

Australian Tennis Championships 2016

Tennis for people with an intellectual disability

*Albert Reserve & Melbourne Park
Wednesday 27th – Saturday 30th January 2016*

*Contact: Paul Oldfield - poldfield@tennis.com.au
Further information & entry form: tennis.com.au*



GENERAL INFORMATION

Organiser

Tennis Australia – www.tennis.com.au
Inas Sanctioned

Partners

Sport Inclusion Australia Inc.
The Lord's Taverners Australia, Victorian Branch

Tournament Director

Paul Oldfield, Participation Leader, Tennis West

Assistant Director

Ardian Fazliu, Participation Leader, Tennis West

TAC Referee

TBC

Dates/Times

Arrive:	9.30am	Wednesday 27 th January <i>or day before</i> Tuesday 26 th
Sign In/Registration:	9.30am	Wednesday 27 th January
Opening Ceremony:	10.30am	Wednesday 27 th January
Tournament:	11.00am	Wednesday 27 th to 5.00pm Saturday 30 th January
Official Function:	7.15am	Friday 29 th January
Depart:	8.00pm	Saturday 30 th January

Venue

Albert Park Reserve, corner Hannah St & St Kilda Rd, MELBOURNE
Melbourne Park, Batman Ave, MELBOURNE

Surface

Plexi cushion

Official Ball

Wilson

Series

This tournament is a Platinum level tournament. Points will be determined based upon the number of entries.

Prize money

AUD \$4500 - The prize money has been declared and will not vary if the Australian Dollar appreciates or depreciates against other currencies.

Sign In

Sign in is 9.30am – 10:25am (AEDT), Wednesday 27th January at Albert Reserve courts.



ELIGIBILITY

Players competing in the Australian Tennis Championships must be eligible according to Inas/Sport Inclusion Australia guidelines. If unsure, please contact the Sport Inclusion Australia office immediately or download forms at www.ausrapid.org.au

ENTRY FEE

Player Entry Fee AUD\$120 (incl. GST)

Includes:

- Entry fee (singles & doubles)
- Photo Accreditation including entry to Melbourne Park (Tuesday 26th – Saturday 30th Jan)
- Transport (Airport & Hotel)
- Lunch from: Wed 27th - Fri 29th Jan*
- Player pack/gift
- Official Function (Friday 29th Jan)

**Athletes still competing on Saturday 30th January will be provided lunch at Melbourne Park*

NOTE: Athletes that are competing in the finals will also receive **2** extra ground passes for supporters to enter Melbourne Park for Saturday 30th Jan.

NOTE: This year we will be providing **ONE** accreditation pass for a supporter to accompany each athlete onto the grounds of Melbourne Park on both **Tuesday 26th and Saturday 30th January 2016.**

ENTRY SUBMISSION

Entries must be returned to Sport Inclusion Australia and received by 5.00pm, Friday 20th November, 2015. Please ensure that you complete all forms and include payment of player fees **AUD\$120 (per player)** and supporter fees **AUD\$90 (per supporter)** in order for your entry to be accepted.

Sport Inclusion Australia will then invoice you for accommodation and additional requirements.

DRAW AND MATCH FORMAT

Matches will begin on Wednesday 27th Jan at 11:00am (AEDT).

Match Calls

Matches will be called from the tournament desk at Albert Park Reserve on the public address system. It is each player's responsibility to go to the court assigned upon hearing the match called.

Match Format

Men & Women Singles – one set, tiebreak at six games all.

Men & Women Singles Finals – best of three tiebreak sets. Third set a super tiebreak up to 10 points.

Men & Women Doubles – one set, tiebreak at six games all.

Men & Women Doubles Finals – best of three tiebreak sets. Third set a super tiebreak up to 10 points.

Daily Schedule

The schedule of play will be released by the Tournament Director. It will be posted on notice boards at Albert Reserve and available at St Kilda Road Parkview Hotel reception.

**Please be aware that ALL match times are approximations only and can vary on many factors including but not limited to weather, length of previous matches etc.*

PLAYER SERVICES

Accreditation

- Accreditation* will be distributed to players at Sign-In on Wednesday 27th Jan if not previously picked up at Melbourne Park.
- Players may enter Melbourne Park at any stage during the period of their accreditation. (Tuesday 26th – Saturday 30th Jan)
- ONE supporter per competing athlete will be provided a single day accreditation pass to enter the grounds of Melbourne Park on Tuesday 26th Jan & Saturday 30th Jan**.
- Players competing in the finals on Saturday 30th Jan at Melbourne Park will be entitled to **two** extra guest passes. Passes will be distributed at Albert Reserve on Friday 29th Jan.
- No additional accredited passes will be granted at a later stage - ground passes can be purchased at Melbourne Park on the day.

**Photo passes are non-transferable and must be worn at all times.*

***Supporter accreditation does not require a photo, is valid for one day only and will be handed out on the day of use.*

Physiotherapist/Masseur

A physiotherapist will be available only for those athletes in need of medical attention.

Towels

Each player will be permitted a maximum of two towels per day. All towels must be returned at the end of each day and marked off by a member of staff. Charges will apply for unreturned or badly stained towels at AUD\$30 each.

Fluids – Players only

Water will be provided from Wednesday 27th – Sat 30th Jan. It is recommended that you bring your own sports drink powder or bottle. Alternatively, Powerade can be purchased from the Pro Shop Café.

FUNCTIONS

Official Tournament Function

The Official Tournament Function will be held at Parkview Hotel on *Friday, 29th Jan at 7.15am*. Player guests are welcome at an additional charge of AUD\$30. A buffet breakfast will be provided. It is recommended that all players attend.

Ceremonies

The opening ceremony will be conducted on Wednesday 27th Jan at 10:30am (AEDT).

A presentation ceremony will follow the final match of the tournament on the afternoon of Saturday 30th Jan at Melbourne Park, at approximately 4:00pm.

ACCOMMODATION, TRANSPORT and MEALS

Accommodation – Room ONLY

Official Hotel: St Kilda Road Parkview Hotel
562 St Kilda Rd, Melbourne, 3004
Phone: (+61) 3 9529 8888

It is recommended that players and supporters stay at the official hotel from Wed 27th – Sat 30th Jan. To reserve your accommodation please complete the accommodation booking form. Additional nights' accommodation must be indicated on the booking form and will be added to your invoice.

Any additional costs (mini-bar, movies etc.) incurred must be paid on check out or direct to the hotel. BREAKFAST IS OPTIONAL (AUD\$20) – please tick booking form clearly if you would like breakfast at Parkview. If you are sharing a room with another player or family – please indicate this on your accommodation form.

ROOM ONLY (PLAYER or SUPPORTER) – 3 nights	
Single	AUD \$567
Twin	AUD \$285 per person
Triple	AUD \$225 per person
Extra night rate: Additional nights are available – Mon 25th, Tue 26th and/or Sat 30th Jan	
Single	\$189.00 per room
Twin	\$ 95.00 per person
Triple	\$ 75.00 per person
Bedding Configurations	
Single	1 x King bed (1 person)
Twin	2 x Double or 2 x King singles (2 persons)
Triple	1 x Queen & 1 x Single (3 persons)

Transport

Airport transfers will be available at the following times:

- Melbourne Tullamarine airport to Parkview Hotel:
 - Tuesday 26th Jan 8.30am (AEDT)
 - Tuesday 26th Jan 7:00pm (AEDT)
 - Wednesday 27th Jan 8:30am (AEDT)
- Melbourne Park to Melbourne Tullamarine airport:
 - Saturday, 30th Jan 6.00pm (please ensure that your flight is departing after 8pm)

Transport for players and supporters who purchase the supporter package or as an additional extra, is available to/from the airport and to/from the Parkview Hotel. The driver will meet players and guests outside of the International Arrival area in the middle lane for bus pickups. A map will be provided with the confirmation letter. For arrivals and departures outside of the designated times, players and guests must make alternative arrangements. Taxis are available at all times (24 hours) from the airport. Approximate taxi fare from the airport to the city is AUD\$60. All transport from and to the airport MUST be pre-booked by completing the Transport Booking Sheet.

NOTE: Please book return flights on Saturday, 30th Jan (after 8:00pm) to accommodate for closing ceremony/function and presentations. Under no circumstances will matches be altered due to earlier flights.

Meals

Lunch packs will be provided at Albert Reserve from Wednesday 27th - Friday 29th January for players and those who have purchased the supporter package. Additional lunch packs can be ordered and paid for via the additional purchase order form. Lunch will be provided at Melbourne Park only for those athletes still competing on the day.

TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS

- The tournament will be conducted under the Rules of Tennis as approved by the rules and regulations of Tennis Australia.
- The 2016 Australian Tennis Championships is sanctioned by Inas, (International Sports Federation for Para Athletes with an intellectual disability).
- Players are required to meet the eligibility criteria (Inas) to compete.
- Entries must be on an Official Entry Form and all entry fees must be paid and signed at the time of entry. No player shall be allowed to play in any event unless the entry fee has been paid.
- The Tournament Committee hereinafter referred to, as "the Committee" shall have the entire control and management of the Tournament.
- Play will commence punctually as notified each day. Whatever the state of the weather competitors must be on the grounds ready to play.
- If for any reason a match is not commenced at the time appointed, competitors must be ready to play immediately when called upon by the Referee. Any competitor being not ready or refusing to play 15 minutes from the time appointed, or when called upon by the Referee, may be disqualified from the event and the match awarded to their opponent if they are present and willing to play. Should either competitors or pairs be absent or refuse to play, either competitors or pairs may be disqualified from the event.
- Players must report to the tournament desk 15 minutes before scheduled match.
- No player should leave the tournament area without permission.
- The code of conduct as approved by Tennis Australia will be enforced during this tournament. By the way of entering this tournament, all players are bound by this code of conduct.
- The Committee reserves the right to cancel any event if the entry is deemed unsatisfactory or alter the type of match played.
- The Wilson Australian Open balls will be used throughout the event.
- The use of ripple or bar soled shoes, or heels, or spikes is prohibited.
- Recognised tennis costume must be worn. Coloured tennis garments and footwear may be worn at the discretion of the Referee. Any player while competing in a match shall not wear articles such as sweatshirts, dress shirts, tee shirts and Bermuda shorts. Tracksuits may be worn during the course of the match, at the discretion of the Referee. Prominent advertising or lettering in any form on tennis dress is not permitted, however, a small company logo, or a motif, measuring not more than two square inches may be approved.
- All players must abide by the Prevention for Heat Illness guidelines attached.
- The tournament desk will notify players of the time of their first match. Match schedules for the following day will be available from Tournament control from 8:00pm. It is the responsibility of all players to find out their following match times.
- Matches will commence at Albert Reserve on Wednesday 27th January 2016. Finals will be played at Melbourne Park on Saturday 30th January 2016.
- Depending on the number of entries the draws will be played as round robin or a compass draw. For example, if there are 16 players there will be four groups of four players in a round robin. The winners of each group will progress to the semi-final and the winners from the semi-final will go to the final.
- Final entries accompanied by player and supporter entry fees are to be lodged with Sport Inclusion Australia by Friday 20th November 2015. Cheques/Money orders are to be made out to 'Sport Inclusion Australia' and posted to:

Sport Inclusion Australia
4 Lowry Place,
Benalla, VIC 3672

FORM 1 PLAYER: Official Entry Form

Please return all forms to Sport Inclusion Australia by **20th November 2015**. Entries **MUST** include the Player entry fee **AUD \$120**. (Other requirements will be invoiced)

PLEASE PRINT

First Name: _____ Surname: _____
Address: _____
State: _____ Postcode: _____ Mobile: _____
Email: _____
Coach: _____
Date of Birth: _____ T-shirt size (XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL): _____

Emergency Contact Details

First Name: _____ Surname: _____
Address: _____
State: _____ Postcode: _____
Tel (mobile): _____ Email: _____

Events (Please tick appropriate box)

Men's Open Singles Partner: _____
Women's Open Singles Partner: _____
Men's Open Doubles
Women's Open Doubles

PAYMENT

\$120.00 to be paid to Sport Inclusion Australia via cheque or money order and posted to:

Sport Inclusion Australia
4 Lowry Place,
Benalla, VIC 3672

OR

Direct debited: Bank: Westpac Bank
BSB: 033 165
Account No: 126139
Account Name: AUSRAPID PROJECTS ACCOUNT
Reference: (athlete name)

For official office use ONLY

Payment received:

Date:

Receipted by:

FORM 2 PLAYER: Meal requirements

Lunch Meals

Special Dietary Requirements: _____

Bread (tick 1 box)

- White bread
- Wholemeal bread
- Rye bread
- Wrap

Filling (tick 1 box)

- Chicken, salad
- Ham, cheese, tomato
- Salad, beetroot, cheese
- Chicken, avocado, cheese, cos lettuce, mayo
- Ham, salad

Muffin (tick 1 box)

- Banana muffin
- Choc-chip muffin
- Option 3 (slice TBA)

Juice (tick 1 box)

- Orange juice
- Apple juice
- Pineapple juice

**please return with your entry form*



FORM 3 PLAYER: Travel & Accommodation

Please provide flight information if applicable (even if transport is NOT required)

a) Arrival by air

Date	Time am/pm	Flight No.	Arrival From

b) Departure by air

Date	Time am/pm	Flight No.	Return Destination

c) Ground Transport (please tick if you require ground transport)

Tues 26 th Jan	8:30am	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<i>Airport to the Parkview Hotel</i>
Tues 26 th Jan	7:00pm	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<i>Airport to the Parkview Hotel</i>
Wed 27 th Jan	8:30am	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<i>Airport to the Parkview Hotel</i>
Sat 30 th Jan	6:00pm	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<i>Melbourne Park to Airport</i>

d) Accommodation Please complete the following if you require accommodation:

Dates	Type of Room Required				Optional	Room Partner(s) MUST fill out if selecting Twin/Triple
	Single / Twin / Triple	Single	Twin	Triple		
25 Jan	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Twin	<input type="checkbox"/> Triple	<input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast	_____
26 Jan	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Twin	<input type="checkbox"/> Triple	<input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast	_____
27 Jan	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Twin	<input type="checkbox"/> Triple	<input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast	_____
28 Jan	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Twin	<input type="checkbox"/> Triple	<input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast	_____
29 Jan	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Twin	<input type="checkbox"/> Triple	<input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast	_____
30 Jan	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Twin	<input type="checkbox"/> Triple	<input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast	_____

Room Cost per night per person

Single AUD\$189.00	Twin AUD\$95.00	Triple AUD\$75.00	Breakfast AUD\$20.00
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NOTE: If you are staying an additional night and do not have a person to share with then you must pay the Single price

***please return with your entry form – you will be invoiced by Sport Inclusion Australia for payment of accommodation and breakfast.**

PAYMENT

Please remember:

Players and Supporters must include payment of player fee **AUD\$120 (per player)** and supporter fee **AUD\$90 (per supporter)** with the entry form. Sport Inclusion Australia will then invoice you for accommodation and additional requirements.

FORM 4 PLAYER: Profile Data Sheet (compulsory for athletes)

It is compulsory for ALL athletes to complete the profile data sheet and return with the Official Entry Form by 20th November 2015. Athlete information provided will be used in the Official Program.

All players attending, please attach passport size photograph (if **NOT** previously supplied)

Birth Place: _____

2015 Performances: _____

Favourite/Best Shot: _____

Hobbies: _____

What other sports do you enjoy playing? _____

Age started playing tennis? _____

Tennis player you most admire? _____

Your ultimate tennis ambition? _____

Permission to use photographic image

I, _____ (insert your name), hereby give permission to Sport Inclusion Australia and Tennis Australia to use my photographic image for promotional purposes.

Signature of player: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / 2015

Signature of parent/guardian (if player is under 18 years of age): _____

Date: ____ / ____ / 2015

Please return all forms by 20th November 2015 to:

**Sport Inclusion Australia,
4 Lowry Place, Benalla, VIC 3672
Telephone +61 3 5762 7494
Facsimile +61 3 5762 3560**

**please return with your entry form*

FORM 1 SUPPORTER: Tournament Package

Supporter Package AUD\$90.00 per person (incl. GST)

Includes:

- Transport to/from airport to Parkview Hotel (official hotel)
- Lunch from Wed 27th – Fri 29th Jan
- Official Function (Friday 29th Jan)
- Hat

BESIDES THE **ONE** SUPPORTER WHO IS USING THE ACCREDITATION PASS, **ONLY** VISITORS WITH A **GROUND PASS** WILL BE ALLOWED ENTRY.

Supporter 1

First Name: _____ Surname: _____
 DOB: _____ Relation to player: _____

Supporter 2

First Name: _____ Surname: _____
 DOB: _____ Relation to player: _____

FORM 2 SUPPORTER: Meals

	Supporter 1	Supporter 2
Bread (tick 1 box)	<input type="checkbox"/> White bread <input type="checkbox"/> Wholemeal bread <input type="checkbox"/> Rye bread <input type="checkbox"/> Wrap	<input type="checkbox"/> White bread <input type="checkbox"/> Wholemeal bread <input type="checkbox"/> Rye bread <input type="checkbox"/> Wrap
Filling (tick 1 box)	<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken, salad <input type="checkbox"/> Ham, cheese, tomato <input type="checkbox"/> Salad, beetroot, cheese <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken, avocado, cheese, cos lettuce, mayo <input type="checkbox"/> Ham, salad	<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken, salad <input type="checkbox"/> Ham, cheese, tomato <input type="checkbox"/> Salad, beetroot, cheese <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken, avocado, cheese, cos lettuce, mayo <input type="checkbox"/> Ham, salad
Muffin (tick 1 box)	<input type="checkbox"/> Banana muffin <input type="checkbox"/> Choc-chip muffin <input type="checkbox"/> Option 3 (slice TBA)	<input type="checkbox"/> Banana muffin <input type="checkbox"/> Choc-chip muffin <input type="checkbox"/> Option 3 (slice TBA)
Juice (tick 1 box)	<input type="checkbox"/> Orange juice <input type="checkbox"/> Apple juice <input type="checkbox"/> Pineapple juice	<input type="checkbox"/> Orange juice <input type="checkbox"/> Apple juice <input type="checkbox"/> Pineapple juice
Special Dietary Requirements		

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NOTE: If you are NOT using the 1 accreditation pass available per player then you will need to purchase a ground pass to gain access to Melbourne Park for finals. Ground passes are available by completing the form below or directly from Melbourne Park.

e) ADDITIONAL Purchases - *if you require a GROUND PASS for entry or for additional supporters.*

Options	Cost	Quantity	Total Cost
Supporter – Ground Pass (Melbourne Park) 30 th Jan	\$29.00		
Supporter – Official Function 29 th Jan	\$30.00		
Supporter – Lunch per day (available 27 th , 28 th & 29 th)	\$15.00		
Supporter – Transport	\$40.00		
Supporter – Hat	\$15.00		