

BENDIGO TENNIS ASSOCIATION

FLEXI PENNANT



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Tennis**

WHAT IS IT?

The Bendigo Tennis Association brand new Flexi-Pennant is a singles competition that provides greater flexibility to players than ever before, as players determine when their matches take place at the Bendigo Regional Tennis Centre throughout the competition season.

WHEN DOES IT START?

The Flexi-Pennant will restart in the new year, with Season 4 commencing January 28th.

HOW TO ENTER

Players will be able to enter via the our website (www.bendigotennis.com.au) using the entry link. All players will be required to have a Competitive Player Profile (CPP).

ENTRY COST

The cost will be \$30 per player for the season (4 week season) or you can pay for all 6 seasons up front for \$180. After registering, a payment link will be sent out.

COMPETITION LENGTH

Each season will run for roughly 4 to 5 weeks, at the conclusion of the period we will set-up the next one to start immediately with any necessary adjustments in divisions (players going up or down).

HOW IT WORKS

Divisions

When registered, players will be placed into a division based on experience, UTR and competitions/grades they have competed in previously. We will aim to ensure divisions are comprised as even and fair as possible to ensure the experience for everyone involved is positive. We are aiming for roughly 5 to 6 players in a division, every player would play each other once, so potentially 4 to 5 matches in the 4 week period.

Moving Up & Down Divisions

Players will have the opportunity to move up or down divisions for the following 4 week season based on performance and results. We will carefully analyse results towards the conclusion of the season and make the required adjustments to keep divisions fair and reasonable for all participants prior to the next 4 week season commencing.

Organising Matches

1. Once all players are registered and divisions are created, players will be sent the information of their opponents in their division, including contact information.
2. The player named first as the 'Home' player will be required to contact the opposing player to organise a time and date throughout the 4 week season to play their match.
3. Once a date and time is organised, the 'Home' player is contact the BTA to inform the BTA of the date and time so the BTA can book a court and organise tennis balls.
4. The BTA will then send a confirmation of the match to both players, including a PIN to the Book-A-Court gate to access the BRTC courts, and information on ball collection.

Format & Rules

The match format for the Flexi Pennant is a 1 Set Match to 8, if the score gets to 7-7 a tiebreak game is played to determine the winner of the set & match. The Flexi-Pennant will be using the Tennis Australia Procedures for Matches Played without a Chair Umpire as the rule set.

Recording Results

Once a match is complete, the winner is required to contact the BTA to inform the BTA of the result of the match. The BTA will then publish the result of the match online, which players will be able to view on Match Centre & UTR.