



TRIAL INFORMATION AND SELECTION GUIDELINES



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Tennis (Bruce Cup), 12 Years & Under

The School Sport Australia (SSA) 12 Years and Under Tennis Championships (Bruce Cup) will be held in Brisbane, QLD from **Saturday 21 October – Saturday 28 October 2023**.

Age Eligibility:

- Tennis Australia Age eligibility Rules
- 12 years and under as of the end of the month the tournament finishes i.e., years and under as of 31 October 2023.

SSV Member Schools:

- Trialing for Team Vic is only possible if your child's school is a financial member of School Sport Victoria (SSV) for 2023
- SSV will contact you if the school your child attends is not a financial member

Trials Progression:

- Eligible players will be invited to register via the SSV website
- Only the top 16 female and male players based on their UTR will be selected for the trial. Players who are not ranked in top 16 players will be notified and have their registrations refunded
- First stage – players split into pools of four using UTR ranking to seed. Results taken after the set is finished
- Second stage – first and second placed players progress into pools of four. The two pools will play to determine 1st through to 8th place
- Behaviour and code violation history from the past year considered in determining composition of team

State Selection:

- A maximum of 14 players will be selected for the team (7 Boys and 7 Girls)
- Up to four emergency players **may** be selected to train with the selected team
- Expectations of students selected for the state team will be forthcoming

STATE TRIALS

Thursday 10 August

Venue: Hume Tennis Centre
225 Marathon Blvd, Craigieburn
Time: 9:00am – 3:00pm

Please note, Monday 14 August at Hume Tennis Centre is the backup date if the trial on the 10 August doesn't proceed.



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School Sport Australia Championships consists of both educational and sporting components. Being a member of a School Sport Victoria Team Vic representative team provides the opportunity to be involved in all educational and sporting excursions and aim for national selection.

Team Officials run a selection process that is fair and transparent. This process involves the design of guidelines and trial activities, assessment of players and ensuring students, parents and teachers are made aware of this process.

Team members are expected to abide by the following responsibilities:

- Attend all sessions (i.e., including but not limited to initial briefing session, training sessions, uniform presentation and team photo etc..) as deemed compulsory by Team Officials
- Must be accompanied by a parent/carer to the 2023 Championships. Parent/carer is responsible for the travel, meals and accommodation for themselves and their child
- Purchase the compulsory uniform
- Complete and return all team documentation to the Team Manager by the due date
- Pay all team membership invoices by the due date
- Attend all SSA Championship sessions, including the opening and closing ceremonies and the educational excursion activity
- Recognise that the SSA Championships are school activities, and the decision-making regarding each team member's participation in those activities or in preparation for those activities, is the responsibility of the Team Officials
- Be respectful of the role of the Team Officials in making decisions regarding each team member's participation in SSA Championship activities or other preparation activities
- Follow [COVID-19 guidance to protect yourselves and others](#) and comply with any health advice that is issued

Guidelines for selectors

- Comparable court time for all players
- Consideration of team composition so players from the same school or team are not advantaged over individual representatives
- Where appropriate, concentrate on selecting players with generic skills rather than players for specific positions
- Students will have to be able to umpire their own games

Selectors are looking for:

- Court awareness
- Knowledgeable tactical play
- Concentration / focus during play
- Positive on court behaviour
- Strong sense of team spirit / good sportsmanship
- Ability to communicate / cooperate with teammates / Team Officials
- Understands rules of the game
- Adequate fitness level
- Ability to follow instructions
- Ability to control emotions
- Ability to play singles, doubles, and mixed doubles
- Ability to umpire games accurately and fairly
- Ability to listen to advice and guidance
- Positive demeanour
- Team player



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