





Junior Fed Cup & Junior Davis Cup by BNP Paribas Asia/Oceania Final Qualifying

Shepparton and Tatura Lawn Tennis Clubs, Victoria, Australia

Fact Sheet

TOURNAMENT: 2009 Junior Davis Cup and Junior Fed Cup by BNP Paribas

Asia/Oceania Final Qualifying

DATES: Arrival Date of Teams: Monday 13th April 2009

Practice Day: Tuesday 14th April 2009

Tournament Dates: Wednesday 15th April to Monday 20th April 2009

Departure Date: Tuesday 21st April 2009

VENUES: Shepparton Lawn Tennis Club

Welsford Street

SHEPPARTON, VICTORIA AUSTRALIA 3630

Tatura Lawn Tennis Club 35 – 41 Albert Street TATURA, VICTORIA AUSTRALIA 3616

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COURT SURFACE: Natural Grass

NO. OF COURTS: 16 Match Courts (Shepparton and Tatura Lawn Tennis Clubs)

Practice courts are available at both venues which are approximately 10 minutes

away from each other.

ON-SITE TRANSPORT: Courtesy transport will be available in Shepparton and Tatura for travel from the

official hotels to the courts. A timetable will be distributed at the captain's

meeting.

OFFICIAL BALL: Wilson Australian Open

MEDICAL: There will be a Primary Health Care Provider at both tournament venues

throughout the Junior Davis & Fed Cup event.

MEALS: All meals for players and team manager will be provided free of charge during

the entire tournament from April 13 – 21. Special dietary requirements and any food allergies should be noted to Tennis Australia when nominating your team.

Details of meals are as follows:

Breakfast

To be provided at the official hotels each morning. Details of where breakfast will

be served are available upon check-in at the hotel.

Lunch

Club canteen at both venues will provide a variety of different lunches each day.

Dinner

Functions will take place each evening where dinner will be served for teams. Details on where dinner will be served will be available at the captain's meeting.

FLIGHTS: Each competing nation will be responsible for their own flights to Australia. The

final flight details must be sent to Tennis Australia by the team nomination

deadline of Wednesday 1st April 2009.

OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS: Captain's Meeting: Tuesday 14th April 2009 @ 2:00pm, Shepparton Tennis Club

Official Draw: Tuesday 14th April 2009 @ 2:00pm, Shepparton Tennis Club

Welcome Dinner: Tuesday 14th April 2009. Venue and Time to be confirmed

COMPETING NATIONS: Junior Fed Cup

Australia, China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Uzbekistan, Malaysia, Kazakhstan and

Sri Lanka.

Junior Davis Cup

Australia, China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Thailand, Uzbekistan, Pakistan and

Myanmar.

FORMAT: Sixteen (16) teams will play in a Round Robin / Knock-out basis over 6 days of

competition. Four teams will qualify for the Junior Davis Cup & Fed Cup World

Finals.

FLIGHT DETAILS & TEAM NOMINATION DEADLINE:

All teams must be nominated by **Wednesday 1st April 2009**.

NEAREST AIRPORT: Melbourne International Airport

TRAVEL INFORMATION: To Melbourne: Various airlines have regular flights to Melbourne.

From Airport: Shepparton is approximately 175km from Melbourne Airport.

Travel time by bus will be two (2) hours.

Tennis Australia will organise two free courtesy buses leaving from Melbourne Airport to Shepparton on the following dates.

Bus #1 – Departs at 9:30am on Monday 13th April Bus #2 – Departs at 3:00pm on Monday 13th April Bus #3 – Departs at 9:00am on Tuesday 14th April

Please nominate which bus your team would like to travel on when sending in team entry forms and flight details.

ARRIVAL INFORMATION:

Upon arrival, teams should look for a tournament official outside the customs gate, who will provide details of where the courtesy bus will leave from.

VISA INFORMATION:

* Please note that all travellers to Australia for these events must have a valid visa before boarding their plane. Travellers to Australia cannot apply for a visa on arrival. However, because Australia has special visa arrangements with New Zealand, New Zealand passport holders will be visaed on arrival in Australia and do not need to lodge a visa application prior to their departure from New Zealand. Event participants, other than New Zealanders, should read the following information carefully. Information on "visitor visa processing and requirements" can be found on the department's website: www.immi.gov.au

Details for contacting the appropriate visa office closest to the applicant's place of residence can be found at:

http://www.immi.gov.au/contacts/overseas/index.htm

Section 1 - The Sport Visa (subclass 421)

(a) Amateur Players under 18 years of age; (b) Amateur Players 18 years of age or older; (c) Amateur Coaches. **No Application Fee Applies for the 421 visa**

As some players and coaches are amateurs, no application fee will apply. This is in accordance with the department's policy on the word 'amateur'. To be considered an 'amateur', a person must demonstrate that they compete in their sport mainly on a recreational basis (e.g. for pleasure or health reasons) and not for the purpose of deriving an income from that sport.

Supporting Documentation

All applicants must provide the following documents with their subclass 421 application: letter of invitation/registration; return air ticket; proof of sufficient funds for the duration of stay in Australia. The link to information on the subclass 421 sports visa as well as application form can be found on the department's website at: http://www.immi.gov.au/visitors/special-activity/421/index.htm

GALLIPOLI YOUTH TENNIS CUP ITF GRADE 4:

A Junior ITF Grade 4 event will be played at Melbourne Park, the venue used for the Australian Open from April 21-26. Entries for the event close on Tuesday 31st March and can be sent to Francis Soyer at Tennis Australia via e-mail: fsoyer@tennis.com.au. Please indicate whether your players will be staying in Australia to play this event, as special transfers from Shepparton to Melbourne on the afternoon of April 20 will need to be pre-arranged.

MEN'S & WOMEN'S PRO CIRCUIT EVENTS OUEENSLAND:

Two men's futures (US\$15,000) and two women's challengers (US\$25,000). Both tournaments will be played in Queensland on clay. The first men's & women's pro circuit events will be played in Bundaberg from April 24 – May 3. The second men's & women's pro circuit events will be played in Ipswich from May 2 – 10.

Please note that the qualifying draw size for both the men's and women's events is only a 32-draw size. Travel from Shepparton to Queensland will be the responsibility of the federation. Tennis Australia may be able to provide assistance if required in Shepparton.

Fact sheets for the Queensland pro circuit events will be available on the Men's & Women's ITF websites shortly.

OFFICIAL ACCOMMODATION:

COUNTRY COMFORT SHEPPARTON

481 Wyndham Street, Shepparton, VIC, 2630

Distance to Courts: 300m Tel: +61 3 5821 5822 Fax: +61 3 5821 0894

E-mail: reservations.shepparton@countrycomforthotels.com

Website:

http://www.countrycomforthotels.com/countrycomfort/hotels?cid=65&pid=3

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PARADISE LAKES MOTEL

7685 Goulburn Valley Highway, Shepparton South, VIC, 3630

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E-mail: <u>reservations@paradiselakes.com.au</u> Website: <u>www.paradiselakes.com.au</u>

1 Single Room (Captain) and 1 Triple Room (Players) have been reserved at the Official Accommodation. If you require any changes or further bookings please contact Francis Soyer on fsoyer@tennis.com.au

Please do not contact the hotels directly to reserve additional rooms. ALL BOOKINGS MUST BE MADE THROUGH TENNIS AUSTRALIA.