



TABLE TENNIS NEW SOUTH WALES INC

NSW Junior Elite Development Squad

We have been advised by TTA that from 1 January 2017 their High Performance personnel will not include Development Squad members.

This means that NSW now urgently needs to determine the way forward for the progression of our juniors in a bid to maintain our position at the top of the tree in junior ranks.

It is important that we foster the “team attitude” in our juniors and diminish the current “what is in it for me” attitude which would, in the future, adversely affect the team efforts of our players. It has been proven that players respond better in a team atmosphere than if they are purely an individual player who just happens to be a part of the team.

Table Tennis NSW therefore puts forward the following action plan (using a significant amount of this plan is from current coaches of our junior teams)

1. TTNSW has selected a Junior Elite Development squad comprising 6 male and 6 female players from each age group.
2. Selection has been limited to the top 6 players in each age group. However, it is time we insist that the players commit to a training regime. Should they not commit, then they will be excluded from selection in the NSW teams.
3. It has been stated on a number of occasions that our current training practices are a means of our existing coaches luring players from other coaches. It is therefore important that we dispel this perception by appointing our younger coaches to these roles as they will not have any perceived conflict of interest. This does not mean that our existing coaches are redundant as they should be used by our younger coaches as a mentor for them
4. With have a significant number of coaches recently graduated from the junior ranks who should be placed in charge of individual groups. It is important to our future that we have a means to ensure our junior players, once they have turned 18, be kept in our game. These coaches will not have a connection to a particular club (ie: no conflict of interest)
5. TTA are wishing to see streaming of the coaching of these players and this being the case it will only assist in the individual coaches development
6. Continuation in the squad is to be contingent on Attitude, Results and Attendance. Should a player not exhibit the proper responses to all three of these aspects they will be dropped from the squad and replaced by a player who is prepared to comply. Only in exceptional circumstances such as a well performing Country player will a non-member of the squad be selected for a NSW A team.
7. Country players may be included in the squad but could not be expected to attend every week so a separate regime will be developed for them.
8. It should be made clear to each of the squad members that the four top ranked players in each age group will be selected in the A team. The next 2 will be in the B team. All of this must be contingent on the fulfilling the requirements of 6 above.
9. A short 8 x team Junior pennant has been organised (city players only) - 2nd February to 16th March - Thursdays – 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Sydney Olympic Park will be compulsory for each member(3 matches). Failure to attend regularly will result in the player being replaced.
10. As part of the training each group MUST attend one weekend training session in a nominated country area. This will involve one coach and 6 players at each venue. We will also incorporate country players into this aspect of the training, a total of 10 players involved in the weekend country training session. The appropriate country areas may be required to billet the players in their town to ensure costs are contained. Each group will only be required to visit a country area once a year.
11. Suggested training sessions could be at Goulburn, Wollongong, Blayney, Port Macquarie, Gosford or Newcastle and Coffs Harbour but this would be negotiated with the Country Association and advised at a later date.

NSW Junior State Team Selection Criteria 2017

In 2017 the Australian Junior Closed Championships will be held at Kingsborough Stadium, Kingston, in Hobart from: 8th July to 15th July inclusive – the Junior team selection criteria will be:

Compulsory : All three Tournaments plus teams pennant:

NSW Junior Closed Championships – Sunday 26th February 2017 at Sports Halls

NSW Junior Open Championships – Sunday 26th March 2017 at HALC

TOP TWELVE invitational round robin Saturday 18th March 2017 – 9 am to 5 pm Sports Halls –

Compulsory Teams Pennant for Team Selection & Elite Development Squads : (Sydney based players only) - Thursday 2nd February to Thursday 16th March - Sports Halls Sydney Olympic Park – 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm – Junior teams' pennant

NSW Junior Elite Development Squad - Michael Wagner - coordinator

Saturday – 8 hour camps

Saturday 11th March 2017 – 9 am to 5 pm Sports Halls – Junior Squad – **TOP SIX** in each age group.

Saturday 18th March 2017 – 9 am to 5 pm Sports Halls – **TOP TWELVE invitational round robin**

Sunday 23rd April 2017 - 9 am to 5 pm HALC – Junior Squad – **TOP SIX** in each age group - also B team round robins – next 6 players in each age group

Thursday 11th May - 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm – Sports Halls – **ALL NATIONAL FORMS MUST** be returned on this date.

Saturday 3rd June 2017 – **Junior Teams Camp** – 9am to 5 pm – Sports halls

Saturday 17th June – 2017 – **Junior Team Training** – 1 pm to 4 pm – Sports Halls

Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th June 2017 – **Junior Team Camp** – Saturday – 1pm to 5pm & Sunday 8am to 12 noon – Country camps – eg : Port Macquarie – venues TBC

TOP SIX Elite Squad Development Training: Michael Wagner - coordinator

The Top Six in each age group will be added to the Elite Development Squad training – conducted by TTA's Junior Coach – Tatsuya Hidaka – this will also include development for new coaches to gain experience and coaching training with the elite Junior players . As well as open players will be available on the day to assist with training routines & as training partners , all players in the squad will get table time with an open player. The coaching sessions will be 8 hours and will include on table training as well as strength & conditioning & coach education. To maintain your position in the elite squad you **MUST** commit to the training regime and is contingent on – Attitude, Results and Attendance – Should a squad member not exhibit the proper responses to all three of these aspects they will be replaced by the next player. Training may also be increased and conducted on a weekly basis at the head coach's recommendation.

The current squad players are listed per the 2016 rankings. Please see the attachment – If a player is not available the next player on the list will be added – so on the form below please indicate yes you are available even if you are not listed in the top six . Congratulations to all players in the Elite squad.

The Elite Squad coordinator – Michael Wagner - would like the parents to attend on the First session – 10th March – at 9 am so the program plan can be explained in full.

NB: Please Note: Table Tennis Australia – will no long Manage development squads - this function has been moved to each State

The squads will be re-assessed on a monthly basis and will include results from the NSW Team Pennant; NSW Junior closed NSW Junior Round Robin & NSW Junior Open events as well as squad commitment

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Immediately after the NSW Junior Open the NSW selectors will select all A team players. **4 Players maximum per team.**

Next 2 x players (Elite Squad players) will automatically qualify for "B Team" all other who wish to qualify for a NSW B team spot and a President's team nomination (2 players maximum) will need to qualify for the position in the round robin playoffs & training camp on Sunday 23rd April at Hurstville Aquatic & Leisure Centre (HALC) - 9 am to 5 pm

Only the next top 6 players will be eligible for the 2nd qualification for B team play offs in each age division.

The 6 players nominated will be split in two groups of 3 players each. All players will play each other a best of 5 matches. The first player in each group will automatically qualify for a B team spot. The second player in group will verse the third player of the other group and the winners will qualify for a Presidents team spot & visa versa.

COSTS :

Junior Pennant -Thursday night – 2/2/17 to 16/3/17 Fee of \$10 per player per night.

Round Robin – TOP 12 - 18th March 2017 fee is \$40

Junior TOP SIX compulsory squad training 9am to 5 pm - \$40 per player per day

Junior Team compulsory training – 3rd June 2017 – 9 am to 5 pm \$40 per player per day

Junior Team compulsory training – city players only - 17th June – 1pm to 5 pm -\$20

Junior Team Country Camps – \$40 plus expenses (TBA) – Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th June

Leonie Whiteford
Secretary Table Tennis NSW

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORMS & RETURN BY SATURDAY 28TH JANUARY
2017 AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Player Name	
Player Date of Birth	
Player Email	
Player Phone/Mobile	
Parent/Guardian Name	
Parent/Guardian Phone/Mobile	
Parent/Guardian Email	

Event	Availability	Yes or No	
1) Team	I am available for selection in the 2017 NSW Junior Team		8 th to 15 th July – Kingsborough Stadium Kingston Tasmania
2) Junior Team Pennant Thursdays	I am available for Thursday night Junior Team Pennant		2 nd Feb to 16 th Mar – Sports Halls 6:30pm to 8:30 pm
3) Junior Squad TOP SIX	I am available for Elite training days - weekends		Sat 11 th March - Sports Halls Sun 23 rd April - HALC
4) Junior Team Training	I am available for Junior Team Training		3 rd & 17 th June – Sports Halls 24 th & 25 th – Country Camp

Squad lists are attached – U11's can enter U13 round robin

NAME : _____

I give approval for _____ to attend the 2017 Australian Junior Table Tennis Championships being held at the Kingsborough Stadium – Kingston, Tasmania on 8th July to 15th July 2017.

I also give permission for my child to be filmed for training purposes and for any media coverage the event may attract.

All payments are due by Saturday 17th June 2017

Parent / Guardians – signature indicating approval, scan & email (page 3 & 4) only to juniors@ttnsw.org.au

_____ Date _____