



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

USTA JR. TEAM TENNIS SPRING 2013 SECTION CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations on making it to the Section Championships! We had over 4,000 players participating all over SoCal in this Spring 2013 season with over 450 teams. Every effort is being made to ensure these championships will be a fun and enjoyable experience for everyone involved. Please read the information provided to you in this packet; but pay special attention to a few reminders about this event that you must know and adhere to:

- 1.) Six (6) eligible players are required for each match. In the 18's, it is girls only season! An eligible player is one who played in at least 3 team matches in this Spring 2013 season in their respective flight. Further information regarding eligibility can be found in this packet along with the competition format.
- 2.) You cannot default a line in your team match at the Section Championships - doing so will make your team ineligible for the section championship. Further information regarding this can be found under "Defaults/Withdrawals."

The competition will be at its very best when every player and team plays all scheduled matches. Also, this competition is a 2 day weekend commitment! If you know going into this competition that you will have trouble fielding a complete team (minimum 6 eligible players) for every match over this weekend, please let your Area League Coordinator know immediately! Thank you for your attention to this matter, and I hope you enjoy the Spring 2013 Section Championships.

DATES:

June 8 & 9, 2013

**Orange County - Irvine
Newport Beach & Costa Mesa!**

LOCATION OF EVENT

Racquet Club of Irvine
5 Ethel Coplen Way
Irvine, CA 92612
(949) 786-3000
http://www.spearmanclubs.com/site/rci_index.html

The Tennis Club
1602 East Coast Highway
Newport Beach, CA 92660
(949) 759-0711
<http://www.thetennisclubatnbcc.com>

Costa Mesa Tennis Center
880 Junipero Drive
Costa Mesa, CA 92626
(714) 557-0211
<http://www.costamesatenniscenter.com>

Nellie Gail Ranch Tennis Club
25281 Empty Saddle Drive
Laguna Hills, CA 92653
(949) 831-6660
<http://www.nelliegailranchtennisandswimclub.com>

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: Ken Grassel, Jr. Team Tennis Program Coordinator
Southern California Tennis Association

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE: Participating Jr. Team Tennis Coordinators and Staff

TOURNAMENT DESK: (818) 522-4241 (During the event - Fri 6/7 thru Sun 6/9 ONLY!)
grassel@scta.usta.com (Prior to event)

OFFICIAL BALL: Penn

PARKING: Free parking at all tennis sites!

TOURNAMENT HOTELS: Irvine Marriott Hotel \$99./night + tax includes
18000 Von Karman Ave. "grab and go" breakfast and
Irvine, CA 92612 discounted self-parking \$6.00
(800) 228-9290 for Reservations per night. For reservations, either
mention "Spring 2013 Jr. Tennis" call or use link provided below:

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/laxir-irvine-marriott/?toDate=06/9/13&groupCode=sttstta&fromDate=06/7/13&app=resvlink>

Residence Inn Irvine Spectrum Studio Suite \$119./night + tax
10 Morgan Free parking! Reservations must be
Irvine, CA 92618 made **no later than May 24th.**
(949) 380-3000 Please use the link provided below:

http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/snair-residence-inn-irvine-spectrum/?toDate=6/9/13&groupCode=natnata&stop_mobi=yes&fromDate=6/7/13&app=resvlink

Courtyard Irvine John Wayne Airport Guest Room 1 King + sofabed (1st link)
2701 Main St. and Guest Room, 2 Double (2nd link)
Irvine, CA 92614 \$129./night - Free parking!
(949) 757-1200 Please use the links provided below:

http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/laxch-courtyard-irvine-john-wayne-airport-orange-county/?toDate=6/9/13&groupCode=natnata&stop_mobi=yes&fromDate=6/7/13&app=resvlink

Reservations must be made **no later than May 24th.**

http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/laxch-courtyard-irvine-john-wayne-airport-orange-county/?toDate=6/9/13&groupCode=natnatb&stop_mobi=yes&fromDate=6/7/13&app=resvlink

Other hotel suggestions: check Hotels.com, Expedia.com, Orbitz
or another hotel search engine in the Irvine area for rates and availability!

SATURDAY NIGHT:

Player and Coach's Dinner & Social get together will be held at Dave & Buster's at the Irvine Spectrum from 6 to 10 p.m. on Saturday night June 8th. This is free for registered players and recognized coaches! (a recognized Coach is one who is listed in TennisLink as either Coach/Captain or Co-Captain) One Coach or Adult must be with each team. There are plenty of nice restaurants close by where Parents can have the night off and enjoy dinner with one another!

LUNCH:

Lunch is not provided. Some facilities (RCI, the Tennis Club) have food for purchase available on site. Please do not bring lunch into the sites that have food for purchase (please support these facilities by purchasing your lunch at the site - thank you!)

T-SHIRTS:

The T-Shirt form is available at the end of this information packet. The coach is responsible for filling this out and faxing to the SCTA office. T-Shirts will be given to the coaches at the completion of your first match.

UNIFORM:

All teams are required to look uniformed during this event! Teams are not required to wear the Nike Jr. Team Tennis shirt.

SCHEDULE:

The schedule will be posted on TennisLink no later than Wednesday June 5, 2013. To access the schedule of play, please follow these instructions:

- 1.) Go to USTA.com, click on Tennislink, and select Jr. Team Tennis
- 2.) Click on "Championship Advanced Search"
- 3.) Scroll down this page to Search Championship by...
 - Level: drop down to select "Section"
 - In this section: drop down to select "So. California"
- 4.) Click on "Search Stats & Standings"
click on desired Flight***, then click on Match Schedule

*** most Flights have broken off into "Pools" due to the round robin format and the number of team involved. If applicable, please check both Pools for your team's schedule - it will be "swimming" in one or the other!

ELIGIBILITY:

All team members must be registered in Tennislink and have local play history. All team members playing at Section Championships must have participated in at least three (3) team matches in their local league to be eligible to compete. Only one on-site default counts as a match played. Players must be a league team member in good standing and meet junior team tennis league eligibility requirements. Players may only participate for one team in any flight during the Section Championships.

REGISTRATION:

Registration deadline is Wednesday May 29, 2013 - NO EXCEPTIONS!

Entry Fee & Deposit

\$75.00 per team and a \$250.00 team deposit is required. Your credit card will not be billed for the team deposit unless your team fails to complete all scheduled matches over the 2 days of the Section Championship, or withdraws from this event after Monday June 3, 2013.

Online Entry

Each team must enter through Tennislink after they have qualified through their local area league. Your Area League Coordinator will submit your team and team # to the Tournament Director, and each team will require the Registration # for their division in order to register their team for the Section Championships.

Registration #'s

10 & Under Intermediate/Satellite.....	10497
10 & Under Advanced.....	10496
12 & Under Intermediate.....	10495
12 & Under Satellite.....	10498
12 & Under Advanced.....	10494
14 & Under Intermediate.....	10493
14 & Under Satellite Genderless.....	10499
14 & Under Satellite Co-ed (for National Champs).....	10500
14 & Under Advanced Genderless.....	10492
14 & Under Advanced Co-ed (for National Champs).....	10563
18 & Under Intermediate/Satellite.....	10491
18 & Under Advanced.....	10490

Tennislink Instructions (for team fee & deposit)

- 1.) Go to USTA.com, click on Tennislink, and select Jr. Team Tennis
- 2.) Bottom right side under Options, select Championship Registration
- 3.) Type in the desired Registration # for your division
- 4.) Type in your Team # (you can register multiple teams; however, please make sure you use the correct Registration # listed for each team)
- 5.) Click "Proceed to Checkout"
- 6.) Provide the Credit Card information that is required

Note: Tennislink **will not** put a hold on your account or charge the \$250.00 deposit amount at this time. It will check to see only if there are sufficient funds on your credit card. Only the \$75.00 team entry fee will be charged.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

The official rules of the USTA will be observed as well as the section's Jr. Team Tennis Rules and Regulations. USTA Officials will be on site to assist if necessary. The JTT Program Coordinator or the Tournament Committee shall have the right to modify the format of the Section Championships in the event that there are more or fewer teams than anticipated, defaults, unforeseen weather conditions, or any other reason that would necessitate a change in the announced format.

COMPETITION FORMAT:

All 10s matches (INTERMEDIATE & ADVANCED) shall be a 6 game pro-set, no-ad scoring, with a set tie-break at 5 games all. Team matches will consist of 2 singles and 2 doubles. Six (6) eligible players required per match. **MUST PLAY EACH MATCH IN ORDER OF STRENGTH!**

All 12s and 14s matches (INTERMEDIATE, *SATELLITE & *ADVANCED) shall be an 8 game pro-set, no-ad scoring with a set tie-break at 7 games all. Team matches will consist of 2 singles and 2 doubles. Six (6) eligible players required per match. **MUST PLAY EACH MATCH IN ORDER OF STRENGTH!**

***Co-ed 14s Satellite and Advanced** will consist of 1 boy & 1 girl singles, and 1 boy and 1 girl doubles. **MUST PLAY IN ORDER OF STRENGTH!**

All 18's matches (INTERMEDIATE & ADVANCED) shall be the best 2 of 3 sets, no-ad scoring, with a set tie-break at 5 games all. A match tie-break will be played in lieu of a third set, and will count as 1 game. Team matches will consist of 2 singles and 2 doubles. Six (6) eligible **female** players required per match. **MUST PLAY EACH MATCH IN ORDER OF STRENGTH!**

ORDER OF PLAY:

Singles and doubles are played simultaneously.

CHECK IN:

Team Coach/Captain must **check in** their team **20 minutes prior** to match time and must present their line-up when they check-in their team. All team members and an adult Coach or Captain must be present when line-up is submitted. Teams must be ready to play at this time. A team will be defaulted 15 minutes after the scheduled match time if all of the players and the Team Captain/Coach are not present.

COACHING:

1 designated coach (for the entire team and entire match) is allowed - coaching is allowed on court and on changeovers only!

SCORING:

Set tie-break is the first to 7 points by a margin of 2

Match tie-break is the first to 10 points by a margin of 2

Champions in each division will be determined by the team with the greatest number of games won throughout the entire event. **EVERY GAME COUNTS**

Procedures in the event there is a tie: A tie shall be broken by the first of the following procedures that does so.

- 1) **Head to Head match result**
- 2) **Team that lost the fewest number of games**
- 3) **Greatest number of matches won**
- 4) **1 match randomly selected will play a 10 pt. Match Tiebreak (usually the last completed match)**

SCORE REPORTING:

When players finish a match, both players and/or teams shall report the score to the tournament desk. **Both teams' coaches/captains are responsible for verifying the scores and signing the match sheet immediately after the completion of the team match.**

AWARDS:

Awards are given to the champions and finalists in each division up to a maximum of 8. The awards presentations will take place at the tournament desk. All teams are expected to come to the tournament desk after the team's last match of the event.

SUBSTITUTIONS:

There will be **NO SUBSTITUTIONS ALLOWED** during the Section Championships. Prior to the start of the event, if a team cannot meet the 6 player minimum, they forfeit their spot. Every effort will be made to fill the vacated spot with the next qualified team, whether this team is from the same or a different area.

DEFAULTS/WITHDRAWALS:

In a round robin format, not playing all scheduled matches is detrimental to the event. Therefore, all players and teams are specifically prohibited from defaulting or withdrawing in any part of the Section Championships (whether during the course of a match or prior to its commencement.) In the case of illness, injury or personal emergency, only the Jr. Team Tennis Program Coordinator can be contacted under these circumstances. Failure to complete any scheduled match outside from what is listed above will result in loss of deposit. In the event that a team withdraws before the conclusion of the Section Championships or becomes ineligible through the course of this competition, any completed results will become null and void. Penalties will be given at the discretion of the Jr. Team Tennis Program Coordinator, the Tournament Committee and the SCTA Junior Tennis Council.

ORDER OF STRENGTH:

NEW! You must list your players on the T-Shirt & Registration Form in the Order of Strength for your team. For your team match line-up, no singles player can come from the bottom 2 of your Order of Strength, and the highest player you list on your team match line-up will play #1 singles. For doubles, the highest player teamed up with another player will play #1 doubles. **Listing more players on the T-Shirt & Registration Form than you plan to bring to this event will result in your team being defaulted from the Section Championships.**

SPORTSMANSHIP:

Sportsmanship is paramount in everything we do in our Jr. Team Tennis program! This begins with the players, but is not limited to them solely. All coaches, captains, team managers and parents are expected to act with the highest level of sportsmanship as well. All adults must be excellent examples to all players involved in these Section Championships!



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

T-SHIRT & REGISTRATION FORM
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SECTION CHAMPIONSHIPS
1 FORM PER TEAM!

DIVISION: _____ LEAGUE AREA: _____

(Example: 12 Intermediate, 14 Satellite Co-ed)

COACH: _____ TEAM NAME: _____

Cell Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

T-shirt sizes available

**Adult Small (AS), Adult Medium (AM), Adult Large (AL), Adult X-large (AXL)
Youth Small (YS), Youth Medium (YM) and Youth Large (YL)**

You must list the participating player's name and shirt size below:

NEW - You must list each player in Order of Strength on this form - NEW

Any player playing in this event MUST be listed on this form!

Do not list players on this form who are not planning to be physically there for this event!

Name	Size	Name	Size
1.) _____		7.) _____	
2.) _____		8.) _____	
3.) _____		9.) _____	
4.) _____		10.) _____	
5.) _____		11.) _____	
6.) _____		12.) _____	

PLEASE FAX THIS FORM TO THE SCTA OFFICE ASAP!

NO LATER THAN *May 31* - fax: 310 824-7691.

(T-SHIRTS WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU AT THE COMPLETION OF YOUR FIRST MATCH.)

