

PROSPECTUS

1. The Tournament is sanctioned by the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA), and will be conducted in accordance with the Rules of Tennis, the Rules of the Association, and LTA Tournament Regulations including the Code of Conduct which will be on display in the clubhouse.
2. Matches will be played on the all-weather courts at the Summerway Club (2), Exeter Tennis Centre, Streatham Sports Hall, University of Exeter (4), the Astroturf courts at Exeter School (3), and such other venues as may be required within and around Exeter.
3. Competitors must not have attained the specified age limit of any event entered by 31st December 2003.
4. Every competitor born 1993 or earlier must be a current member of the LTA Registered Membership Scheme and have a LTA National Player Rating. Help will be available at the Tournament for competitors wishing to become members or renew membership, but no such entry will be accepted unless the minimum membership fee of £3.00 is included with the appropriate event fees. Players must present their current LTA Registered Membership card when reporting for play.
5. Competitors may enter a maximum of two consecutive singles events and one doubles event, and will be encouraged to play any scheduled plate matches subsequent to elimination.
6. Entries close on Tuesday 5th October 2004. All entries must be sent to the Entries Secretary, Mrs M. J. Bayliss, 25 Newnham Road, Colebrook, Plympton, Plymouth, Devon, PL7 4AW. No entry will be accepted unless accompanied by the required event fees, plus the £3.00 LTA fee if appropriate. Fees for doubles events are payable by each competitor. A separate entry form must be completed by each competitor.
7. No fees will be refunded after the draw, except at the discretion of the Tournament Committee or where there is no play in an event. Any player who withdraws after this date or fails to appear without notifying the referees or defaults during the tournament will incur automatic penalties and shall be liable to further disciplinary action by the LTA. Cheques and Postal Orders must be made payable to: *Exeter (Summerway) Junior LTC*.
8. All competitors must be available to play their matches strictly according to the schedule determined by the Referees.
9. The draw is scheduled to commence at the Exeter (Summerway) Junior LTC clubhouse at 7.00pm on Friday 8th October 2004, and all interested persons are welcome to attend.
10. Dates and times of first matches will be notified by post (s.a.e. required), together with further details and travelling directions. Competitors must sign the attendance sheet at the Summerway Club immediately on arrival, and must not leave the tournament without

ascertaining the date and time of their next match personally from the Referee. (This may be a plate match where the competitor has lost the first match played in a singles event.) If absent when called upon to play, a competitor may be scratched.

11. Unless varied by the Referee, all matches with the exception of 10U and 12U singles events will be the best of three sets with the tie-break operating at 6-6 in all sets. 12 and under events in accordance with LTA guidelines will be the best of three sets, tie break at 6-6 in the first two sets. Deciding set will be a match tie break, first to 10 points. 10&Under events will be preceded by Round Robin box matches where match length will depend on the size of the entry.

12. ITF Approved tennis balls will be used.

13. No footwear shall be worn on court which may, in the opinion of the Referee, cause damage to the court surface. Competitors attention is drawn particularly to the fact that **court surfaces are often damp or wet** in Autumn and should use **proven, non slip tennis footwear**. Also, in view of the limited daylight at this time of the year, competitors must be prepared to play in all weathers to complete each day's schedule. Competitors must wear recognised tennis clothing, which may be coloured.

14. Prize Money will be awarded to main event winners and runners up.

15. Winners must sign a receipt for each of the perpetual trophies and be responsible for returning them at their own cost, undamaged and suitably engraved, to the Secretary by 30th September 2005. Winners and runners up will also receive medallion souvenirs.

16. Insurance: The Tournament cannot accept liability for injury or loss of property by any cause.

17. The Committee reserves the right: (a) to cancel any event for which there are insufficient entries, (b) to limit the entry size in any or all events, (c) to refuse any entry, (d) to modify the programme in any way it thinks fit, subject to compliance with LTA Rules and Regulations.

18. Any player may be required to submit to a doping control test, which may be carried out at any time with no notice given. Failure to submit to the test will be treated as if a positive result has been obtained.

19. No complaint relating to the Tournament can be entertained by the Committee unless lodged in writing with the Secretary of the Committee within 48 hours of the occurrence of the cause of the complaint with a copy to the County Tournament Co-ordinator. Application for leave to appeal against any decision must be made in writing and lodged with the Head of Officiating within 10 days after the receipt of the decision.

20. Unauthorised motor vehicles should be parked on the public highway, and not be driven up the slope to the Club during the Tournament week.