



2012 SUNSMART METRO SCHOOLS CLASSIC

Dates and Venues

Venue 1

State Tennis Centre

Venue 2

Belmont Park Tennis Club

(Pool play)

Girls Academy Plate

Mon 19th March (9am – 4pm)

Boys Academy Plate

Tues 20th March (9am – 4pm)

Finals to follow on the same day

Approx 4.30 – 6.30pm

Friday 23rd March

(Reserve or additional day if required)

(Pool play)

Girls Herbert Edwards Cup

Wed 21st March (9am – 4pm)

Boys Herbert Edwards Cup

Thurs 22nd March (9am – 4pm)

Finals - to follow on the same day

Approx 4.30 – 8.30pm

Friday 23rd, Wednesday 28th & or Thursday 29th March

(Reserve or additional days if required)

(Pool play)

Girls Slazenger Cup / Mursell Shield

Mon 26th March (9am – 4pm)

Boys Slazenger Cup / Mursell Shield

Tues 27th March (9am – 4pm)

Finals - to follow on the same day

Approx 4.30 – 8.30pm

Wednesday 28th & or Thursday 29th March

(Reserve or additional days if required)

Surface:

Hard / Clay / Grass

Tournament Contact - Jan Budden

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Enter on line @ www.schoolsportwa.com.au

Metro – Primary or Secondary

Entry Closing Date: Mon 5th March 2012

If your Primary School would be interested in holding a
MLC Hot Shots Tennis in Schools Day contact your Community
Tennis Officer

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INTRODUCTION

The Sunsmart Schools Tennis Classic is the largest participation Tennis Tournament in Western Australia. It is an inter-school, team's event catering to both Metropolitan and Country schools across the state.

There are 4 major events contested in The Sunsmart Schools Tennis Classic.

Slazenger Cup, (incorporating Mursell Shield, Years (10-12)

Herbert Edwards Cup, Years (8 & 9)

Academy Plate, Years (1-7)

These events provide a variety of age categories ranging from primary school to high school, and are open to teams of boys and girls

Draw and Schedule: The complete draw and schedule will be published at www.tennis.com.au/wa
-> Up and coming Tournaments -> scroll down to this event. Also a copy of the draws will be sent to you via email

Entry Fees: For each team entered, the following entry fees apply per team:

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| - Slazenger Cup / Mursell Shield | \$55.00 |
| - Herbert Edwards Cup | \$55.00 |
| - Academy Plate | \$55.00 |

All fees include GST.

Please **DO NOT** send in any entry fees!

School Sport WA will invoice the school after the event.

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Entry

Schools nominating more than one (1) team in any given event must rank their teams from strongest down. For example, Tennis West School Team 1 will be stronger than Team 2, which is subsequently stronger than Team 3. Team lists must be submitted prior to start of relevant competition.

Players may compete in only one (1) event of the 2012 Sunsmart Schools Tennis Classic (e.g. a player playing in Herbert Edwards Cup may not compete in the Slazenger Cup/Mursell Shield).

Entry is limited and schools will be entitled to a maximum of 6 teams per event. (Additional teams will be accepted based on availability in the draws and this will be determined on a first come, first served basis.



2. Team Make-Up

The Slazenger Cup / Mursell Shield, Herbert Edwards Cup and Academy Plate events have a separate boys and girls competition, with teams comprising four (4) to six (6) players. In the case of a 5/6 player team, only 4 players will compete per round. (i.e. players 1,2,4,& 5 may play against the next school and player 3 sits out)In the case of an injury, a player may be replaced mid round, but not mid match.

The names of the members of each team shall be entered on the scorecard (on the day of event) in the approved order of merit by their respective captains before play commences.

Doubles combinations may be entered following the singles matches. This team list shall be maintained throughout the tournament without change.

In the event that a substitute is required for a team this person will enter the team as the lowest ranked player or number 4 position in the team. The substitute player must be of an equivalent or lesser standard to the number 4 (2) player in the team. The rest of the team shall move up accordingly. A player playing as a substitute cannot be a player from another Sunsmart Schools Tennis Classic event. Once a player has played as a substitute he or she may not enter any other Schools Tennis Classic event in 2012.

Only those players involved in a match on court are allowed in the court during match play. Coaches, teachers and team players may support from outside the courts.

3. Order of Play

ALL EVENTS

The order of play shall be no.1 and no.2 singles followed by no.3 and no.4 singles. Doubles matches will follow at the completion of singles matches, with the doubles pairings being as follows:

The no.1 doubles pair to consist of the no.1 singles player and his/her partner

The no.2 doubles pair to consist of the other two players

In all competitions the team singles order must remain the same throughout the entire competition as those listed by the team captain on the first fixture card.

Teams must have all players ready to commence at the appointed time. Teams short at that time shall forfeit the relevant match after 15 minutes if a court is available.

4. Tournament Format

Matches will be played on a time basis where scores are recorded as they stand at the end of the time period. Players shall finish the point when time is called and this point is added to the total for the match. If the match is a tie, players will play one (1) more point to determine a winner

Academy Plate will use the MODIFIED FASTENNIS throughout the event. A match is played to 21 points with service changing every two points, as in a normal tennis tie break. If scores are tied at 20-all, players will alternate serve every point until a two-point advantage is achieved. Change of ends occurs every 10 points. This event will be played using MLC Hot Shots LOW COMPRESSION Green Balls



Herbert Edwards Pool Play off and Quarter finals will use FASTENNIS Format. A match is played to 21 points with service changing every five points. If scores are tied at 20-all, players will alternate serve every point until a two-point advantage is achieved. Change of ends occurs every 10 points. Finals will adopt the Best of 2 Tie- Break Sets. A match is played by completing two (2) regular sets (tie break at 6-6). If the match is tied at one (1) set all, a Match Tie Break (MTB) is played for the 3rd set. A MTB is a tie break to 10 points with a clear two (2) point advantage.

Mursell Shield / Slazenger Cup Pool Play off and Quarter finals will use FASTENNIS Format. A match is played to 21 points with service changing every five points. If scores are tied at 20-all, players will alternate serve every point until a two-point advantage is achieved. Change of ends occurs every 10 points. Finals will adopt the Best of 2 Tie- Break Sets. A match is played by completing two (2) regular sets (tie break at 6-6). If the match is tied at one (1) set all, a Match Tie Break (MTB) is played for the 3rd set. A MTB is a tie break to 10 points with a clear two (2) point advantage.

Supervision

A minimum of one (1) teacher or parent will be required to manage the team(s) entered from the school.

Determining a Match Winner – MODIFIED FASTENNIS and FASTENNIS Format

In events being played in the MODIFIED FASTENNIS and FASTENNIS format, the winning team will be determined in the following way:

- A match shall be decided by the number of rubbers won. If matches are tied at 3 rubbers each, points from all matches will be added together to determine the winner.
- In the event of a tie, one sudden-death doubles Match Tie-breaker (First to 10 points with a minimum 2 point advantage) will be played. The Team Captain or Manager may nominate any pairing of players for this tie-breaker.

Determining a Match Winner – BEST OF 2 SETS Format

In events being played in the BEST OF 2 SETS format, the winning team will be determined in the following way:

- A rubber will be decided by players, playing 2 sets with a deciding 'Match Tie-break (MTB)' (first to 10 points with a minimum of 2 points advantage) to be played if the score is one set all. A deciding Match Tie-Breaker shall be counted as 1 game (i.e. the score sheet will show 1-0, or 0-1 in the MTB section)
- A match shall be decided by the number of rubbers won. If matches are tied at 3 rubbers each, the team with the most sets won will be deemed the winner. In the event of sets being tied, the winner will be the team with the highest ratio of games won to games lost.
- SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITY

Schools are responsible for ensuring:

- A teacher / supervisor is provided as specified for each event.
- They obtain the most up to date information from Tennis West and School Sport WA.
- Communication of the rules, dates and any important information to players and parents.
- Students are informed of the alternative dates of play should rain or some other unforeseen circumstance disrupts play.
- Students and Teachers can purchase food from the State Tennis Centre Cafe

