



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

USTA JR. TEAM TENNIS 2014 SPRING SECTION CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to making it to the Section Championships! We had over 4,300 players participating all over SoCal in this Spring 2014 season with close to 490 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 team match. An eligible player is one who played in at least 3 team matches in this Spring 2014 season. In the 18s, it is girls only season! 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 - doing so will make your team ineligible for the section championship. Further information regarding this can be found under "Defaults/Withdrawals."

This competition will be at its very best when every player and team plays all scheduled matches. If you know going into this competition that you will have trouble fielding a complete team (minimum 6 eligible players) for every team match over this weekend, then please let your Area League Coordinator know immediately! Thank you for your attention to this matter, and I hope you enjoy the Spring 2014 Section Championships!

DATES:

June 7 & 8, 2014

San Diego, CA

LOCATION OF EVENT

San Diego State University - Aztec Tennis Center

<http://goaztecs.cstv.com/facilities/sdsu-facilities.html>

click on Aztec Tennis Center; also, driving directions, parking maps & regulations can be found on this webpage. There is a fee for parking on campus – please see posted signs for information.

Barnes Tennis Center
4490 W. Point Loma Blvd.
San Diego, CA 92107

<http://www.barnestenniscenter.com>

1 or possibly 2 more facilities
will be used for this event.
Further information will be
forthcoming.

<u>TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:</u>	Ken Grassel, Jr. Team Tennis Program Coordinator Southern California Tennis Association
<u>TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE:</u>	Participating Jr. Team Tennis Coordinators and Staff
<u>TOURNAMENT DESK:</u>	(818) 522-4241 (During the event – Fri 6/6 thru Sun 6/8 ONLY) grassel@scta.usta.com (Prior to event)
<u>OFFICIAL BALL:</u>	Penn
<u>PARKING:</u>	Free parking at Barnes Tennis Center Pay parking at San Diego State University
<u>TOURNAMENT HOTELS:</u>	Please refer to the hotel listings provided towards the end of this info packet! Also note that it is summer, and hotel rooms will go quickly. Even though we have provided many options, these room blocks will disappear fast. Other options to try are hotels.com, orbitz.com and expedia.com.
<u>LUNCH:</u>	Lunch is not provided, but there are plenty of options available close to each facility for you to purchase lunch.
<u>SATURDAY NIGHT:</u>	a Players and Coaches Dinner & Social get together will be held at a Barnes Tennis Center Saturday night, 6 to 8:30 p.m. One Coach or Team Manager must be with each team. This event is designed for Players and Coaches / Team Managers only (one per team!) Parents – enjoy the night off and enjoy some spectacular dining in San Diego on this night!
<u>T-SHIRTS:</u>	The T-Shirt & Registration form is available at the end of this information packet. Coaches are 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.
<u>UNIFORM:</u>	All teams are required to look uniformed during this event! Teams are not required to wear the Nike Jr. Team Tennis shirt.
<u>SCHEDULE:</u>	The schedule will be posted on TennisLink no later than Tuesday June 3, 2014. To access the schedule of play, please follow these instructions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Level: drop down to select "Section" In this section: drop down to select "So. California" 4.) Click on "Search Stats & Standings" <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 to be eligible to compete in this event. Only one on-site default or exhibition match 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 28, 2014 – 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 2, 2014.

Online Entry

Each team must register through TennisLink after they have qualified through their local area league. Your Area League Coordinator will submit your team and team # to the Section Office, 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	11816	11815
10 & Under Advanced		11815
12 & Under Intermediate	11814	
12 & Under Satellite		11817
12 & Under Advanced	11813	
14 & Under Intermediate		11812
14 & Under Satellite (Gender Neutral)	11818	
14 & Under Satellite (Co-ed for Nat'l Championships)		11820
14 & Under Advanced (Gender Neutral)	11811	
14 & Under Advanced (Co-ed for Nat'l Championships)		11819
18 & Under Intermediate/Satellite (Girls)	11810	
18 & Under Advanced (Single Gender – Girls)		11809

Please note that 14 & Under Satellite & Advanced have 2 offerings - if you choose Co-ed for National Championship consideration, you must play 3 boys & 3 girls in the co-ed format in each match!

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 above 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 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 Jr. Team Tennis 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 (Int/Sat & Advanced) shall be a 6 game short 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 each team match. MUST PLAY IN ORDER OF STRENGTH (refer to guideline in this packet)

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. Co-ed flights will consist of 1 boy's & girl's singles, and 1 boy's and girl's doubles. Six (6) eligible players required each team match.

MUST PLAY IN ORDER OF STRENGTH (refer to guideline in this packet)

All 18s matches (Int/Sat & Advanced) shall be best 2 out of 3 sets, no ad scoring; set tie-break at 5 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 each match. MIUST PLAY IN ORDER OF STRENGTH (refer to guideline in this packet)

ORDER OF PLAY:

Singles and doubles are played simultaneously.

CHECK IN:

Coach or Team Manager must **check in 20 minutes prior** to match time and present their line-up at that time. All team members and an adult Coach or Team Manager 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 Coach and/or Team Manager are not present.

COACHING:

The Coach and/or Team Manager listed on the T-Shirt & Registration form must be listed on the USTA.com Background Screening Results page if you wish to coach your team at this event. If you have not through the Safe Play and Background Check procedure, please go to www.usta.com/safeplay . Anyone involved in coaching a team in our program **must** be listed on this results page listed within USTA.com

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

ORDER OF STRENGTH:

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, you can select any 2 players to play singles, with the highest player selected playing the #1 singles position. The remaining players will make up your 2 doubles teams. The position of your teams will be determined by the sum of the position listed from your Order of Strength. The lowest total sum will play the #1 doubles position. If the doubles sum total is equal, the highest individual player from that team will determine the #1 doubles position.

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

Round Robin and Championship results in each flight will be determined by the team with the greatest number of games won. **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 tie-break (usually the last completed match)**

SCORE REPORTING:

When an individual match is completed, all players and/or teams shall report the score to the tournament desk. **Both team's Coaches and/or Team Managers 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. Any out of category players based upon the posted Eligibility List will result in a team disqualification.

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, 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!

[Hotel information and reservation links:](#)

[Homewood Suites by Hilton - San Diego/ Airport/ Liberty Station](#)

Close to Barnes Tennis Center, Sea World, Mission Bay and close to the 8 and 5 Fwys for easy access to SDSU as well. Beautiful waterway location adjacent to public park, stores and restaurants. Adjoins the Courtyard by Marriott listed. Rates include full breakfast for each guest.

**2576 Laning Road
San Diego, 92106
619-222-0500**

Rate for one bedroom suites are \$195 + tax per night
To make reservations, go to the link below:

http://homewoodsuites.hilton.com/en/hw/groups/personalized/S/SANLSHW-JTT-20140605/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

[Hampton Inn - San Diego/ Sea World/ Airport](#)

Close to Barnes Tennis Center, Sea World, Mission Bay and adjacent to the 8 and 5 freeways with easy access to SDSU as well. Rate includes full breakfast for each guest.

**388 Greenwood Street
San Diego, 92110
619-299-6633**

Rate is \$139 + tax per night
To make reservations, go to the link below:

http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/S/SANGWHX-JUN-20140606/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

[Courtyard by Marriott - San Diego/Liberty Station/Airport](#)

Close to Barnes Tennis Center, Sea World, Mission Bay and close to the 8 and 5 freeways for easy access to SDSU & UCSD. Beautiful waterway location adjacent to public park, stores and restaurants.

**2592 Laning Road
San Diego, 92106
619-221-1900**

For reservations, call direct 619/221.1900 or toll free number 800/321-2211
Rate is \$169 + tax per night
Or use the web link below:

http://www.marriott.com/meeting-event-hotels/group-corporate-travel/groupCorp.mi?resLinkIdData=Jr.%20Team%20Tennis%20Section%20Championships%5Esanal%60SCTSCTA%7CSCSTCTB%60169%60USD%60false%606/5/14%606/8/14%605/20/14&app=resvlink&stop_mobi=yes

Close to Barnes Tennis Center, Sea World, Mission Bay and close to the 8 and 5 freeways for easy access to SDSU. Beautiful waterway location adjacent to a public park, stores and restaurants.

Please try the above listed hotels first – they have supported us in our needs for this event!

Other hotel suggestions:

Please use the Hotels.com, Orbitz.com or Expedia.com search engines for available hotels in the greater San Diego area



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T-SHIRT & REGISTRATION FORM

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SPRING 2014 SECTION CHAMPIONSHIPS

1 FORM PER TEAM!

DIVISION: _____ LEAGUE AREA: _____
(Example: 12 Intermediate, 14 Advanced – Gender Neutral)

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 in Order of Strength

List only players who will be physically there and available to play during this event

Name	T-shirt size	Name	T-shirt size
1.) _____		2.) _____	
3.) _____		4.) _____	
5.) _____		6.) _____	
7.) _____		8.) _____	
9.) _____		10.) _____	
11.) _____		12.) _____	

You can either scan/email this form to grassel@scta.usta.com, or fax

NO LATER THAN MAY 30th - fax: 310 824-7691.

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

