

It's Time to Play in the Sun

Where have all the Saturday Afternoon Fixture players gone?

Has Tennis in Brisbane become a sport of night-owls?

Saturday Afternoon Fixtures used to be THE COMPETITION to play.

Obviously, the increase in the number of courts with floodlighting has resulted in the growth of Night Fixtures at the expense of Saturday Fixtures. But, in a city the size of Brisbane, there should still be enough players for a pretty solid Saturday afternoon competition.

Maybe people just aren't aware of what is on offer on Saturday afternoons.

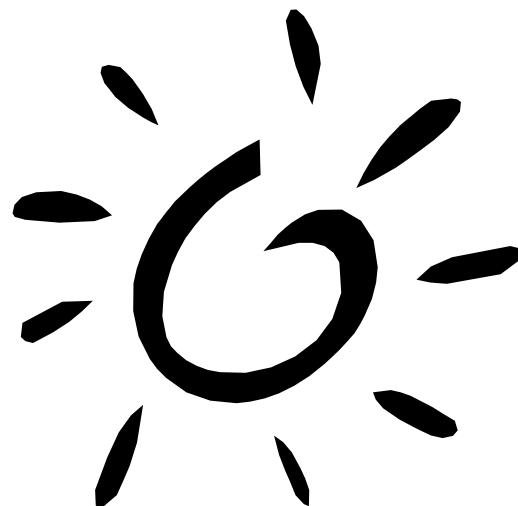
Tennis on Saturday afternoons has a lot going for it.

Particularly in the middle of Winter, playing on a warm sunny afternoon is a lot more attractive than playing on a cold and windy night. Sunlight is important in maintaining the level of Vitamin D needed to avoid rickets or osteomalacia. And you won't get a suntan playing under floodlights. Look what happened to Gollum after living underground for so long.

On a more serious note, the Saturday Afternoon Fixtures conducted by the Brisbane Hardcourt Tennis Association have a good variety of formats. There is still the 'old' Mixed Format that takes the whole afternoon but there is also the Pairs Format that takes just 2½ hrs. The Threes Format is not available at this time because it is running as a single season competition this year (March to November).

Under the Mixed Format, teams consist of 4 men and 2 women with all players getting 3 sets of doubles each (with a total of 9 sets in the match).

Under the Pairs Format, teams consist of 2 players (of any gender) with all players getting 1 singles and 2 doubles sets each (with a total of 4 sets in the match). The competition will use two time-slots (12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and



2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.) with teams playing in one time-slot for the 1st half of the season and in the other time-slot for the 2nd half of the season).

The Pairs Format should be particularly suitable for University students. The competition takes just 10 weeks (plus a Final). It starts on 16 August, has a break for the September/October University holidays and finishes on 8 November (just before exams start).

Entries to play for UQ in the BHTA Saturday Afternoon Pairs Fixtures close on Tuesday 5 August.

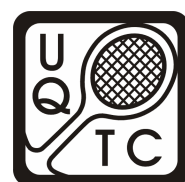
Fixture Entry Deadlines

An application form to play for UQ in BHTA and BNTA Fixtures in the 2003(2) Season is enclosed. This form also covers the Club's Monday & Thursday Night Internal Fixtures.

Players will not be included in UQ teams unless they have lodged an application form and fees by the designated closing date.

The competition closing dates are:

23 July	BHTA Saturday Mixed
30 July	BNTA Monday
	BNTA Tuesday
	BNTA Wednesday Threes
	BNTA Thursday
5 August	BHTA Saturday Pairs
	UQTC Monday
	BNTA Wednesday Pairs
	UQTC Thursday



Comment

The 2003 University Open is now under way so the UQ Tennis Centre is the place to be for all Tennis enthusiasts.

The State's top players will be in action over the three weekends of the tournament (12-13, 19-20 & 26-27 July).

Another copy of next season's fixture application form is enclosed with this newsletter. The entry form can also be downloaded from the Club's Website.

Remember, the members of the Teams Selection Committee are not mind readers. If you don't lodge an entry they won't know that you want to play.

Please don't leave it until the last moment to lodge your entry. We only have a matter of days after each entry deadline to organise our teams and submit them to the Fixture associations. Therefore, it makes it really difficult if all the entries come in at the last moment.

There have been significant increases in Season Fixture Fees for 2003(2). This has been brought about by increases in Fixture Registration Fees (mainly because of the massive increases in Public Liability Insurance premiums) and court hire charges at UQ. As the Club is already receiving its maximum subsidy entitlement from UQ Sport, these increased costs are not subsidised and therefore have to be passed on in full to our players.

Hope you have had a good mid-year vacation and I look forward to seeing you all playing Fixtures for UQ again in the 2003(2) Season.

Doug Bergman
President

Brisbane Fixtures

Twenty-two teams competed for UQ in the BNTA Wednesday Evening Pairs Fixtures in the 2003(1) Season.

The results in the Finals, played on 11 June, were:

<i>Pennant</i>	A-paul-ing d Fancutts Laver
<i>Pen. Reserve</i>	UQ Spartans d UQ Massive
<i>Division 1N</i>	Just Brothers d Fancutts Rosewall
<i>Division 1 Uni</i>	UQ Swimart d UQ Quasars
<i>Division 2</i>	UQ Cavaliers d Tigers
<i>Division 3</i>	UQ Bandits d Toscamici
<i>Division 4</i>	UQ Pharmsers d UQ Stargazers

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<i>E-Mail</i>	tennis.club@mailbox.uq.edu.au
<i>Web Site</i>	http://www.uqtc.org.au

Eight teams competed for UQ in the BHTA Saturday Afternoon Fixtures in the 2003(1) Season.

The results in the Finals, played on 14 June, were:

<i>Pairs P. Res.</i>	MTA Concorde Red d UQ Dragons
<i>Pairs Grade 1</i>	UQ Falcons d UQ Buzzards
<i>Mixed Grade 1</i>	Avengers d Auchenflower Aces

Five teams competed for UQ in the BNTA Thursday Night Fixtures in the 2003(1) Season.

The results in the Finals, played on 19 June, were:

<i>Pennant</i>	UQ Regals d Kritters
<i>Division 1</i>	Yeronga Tigers d Westies
<i>Division 2</i>	Everton Bogans d Morningside Aces

Thirty-eight teams competed for UQ in the BNTA Wednesday Night Threes Fixtures in the 2003(1) Season.

The results in the rain-delayed Finals, played on 16 July, were:

<i>Pennant</i>	UQ Spoons d UQ Moduretics
<i>Pen. Res. 1</i>	UQ Orcs d Slammers
<i>Pen Res. 2</i>	Forest Gumps d Morningsiders
<i>Division 1N</i>	UQ Hey Ho Mortos d Court Jesters
<i>Division 1S</i>	3 Alkos d Tri Nations
<i>Division 1 Uni</i>	UQ Pacemakers d UQ Undercover Angels
<i>Division 2N</i>	Can't Serve, Can't Run v Netteffects (not played yet)
<i>Division 2S</i>	Alpine Revels d Alpine Aces
<i>Division 3N</i>	Fancutts Goodfellas d UQ Wannabees

Division 3S **Conquistadors** d Morningside Nightowls

Ten teams competed for UQ in the BNTA Monday Night Fixtures in the 2003(1) Season.

The results in the Finals, played on 7 July, were:

<i>Pennant</i>	Everton Easybeats d Alpine Pythons
<i>Pen. Res. 1</i>	UQ Fruitpickers d Everton Friends
<i>Pen. Res. 2</i>	UQ Storm d Achievers
<i>Division 1</i>	Frank & Fearless d Alpine Oddshots
<i>Division 2</i>	UQ Cobras d Boomerangs

Nine teams competed for UQ in the BNTA Tuesday Night Fixtures in the 2003(1) Season.

The results in the Finals, played on 1 & 8 July, were:

<i>Pennant</i>	UQ Sharks d Pine Aces
<i>Pen. Reserve</i>	UQ Stamps d Terrace Hotshots
<i>Division 1</i>	Morningside Meteors d Boom Boom
<i>Division 2</i>	Western Warriors d UQ Pints

Stop Press

The University of Queensland won the Men's and Women's Tennis Competitions in the Northern University Games (Brisbane, 7-10 July).

In the Gold Medal game of the Men's competition, UQ1 defeated GUGC. In the play-off for the Bronze Medal, UQ2 defeated GU. In the Women's Gold Medal game, UQ1 defeated GUGC1.

Q & A

Question: Last season, I asked to play with a particular person but we ended up in different teams. Why?

Answer: Occasionally, requests to play together are overlooked by the Team Selection Committee. However, in the majority of cases, it is because the person named (i) did not ask to play with you, (ii) asked to play with other people or (iii) lodged an entry after teams had been registered and the only vacancy was in another team. **Obviously, only mutual requests to play together are considered.**



Australian University Tennis Titles

The Australian University Tennis Championships (AUTC) will be played at UQ from 28 September to 3 October.

The individual championships have been revived so the 2003 AUTC will include Open Men's Singles, Open Ladies' Singles, Open Men's Doubles & Open Ladies' Doubles Championships in addition to the main Teams Competition.



2003(1) UQTC MONDAY FIXTURE WINNERS

Entry is restricted to players who are current students at an AUS member university. Players who are not selected in a university team may still enter the individual championships (\$20 for singles & \$10 per player for doubles).

Entry forms are available from UQ Sport and the UQ Tennis Club. The deadline for entries is mid August.

Players interested in trying out for the UQ Tennis Team should contact the Tennis Managers (Graham Prickett, Ph 3351 4483, E-mail s361427@student.uq.edu.au; Rachel Smith, Ph 3848 3802, E-mail rach_smith83@hotmail.com) by 1 August for information about selection trials and training times.

For more information about intervarsity sport, visit the Australian University Sport Website (www.unisport.com.au). The AUS Tennis Rules can be

downloaded from this site.

Trivia Quiz

Here is a chance to test your Tennis knowledge. The Tennis Trivia Quiz is supposed to be a challenge so it is unlikely that anybody will be able to answer all of these questions without doing a bit of research.

Write your name and your answers to all five questions on a single sheet of paper. Entry is restricted to current financial members of the UQ Tennis Club. Each member may lodge only one entry.

Entries must be lodged at the UQ Tennis Club Office by 5 p.m. on Thursday 16 October 2003.

All correct entries will go into a draw to select one grand prize winner. The grand prize consists of a Dunlop Integra tennis racquet, a Slazenger sports bag, a can of Slazenger Championship tennis balls and a 2003 University Open T-Shirt.

The Executive Committee shall be the sole judge for the competition. At its discretion, the Committee may award some consolation prizes in addition to the grand prize. If nobody gets all questions correct, there will be no grand prize awarded.

The five quiz questions are:-

Question 1: Who won the first Grand Slam?

Question 2: What was the significance of Lew Hoad's loss in the Men's Singles Final of the 1956 U.S. Open Championships?

Question 3: Who was the last Australian player to win an Australian Open Singles Championship?

Question 4: How many players have lost three consecutive Wimbledon Singles Finals and name them?

Question 5: Where was the 1974 Davis Cup Final played?

SOCIAL TENNIS

SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

at the UQ Tennis Club

\$6 for Club members

(\$8 for non-members)

Balls and afternoon tea provided

All standards welcome

N.B. There will be no Social Tennis on 13, 20 & 27 July (University Open Tennis Championships) or on 21 September (Uncle Tobys Men's Satellite Tournament Qualifying Rounds)



*Tennis
Centre*

Briefs

The UQ Tennis Centre has a range of individual and group coaching programmes.

The most economical way of getting coaching is through UQ Sport's Recreation Tennis Classes.

These classes consist of 1 hour of group coaching each week for 8 weeks. Groups contain a maximum of 8 players and are available at Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced levels.

The next Classes commence in the week beginning 11 August. Enrolments and payments must be made at the Tennis Centre no later than Friday 8 August.

For more information, contact us by phone (3365 6933) or e-mail (tennis@uqsport.uq.edu.au).

SEE YOU SOON

Troy McGrath
(Tennis Centre
Coordinator)



UQ SPORT

Internal Fixtures

Thirty-five teams competed in UQTC Monday Night Fixtures in the 2003(1) Season.

The results in the Finals, played on 9 June, were:

Pennant **UQ All Rounders** d UQ Speedy Gonzalies
A1 Grade **UQ Stallions** d UQ Bandits
A2 Grade **UQ Quokkas** d UQ Weeds
B1 Grade **UQ Condors** d UQ Eagles
B2 Grade **UQ Raptors** d UQ Starfish
C Grade **UQ Taipans** d UQ Vipers

Twenty-one teams competed in the UQTC Thursday Night Fixtures.

The results in the Finals, played on 5 June, were:

A Grade **UQ Lightning** d UQ Stallions
B1 Grade **UQ Cheetahs** d UQ Wizards
B2 Grade **UQ Hobbits** d UQ Amazon
C Grade **UQ Hurricanes** d UQ Cyclones

INVITATION

You are cordially invited to the
**UQ Tennis Centre on Saturday 26 July
 and Sunday 27 July to see Queensland's
 top senior and junior players in action in
 the Semi-Finals and Finals of the
 2003 Queensland Open Tennis Championships**

2003 Club Championships

The next Club Tournament is the **Annual Club Championships** which will be played over two weekends in September (6-7 & 13-14 September).

An entry form is enclosed with this newsletter. The entry form can also be downloaded from the Club's Website.

Entries close on Wednesday 27 August.

The Club Championships will be a knock-out style tournament. However, a consolation event for early round losers will be played in every main event with four or more entries. This means that every player should get at least two matches in each event they enter. All main draw matches will be the best-of-three tie-break sets. Consolation event matches will be best-of-two tie-break sets (with a deciding super tie-break if 1-set all).

The Club Championships cater for

players of all standards as it includes events at four levels (C Grade, B Grade, A Grade and Open) covering all Fixture grades.

Calendar

**12-13,19-20,
26-27 July**

**University Open &
Queensland Open
Championships
UQ Second Semester
begins**

28 July

**30-31 August
6-7,13-14 Sept
20-22 September
25-28 September
26-28 September
28 Sept-2 Oct**

**Australian University
Tennis Championships
Pine Rivers Age
Carindale Junior Masters
Qld Junior Team Carnival
Qualifying (Metropolitan)**

**3-5 October
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11-12,18-19 Oct**

**12 October
26 October
1-2,8-9 November
10 November
1 December**

**Club Tournament
Club AGM
Wynnum Open
UQ Examinations begin
UQ Summer Semester
begins**

**5-7 December
12-14 December**

**Frawley Junior
Junior Masters Circuit
Finals (Coops)**



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