



**CENTRAL QUEENSLAND
JUNIOR
DEVELOPMENT
SERIES QLD**

Guide



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Guidance for Tennis Players and Families

Our mission is to help our local players and parents understand the JDS circuit, the goal of the circuit, and why it's an integral part of a young players tennis journey in Queensland.

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Core Values



Effort



Sportsmanship



Resilience



Respect

Overview of the Central QLD JDS

The philosophy of the circuit is to focus on player development.

What is the Junior Development Series?

The Junior Development Series Queensland (JDS) is a series of tournaments for beginner to intermediate players. These tournaments are conducted all around Australia. The Central Region has 12 JDS tournaments strategically spread out across the region, giving players plenty of opportunity to play in JDS tournaments throughout the year.

Who are these tournaments for?

For ages up to 17 years, the JDS is designed to give players their first experience in playing a series of tournaments. Each tournament allows players to experience crucial competitive play and skill development opportunities. The JDS has a development focus allowing players to fine tune their skills in a friendly match play environment.

For more experienced players, the Central JDS Circuit is the perfect opportunity to enhance match play skills preparing players for J125 & J250 Tournaments as well as Open Events.

Can I get ranking points for these tournaments?

The JDS does not offer Australian Junior Tour Points as it maintains a development focus. The Central JDS Circuit has a mixture of age group based play for A, A+ and C tournaments and the use of a rating based system for B tournaments. All matches on the JDS Circuit will contribute to a players UTR.

For more information on the UTR please visit the Tennis Australia website (www.tennis.com.au/competitiveplay/utr-rating).

By playing in the JDS, players have the opportunity to represent the region at the JDS State Finals in Rockhampton.

Entry Requirements & Formats

Entry Requirements

- Must be 17 years or younger and relevant age as at 31/12/2025.
- Must have completed their Competitive Player Profile.
- When entering into a JDS players must commit to playing on both days.
- All players in 10/U, 11/U & 13/U will automatically be entered in both singles and doubles (no exception all players must play doubles). All players in the 15/U & 17/U events may play singles and doubles or two singles. Girls wishing to play the Boys singles in the 17/U age must also play the 17/U Girls singles.
- In 17/U events with small nominations mixed singles may be played.
- Players are reminded that all entries should be received through the Tennis Australia tournaments website <https://tournaments.tennis.com.au/> by the closing deadline.

JDS Tournament Fees

- 15/u & 17/u Singles: \$35.00
- 15/u & 17/u Doubles \$15.00
- 10/u, 11/u & 13/u (\$50.00) includes Singles & Doubles
- Orange and Red Ball Singles: \$15.00

*Subject to change

Entry Requirements & Formats

Formats

The continuous play format will be used for all singles events, which guarantees every player (win or lose) a similar amount of matches and a ranking at the completion of the tournament.

- Orange Ball Singles
- Orange Ball Doubles
- Boys 10 Singles
- Boys 10 Doubles
- Girls 10 Singles
- Girls 10 Doubles
- Boys 11 Singles
- Boys 11 Doubles
- Girls 11 Singles
- Girls 11 Doubles
- Boys 13 Singles
- Boys 13 Doubles
- Girls 13 Singles
- Girls 13 Doubles
- Boys 15 Singles
- Boys 15 Doubles
- Girls 15 Singles
- Girls 15 Doubles
- Boys 17 Singles
- Boys 17 Doubles
- Girls 17 Singles
- Girls 17 Doubles

Note: 17/U singles is an open division

*Subject to change

Tournament Rules & Conditions of Play

- The tournament committee managing the tournament shall have the entire control of the tournament except for matters designated to the referee or court supervisors.
- No entry fee shall be refunded unless the event is cancelled due to lack of entries or a player withdraws due to extenuating circumstances.
- Used balls may be supplied for all round matches. New balls to be used for finals.
- 10/U age group will use the Tennis Australia approved Green Ball.
- Orange Ball events are open subject to the tournament director's discretion and can include singles and doubles events, either being separate Girls and Boys events or combined events dependent on number of entries. Orange Ball singles and doubles events will use the Tennis Australia approved Orange Ball & modified courts.
- In events with four or less entries, runner-up trophies may not be awarded.
- Players will be forfeited if unavailable to play at the scheduled time. No exemptions will be made.
- All 15/U Boys and Girls and 13/U Boys players are required at 7:45am for a 8am start on the Saturday morning at every tournament. All other players are required to attend by 8:30am. At B events all players are required by 8am unless otherwise instructed.
- Players (except 10/U age group and orange ball events) will be allocated points dependent on their progress through the draw (i.e.) Winner - 75, Runner-up - 50, 3rd - 40, 4th - 35, 5th - 30, 6th - 25, 7th - 20, 8th - 15, 9th - 10, 10th - 5.
- Players shall be seeded by the Central Queensland JDS Committee.

JDS Circuit Management Committee

Circuit Coordinator/Points Recorder - Glenn Vickery: 0407 693 900

Seeding Committee - Murray Whitbread: 0407 639 824 &

Glenn Vickery: 0407 693 900

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2025 JDS Circuit Prizes

Major Prize - All winners of the Central JDS Circuit Finals, 11/U, 13/U, 15/U and 17/U will receive a voucher to the value of \$100. All winners of the Circuit (on points) 11/U, 13/U, 15/U and 17/U will receive a voucher to the value of \$200, only one (1) prize per winner. If a player wins more than one age group a maximum of \$300 can be won. These vouchers are to be used for tennis related activities.

Players have to have played the following events in one age group to qualify for the major prize; two A+, one A, one C and one B event. The players best results in each of these categories will be used to determine the winner. If players have equal points then their head to head results will be used to determine the winner. Although it is compulsory to play one B event to win the major circuit prize, all participants receive 30 points for a B category JDS.

Player of the Month - Five monthly grants of \$100 towards tennis related costs (e.g coaching), will be awarded to players during the Central JDS Circuit Finals. This award is flexible in application in that it may be given for winning but may also be presented for reasons such as good sportsmanship, behaviour, improvement etc. To be considered for a Player of the Month Award the player must have competed in at least five Central JDS Circuit tournaments and have also won at least one JDS tournament. Players must also complete a nomination form and return it to the Circuit Management Committee by the Monday before the Central JDS Circuit Finals.

Player of the Year - At the completion of the Central JDS Circuit, a Player of the Year grant of \$500 towards tennis related costs (e.g coaching), will be awarded in addition to the Gareth Wroe Memorial Cup. To be considered for the Player of the Year Award players must have competed in at least five Central JDS Circuit tournaments and have also won at least one JDS tournament. Players must also complete a nomination form and return it to the Circuit Management Committee by the Monday before the Central JDS Circuit Finals.

Sportsmanship Awards - A player at each Central JDS Circuit event will be selected to win a Sportsmanship Award. This award will be selected by the Central JDS Management Committee and presented to the winner at the Central JDS Circuit finals. The winner will receive a \$100 grant to go towards tennis related costs (e.g. coaching).

Lucky Players Prizes - Eight lucky player prizes will be awarded at each Central JDS Circuit event in 2025. These lucky player prizes will be distributed evenly amongst each age group. These prizes will be given to players who have not won major prizes at the event.

Calendar & Important Dates

Regional Super Camp

The Regional Super Camp will take place on the 14th and 15th April in Gladstone. It is a unique annual tennis event for junior players involved in the Junior Development Series within the region. The camp will be a team based event that will be fun and engaging for the players, parents and coaches, with a mixture of activities and experiences over the two days.

* Selection criteria will apply

Day 1

- Player camp run by Tennis Australia Coach Development Team

Day 2

- Team competition with coaches as team captains
- Timed singles and doubles matches
- Parents and coaches workshop, including playing opportunity
- Every point counts format - extra points awarded for team spirit, sportsmanship, tactical execution, coach and parent play, and Pop Tennis rounds

REGIONAL
SUPER
CAMP



CQ JDS Circuit Finals Biloela (Callide Valley Tennis Association)

The Regional Finals will take place at Callide Valley Tennis Association on the 6th and 7th of September. Players who have qualified will be able to compete in this event and have the opportunity to be selected in the QLD JDS State Finals Team. At the Regional Finals the '**Player Of The Year Awards**' will be awarded along with other prizes.

To qualify for the Regional Final players must play a minimum of four (4) Circuit Tournaments, B events are counted as Circuit Tournament events.

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Central Region 2025 JDS Circuit

DATE	VENUE	DATE	VENUE
FEB 22-23	Tannum Sands (B)	JUN 14-15	Bundaberg (A+)
MAR 8-9	Hervey Bay (C)	JUL 19-20	Rockhampton (B)
MAR 15-16	Rockhampton Juniors (A+)	AUG 2-3	Gladstone (C)
APR 14-15	Regional Super Camp-Gladstone	AUG 16-17	Gayndah (B)
MAY 10-11	Maryborough (A)	AUG 23-24	Emerald (A+)
MAY 24-25	Biloela (A)	SEP 6-7	Central Region Finals - Biloela
MAY 31-JUN 1	Yeppoon (A)	OCT 17-19	JDS State Finals Rockhampton



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PLAY

Representative Opportunities from the Central QLD JDS Circuit

Central QLD JDS State Finals - Rockhampton

The JDS State Finals is an event following the conclusion of each Queensland region's respective JDS Circuits. The Boy and Girl winners of the Central Circuit Finals in age groups 11/U, 13/U, 15/U and 17/U will represent the region at the QLD JDS State Finals. If the winner of the finals is the same player as the winner of the Circuit, the runner-up of the Circuit will represent the region at the JDS State Finals. The leading Boy and Girl on points at the conclusion of the Central JDS Circuit in the 11/U, 13/U, 15/U and 17/U age groups will also represent the region in the JDS State Finals to be played in Rockhampton in 17-19 October 2025. A Manager / Coach will accompany the team.

QLD Junior Teams Carnival

To represent the Central Region at the JTC, players must have played in at least one Central JDS Circuit Tournament and also must nominate their interest. Players will be selected based on their overall performance throughout the year and results from the Central JDS Circuit Tournaments and also Australian Junior Tour points. Teams consist of three Boys and three Girls in each age division for 12/U, 14/U, 16/U and 18/U age groups.

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Code of Behaviour

What is the Code of Behaviour and when does it apply?

Tennis Australia and all its clubs want to make sure everyone in tennis feels safe, welcome and included, while having fun. The Code of Behaviour helps to achieve this and is a guide to how everyone should behave at tennis tournaments and competitions in Australia. The Code applies whether you're playing, coaching, watching, officiating or helping out during any competitive tennis event in Australia, both on and off the court, during, before and after any match.

Expected behaviour during competitive play

To keep tennis fun and fair, everyone should uphold the spirit of tennis, which requires you to:

- Treat everyone with respect and kindness.
- Be honest, humble and play fairly.
- Always try your best and value good sportsmanship over winning.
- Take responsibility for your own actions. Respect your opposition players, spectators, officials, and volunteers.
- Follow the rules and ask if you're unsure about anything.
- Help create a safe, inclusive and welcoming environment for everyone.
- Listen to tournament staff – they're there to make sure everything runs smoothly.

If you can do all of these things, it will guarantee that both you and those around you will have fun!



SIDELINE BEHAVIOUR

A big way that parents can help make tennis a safe and fun environment for kids is to set an example of what a good sport is.

We know that kids most enjoy playing tennis when you do not have spectators on the sideline behaving poorly, putting too much pressure on you or are being discouraging. Parents/guardians and spectators are expected to support players in a positive way.

Below are some easy tips to ensure your behaviour doesn't become an issue for your child.

ENCOURAGE FAIR PLAY

- Cheer and acknowledge good shots on both sides of the net
- Refrain from behaving in ways that make the game less fun, safe or comfortable for others
- Avoid coaching players during a match.

SHOW RESPECT

- Avoid making rude or disrespectful comments or gestures.
- If you have an issue with a decision, deal with it in a controlled manner after the match.

UPHOLD THE RULES AND SPIRIT OF THE GAME

- If your club has a code of conduct, make sure you understand and abide by it
- If you're helping out, it's important to know the rules and treat everyone with respect and fairness
- Remember it's not a Grand Slam

ENCOURAGE FUN

- Emphasise the importance of trying your best and having fun
- Never yell at or ridicule a kid for making a mistake

KEEP YOUR EMOTIONS IN CHECK

- Screaming, using bad language or arguing with others is just not on
- Avoid threatening, intimidating, or disrupting anyone at the venue.



Scan the QR Code for further resources to help create a safer environment for children.



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Road to Regional Finals

TRACK YOUR JOURNEY ☒

Players must play a minimum of four (4) JDS Tournaments to qualify for Regional Finals

Refer to page 7 for further details.

22 - 23 Feb	Tannum Sands (B)	<input type="checkbox"/>
8 - 9 Mar	Hervey Bay (C)	<input type="checkbox"/>
15 - 16 Mar	Rockhampton Juniors (A+)	<input type="checkbox"/>
10 - 11 May	Maryborough (A)	<input type="checkbox"/>
24 - 25 May	Biloela (A)	<input type="checkbox"/>
31 May - 1 Jun	Yeppoon (A)	<input type="checkbox"/>
14 - 15 Jun	Bundaberg (A+)	<input type="checkbox"/>
19 - 20 Jul	Rockhampton (B)	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 - 3 Aug	Gladstone (C)	<input type="checkbox"/>
16 - 17 Aug	Gayndah (B)	<input type="checkbox"/>
23 - 24 Aug	Emerald (A+)	<input type="checkbox"/>
06 - 07 Sep	Central Region Finals	<input type="checkbox"/>