





Tennis Victoria Country Week 2022 – Player Handbook

Event Organisation & Contacts

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COVIDSafe

Tennis Victoria has practices and procedures in place to deliver a COVIDSafe event for all attendees. Everyone needs to play their role for a safe and fun week of tennis. All attendees 18+ must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (minimum 2 doses) or have an authorised medical exemption.

Please ensure the following COVIDSafe practices are adhered to during your time participating at Country Week:

- Check in upon arrival to the venue using the Service Victoria QR code displayed at venue entrances. You may wish to add to favourites to save time each day.
- Carry a face mask at all times. Masks must be worn in indoor spaces and outdoors when unable to maintain physical distancing. You must wear a mask if receiving medical treatment.
- You must stay at home if you:
 - Have tested positive for COVID-19 and have not completed your isolation period or still have symptoms
 - Have been identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19 in the last 7 days
 - Have been tested for COVID-19 and are waiting on your test results
 - Have flu-like symptoms
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or tissue.
- Use good hand hygiene. Wash/sanitise your hands before and after you play.
- Remember no handshakes or high fives, tap racquets instead.
- Avoid touching your face while playing.
- Don't share water bottles or food.

All sales stations at Country Week will be Tab & Go friendly to help keep you COVIDSafe.



Venue Access

Entrance to the Swan Hill Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club is via two entrances marked on the map provided at the end of this handbook. These are the only entrances that can be used to access the courts. Please do not step over barriers/fencing or enter from side street. Everyone's attendance must be recorded. Map provided in this handbook. Court allocations will be posted on Team App by 5pm Sunday Feb 13th.

Check in each day will take the necessary time required to ensure everyone can enter the venue safely. Please allow enough time to check in before your match. Entry Gates will be open from 8am each day.

Player and Official Declaration

To ensure we keep our community safe, and play within COVIDSafe regulations, each player and official is required to sign the *Player and Official Declaration* before attending and playing at Country Week.

<u>Click here</u> to complete the Player and Official Declaration form.





Social activities

A snapshot of the social activities is available below. For more information, please check the Country Week TeamApp of visit the <u>website</u>.

Sunday 13th February - Swan Hill Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club – Official Welcome & Country Week

Legends Presentation from 5:45pm and two course dinner. Buses to the club will

be available from 5pm - to book call 0418 342 343.

Monday 14th February - Swan Hill Club – Hawaiian Night

Tuesday 15th February - Spoons Riverside – drinks by the river

Swan Hill Jockey Club – <u>Click here to Book Now</u> Swan Hill Club – Music Code 5 8.30pm – 12.30am

Wednesday 16th February - Commercial Hotel – Upstairs bar open until very late

Swan Hill Club - Music Y U ASK 8.30pm - 12.30am

Thursday 17th February - FARMER'S MARKET @ Swan Hill Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club - 3.30pm – 6.00pm

Swan Hill Club – Oktoberfest Night & Drowning Sorrows 8.30pm – 12.30am

Friday 18th February - Swan Hill Club – Music Endangered Species 8.30pm – 12.30am

2022 Country Week Rules and Event Conditions and Conditions of Participation

Each day of play will be broken into 3 sessions. Teams will play 4 x 8 game sets in a match. The players of the teams shall be nominated prior to the commencement of each match by recording their names on the official score sheet provided, and no alteration to the players of the team shall be allowed during the progress of a match except for illness, injury, or other sufficient reason, and then only with the permission of the Tournament Director. Should the Tournament Director approve the substitution of another player, the team is to forfeit the uncompleted set (games played will stand) and the substitute can take such player's place in the remaining un-played set only. If a player completes a set then they cannot be substituted by another player for the next set.

A new initiative to CW 2022 is the free substitute rule for all teams to utilise twice in the home and away rounds only:

Prior to the commencement of the round of play, both team captains must be aware of the player substitute to be enacted after the first doubles and before the reverse doubles matches. TV will then record and monitor player substitutes to ensure all teams only action this twice in the preliminary rounds. Players subbed in and out will have this round added to their matches/ eligibility for finals.

Practice courts will be available Sunday afternoon and 8am-8.45am each morning before play, pending dew on the courts. There is no formal booking process, please be respectful of all players wishing to practice.

The complete Country Week Rules and Conditions of Participation can be found here.

Scorecards, results, balls

The Tournament Box will operate as per previous years. One player can collect the Scorecard and Balls prior to start time. Masks must be worn in line for the Tournament Box. At the conclusion of your match return the finalised scorecard to the Tournament Box and collect and subsequent scorecard/balls for the next round. Balls don't need to be returned at the end of play; players can keep the balls after each round. Scoreboards and pens will be wiped down between rounds.

Results will only be posted online. You can view fixtures, results, and ladders via the following:

- 1. Team App (<u>iPhone download</u> or <u>Android download</u> then search "Country Week" as the 'Team')
 - a. Team App will have a link to the Country Week results page (www.tennis.com.au/vic/players/events/country-week/country-week-results-2), which does not require a login, but will only show ladders and team results. To see more detailed information, you can access the results via Match Centre (b).





- b. Team App will have a direct link to Match Centre (<u>matchcentre.tennis.com.au</u>) to view ladders, team results, personal stats, and ratings. You will need to create a login with your email and a password if you do not have one already. Once logged in, search for your name and then click the blue "Link Profile" button on your previously existing profile. Results can be found on your profile or by searching Country Week.
 - i. If you have any login issues to Match Centre, visit
 https://support.tennis.com.au/articles/login-page/ contact TA Customer Support at 1800
 752 983 or play@tennis.com.au.
- 2. Alternatively you can go directly to <u>Match Centre</u> or the <u>Country Week page</u>, but we recommend Team App for its "one-stop-shop" convenience.

Smoking and Alcohol

Swan Hill Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club is a Smokefree zone. Liquor licencing for the venue also prohibits bringing your own alcohol onsite. The Club will have food and beverages available at the bar and canteen and will operate the golf cart throughout the day for mobile purchases. Please note density limits apply inside the clubhouse.

Health partners

Beyond Blue, EJ Whitten – Time to Test, Friedrich Ataxia (fara) and Sun Blessed are this year's Health & Charity Partners at Country Week. It's important we look after our own health and look after our teammates. They will all be on site throughout the week so make sure you go and say hi! Keep your eye on Team App, social media and check your scoreboards for more information and giveaways from our great partners.

Medical Information

For onsite First Aid contact Beryl Lowe - 0400 057 022 or seek assistance from Tennis Victoria staff.

Swan Hill District Health

shdh.org.au

Address: 48 Splatt St, Swan Hill VIC 3585

Ph: 5033 9300

For COVID-19 testing

Swan Hill Respiratory Clinic
Address: 28 High St, Swan Hill VIC 3585

Ph: 50339968

Massage will be available on site, \$20 for 15 minutes.

Physios - off site

Swan Hill Physiotherapy & Sports Clinic 256 Beveridge Street, Swan Hill VIC 3585 www.swanhillphysio.com.au

Ph: 5032 9504

Mallee Physio 360 Beveridge Street, Swan Hill VIC 3585 Greg O'Bree 0417 101 490

Communication

All digital communication throughout the Tournament will be via Team App. Please download the app and follow Tennis Victoria Country Week to stay up to date with all tournament information.

Download Team App:

Apple Device
Android Device





Tennis Victoria Country Week Team App: https://tennisvictoriacountryweek.teamapp.com/

Tennis Nets

At the completion of Country Week, the nets will be available for purchase. Supplied by Henderson's of Bendigo, they are brand new at the start of Country Week. Order at the Bar during Country Week.



