



Announcement by Directors of Illawarra Lawn Tennis Association Ltd

RECOMMENCEMENT OF MAIN BODY COMPETITIONS

The directors of ISLTA advise that all Main Body competitions may recommence from Saturday, 13th June, 2020.

The actual recommencement date of each individual competition is at the discretion of the competition secretaries, who will take into account the nature of the competitions they manage before making their recommendations.

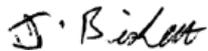
Your directors ask that our individual Competition Secretaries start communicating with Team Secretaries so as to establish the number of teams available to recommence their competitions.

The directors have considered the COVID-19 advice from both [NSW Health](#) and [Tennis NSW](#) (as applies from 15 May 2020) and done their own risk analysis. In the interest of safeguarding everyone's health certain protocols will be put in place. We emphasise that it is the individual tennis players, the individual teams and the court owners who bear full responsibility for the following, which is consistent with the advice from NSW Health and Tennis NSW:

1. Any person with COVID-19 symptoms must not play and should immediately have a COVID-19 test.
2. Persons over the age of 70 (or younger persons with diabetes, respiratory or other medical conditions) are at extreme risk if they are infected by players with COVID-19 symptoms. They should be very wary of being in contact with other players.
3. All players need to be diligent with publicised health measures and social distancing of four square metres. We would not expect that more than three people could sit in a small tennis shed together.
4. At the present time no more than ten people should be present at your tennis court. This is paramount and a rule from NSW Health. If you have additional spectators attending the court then you will need to ask them to leave or take the additional people to a spot further away.

5. Ladies Mid-Week Lunches with all players together in a tennis shed appear to be out of the question – social distancing of four square metres is required to be observed by all teams. There should be no break between sets 4 and 5 in accordance with Tennis NSW's Play and Go policy.
6. Players should provide their own lunch, cups, etc. and dispose of them themselves.
7. No handshakes or high fives (touching racquets is a possible alternative). Pass around the net on the opposite side from the other team.
8. Home teams should provide hand sanitiser and alcohol wipes. Surfaces should be wiped down before the start of a match.
9. Tennis court owners should be aware of all the above rules and they will be in their right to question any apparent contravention of the rules as publicised by NSW Health.

Your directors trust that their decision to recommence competitions from Saturday 13 June 2020 meets with the approval of members.



John Birkett

President

20 May 2020



Jan Boldeman

Secretary