

2017 ITF Young Seniors World **Team** Championships

Cape Town, South Africa | 19 March – 24 March 2017



Dear Fellow Tennis Players,

This year's ITF Young Seniors World Championships, Team and Individual, are being played in Cape Town.

Cape Town is one of the world's favourite tourist destinations – for good reason as you will find out when you come and spend time with us. You'll be getting more than just tennis – you'll be enjoying a life time experience. And Cape Town will deliver! Fabulous restaurants – eating out is much cheaper than what you're used to - and things to do:

Cape Town Hop on Hop off bus; Table Mountain; Robben Island – where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned; Tour of the Peninsula- Cape Point; Kirstenbosch Gardens; V and A Waterfront; Visit the penguins; Shark diving; Wine farms; Game farms.

You're going to need a few extra days!!

The **Team Championships** are being held from 19th to 24th March and the Individuals from 25th March to 1st April. That's also high season – getting towards the end, but still high season. So hotel accommodation is at a premium and you will see it is not cheap. The Hotel that we have selected as the official hotel is stunning – have a look at their website – www.presidenthotel.co.za It is located at the end of Sea Point, on the beach, with fabulous views and sunsets over the ocean that you and your family will remember forever!

It's rated a 4 star hotel, but it's really a 5 star for what you get and yet, for the players and accompanying guests, we have negotiated 3 star prices. But you need to get in quickly.

And what have we arranged:

A "Goodie" Bag on registration – with some gifts and information about Cape Town.

During the tournaments we've got the following lined up:

- Opening ceremonies with an African flavour.
- Gala dinner during the Team Event: At The Lookout – that's at a venue on, and overlooking, the V&A Waterfront.
- At the hotel: Traditional South African Braai evening and a free Wine Tasting evening with the opportunity to buy some quality South Africa wines.
- Gala dinner during the Individual tournament: At the famous Groot Constantia Vineyard. Restaurant.

You need to be here! We're ready to host you. You will have a lifetime experience that we promise you!

The Cape Town 2017 ITF YSWC Organizing Committee



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Fact Sheet

as of 21 November 2016

Italia Cup, Tony Trabert Cup, Dubler Cup,
Suzanne Lenglen Cup, Young Cup, Margaret Court Cup

Men's and Women's 35-45

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The International Team Competition for Men and Women in the 35-45 years age groups.

Venues:

Kelvin Grove Club – Newlands (Headquarters)

Constantia Tennis Club – Constantia

Green Point Tennis Club – Green Point

Pinelands Tennis Club - Pinelands

The Glen Tennis Club – Bantry Bay

Western Province Cricket Club – Newlands

Western Province Tennis Centre – Rondebosch

(48 courts - other venues may be added depending on the number of entries)

The allocation of venues to the various Cups will only be finalised after all teams have entered.

Dates: Sunday 19 March to Friday 24th March 2017

Please note that in the event of bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances, the ITF reserves the right to play on Saturday 25th March.

The competition will take place in accordance with the ITF Rules of Tennis and the ITF Seniors Regulations, which include the Regulations for the ITF Seniors World Team Championships and the ITF Seniors Code of Conduct.

The Competition will be played on a round robin basis, followed by knock out in the later stages where appropriate, to give a complete ranking of all teams. Each tie will consist of two singles and one doubles rubber. According to Section II, Rule 21 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, each team must consist of a **minimum of three (3) players and a maximum of four (4) players**, one of whom is designated captain. A player shall be nominated as Captain alternatively a nation can appoint an additional non-playing Captain. Players must have reached the appropriate age by the 31st December 2017 and must have a valid Seniors IPIN.

The Change of Ends tie-break will be used during the 2017 ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships for every tie-break. As per Appendix IV of the ITF Rules of Tennis, "Change of Ends": "During a tie-break game, players shall change ends after the first point and thereafter after every four points".

Matches will be played over the best of three tiebreak sets. The seven point tiebreak will operate at six games all in each set, except non-decisive doubles in the play-off stage which will operate a 10 point match tie break (MTB) set in the final set.

A copy of the passport will have to be sent with the nomination form.

The finalised list of team entries and nominations will be available for all team captains at the Captains Meeting. The event formats can be found on the ITF Seniors website.



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Entry deadline for National Team entries: MONDAY 26th JANUARY 2017

Deadline for nomination of players: MONDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2017

According to Section II, rule 9 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, **all nominated players must be in possession of a valid Seniors IPIN.**

Entry Fee: US \$375 per participating team.

Please note that the entry fee must be paid by the National Association only, not by individual players. The National Association will receive an invoice shortly after the entry deadline. Entry fees of teams which subsequently withdraw from the event will not be refunded.

WITHDRAWALS

According to section II, regulation 16 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, any team that withdraws its entry later than 28 days prior to the scheduled first day of play in the Competition may have its entry refused for the following year's Competition and shall be subject to a fine of up to \$1500. Any team that

- i) is a no show
- ii) fails to play all its ties, including placement ties; or
- iii) is disqualified for an offence committed in the Competition

may have its entry refused for the following year's Competition and shall be subject to a fine as above.

COURTS

Surface	Hard Court – all-weather
Match Courts	48 courts at 7 venues
Practice Courts	Practice courts will be available from Thursday 16 March until Saturday 18 March. Booking will be made on site at Kelvin Grove Club upon arrival. Practice courts during the event to be confirmed at the Captains' Meetings.

MAKE OF BALL

WILSON US OPEN

Practice Balls Each team will be provided with a box of 4 practice balls from Thursday 16 March free of charge (deposit required).

STRINGING

Stringing will be available on site for a fee of ZAR 125 (labour only).
Please note that payment will be accepted in ZAR only.



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ARRIVAL OF TEAMS

Earliest Date Wednesday 15 March (for airport transportation)

Latest Date Saturday 18th March (for airport transportation)

Please note that there will be a charge of ZAR 250 for all persons. (One way)

Please note that payment will be accepted in ZAR only.

TRANSPORT

Air: Cape Town International Airport is situated approximately 26 kms (16 miles) from the official hotel in Sea Point, Cape Town.

All team members will be taken from Cape Town International Airport to **the official hotel only** from Wednesday 15 March to Saturday 18 March, provided that the World Championships Organizing Committee receives the Player Arrival Form no later than Monday 20 February.

Please note there will be a charge (one way) of ZAR 250 for all persons (players and accompanying persons). This will be charged to your hotel bill and is only available for players/accompanying persons staying in the official hotel.

While the South African authorities do not require visas from most countries, please note that there may be specific requirements for accompanying children, and all players are urged to confirm the requirements with their travel agents or by contacting their nearest South African embassy – especially if your children are accompanying you.

Players should look out for the ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships welcome desk which will be displaying signage with the ITF logo in the Cape Town International Airport arrivals concourse.

In order to benefit from this service, please complete and return the **Arrival Form** by **Monday 20 February**. If required, teams will be returned to Cape Town International Airport on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th March, following the conclusion of the event. (Please see note on page 1 about the possibility of finishing the competition on Saturday 25th March).

REGISTRATION

The registration desk will be at the Kelvin Grove Club (for all Cups) and will be open on Thursday 16th March from 9am-6pm, on Friday 17th March from 9am-6pm, and on Saturday 18th March from 9am-6pm.

Captains must register their teams during this period, before the start of their respective Captains' Meeting. Players must personally collect their accreditations from the welcome desk at Kelvin Grove Club. All accreditations will include a photograph, which will be taken onsite by the host organizers.



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PROGRAMME

Captains' Meeting:

Saturday 18th March at Kelvin Grove Club (for all Cups). The exact times will be confirmed directly to Captains.

According to section II, rule 34 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, should the captain of a team or the appointed delegate fail to attend the Captains' Meeting without having notified the ITF in advance, the team shall be fined half the amount of the entry fee.

Draw:

Saturday 18th March immediately after the Captains' Meetings.

Only those players present on-site at the time of and signed-in by the Captain at the Captains' meeting shall be considered for seeding purposes.

Opening Ceremony:

Saturday 18th March at 5pm at the Kelvin Grove Club. All players are requested to wear their official team clothing.

Start of Play:

Sunday 19th March at 9am (tentative start time - to be confirmed by the ITF on site).

Finals:

Friday 24th March – time to be confirmed by the ITF Representative on site. (Please see note on page 1)

Prize Giving Ceremony:

Friday 24th March at Kelvin Grove, immediately following completion of the finals. (Please see note on page 1).

SOCIAL EVENTS

Welcome Cocktail Party

On Saturday 18th March after the opening ceremony at Kelvin Grove Club for all Cups. Free of charge to all team members and to accompanying persons.

Official Dinner

Tuesday 21st March at 8.00pm at the Lookout at the V&A Waterfront. Free of charge for all team members. Accompanying persons will be charged ZAR 750. **Please note that confirmation of the accompanying guests and payment will have to be made in South African Rand at the welcome desk at Kelvin Grove at the time of picking up their accreditations.**

ITF REPRESENTATIVES

t.b.a

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

Bertie Conradie

ITF STAFF

Hayley Iveson, Stuart Barraclough

OFFICIALS

Referees

Iain Smith and others t.b.a

Chair Umpires

Chair umpires will be provided for the medal matches.



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TROPHIES

Trophies will be presented to the winning teams, together with medals presented by the ITF. The losing finalists and third placed teams will also receive medals presented by the ITF.

The Captain of each winning team will have to take the trophy to his/her home country on behalf of his/her national association. The national association must then ensure that it is engraved and delivered in good time to the 2018 ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships.

DRESS ON COURT

A player and captain shall display the country's name on the back of his/her shirt or he/she shall dress in national colours. Team Identification shall be in accordance with the Official ITF Seniors Style Guide. Members of a doubles team shall be dressed in substantially the same colours.

MEDICAL & TRAVEL INSURANCE

According to Section II, Rule 27 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, players are responsible for checking with their local health authority regarding medical recommendations for travel to the country hosting the ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships.

Each national association is responsible for ensuring that all members of their team(s), and any accompanying officials in their delegation, are fully and adequately covered by insurance for the purposes of attending and participating in the ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships.

The ITF Ltd, the host association and the host site cannot accept any liability for any participant or visitor in this respect.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Please contact the ITF offices in London for any matter related to Health and Safety.

VISA RECOMMENDATIONS

Please contact the South African Embassy in your own country to find out about visa requirements for entry into South Africa. Should you require an invitation letter to apply for visas, the South African Tennis Association – Seniors Division will forward you an appropriate letter. Please forward your request for an invitation letter (TSA) to Ms. Larysa Narozny – larysa@telkomsa.net as early as possible to avoid problems obtaining visas.

Neither the ITF nor TSA can take any responsibility for the failure of any player to obtain a visa.

ACCOMMODATION

Cape Town is a highly sought after tourist destination, and as the tournament is being held in high



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season, please ensure that you book your accommodation as early as possible. The official hotel is the PRESIDENT HOTEL in Bantry Bay, Cape Town. To qualify for the discounted rates starting from ZAR 1335 single occupancy (or ZAR 890 each double).

Contact : Cecilia by e-mail – Ref: Seniors Tennis 2017.

The email address is resco-ordinator@presidenthotel.co.za

To find out more information about the hotel, visit www.presidenthotel.co.za

The President Hotel is a 4 Star Hotel

Please note that free of charge transportation will only be provided to and from the official hotel for players staying at the official hotel to the different venues.



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TEAM ARRIVAL FORM

TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED FROM WEDNESDAY 15 MARCH to SATURDAY 18 MARCH TO COLLECT TEAMS AND ACCOMPANYING PERSONS ON ARRIVAL AT **CAPE TOWN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**. PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO **Larysa Narozny** – larysa@telkomsa.net BY **MONDAY 20 FEBRUARY**. THE TRANSPORTATION TEAM WILL EMAIL PLAYERS TO INFORM THEM OF THEIR PICK-UP TIMES FROM CAPE TOWN INTERNATIONAL ONCE A TEAM ARRIVAL FORM HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY LARYSA



RETURN TO: larysa@telkomsa.net
MOBILE: +27 82 321 3119

PLEASE DO NOT SEND THIS FORM TO THE ITF

COUNTRY..... CUP EVENT.....

NAME (Note: Please identify accompanying persons by initials "AP")	ARRIVAL DATE	ARRIVAL TIME	FLIGHT NUMBER	WILL YOU REQUIRE DAILY TRANSPORT BETWEEN HOTEL AND CLUB?

Name:
Tel:

Signature:
Email:



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