

# TENNIS RULES

Where:	Hutt Valley Tennis Centre, Mitchell St, Lower Hutt Outdoor on Astro-grass Surface
When:	Friday 2nd April starting 5:30pm (sharp) Backup date of Sunday 4th April starting 4:30pm (sharp)
Coordinator:	Allistair Kohing
Phone:	021-2710633
Cost:	\$20 for 1 event, \$25 for 2 events A light supper will be provided at the end of the Event

## ENTRIES

- Teams entering the Open Men's and Women's Doubles Events should register ASAP with the Event Controller.
- If there are gaps in the draws for the Open Men's and Women's Doubles Events, it may be possible to register on the night, however this cannot be guaranteed. The Draws will be locked once the tournament structure has been filled up with teams on a first in, first served basis.

## EVENTS

- Open Men's Doubles
- Open Women's Doubles
- Social Mixed Doubles

### Open Men's / Open Women's Doubles

- Will operate as structured tournaments with opening round(s), quarter-finals, semi-finals, and finals.
- Winners of the first round will remain in the Main Draw, with others entering a Plate Draw.
- Winners and runner ups of the Main and Plate draws will be awarded "Region Points" in order to decide the region which wins the overall Tennis Event.

### Social Mixed Doubles

- Will operate as structured tournaments with opening round(s), quarter-finals, semi-finals, and finals. If numbers are low, the opening rounds may run as a round robin with a finals series following.
- Will start at 8pm to enable players who have been eliminated from the Open Men's and Women's Doubles Event to participate. Registrations for Social Mixed Doubles will be taken up until 7:45pm.
- Due to the later start time, matches are likely to be shortened sets with a shortened time limit. This will be announced before the start of the Social Mixed Doubles Event and is dependant on numbers of participants.
- Winners and runner ups of the Main and Plate draws will be awarded "Region Points" in order to decide the region which wins the overall Tennis Event. Region Points allocated for the Social Mixed Doubles Event will be of lower value to the Open Men's and Women's Doubles Events.

## **GENERAL**

- The Event Controller reserves the right to change any of the draws at any time.
- As necessary, the Rules of Tennis as adopted by Tennis New Zealand will be applied.
- The Rules Governing the NZCA Annual Sports Tournament require that a sportsperson represents one branch only. Therefore, teams entered into any of the three events shall be comprised of individuals from the same branch.
- All matches will be one set with a time limit. The composition of the set and defined time limits will be advised during the registrations period at the beginning of the Event
- Possible rule changes will be announced during the registrations period at the beginning of the Event.
- The structure of the "Region Points" system will be advised during the registrations period at the beginning of the Event.
- While a player is active in the Men's or Women's Doubles Main or Plate Draws, they may not participate in the Social Mixed Doubles.