



## The Old Woolstore A.Y.C. Tennis Association

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## Newsletter No 5

Back into full swing and finals are just around the corner. We hope everyone has been enjoying the season. This newsletter contains an update on grades, has a snippet from the rules and our interpretation of them as well as a reminder about the end of season dinner and a couple of forfeits which have been applied.

### Player Grade Changes (effective on and from Monday March 11, 2013)

The following provisional grades have now been confirmed:

Kingston	Dan Bhar	ITN 6.0
St. Therese's	Mark Falconer	ITN 8.0
New Town	Sue Kirkwood	ITN 8.0
Rosny	Yvette Rance	ITN 8.0

The following players have been upgraded:

Kingston	Jenny Bridges	ITN 7.5
Kingston	Trish Jay	ITN 7.5
Glenorchy	Rebecca Ristrom	ITN 8.5

The following players have been given grades:

St Therese's	Tonia Free	ITN 8.5
Sunshine	Tyran Hammett	ITN 7.5
Kingston	Patrick Hall	ITN 7.0
Glenorchy	Rob Bantick	ITN 7.0
Glenorchy	Andreas Huck	ITN 6.5

### End of Season Dinner

The End of Season Dinner has been booked for Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2013. It will once again be subsidised, but not as heavily as last year. Cost will be \$30 per head. Clubs should have forms on noticeboards shortly for you to nominate your interest in attending. It will once again be held at The Old Woolstore. Numbers need to be confirmed by the end of April.



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### Forfeits

Unfortunately, we have had reason to apply a couple of forfeits.

Round 17, Division 6, Geilston Bay vs Kingston: Geilston Bay forfeit all points due to breaking Divisional Limit (playing a player graded too high for the Division) and team points (total team points were less than allowed in the Division).

Round 13, Division 5, Richmond forfeit their match. Although the night ended in a washout, Richmond was unable to field a team prior to this, so a forfeit is applied.

### Exemptions

In the December 2012 newsletter, Bill Lethbridge (Sorell) was given an ITN grade of 6.0. As of Feb 4, 2013 (and after a request from Sorell) an exemption was made to allow Bill to play as an ITN6.0 in his **own** team (as well as when he plays with other teams). This will provide Sorell with some flexibility for their mixed combinations in Division 1.

Divisions 1 and 8 are **exempt** from **some** rules within 15 and 16 for roster matches only. These are shown below. For finals, Rule 33 applies.

#### **Nominated Players**

15. (1) A nominated player may play a match for a team of any division other than the division in which his or her nominated team plays, subject to Division Limits.

For Div 1 and Div 8 only, a nominated player may play a match for a team of any division **including** the division in which his or her nominated team plays, subject to Division Limits.

#### **Emergency players**

16. (2) An emergency player who has played in 6 or more matches for a particular team in any division is ineligible to play for any other team in that division.

For Div 1 and Div 8 only, An emergency player who has played in 6 or more matches for a particular team in any division can play for any other team in that division.

(3) A team playing an emergency player who has played in 6 or more matches for another team in the same division forfeits any set or sets involved.

For Div 1 and Div 8 only, no sets will be forfeited if an emergency player has played in 6 or more matches for another team.

### Rules for finals

There have been some enquiries about rules for finals. Here, we try to clarify a couple.

Question 1: The rules for finals paragraphs 1 and 5 give conflicting information. Is it 4 or 6 weeks?



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**PART 5- FINALS**

**Players in finals matches**

- 33 (1) A player who has played in less than 6 matches in the current roster is ineligible to compete in any final matches unless approved by the Tournament Committee.

Interpreted to mean the committee can approve a player for finals if they have played 4 or 5 matches in the current roster. If a player has played 6 or more matches they are automatically eligible to play in finals subject to the other criteria.

- (5) Players having participated in less than 4 matches in current season will not be permitted to play in the finals.

Interpreted to mean if you haven't played 4 matches in the current season, you will not be permitted to play in finals.

33. (3) An emergency player in a finals match will be approved if;  
(i) Players having participated in more than 2/3 of the possible rostered matches will be approved as replacement players in finals matches while they continue to fit with the grade and points limit the particular division.

Interpreted to mean that if a player has played more than 2/3 of the possible rostered matches and fit in the limits, they are considered as a named player in the team – potentially an ITN6.0 could replace an ITN6.5.

- (ii) Players having participated in more than half of the possible rostered matches will be replacement players in finals matches if they are the same grade as the nominated member.

Interpreted to mean a player of the same grade even if their statistic is stronger may replace a player of the same grade as long as they have played in more than ½ the possible rostered matches.

**Finals Fill-in List**

Like last year, a pre-approved finals fill-in list will be prepared and published after this week's results are entered.

It will be available at: <http://www.tennis.com.au/ayc/season-2012-13>

As a reminder, if you need a replacement player in finals, find that player in the list and choose anyone below them on the list – no need to contact the committee – they are automatically approved. If however, you wish to seek approval for another player under special circumstances, please email your case with reasons to [ayctas@gmail.com](mailto:ayctas@gmail.com)

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