



HOME & AWAY MATCHES JUNIORS WEEKEND COMP



MATCH TIMES

- Matches **start at 8:15am** Saturday and Sunday. Players should arrive **by 8:05am**.
- A **5-minute hit-up must be permitted** prior to the first set for each player, even if they arrive late. No further hit-ups are allowed.
- **Matches conclude at 12:15pm**. The By-Laws dictate completion of the current game if a set is ongoing at that time, while emphasizing the use of common sense. If a match may exceed the end time, the Junior Venue Supervisor should discuss with players and parents to determine whether to continue or finish at 12:15pm.
- Between sets, the players must be ready to start play within 2 minutes, otherwise the next set shall be forfeited.
- Matches are to be considered as played on 1 court only, even if a second court is available.
- Teams can play on 2 different surfaces for the match.
- 2 new and 2 good used balls (of a brand recommended by Tennis Australia) to be provided by the Home Club. Good used balls must have the brand still showing and the balls must bounce well.

PLAYER LATE ARRIVAL AND MISSING TEAM PLAYERS CAN LEAD TO FORFEITS.

If a **TEAM IS NOT READY TO PLAY BY 8:30am**, the offending team shall forfeit the first Set (Triples) or first Rubber (SDR) to nil.

If the **ENTIRE TEAM ARRIVES AFTER 8:45am**, and no set has been started prior, then the entire match is forfeited.

Singles/Doubles Rubbers - MUST have at least 2 players at the venue.

- If playing with 2 players and 1 player does not arrive by 8:45am, then the entire match is forfeited. One player does not constitute a team and thus is recorded as a forfeit. Do not enter a set score even if one's been played.
- If player #3 or #4 arrive after 8:45am then they are **ineligible** to play.

Triples - When ALL a visiting team's players arrive later than 8:30am but prior to 8:45am, the Home Club has 2 options:

- They can choose to play the first set or claim a forfeit.
- They can inform the visiting players that the first set will only be played after all other sets have been completed. Note - If the Home Club is at fault, the opposite rule shall apply.

Triples matches - Can be played without one player, and the opposing team wins the three forfeited sets 6-0 each. If possible, the opposing team should exclude the equivalent player in the Order of Merit.

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TEAM PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- All players must be financial members of their registering Club;
- Junior players must be 18 or younger by the date of the season's Grand Final;
- Players **MUST** play in the order specified by your Home Club Junior Convenor, as per the registration on ClubZone;
- A warning will be issued for the first out-of-order play; next out-of-orders will result in a loss of sets/points for the offending player;
- A player cannot play for another team in a lower grade or section after participating in three matches for one team, without permission from Waverley Tennis;
- Any matches involving ineligible players will result in forfeits to the opposing team.
- Any player listed by a club for an A grade team who does not participate but plays elsewhere, will be ineligible for the next Waverley Tennis competition in the next equivalent competition season.



AWAY DUTY PARENTS

To fulfil our Duty of Care obligations:-

Away teams MUST have a DUTY PARENT (a responsible non-playing adult) **in attendance from the visiting team for the entire match.**

Away Team's Duty Parent's:

- name is to be noted on the Scoresheet, and
- **MUST** remain until all the children in their team have been collected.

A fine **WILL BE** issued:

- for non-attendance of a Duty Parent from the visiting team for an entire match, and
- if a child is left at a venue awaiting a parent to collect them and no away parent is present.

