

TENNIS VICTORIA LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024

Event Purpose

The Tennis Victoria League Championships provides an opportunity for teams who have won their Association competition to play off against the best teams in the State and claim the ultimate title of 'League Champions.' Winning teams from across Victoria will have the chance to compete against Premiership winners from other Victorian Associations.

Following the fantastic response to the inaugural competition in 2023, the 2024 Tennis Victoria League Championships has been expanded to include a qualifying weekend to allow more teams to participate. Finals weekend will be played across two prestigious locations, Royal South Yarra Lawn Tennis Club and Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club, with League Championship trophies awarded to the winning teams in each Section.

Event Structure

In 2024, all teams will play a qualifying weekend on the <u>13th & 14th April.</u> Play-off winners from qualifying, will then progress to Finals on <u>20th and 21st April.</u> The winning teams from qualifying will play an elimination Semi Final, progressing to a Grand Final. There will be 12 Sections in 2024, with each Section consisting of 4 groups of 4 teams (16 teams per Section).

Qualifying Weekend: Each of the four groups in each Section will play 3 Round Robin Matches (Sat AM, Sat PM, Sun AM), with a Round Robin play-off final to take place between 1st and 2nd place teams on Sunday afternoon. Each Section will have 4 playoff winners, who will progress to Finals Weekend.

Finals Weekend (Saturday): 48 teams will go on to compete in the Semi Finals at Royal South Yara Lawn Tennis Club (24 teams) and Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club (24 teams), for a chance to progress to Sunday's Tennis Victoria League Championships Final.

Finals Weekend (Sunday): On Sunday, 24 teams will compete at Royal South Yarra Lawn Tennis Club with 12 Section Tennis Victoria League Championship titles up for grabs.

Match Format

Each match will be a doubles-only format, with each rubber consisting of an 8-game set (tie-break at 7-7). Each match will see a team of four players compete against another team of four players and will consist of the following sets: 182 v 182, 384 v 384, 183 v 183, and 284 v 284.

Locations

Qualifying weekend will be played across 5 locations on 13 & 14 April.

- 1. Ballarat Regional Tennis Centre
- 2. Geelong Lawn Tennis Club
- 3. Traralgon Tennis Club
- 4. 2 x Metro Locations (TBA)

Every effort will be made to match teams to their nearest location; however, this may vary between Sections.

Finals weekend will be played across two locations on 20 & 21 April: Royal South Yara LTC (Saturday and Sunday) and Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club (Saturday) on clay courts.

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Eligibility

Entry is open to all open-age Association Premiership teams, who have won their Section between the qualifying period of 1 April 2023 to 24 March 2024.

If your team won your Associations Section Premiership, but the team structure was less than four (4) players; you may find other players to fill in providing they have:

- Competed for the same Association within the past 12 months during the qualifying period
- AND have a lower UTR (UNIVERSAL TENNIS RATING) than the number 1 player from the winning Premiership team.

Registration

The cost of registration per team is \$200. At least 4 players and a maximum of 6 can be named in your team. Payment is required at time of registration by all teams. All players must have a Competitive Player Profile (CPP). Click HERE for a support guide if you require assistance setting up your profile.

<u>To enter your team, click HERE.</u> Registrations will close on Monday 25 March 2024 at 11:59PM. Early registration is encouraged to avoid disappointment.

Player Function Information

To celebrate all players participating in the Tennis Victoria League Championships 2024, a social function will be held on Saturday 20 April. This function is open to all teams who participated in the event, including those who did not progress to finals. Please note that this will be a ticketed event. Players will need to register their attendance.

Section Nominations

Based on data from our 2023 Tennis Victoria League Championships, please find below information on the suggested average UTRs for team nominations in 2024.

Section 1: 10+

Section 2: 9 - 10

Section 3: 8 - 9

Section 4: 7 - 8

Section 5: 6.5 - 7

Section 6: 6 - 6.5

Section 7: 5.5 - 6

Section 8: 5 - 6

Section 9: 4.5 - 5

Section 10: 4 - 4.5

Section 11: 3.5 - 4

Section 12: 2 - 4

If you have any enquiries about the Tennis Victoria League Championships, please contact us via email at vicassociations@tennis.com.au.

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