# 2020 South East Junior Development Series

Information Guide



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### 2020 South East Junior Development Series Calendar

Date	Venue	Contact	Email	Phone
2 Feb	Shoalhaven	Karen Muller	kmuller@tennis.com.au	0444 538524
9 Feb	Kiama	Bill Summerside	summos@tpg.com.au	4237 7695 0448 377695
22 Feb	Bega	Geoff Metzler	g.metzler@bigpond.com	0408 420 276
23 Feb	Merimbula	James Poso	Sapphirecoasttennis@gmail.com	0409 315 542
8 Mar	Tennis Wollongong	Jill Wilson	admin@tenniswollongong.com.au	4228 6570 0418 692961
22 Mar	Bulli	Dave Allen	Dallen2@aapt.net.au	4267 1120 0414 011798
29 Mar	Bowral	Susie Purvis	tsfc@bigpond.com	4861 4529 0417 308457
3 May	Ulladulla	Kevin Murphy	murphystennis@me.com	0417 359721
16 May	Moruya	Richard Sellick	rsellick@bigpond.com	0414 753941
17 May	Batemans Bay	Anne Sawtell	tennis@batemansbaytennis.com.au	0458246851
24 May	City of Wollongong	Stuart O'Shannessy	wollongongtournaments@gmail.com	4229 9227
14 Jun	Picton/Camden	Laurie Geist	firstservetennis@bigpond.com	0414 251408
21 Jun	Wet Weather if required			-1
26 Jul	Ulladulla	Kevin Murphy	murphystennis@me.com	0417 359721
2 Aug	Tennis Wollongong	Jill Wilson	admin@tenniswollongong.com.au	4228 6570 0418 692961
16 Aug	Shoalhaven	Karen Muller	kmuller@tennis.com.au	0444 538 524
23 Aug	Wet weather if required			
5 Sept & 6 Sept	Champion of Champions	Karen Muller	kmuller@tennis.com.au	0444 538524

# What is the Junior Development Series?

The Junior Development Series events are round robin singles events for junior players.

The series is designed to give young players an enjoyable, development focused competitive tennis opportunity in their local region.

# **Age Groups**

Age group eligibility: 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020. E.g. If a player turns 11 on or before 31/12/2020 they must play 12/U. Event eligibility by age group:

- 10/U born no later than 31/12/2010
- 12/U born no later than 31/12/2008

- 14/U born no later than 31/12/2006
- 16/18U born no later than 31/12/2002

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# Eligibility to play

All players must have a Tennis Australia ID number to be eligible to enter the South East Junior Development Series

To obtain a Tennis Australia ID number please contact Tennis Australia Customer Service: 1800 PLAYTENNIS (1800 752 983) or email play@tennis.com.au

# **Entry Procedure**

Entries will close strictly at Midnight on the Tuesday prior to the tournament date.

Entry to all JDS tournaments is via online entry through the Tennis Australia Tournaments Website tournaments.tennis.com.au. Direct links to events can be found at <a href="https://www.tennis.com.au/nsw/regions/south-east">https://www.tennis.com.au/nsw/regions/south-east</a>

If you experience issues with online entry please email the Regional Administrator on <a href="mailto:kmuller@tennis.com.au">kmuller@tennis.com.au</a> prior to the entry deadline.

Emailed late entries will only be accepted if a vacancy exists, at the discretion of the Regional Administrator, whose decision shall be final.

Venues and playing times will be updated online and on the Facebook page by Thursday night.

It is the player's responsibility to confirm their entry/playing venue prior to the Sunday of the respective JDS event they have entered.

# **Entry Fee's**

Entry fee: \$25.00 per player

Families with more than 3 children will be eligible for an entry fee rebate for fees over \$60.

#### Withdrawals & Refunds

Any player who withdraws from the event must do so online by 8.00pm on the Friday prior to the event.

Withdrawals that occur prior to the entry close date will receive a full refund of entry fees paid.

Withdrawals that occur after the entry close date and before the withdrawal deadline (8pm Friday) will receive a 50% refund. Withdrawals that occur after 8.00pm on the Friday prior to the event will not receive a refund of entry fees.

### **Out of Region Entries**

'Out of Region' players (i.e. those players residing outside the South East Region boundaries) will be accepted into tournaments. OOR players participate as per any other player and have full progression opportunities to play-offs and finals at individual Junior Development Series events.

OOR players <u>WILL NOT</u> however be eligible for progression into the regional Champion of Champions event.

If OOR players would like to sign over to the South East Region the regional sign over form must be emailed to the Regional Administrator by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020. Please contact your Regional Administrator for a copy.

### **Combined Age Groups**

If there is a lack of numbers in an event it is possible to combine 2 or more events. If events are combined, it is treated as one age group. Players' progress to playoffs as per normal format listed below. Points are allocated as if it is one event. U16/18 is one event. If the boys and girls are combined this is treated as one event.

#### **Format of Play**

All Tournament Directors will utilise a consistent format of play throughout the Region.

The Tournament Director reserves the right to choose the number of games for each age group based on available courts and entries. Where possible the South East Region aim to ensure a minimum of 30 games each pool card.

#### • 10/U - 'Green Ball'

Green ball is mandatory for all 10U JDS events, with the 'Green Ball' to be used at the Champion of Champions & the IDS State Final

All 10U events will be no more than 30 games in the round robin plus play offs. No-ad deuce format (i.e. after deuce next point wins). In the event of a tied match a 1<sup>st</sup> to 5 point tie break will be played to determine a winner.

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### • 12/U, 14/U, 16/18U -

All events will aim to be a minimum of 30 games in the round robin plus play offs. 3pt deuce format (i.e. deuce-addeuce-next point wins) for each game. In the event of a tied match a 1<sup>st</sup> to 5 point tie break will be played to determine a winner.

Once the rounds are finalised only those players who finished 1st-4th place in the seeded pool will be seeded in the play-offs. All other players will be drawn out randomly. Where there are only 4 players in the seeded pool only 1st-2nd place will be seeded in the playoffs. If there is only one sheet it is first past the post.

Play-offs matches will be the same format as played throughout the day. The final will be one (1) set duration with a tie-break if the score reaches five (5) all. (Formats may be varied by the Tournament Director depending on number of matches in playoffs, weather etc.).

#### **Series Point Allocations**

Points will be allocated according to the following table for all age groups:

Round	Points Allocated
Winner	20
Runner-Up	16
Semi-Finalist	12
Quarter Finalist	10
Round Of Sixteen (16)	8
Card Winner	8
Card Runner-Up	4
Participation	2

If only one sheet points will be allocated according to the following table:

Round	Points Allocated
Winner	20
Runner-Up	16
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	12
4 <sup>th</sup> place	10
Participation	2

Players are allocated one amount of points per day in the age group they enter. Points are not transferable to another age group.

Players must win their first match in the play-offs before additional points are awarded (e.g. If a player wins their card, in a three (3) card field, but loses their first play-off match then they receive 8 points or if a seeded card player finishes 4<sup>th</sup> on the card and loses their first play-off match they receive 2 points).

In the case of a JDS only being partially completed, points will be awarded to players on the basis of the last fully completed round of play (e.g. if the final is unable to be completed due to rain, both players receive runner-up points).

#### **Wet Weather**

In the case of a JDS only being partially completed, points will be awarded to players on the basis of the last fully completed round of play (e.g. if the final is unable to be completed due to rain, both players receive runner-up points).

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If a tournament is washed out prior to the start of the day or within the 1<sup>st</sup> hour the region will attempt to reschedule the event to one of the pre-determined wet weather back up dates.

#### **Extreme Weather**

#### The Tennis Australia Extreme Weather policy

In instances of extreme weather including but not limited to extreme heat, please refer to the Tennis Australia Extreme Weather Policy. A copy of the policy can be found at: <a href="https://www.tennis.com.au/tournaments/regulations">https://www.tennis.com.au/tournaments/regulations</a>

#### **No Shows**

Once a player has entered a JDS, you are expected to play; UNLESS prevented by illness or injury. If a player cannot play, they must notify the Regional Administrator or Tournament Director ASAP because a withdrawal affects the draw. A player who does not turn up and does not notify the JDS Administrator will be penalised four (4) points.

#### **Code of Behaviour**

The 'Tennis Australia Code Of Conduct' including the dress code applies to all sanctioned tournaments in the South East Region. Correct tennis etiquette and behaviour is expected. All venues will have a Tournament Referee/Venue Supervisor to deal with any problems or disputes that may arise. The 'Code Of Behaviour' also extends off the court to parents, coaches and friends as well. There is no interference, coaching or communicating allowed from off the court to players on the court. A copy of the code of behaviour can be found at:

Code of Behaviour (Tournaments & weekly competitions): <a href="https://www.tennis.com.au/tournaments/regulations">https://www.tennis.com.au/tournaments/regulations</a>

Code of Conduct (Parents & Guardians): https://www.tennis.com.au/nsw/players/junior-11-17/junior-development-series

#### **Series Final Events**

# • Champion of Champions

In each age group/event the top eight (8) point scorers will be invited to play in the Champion of Champions.

To qualify for the South East Region Champion of Champions, players must play a <u>minimum of 6 JDS</u> events in one age group, points are based on the cumulative total of a player's <u>best seven (7) JDS tournament results.</u>

South East Regional Champion of Champions event to be held on 5-6 September, 2020 at a venue to be confirmed.

The South East Regional Champion of Champions is the only pathway for players to qualify for the JDS State level event the NSW Closed Junior Championship – 24-26 October 2020 which will be held at Springwood, Hawkesbury and Penrith.

# 2020 NSW Closed Junior Championships

Age groups to compete at the Closed Championships – 10U, 12U, 14U and 16U

Players qualify for the Closed Championships through the Champion of Champions in each Tennis NSW Region.
Players who have not participated in the 2020 JDS series will not be eligible to compete in the Closed Junior Championships.

The top 3 players in each age group shall be selected for the Closed Championship plus a wildcard position.

Allocation of wildcards for the NSW Closed Junior Championship will be determined by the South East Regional Committee.

Events: Players may only compete in one age group at the NSW Closed Championship. Players who have qualified for more than one age group will have to select which one they contest.

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# **Publicity, Promotions and Use of Image**

- i. In consideration of accepting your entry into the tournament, you grant and assign to TA and the Event Host and any applicable third party (at the reasonable discretion of TA) the right in perpetuity throughout the world to make, use, show and reproduce moving pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television, sound recordings and any other reproductions of any description of you during or in connection with the tournament. You agree that your name, voice, likeness, image and biographical material may also be used and reproduced in any way for the purpose of providing information and news in relation to the tournament, audio visual coverage, distribution and broadcast of the tournament, archival purposes, and publicising, promoting and advertising TA and the tournament. You acknowledge and agree that this usage, including for commercial purposes, is without compensation or notice to you, heirs, executors, administrators or assigns.
- ii. TA or the Event Host may appoint third parties to attend selected tournaments and produce recordings of on-court action (Authorised Filming). Third parties appointed to conduct Authorised Filming may make and reproduce still and motion pictures of participants for the purposes of selling footage back to TA, broadcasters or participants. You must give verbal or written notice to any person conducting Authorised Filming prior to the match starting if you do not wish to be filmed. It is your responsibility to seek out the person conducting Authorised Filming if you do not wish to be filmed. TA and the Event Host will take reasonable steps to comply with your wishes regarding filming, subject to any agreements regarding broadcast of tournament matches.

# **Working with Children Checks**

Tournament Directors and Officials involved in Junior Development Series events are required to have a valid NSW Working with Children Check.

### **Amendments**

The JDS and Regulations may only be amended, repealed or otherwise modified, in whole or in part, by the region with approval by Tennis NSW at any time including with retrospective effect. South East Region and Tennis NSW reserve the right to review and amend Junior Development Series Rules and Information during the year, including with retrospective effect, if it determines that the amendments are in the best interest of the players and the Junior Development Series. These amendments will be published on the South East Regional Website.