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YOUR TOURNAMENT

The **University Open Tennis Championships** is the UQ Tennis Club's major event of the year. The tournament provides an opportunity for all Club members (Fixture players and Social players) to get some great competitive Tennis against other S.E. Qld players and see the top Queensland players in action.

The 49th University Open will be played over three weekends in July/August (20-21 July, 27-28 July & 3-4 August) with the Australian Ranking Points events (Open & 18/U Singles & Doubles) being played on 20-21 & 27-28 July.

Although it has ranking points events with significant prizemoney, the main objective is to provide some great competitive Tennis for Club members, the UQ community and the S.E. Qld public. The 2019 tournament will offer 46 events covering Open, 18 & Under, Special, Grade and Seniors. The Open, 18/U & Special events will be run using knock-out formats but the Grade & Seniors events will use round-robin formats to ensure entrants get multiple matches.

The initial round-robin sessions for all Grade and Seniors events are pre-scheduled, so entrants in these events know their initial time commitment when entering. Session times are listed on the entry form and on the website (for on-line entrants) under 'Regulations'.

The Round-Robin Grade events are offered at 4 levels to cover all standards. The cut-offs* for the Grade event levels are:

A Grade - ITN 4 - UQTC A1 - UQTC high Social Red - BNTA Pennant - Tennis Brisbane Super Grade

A Reserve Grade - ITN 5 - UQTC A2 - UQTC low Social Red - BNTA Pennant Reserve - Tennis Brisbane Div. 1

B Grade - ITN 6 - UQTC B - UQTC Social Yellow - BNTA Div. 1 - Tennis Brisbane Div. 4

C Grade - ITN 7 - UQTC C - UQTC Social Green & Blue - BNTA Div. 2 - Tennis Brisbane Div. 7

** Rough guideline only as some Fixture grades cover several levels. For example, some of the players in the UQTC Tuesday B2 Fixtures (the lowest level), would be eligible for the C Grade events in the University Open.*

Entry forms are available from the UQ Tennis Club or can be downloaded from the Club Website [here](#).

Entries can be lodged on-line via the Tennis Australia Tournaments Website [here](#) but please read the important note below about creating a Tournament Account to enter on-line.

Entries for the Australian Ranking Points events must be lodged on-line. Entries in all other events can be lodged on-line or using the printed entry form.

N.B. Tennis Australia has made its tournament on-line entry system needlessly complicated. When players go to enter on-line, they are asked to create a Tournament account if they don't already have one. To create a Tournament account, players need their 11-digit Tennis Australia My Tennis Player ID Number. Unfortunately, although the TA tournament on-line entry system still requires the 11-digit Player ID Number, Tennis Australia has stopped issuing Player ID Numbers automatically for new players being registered through My Tennis (as it is switching to using player e-mail addresses for identification purposes). This means that players who do not have a Player ID Number, or don't remember their number, need to contact Tennis Australia via play@tennis.com.au or 1800 752 983 to obtain their number or have a number created for them (information required - name, postal address, unique e-mail address, birthdate and a phone number).

The 2019 University Open sponsors are:

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They all had to start somewhere feature:

Kerry-Anne Guse after winning the 14 & Under Girls' Singles in the **1985 University Open**. Kerry-Anne first played in the University Open in 1981, when she was just 8½ years old, in the B Grade Ladies' Singles. Kerry-Anne is a real University Open Legend, winning the B Grade Ladies' Singles (1982), A Grade Ladies' Singles (1984 & 1985), 14 & Under Girls' Singles

(1985), 16 & Under Girls' Singles (1986), 18 & Under Girls' Singles (1987), Open Ladies' Singles (1988, 1992 & 1995) and Open Ladies' Doubles (1988 & 2007).

Kerry-Anne Guse turned pro at 15 and, during her career, won 7 ITF Singles titles and 5 WTA Doubles titles. In 1998, she reached the Quarter-Finals in the Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles at the Australian Open and Wimbledon. She was selected in the Australian Fed Cup Team in 1997 & 1998. Her career high World Rankings were 60 in Singles (November, 1997) and 26 in Doubles (April, 1998).



2018 University Open – B Grade Men's Doubles

Noah Brownrigg & Aaron Remedios (Winners) and Paul Hyde & David Drew (Runners-Up)

SECOND SEMESTER TEAM FIXTURES

The best option for players wanting a regular competitive game is to sign up for a season of **Team Fixtures** (weekly teams competition).

In second semester, the Club will be running three internal competitions (UQTC Monday Night Pairs, UQTC Tuesday Night Pairs & UQTC Thursday Night Pairs) and will be entering teams in one Brisbane-wide competition run by the

Brisbane Night Tennis Association (BNTA Wednesday Night Pairs).

Membership & Team Fixtures application forms are available from under the Clubhouse or can be downloaded from the Club Website [here](#). *N.B. On-line entry option is not yet available.*

Information about formats, grading session times, start & finish dates and membership & season fixture fees can be found on the application form or on the Website [here](#).

The entry deadlines are:

24 July - UQTC Thursday Night & BNTA Wednesday Night

31 July - UQTC Monday Night & UQTC Tuesday Night

N.B. Quotas apply for all competitions. So, do not leave it until the last moment to enter as some competitions could fill up before the advertised closing date.

SUNDAY SOCIAL TENNIS BREAK

There will be no Sunday Afternoon Social Tennis on 21 July and 28 July because of the University Open Tennis Championships.

Social Tennis players have a great chance to have a competitive game by entering the University Open. The Round-Robin grade events are designed to cater for our Social Tennis and Fixture players.

Although the University Open continues until 4 August, not many courts will be needed by then so Sunday Afternoon Social Tennis will resume on 4 August.

Thursday Night Social Tennis is not affected by the University Open.

INTERVARSITY TENNIS TRIALS

In 2018, Australian University Sport launched the new **UniSport Nationals** to replace the Australian University Games. Each year, sports are divided into two divisions on standard, based on results in the previous year's Nationals.

As UQ finished 2nd in the Women's Tennis and 6th in the Men's Tennis at Last year's Division 1 Nationals, **in 2019 the UQ Tennis Team will be competing in the Division 1 Nationals which will be played on the Gold Coast from 28 September to 3 October**. The Division 2 Nationals will be played at the Gold Coast from 7 to 11 July.

UQ Sport organises all UQ teams for the Nationals. Trials for the UQ Tennis Team will be conducted on:

Wednesday, 17 July - 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, 25 July - 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Players do not need to pre-register for the Tennis Trials. However, anybody unable to make the advertised trials should contact the UQ Tennis Team Manager, Taylor Madgwick, by [e-mail](#). Applicants must be current UQ students.

For more information about the UniSport Nationals, go to:

<https://uqsport.com.au/competitions/intersport/nationals/>

COURT SUPERVISOR TRAINING COURSE

There is a severe shortage of Tennis officials in Queensland. Tennis officials include Referees, Court Supervisors, Chair Umpires and Line Umpires.

Being a **Court Supervisor** is a great way to get involved in Tennis officiating at the grassroots level. Court Supervisors at a tournament work with the Referee and are responsible for monitoring a number of courts at the tournament. They assist and educate players, parents & coaches and assist in the smooth running of the event. Other important roles of Court Supervisors are to help enforce the Rules of Tennis and Code of Behaviour, as well as resolving on court queries.

The training program covers General Principles of officiating, communication, Rules of Tennis and player management. The training program is a mixture of online theory and on-court practical training.

The next Court Supervisor course in Brisbane will be held at:

UQ Sport Tennis Centre

Theory - Friday 19 July (6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.)

Practical Options - Saturday 20 July & Sunday 21 July (during the University Open)

For more information about the Court Supervisor Training Program and to apply for the course listed above, go to:

<https://www.tennis.com.au/learn/ballkids-officials-coaches-and-volunteers/officials/training-courses>



NEXT CLUB TOURNAMENTS

There is a break in the Club Tournament Program because of the UQ Mid-Year Vacation and the University Open Tennis Championships.

In second semester, the Club Tournament Program will resume with the Ekka Singles Challenge Tournament (14 August) and the UQ Student & Staff Championships (14, 17 & 18 August).

For more information about the **Ekka Singles Challenge Tournament** and the links to enter, go to:

<https://www.uqtc.org.au/news/2019-ekka-singles-challenge-tournament>

For more information about the **UQ Student & Staff Tennis Championships** and the links to enter, go to:

<https://www.uqtc.org.au/news/2019-uq-student-staff-tennis-championships>

GOOD SPORTS

The UQ Tennis Club is a **Level 3 Good Sports accredited club**.

Good Sports works with communities to make sports clubs safe and healthy by providing advice about managing alcohol responsibly and making clubs more family-friendly.

As a Level 3 *Good Sports* club, the UQ Tennis Club abides by the conditions of its liquor licence, has bar management strategies & a full alcohol management plan in place, has a safe transport policy and all bar staff have Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) certification or are supervised by somebody who is RSA certified..

For more information about *Good Sports*, visit <https://goodsports.com.au/>.



KEEP INFORMED

There are always lots of things happening in the UQ Tennis Club.

You can check out what is coming up on the Club Website:

<https://www.uqtc.org.au>

For programs, click the relevant information Tab and check for a story on the Home page. For events, there will always be a story on the Home page.

Another way to stay informed is to like the Club's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/uqtennis/>

Posters about events are also displayed on the Club Noticeboard under the clubhouse.

Everything about the Club and its Programs can be found in the Club's Information Booklet, which can be viewed on-line:

<https://www.uqtc.org.au/file/uq-tennis-club-information-booklet>



UPDATING YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

The Club's Management Committee goes to a lot of trouble to make sure Members are kept informed about what is happening in the Club.

However, this is only possible if Members' contact information is up-to-date. **If you move or change your e-mail address, please let the Club know.**

As players are registered with Tennis Queensland using Tennis Australia's My Tennis on-line database, those with a valid e-mail address will receive an automated e-mail receipt from Tennis Australia confirming their registration. They will also receive a notification about how to access the on-line system to update their personal information themselves. **This notice infers that changes to contact information made on-line in this way will automatically be conveyed to the Club. This is incorrect. Any changes must be notified separately to the Club, preferably via e-mail to admin@uqtc.org.au.**

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