# Esporta Gloucestershire Open Tennis Tournament 2008/09

An LTA Grade 4 Ratings and Rankings Tournament

# Monday 29th December 2008

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2009

Tournament Entry Form

Closing Date; 12pm Monday 8th December 2008

By post to; The Gloucestershire Health & Racquets Club, Gloucester Business Park, Delta Way, Gloucester. GL3 4BJ.

### **Event Dates**;

Under 12's, 16's	Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
Under 10's, 14's & 18's	Thursday, Friday & Saturday
Under 8's & 9's	Wednesday

Tournament Referee: Graeme Adams

Tel: 07947 107287

Tournament Committee: Colin Bennett

Pete Collins Rob Dearing Brenda James Mark Willis

Tournament Secretary: Colin Bennett

Telephone: 01452-651000

All Competitors must have valid British Membership Number and Rating.

A British Membership can be obtained FREE online at www.lta.org.uk/membership or call 0845 873 7202.

#### TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS (COMPETITORS PLEASE RETAIN THIS PAGE)

- 1. The Tournament is sanctioned by The Lawn Tennis Association (L.T.A) and will be conducted under The International Tennis Federation (I.T.F) Rules of Tennis and the Rules and Regulations of the L.T.A, including the L.T.A Code of Conduct.
- 2. Entries close at 12PM ON MONDAY 8th DECEMBER 2008. They must, in every case, be accompanied by the entrance fees and be sent to: Colin Bennett, Tournament Sec., The Gloucestershire Health & Racquets Club, Gloucester Business Park, Delta Way, Gloucester. GL3 4 BJ. Telephone 01452-651000. Cheques must be made payable to: 'Esporta'
- 3. Competitors in all age group events must not have attained the age limit of the events entered on 31.12.2009.
- 4. Competitors are limited to a maximum of three events, of which two must be consecutive age group singles and one doubles events.
- 5. Competitors should endeavour to enter with named partners in the doubles events and each player in a pair must submit a separate entry form. Players unable to enter with a partner may enter "partner wanted" and such entries will be matched up as best as possible.
- 6. A competitors Rating and Ranking is that at the closing date for the acceptance of entries. It is the responsibility of a competitor to notify the tournament of any official change to their Rating after the submission of their entry form. All seeding and acceptances will be based on the competitors Rating, and where applicable, Ranking.
- 7. Consolation events will be mandatory for every singles event for first round losers. However, there is no consolation event for 10U, 9U and 8U events. These will be round robin.
- 8. For 18U, 16U, 14U and 12U; draw size will be no more than 16.
- 9. All matches using yellow ball will be best of three short sets with the tie-break (first to seven points) operating at four games all in the first two sets. All matches requiring a third set will play a "Championship" tie-break (first to ten points) at the conclusion of the second set. This is subject to modification by the referee.
- 10. Competitors are expected to umpire when requested to do so.
- 11. Competitors may be required to submit to a doping control test, which may be carried out at any time with no notice given. Failing to submit to the test will be treated the same as if a positive result had been obtained.
- 12. A player may not withdraw from the tournament after the entry deadline. A player who withdraws after this, fails to appear without notifying the referee, or fails to compete all of their matches during the tournament may incur penalties and be liable to further disciplinary action by the L.T.A To prevent any automatic penalty, satisfactory documentary evidence must be supplied by the player to the referee within 14 days of the withdrawal from the tournament. An L.T.A withdrawal form should be used and these are available online or from L.T.A County Offices. If the withdrawal is because of injury a medical or physiotherapist report should also be provided.
- 13. No entry fees will be refunded after the closing date for entries.
- 14. The tournament Committee reserves the right to: a) Limit the entry in any event. b) To divide an event into Qualifying and Main Draw. c) Issue wild cards in accordance with LTA guidelines d) Cancel any event should the number of entries be less than eight.
- 15. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to modify the programme in any way they think proper, subject to compliance with the L.T.A Rules and Regulations, and to refuse any entry without stating a reason.
- 16. The decision of the referee in all matters in connection with the Tournament is final. No complaints relating to the Tournament can be entertained by the Tournament Committee unless made in writing and lodged with the Tournament Secretary within forty eight hours of the cause of the complaint. No application for leave to appeal against any decision of the Tournament Committee can be entertained by the L.T.A unless made in writing and received by the Secretary of the L.T.A within ten days after the receipt of such decision by the complaint.
- 17. Competitors are required to wear recognised tennis clothing and footwear which conform to current L.T.A regulations. Tracksuits must be removed before the start of play. Note; for the carpet courts, carpet shoes are recommended.
- 18. I.T.F approved tennis balls will be used.
- 19. Play will commence at 9.00am each day. The warm up period is limited to five minutes.
- 20. COMPETITORS MUST SIGN THE ATTENDANCE SHEET ON ARRIVAL EACH DAY. Under L.T.A regulations any player absent to play when called upon to play is liable to disqualification. Any competitor wishing to leave the grounds after signing in and before completing all their scheduled matches for the day must firstly consult with the referee.
- 21. Prizes will be given to all finalists of main draw events.
- 22. The draw will take place on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2008.

#### PROVISIONAL STARTING DAYS FOR EACH EVENT

Monday - Boys and Girls Singles 12&U Wednesday - Boys and Girls Singles 9&U and 8&U Thursday - Boys and Girls Singles 14&U, 18&U Saturday – Mixed Doubles 16&U

Tuesday - Boys and Girls Singles 16&U, Open Doubles

Friday – Boys and Girls Singles 10&U

# **Esporta Gloucestershire Open Grade 4 Tournament**

Event Days	No. of Event	Event	Born In or After	Partner's Name	Events Entered (Please Tick)	Entry Fee	£	р
Thurs, Fri & Sat	1	Boys Singles 18 & Under	1991	_		£15.00		
	2	Girls Singles 18 & Under	1991			£15.00		
Tues & Wed	3	Boys Singles 16 & Under	1993			£15.00		
	4	Girls Singles 16 & Under	1993			£15.00		
Saturday	5	Mixed Doubles 16 & Under	1993			£5.00		
Thurs & Sat	6	Boys Singles 14 & Under	1995			£15.00		
	7	Girls Singles 14 & Under	1995	1		£15.00		
Mon & Wed	8	Boys Singles 12 & Under	1997	-		£15.00		
	9	Girls Singles 12 & Under	1997			£15.00		
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Fri & Sat	11	Girls Singles 10 & Under	99 only			£15.00		
Wednesday	12	Boys Singles 9 & Under	00/01 only			£7.00		
	13	Girls Singles 9 & Under	00/01 only	1		£7.00		
	14	Boys Singles 8 & Under	- 2001			£7.00		
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CHEQUES MADE PAYABLE TO 'ESPORTA' (To make the refund process easier for us and for you, please use separate cheques for each event, and put your name and the event on the back of each cheque).

SIGNED (COMPETITOR)	DATE
SIGNED (PARENT/GUARDIAN)	DATE

UNDER L.T.A REGULATIONS PRIZES FOR JUNIOR EVENTS MUST NOT BE MONETARY

The completed forms, together with the entry fees must reach: Craig Cook, The Gloucestershire Health & Racquets Club, Gloucester Business Park, Delta Way, Gloucester. GL3 4BJ.

By Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2008

### PLEASE COMPLETE CLEARLY IN BLOCK CAPITALS

SURNAME	FIRST NAMES	
DATE OF BIRTH (DAY)	(MONTH) (YEAR)	MALE/FEMALE
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PLAYING COUNTY	CLUB	
Please state any medical condition	n that the tournament organisers should be	aware of e.g. asthma, allergies etc.

# WHEN SIGNING THE CONSENT FORM OVERLEAF YOU ARE AGREEING TO ABIDE BY THE TOURNAMENT ENTRY CONDITIONS TO THE POINTS BELOW:

#### **DOPING STATEMENT:**

I consent to him/her participating in doping control procedures if selected, undertaken by an independent sampling officer appointed by U.K Sport.

## **DISCIPLINARY STATEMENT:**

I acknowledge and agree that I am subject to the rules of the L.T.A (including, without limitation, the L.T.A's anti-doping programme, the disciplinary and dispute resolution procedures and the regulations concerning match fixing, financial speculation and betting) and hereby fully and unconditionally submit to the jurisdiction and authority of the L.T.A.

# **MEDIA STATEMENT:**

I consent to him/her being involved in any publicity connected with L.T.A supported tournaments, including media interviews, photographs and television footage.

Please inform the tournament organiser if you do not wish him/her to be involved in publicity.

### L.T.A MEMBERSHIP RECORD:

I consent to the details provided on this entry form to be used to update the L.T.A's membership record of the person identified.

### **DATA USAGE STATEMENT:**

I consent to the L.T.A and/or the organisers of L.T.A tournaments, from my geographical area, using the details provided on the entry form to communication information about this and future tournaments, in my geographical area, via post, e-mail or S.M.S