue, Clubs will be responsible for supplying two balls each week and supervising matches.
- **Results Sheets:** Supplied at controlled venues. Copies will be e-mailed to all clubs prior to the season commencing.
- **Format:** All matches are timed
Doubles: 45 minutes,
Singles (x 2): 30 minutes each.

Team Fee - \$150 per team

- Those who are scheduled to play at the Edgar Centre and are not members will have to pay any entrance fee.

Organiser / Contact Details

Kristy Booth

Phone 4877985 no calls after 8.30pm Mob: 0278130117

Email dunedin_junior_tennis@yahoo.co.nz

Draws

These will be emailed to club captains.

Results

For timed matches at Logan Park and the Edgar Centre score sheets will be handed to the venue supervisor. For Div4/5 matches score sheets can either be handed to the venue supervisor if matches are finished in time OR emailed, or faxed to Kristy (contact details above).

Defaults

These are unacceptable, but if you have to default you must contact Kristy by 5:00pm Thursday. Once you have registered your default with Kristy it is your responsibility to notify the other team. Tennis Otago reserves the right to withdraw players or teams from competition if consistent defaults or 'no-shows' are apparent. If a team is withdrawn, the club must still pay the team entry fee and will be liable for an additional penalty.

Cancellations

Cancellations will be done by Kristy. The decision will be made by 7.30am and will be broadcast on Radio Works, Radio Otago and Radio Dunedin. Please listen for the cancellation and if you are not sure, please call Kristy.

RULES OF COMPETITION

NOTE: These Rules replace all previous Rules and Codes issued by Tennis Southern.

These Rules may be altered, amended, added to or rescinded by Tennis Otago but no such action shall have any retrospect effect.

- All clubs affiliated to Tennis Otago or an affiliated body may enter teams in the Dunedin interclub competition.
- All competitions shall be overseen by the Otago Advisory Group.
- Tennis Otago has the power to place new teams in grades it deems appropriate, subject to positions being available. It has the discretion to refuse entry to a team in any grade.
- The rules of competition may allow for re-grading.
- The rules of competition may allow for a promotion/relegation match

Appeals

Clubs/teams may apply for exeptions/dispensations by Emailing the competition committee at tennisotago@hotmail.co.nz with competition committee in the subject line. Clearly outline the request and reasons for it.

Any club objecting to a decision of the Otago Advisory Group shall send a Notice of Appeal to Tennis Otago setting out any grounds for seeking the overturning of the original decision.

Tennis Otago shall forward the Appeal to the Senior Advisory Group Chairman.

The Chairman shall write to the club setting out their decision from the Appeal within two weeks of receiving the Notice of Appeal.

Attire

All players shall dress and conduct themselves in an appropriate manner i.e. no ripped or offensive clothing.

Tennis shoes are encouraged. No player may play in sandals, jandals or bare feet.

Cancellations and Rained Off Matches

Note these are new procedures for the 2011-12 season.

Cancellation Procedure for Saturday

- The cancellation decision is made based on the Met office short term weather forecast for the weather patterns for the afternoon.
- Scenarios:
 - No doubt then nothing happens.
 - If the weather is doubtful for the afternoon, a group text is sent to the relevant contact person at each club by 11am with the decision.
- Any decision to cancel will be made by Tennis Otago after collaboration with two members of the senior advisory group.

Each club is requested to supply a name(s) & contact cell phone number to Tennis Otago so they can be sent the text message. It is then that person(s) responsibility to contact all their clubs' players.

In the case of cancellations:

Premier grade will play the game during the week.

For all other grades the rained out match will be played at the end of the round.

It is the responsibility of the Team Captains to decide if matches not already cancelled are unplayable due to the weather conditions.

In the event of matches being rained off, all ties that are still live (i.e. the final result cannot be determined) will be cancelled. Points will be awarded for matches completed and the bonus points shall be split evenly. Points shall be awarded for those ties already completed or where the rubber is no longer live e.g. Team A is leading Team B 4 – 1 with a doubles match remaining and it starts raining. Team A has won the tie and will be awarded the points for matches won and bonus points. Team B will be awarded 1 point for their match won.

All matches scheduled at the Edgar Centre do not form part of any cancellation and must be played.

Cancellation Procedure for Tuesday night

All team captains will be sent a text message if the matches are to be cancelled, they are then to contact their team members.

Code of Conduct

Players are expected to play the game in a sportsmanlike manner and accord respect to their own team-mates, the opposition, media, officials and spectators. Swearing, obnoxious or threatening behaviour, walking-off during a match, prolonged arguing and deliberately hitting balls at opponents have no place in tennis.

Any breach of the rules of the Code of Conduct may be dealt with by an appointed court referee, duty officer, tournament controller or member of Tennis Otago, giving a warning to the player concerned or by referring the player's behaviour to the Tennis Otago Group.

Where a player has been referred to the Tennis Otago Group, the Group may hear the matter in any manner it considers appropriate and may require the player to appear before a meeting of the Tennis Otago Group.

The Otago Group may make any one or more of the following decisions in respect to the referral:

- It may find that there is no substantial merit in the referral.
- It may make a formal or informal warning to the player.
- It may default the player and void his results for the match.
- It may require the player to make an apology.
- It may suspend the player for up to four weeks.

In making its decision, the Tennis Otago Group shall be guided by any Code of Conduct issued by New Zealand Tennis.

The right of Appeal shall continue to apply in respect to decisions on the Code of Conduct.

Defaults

Team captain to advise the **opposing captain**, Tennis Otago and their club of any defaults by 9am on the preceding Friday. Tennis Otago will not be advising opposing captains. If matches are scheduled for the Edgar Centre these courts must also be cancelled by 9am Friday. Failure to comply with these rules may incur a fine of \$50 which will be invoiced to the club or school.

Injury

Where a player is incapacitated through injury, illness or other essential cause, the match shall be defaulted. Sets and games won up to that point shall stand and no further team penalty shall be imposed. **For information on injury breaks see the TNZ Player Code of Conduct.**

Players in Competition

No person shall play in a Tennis Otago competition unless they are affiliated to Tennis Otago inc. and have paid their affiliation fee.

Team lists and team fees must be received by Tennis Otago no less than ten days prior to the start of that grade.

Where an unaffiliated player has played an interclub match, the affiliation fee must be received at Tennis Otago by 5pm on the Sunday following the match. If this condition is not met, the club this player represented will be invoiced for this player's affiliation fee. The results of the unaffiliated player's matches will be treated as a loss and only those matches between affiliated players will be recorded on Configure Rankings.

No person shall play for more than one club without the transfer being approved by Tennis Otago.

No person shall play in a competition for players of the opposite sex without the permission of Tennis Otago.

No person shall play more than their allocated games in a match.

In four person teams only the number 4 is permitted to play for another team from their club without the permission of Tennis Otago. A player from a higher grade can not play in a lower grade.

Any player who in the current season has played in three matches in any higher grade or grades cannot play in a lower grade in that season without the permission of Tennis Otago. (Senior and Junior tennis are viewed as two separate competitions. e.g. a Junior player can play in both Junior and Senior Interclub.

No player shall be permitted to play in the Semi Finals, Finals or playoffs of any section or grade unless he or she has played at least three rounds previously in the team concerned or obtained permission from the Tennis Otago competition committee.

Team lists must be provided to Tennis Otago of all the players participating in the finals to ensure all are eligible. Lists must be received at Tennis Otago by the Thursday before the first match.

Playing Order

All singles matches are to be played before doubles matches in Premier; other grades by mutual agreement.

Doubles combinations and order do not have to be named until after all singles matches have been completed.

Players must play in Configure Ranking order but they can vary the order as long as they are within the same band. No one can play ahead of someone in a higher band without permission.

Points

Points for all grades will be 1 point for each rubber won and 4 points for winning the tie.

If two teams are to be level on rubbers, the contest goes to a count back on sets; if these are level it will go to games, for which at this time if they are level 2 bonus points each will be allocated.

Exception is the Combine Doubles grade which will split the points when drawn at 3 all.

Score sheets

Each team captain shall write in the team (first initial and last name) and singles team order before play commences. Doubles combinations and playing order may be written in after singles matches have been completed.

All players are to make sure their individual configure ranking code is recorded on all score sheets.

Each score sheet shall be completed and signed by both captains or players or managers of each team. When the sheets have been signed they can not be altered without the consent of both captains.

Score sheets shall be returned no later than 5pm on the Monday following the match. Score sheets can be forwarded to club captains and Club captains will e-mail to tennisotago@hotmail.co.nz or post to PO Box 6236 Dunedin North 9059 or they can be placed in the drop box at the Edgar Center.

Tuesday night matches must be returned no later than 5pm on the Thursday following the match.

It is the responsibility of the winning team's captain to make sure their score sheets are returned on time. If score sheets are not received in time, no points will be awarded to the winning team but the losing team is awarded any points they earned. Configure Ranking results will be entered provided the sheet is returned within two weeks of the tie. If a sheet is received after two weeks, no Configure Ranking results will be entered.

Rules of Play

The rules of play shall be those contained in the ITF Rules of Tennis, a copy of which is available for inspection. Where Tennis Otago has expressly incorporated other rules for competition requirements, those rules shall, insofar as is necessary, override the ITF rules.

Start Time

Morning matches commence at 9.00am, afternoon matches commence at 1pm, Tuesday night matches commence at 5.30pm.

Matches shall be played in the order described in the competition rules for that grade unless prior approval from the opposition captain has been given.

Warm ups should be limited to five minutes.

All matches should commence within five minutes of the appointed time of start of play. When a match is finished the next players shall commence their warm up within five minutes.

Where a team is shorthanded, the lowest ranked position is forfeited first (i.e. number four in a four person team). If more than one person is absent from a team, the rubber shall be defaulted entirely.

Any player who anticipates that they may be late must get prior approval from the opposition captain. The opposition captain is under no obligation to agree to the delay.

Any player who does start play within 15 minutes of the time to commence shall be deemed to lose the first set 6-0 or, where the game is played to eleven games, the first four games.

Any player who arrives more than 30 minutes late shall forfeit that match as a whitewash.

Players are allowed a maximum of 30 minutes between the completion of their singles match and the commencement of their doubles.

Umpiring

All calls on your side of the net are **your** responsibility (i.e. you cannot ask your opponent for a let because you do not agree with their call). If you have any doubt as to whether a ball is out or good, you must give your opponent the benefit of the doubt and play the ball as good. You should **not** play a let.

Any 'out' call must be made **instantaneously** (i.e. made before either the opponent has hit the return or the return has gone out of play); otherwise, the ball continues in play. The call should be both verbally and by using a hand signal.

Do **not** enlist the aid of spectators, including parents, in making calls. If a player incorrectly calls a ball 'out' and then realises that ball was good, the player who called the ball 'out' loses the point, unless it was the first incorrect 'out' call made by the player in the match and it was not a point winning shot. In this circumstance, the point should be replayed.

To avoid controversy over the score, the server should announce the set score (e.g. 5-4) before starting a game and the game score (e.g. thirty-forty) prior to serving each point.

If players cannot agree on the score, they are to discuss and find out which relevant points or games they agree on. All points or games which the players agree on stand and only those in dispute should be replayed e.g. a player believes the score is 40 – 30 and his opponent claims the score is 30 – 40. Both disagreed only on who won the first point in the game. The game is to continue from 30 – 30 since both players agree that each of them has won two points in that game. When a game is in dispute, the same principal applies e.g. player A claims that he is leading 6 – 5 but player B disagrees claiming that he is leading 6 – 5. Both players claim they won the first game. The game the players disagree on is to be replayed

Be courteous to your opponent. Do not stall, sulk, complain or practice gamesmanship.

FACILITIES

The following facilities are available at Logan Park Tennis Centre and at the Edgar Sports Centre.

- First Aid Equipment Basic only and each team should provide its own basic first aid supplies, sunscreen etc.
- Changing Rooms .
- Toilets and Showers
- Filtered Water
- Lounge and Bar A limited range of food is available.
- Barbecue As required

We wish to run a safe facility. Please advise us if you note any potentially serious hazard or suffer a significant injury.

CONFIGURE GRADING SYSTEM (Top Dog)

There will be no Senior on Junior Ladder – players can check their Configure Ranking at www.tennis.org.nz

Three years ago Tennis New Zealand introduced the new points grading system “Top Dog”. A player receives a personal code which identifies that person with the association (first 2 letters) and club (next 2 letters) he/she belongs to (final 2 or 3 letter their initials). The code must be recorded correctly for all matches that count towards grading (i.e. interclub, tournaments, team events etc).

To begin, players are allocated a number of points (this may not be accurate but is an attempt to group players on ability) and from here players will have points added or deducted, relative to their opponent’s number of points and depending on results. The more data entered to the grading system, the more accurate it becomes.

In Dunedin, Configure Ranking grades are considered when selecting representative teams and doing tournaments seedings. All players who play in a Tennis NZ/Tennis Southern/Tennis Otago event must include their Configure Ranking code with any entry form/result sheet etc.

In Dunedin all affiliated players will have a Configure Ranking code.

Privacy Option: Any player in the Grading list may elect to opt-out of having their results history information displayed on the Configure Ranking website. Their name still appears on the Grading list but individual results are not viewable.

Website: Up-to-date grading information can be obtained by visiting www.tennisnz.com

**DUNEDIN TENNIS SENIOR INTERCLUB COMPETITION
2011 – 2012 ENTRY FORM**

Club Name: _____

Competition Entered: (Please tick) Team Fees
Premier Team ()\$120 per team
Senior Men Division 1 () Division 2 ()\$180 per team
Senior Women ()\$60 per team
Mixed 1 () Combined Doubles ()\$180 per team
Summer League ()\$60 per team

Team Name: _____

Team Captain:

Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Address: _____

Phone (H): _____ (M) _____

Email Address: _____

Team Details:

2. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

3. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

4. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

5. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

6. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

**Please return this form with your team entry fee by Friday 9th September
Tennis Otago, PO Box 6236, DUNEDIN NORTH 9059**

Amount Enclosed: _____

Make cheques payable to Dunedin Tennis Junior Advisory Group

**DUNEDIN TENNIS JUNIOR INTERCLUB COMPETITION
2011 – 2012 ENTRY FORM**

Club Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ **Phone:** _____

Email Address: _____

Competition Entered: (Please tick) Boys Division () Girls Division ()

Division 4 () Division 5 () Division 6 () Division 7 ()

Division 8 () Division 9 () Division 10 Mixed ()

Team Name: _____

Team Captain:

Name: _____ Top Dog Code: _____

Phone (H): _____ (M) _____

Email Address: _____ D.O.B: ____ / ____ / ____

Team Details:

2. Name: _____ Top Dog Code: _____

Email Address: _____ D.O.B: ____ / ____ / ____

3. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Email Address: _____ D.O.B: ____ / ____ / ____

4. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Email Address: _____ D.O.B: ____ / ____ / ____

5. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Email Address: _____ D.O.B: ____ / ____ / ____

6. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Email Address: _____ D.O.B: ____ / ____ / ____

**Please post this form with your team entry fee by Friday 9th September to:
Brita Fields, 1 Moa St, St Leonards, Dunedin, 9022**

Make cheques payable to Dunedin Tennis Junior Advisory Group

Amount Enclosed: _____ (\$150 per team of 4 or \$75 team of 2)

SENIOR SCORE SHEET

Grade: _____ Date _____

Team A: _____ Team B: _____

Name	Top Dog Code	Won / Lost	Name	Top Dog Code	Score
Men's Singles					
Men's Doubles					
Women's Singles					
Women's Doubles					
Mixed Doubles					

Result: _____ Rubbers: _____ Sets: _____ Games: _____

_____ Rubbers: _____ Sets: _____ Games: _____

Match won by: _____ Score: _____

Captain Team A: _____ Captain Team B _____

¹ Please ensure the score sheets are filled out correctly with Configure Ranking codes
 The captain of the winning team is responsible for either Emailing to tennisotago@hotmail.co.nz, posting to P.O. Box 6236, Dn North 9059 or placing in the drop box at the Edgar Center **by Monday 5pm**

DUNEDIN JUNIOR INTERCLUB SCORE SHEET

Date: _____ Time: _____ Venue: _____ Courts: _____

Boys / Girls / Mixed Division: 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9 / 10
(Please circle) (Please circle)

Team A: _____ vs. Team B: _____

SINGLES:

Name	Top Dog Code / configure ranking	Won / Lost	Name	Top Dog Code / configure ranking	Match Score
e.g. D Smith	OTEHDS	Won	H Brown	OTMRHB	6-3, 6-4
1			1		
2			2		
3			3		
4			4		

DOUBLES:

Name	Top Dog Code / configure ranking	Won / Lost	Name	Top Dog Code / configure ranking	Match Score
e.g. D Smith M Taylor	OTEHDS OTEHMT	Won	H Brown S George	OTMRHB OTMRHB	9-5
1/2			1/2		
3/4			3/4		

Team A Results

Matches Won _____

Sets Won _____ **DIV 4 & 5 ONLY**

Games Won _____

Signed Captain "A" _____

Match Won By: _____

Team B Results

Matches Won _____

Sets Won _____

Games Won _____

Signed Captain "B" _____

Div 4 & 5: Singles best of 3 tie breaker sets (up to 6); doubles best of 17 games (1 set up to 9).

Email your completed score sheet to jkbooth@clear.net.nz

Div 6 – 10: Singles 30 minute timed games; doubles 45 minute

Timed games. Hand in your balls; pen/pencil and completed score sheet to the venue supervisor at the conclusion of your match.

Additional Competitions

Grade format:

These competitions are open to affiliated players only. Players may enter in both the Tuesday & Saturday competition and if necessary clubs may combine together to enter teams. The Saturday competition is a club based competition.

Premier

- **Venue:** Either Logan Park, Edgar Centre or clubs at 1pm on Saturday's.
- **Team Makeup:** Two men or two women in separate competitions
- **Format:** All play singles and doubles
Singles - best of three sets with a tie break at six all
Doubles - best of two tie breaker sets with a 10 point tie break as the third set, short deuce
- **Balls:** Each team to provide one pair of new balls each week

Senior Women

- **Venue:** Either Logan Park, Edgar Centre or clubs at 1pm on Saturdays
- **Team Makeup:** Two women
- **Format:** All play singles and doubles
Singles - best of three sets with a tie break at six all
Doubles - best of two tie breaker sets with a 10 point tie break as the third set, long deuce
- **Balls:** Each team to provide one pair of new balls each week

Saturday competition

This will run from Sat.29th Oct-10th Dec, 21st Jan – 25th Feb. The premier matches on the 25th Feb may need to be cancelled as there is a TSR Quadrangular for Div 1 players.

Summer League Competition

- **Venue:** Logan Park or Edgar Centre 5.30pm Tuesdays
- **Team Makeup:** 2 men or 2 women
- **Format:** All play singles and doubles.
Singles - best of two tie breaker sets with a 10 point tie break as the third set
Doubles - best of 17 games with a 7 point tiebreaker at 8 all . All games are short deuce.
- **Balls:** Each team to provide one pair of new balls each.

Summer League

This will run from Tuesday 25th Oct.-6th Dec, 31st Jan-28th Feb.

Entries

Team entry forms must be received by Tennis Otago no later than 5pm Wednesday 19th October. They can be sent to tennisotago@hotmail.co.nz or posted to P.O.Box 6236 North Dunedin 9059. Provided there are sufficient teams to run the events the clubs will be invoiced team fees, with fees payable by Wednesday 2nd November.

Team Fees

All team fees include entry to Logan Park Tennis Centre. Those players scheduled to play at the Edgar Centre and are not members will have to pay any entrance fees that may apply.

- Premier Grade, 2 person team \$ 60 per team
- Senior Women's Grade \$ 60 per team
- Summer League \$ 60 per team

Please be aware that if a team is scheduled to play at the Edgar Centre and they decide to play at another venue, their club will be charged for court hire.

Draws

- Weekly draws shall be Emailed to each club for distribution. Draws will also be in the Otago Daily Times every Thursday. Note: the first weeks draw may be emailed due to tight time constraints for getting to the newspaper.
- Draws will be posted on the Tennis Otago Web Site : www.tennisotago.org

**TENNIS OTAGO SENIOR INTERCLUB COMPETITION
2011 – 2012 ENTRY FORM**

Club Name: _____

Competition Entered: (Please tick)	Team Fees
Premier Team, men ().....	\$60 per team
Premier Team, women ().....	\$60 per team
Senior Women ()	\$60 per team

Team Name: _____

Team Captain:

Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Address: _____

Phone (H): _____ (M) _____

Email Address: _____

Team Details:

2. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

3. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

4. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

5. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

6. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

**Please return this form by Wednesday 19th October to
Tennis Otago, PO Box 6236, DUNEDIN NORTH 9059
or tennisotago@hotmail.co.nz**

TENNIS OTAGO SUMMER LEAGUE COMPETITION 2011 – 2012 ENTRY FORM

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Competition Entered: (Please tick) Team Fees
Men's team ()\$60 per team
Women's team ()\$60 per team

Team Name: _____

Team Captain:

Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Address: _____

Phone (H): _____ (M) _____

Email Address: _____

Team Details:

2. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

3. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

4. Name: _____ Top Dog Code _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

**Please return this form by Wednesday 19th October to
Tennis Otago, PO Box 6236, DUNEDIN NORTH 9059
or tennisotago@hotmail.co.nz**

Senior Score Sheet

Grade: _____ Date: _____

Team A: _____ Team B: _____

Name	Top Dog Code	Won / Lost	Name	Top Dog Code	Score
Men's Singles					
Men's Doubles					

Result: _____ Rubbers: _____ Sets: _____ Games: _____

_____ Rubbers: _____ Sets: _____ Games: _____

Match won by: _____ Score: _____

Captain Team A: _____ Captain Team B: _____

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 The captain of the winning team is responsible for either Emailing to tennisotago@hotmail.co.nz,
 posting to P.O. Box 6236, Dn North 9059 or placing in the drop box at the Edgar Center **by
 Thursday 5pm**