

2025 UQ TENNIS CLUB DECEMBER SINGLES CHALLENGE

NOTE WELL:

TO AVOID A POTENTIAL CLASH WITH THE QUEENSLAND JUNIOR TEAMS CARNIVAL, THIS EVENT HAS BEEN MOVED FROM 6 DECEMBER (WITH BACKUP ON 13 DECEMBER) TO 29 NOVEMBER (WITH BACKUP ON 6 DECEMBER).

You must pay the Non-Member extra entry fee of \$5.16 (listed under Extra items) if you are not a paid member of the UQ Tennis Club.

If you do not have a verified UTR, you **MUST** supply information about your standard under "Remarks", so that organisers can determine a 'projected UTR'.

The event will be run in a single morning on Saturday, 29 November.

Note: There is a back-up date in case play is prevented or interrupted by the weather or for any other reason. If play on Saturday morning 29 November, is prevented or interrupted, the event will be played or completed on Saturday morning 6 December. Entrants should ensure they can be available for both mornings if necessary.

Entries close on 23 November. However, as the competition must be capped at 35 players, entries will be closed early if 35 entries are received before 23 November.

The Singles Challenge will be a UTR-tiered event with players divided into round-robin groups of five based on their UTRs – the top 5 UTRs in Group 1, the next 5 in Group 2, etc. Every player will get four one-set matches during the morning. Each group winner will receive a \$50 gift card.

The aim will be to have a small range of UTRs in each group. Where feasible, players will be divided into male and female groups; but men and women will be combined in the same group if that is the best way to achieve an even competition.

This competition is being conducted by The University of Queensland Tennis Club Inc. (UQ Tennis Club) for its members. To enable everybody to play, non-members will be granted Restricted Membership of the UQ Tennis Club by paying a higher entry fee than Full Members.

When entering, Non-Members must pay the Non-Member Extra Entry Fee of \$5.16 (listed under Extra Items) as well as the Event Entry Fee of \$36.09. These fees include the Stripe processing fee.

N.B. When players go to enter on-line, they are asked to log in using their Competitive Player Profile or to create a Competitive Player Profile with a Tennis ID (11-digit number starting '66') and link it to Universal Tennis Ratings. Players can check if they have already a Tennis ID & Competitive Player Profile or they can create a Competitive Player Profile & Tennis ID & UTR link by going to:

<https://www.tennis.com.au/competitiveplay/create-your-cpp>.

Anybody who has a problem logging in, or entering events once logged in, should contact Tennis Australia via play@tennis.com.au or Ph 1800 752 983.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE

Tennis Australia has made changes to the way players access Competitive Play websites. TA is introducing a **Single Sign In** to access Match Centre, League Manager & Tournaments with a Multi-Factor Authentication requirement. Things have not gone smoothly and many players are having trouble accessing anything. If you find you cannot lodge an entry on-line, please contact play@tennis.com.au to resolve the problem but also lodge an entry by e-mail to admin@uqtc.org.au (providing name, DOB, gender, Tennis ID, contact e-mail, contact phone number, current UTR and , if no verified UTR, information about playing level).

If lodging an entry by e-mail, payment of the entry fees (\$35 for members or \$40 for non-members) must be made by direct deposit into the Club's bank account:-

Bank: Commonwealth

BSB: 06 4158

Account No.: 0090 0066

Account Name: University of Queensland Tennis Club]

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. This event is being conducted by The University of Queensland Tennis Club Inc. (UQ Tennis Club) and entry is restricted to players who are members of UQ Tennis Club. Players who are not Full Members of the Club (i.e. Ordinary, Associate, Junior or Hon. Life Members) or Restricted Members will be granted free Restricted Membership to make them eligible for entry and, for such persons, lodgement of this signed entry form will be deemed to be an application for such membership and agreement to be bound by the rules & regulations of the UQ Tennis Club and the conditions set out in the UQ Sport Affiliated Club Participant Waiver (<https://www.uqtc.org.au/file/uq-sport-affiliated-club-participant-waiver-tournaments-and-singles-fixtures>).
2. This event is endorsed by Tennis Australia and shall be conducted in accordance with the Tournament Rules & Regulations laid down by Tennis Queensland, the Tennis Australia Code of Behaviour and the UQ Tennis Club Code of Conduct. This event is part of the UQ Tennis Club's 2025 Grand Prix (participation points only).
3. The entry fee for Full Members will be \$35 and the entry fee for Restricted Members will be \$40 (plus the Stripe/Tennis Australia on-line processing fee).
4. The *ITF Rules of Tennis* shall apply in all matches, unless modified herein. Players are required to call their own lines and keep score as set out in *Tennis Australia's Tennis Etiquette and Rules for Non-Umpired Matches*.
5. The Club Tournament Committee, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", shall have the entire control and management of this event. Any matter not specifically covered by these Conditions or any on-court dispute shall be resolved by the Committee member(s) present, whose decision shall be final.
6. Entries must be lodged on-line by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, 23 November. The fee listed for on-line entry includes the Stripe & Tennis Australia on-line processing fee. Payment for on-line entries may also be made by direct deposit into the Club's bank account [*Bank:* Commonwealth; *BSB:* 06 4158; *Account No.:* 0090 0066; *Account Name:* University of Queensland Tennis Club] but such payments must be notified by e-mail to admin@uqtc.org.au as on-line entries lodged without credit card payment are not automatically entered into the event and have to be manually uploaded.
7. Entrants who do not have a verified UTR must provide information about their standard under "Remarks". Entries from people who ignore this requirement will not be accepted. The Committee will allocate a 'projected UTR' for players without a verified UTR.
8. All entries will be confirmed by e-mail where an e-mail address is supplied. Players who do not receive such confirmation by 5 p.m. on Monday, 24 November, should contact the UQ Tennis Club's Tournament Director (Ph 0409 090 299, E-Mail tournaments@uqtc.org.au). Receipt of entries can be checked on-line at <https://tournaments.tennis.com.au>.
9. Any player may withdraw prior to entries being finalized and the entry fee less an administration fee of \$5 and the Stripe processing fee shall be refunded. No entry fees shall be refunded where a player is defaulted or where a player withdraws after the withdrawal date.
10. Entries in this event are limited to a maximum of 35 players. Entries will be closed early if 35 entries are received before 11:59 p.m. on 23 November. If the event is oversubscribed, the order of receipt of entries will be used to determine final acceptances; and players who miss out will go on a standby list in case of any withdrawals.
11. The Singles Challenge will be played on Saturday morning, 29 November, from 8 a.m. to approx. 12 p.m.
12. Players will be divided into groups of 5 on the basis of their verified UTRs, as provided by Tennis Australia, at the close of entries (or projected UTRs). Each player will play every other player in their group once. This gives all players four one-set matches. Final positions will be decided by most games won. The group winner will receive a \$50 gift card. If games won are tied, positions will be decided by the least number of games lost. If still tied, sets won will be counted and, if necessary, the results when the tied players played

- each other. If the tied players cannot be separated, and the result is needed to determine the group winner, a ballot shall be conducted to select the prize winner.
13. The division of players into groups will be at the sole discretion of the Committee. Where feasible, players will be divided into male and female groups; but men and women will be combined in the same group if that is the best way to achieve an even competition.
 14. All matches will be one set (i.e. first to 6 games with a sudden-death tie-break if the score reaches 5-games all). Serve and ends shall be decided by toss. Players shall change ends at the end of the first, third and every subsequent odd game. Players change ends after 4 points in the tie-break. Players shall be permitted a warm-up period of 3 minutes prior to each match.
 15. In any game, if the score reaches deuce twice, a sudden-death point shall be played to decide the game. The sudden-death point is served to the court nominated by the receiver.
 16. In the sudden-death tie-break, the player whose turn it is to serve, serves two points and, thereafter, each player serves two points in rotation. This continues until one player reaches 5 points. However, if the score reaches 4-all, the player who has just served, shall serve the deciding sudden-death point to the court nominated by the receiver.
 17. A result card must be completed and lodged for each group for prizes to be awarded. The winning player is responsible for lodging the result card. All players are responsible for checking results are recorded correctly.
 18. Entrants agree to allow the Committee to publish the event results (including names and scores) on the UQ Tennis Club Website (<https://www.uqtc.org.au>), Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/uqtennis>), Instagram Page (<https://www.instagram.com/uqtennis>) and Tennis Australia's Tournaments Website (<https://tournaments.tennis.com.au>) and to provide the results to UTR Sports for calculation of UTRs and publication on the UTR Sports Website (<http://www.utrsports.net>).
 19. Entries from players under 18 years of age are only accepted on the understanding that the supervision and protection of juniors during their participation in this event is the responsibility of their parents/guardians and not the Committee and Event Organizers
 20. Entrants agree to allow the Committee to have photographs, motion pictures and videotapes taken of them during the event and assign to the UQ Tennis Club the right in perpetuity to use such material in any way without any remuneration (including, but not limited to, publishing in newsletters and on websites and social media).

I am a current member of The University of Queensland Tennis Club (UQ Tennis Club) or am applying for Restricted Membership to enable me to play in the Club's competitions; and I have read, understand and agree to be bound by the above Conditions of Entry. I understand that by submitting this on-line application, I am confirming my acceptance of the Conditions of Entry.