



## 2014 ITTF-Oceania Hopes Week & Challenge

Kilsyth International Table Tennis Stadium  
Melbourne, Australia | 10 – 14 April

### 1. Dates & Location

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2014  
Kilsyth, Melbourne, Australia

### 2. Local Organising Committee

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### 5. Training Camp Head Coach

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### 6. Venue

Kilsyth International Table Tennis Stadium  
115 Liverpool Road, Kilsyth, 3137 (Melbourne, Australia)  
[www.insports.com.au/ttp/cdtta](http://www.insports.com.au/ttp/cdtta)

### 7. Equipment

Tables: Stiga Expert Roller (Blue)      Number: 22  
Balls: Stiga 3 Star Competition Balls (White)  
Flooring: Tinsue Sports Flooring (Red)

### 8. Events

1. Hopes Boy's Singles
2. Hopes Girl's Singles
3. Pacific Hopes Boy's Singles
4. Pacific Hopes Girl's Singles

### 9. Eligibility

The 2014 ITTF-Oceania Hopes Challenge is open to all National Associations (NA's) that are affiliated to the Oceania Table Tennis Federation.

The Pacific Hopes Singles will be open to all NA's, with the exception of Australia and New Zealand, which are affiliated to the Oceania Table Tennis Federation

Only the entries of athletes endorsed by their NA will be accepted.

2014 Hopes age group, whereby only players born in 2002 or 2003, who were registered for the 2014 ITTF Hopes Program and validated by their National Association, may participate.



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### 10. Registration

The 2014 ITTF-Oceania Hopes Challenge will accept a maximum of 32 Boys and 32 Girls

#### Phase 1

All National Associations affiliated to the Oceania Table Tennis Federation are entitled to one (1) boy and one (1) girl entry, (23 boys and 23 girls not including Australia as the host country)

Australia as the host country, is entitled to eight (8) boys + eight (8) girls (one (1) boy and one (1) girl entry from each state & territory)

Croydon & Districts TTA, as host association is entitled to one (1) boy + one (1) girl entry

A maximum of thirty-two (32) boys and thirty-two (32) girls can participate in the event.

#### Phase 2

Should any of the registration options explained in Phase 1 not be fulfilled, they should be divided equally among the states in Australia and CDTTA (a maximum of nine (9) boys and nine (9) girls (one (1) boy and one (1) girl per state plus one (1) boy and one (1) girl from CDTTA)

If any of the states do not enter their second boy and girls; other states may take their place up to a maximum of nine (9) boys and nine (9) girls. Should further numbers be needed due to unfilled Oceania and Australia places; a maximum of two (2) boys and two (2) girl entries will be provided to Table Tennis Victoria, as the host state.

Any remaining places are available to CDTTA thereafter should entries be required.

If the quota is still not filled with eligible athletes; CDTTA may then enter younger players in to the event to fill the entry list to a total of thirty-two (32) boys and thirty-two (32) girls with the proviso that the entrants are not eligible to attend the World Hopes Week should the entrant win the 2013 Oceania Hopes Challenge due to the age criteria for the event.

### 11. Seeding List

There will be no seeding list produced for the event, however athletes will be separated based on a National, State and Club Level.

### 12. Format of Play

The 2014 ITTF-Oceania Hopes Challenge Boy's Singles and Girl's Singles will be played in three stages, the first stage will be played as groups of 3 or preferably 4 players, followed by a second group stage, and concluding with a final group stage to determine final placing.

- ⇒ All matches will be best of five games
- ⇒ All athletes will progress through to the next stage of the event

The 2013 Pacific Hopes Boy's Singles and Girl's Singles will be as a straight knockout

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### 13. Provisional Schedule

#### **10 – 12 April:** Training Camp

Mark Smythe Table Tennis (MSTT) Coaching team will conduct an official three (3) day training camp directly before the tournament. Each day will consist of five hours of training.

Session Times:

Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	4.00pm – 9.00pm
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	4.00pm – 9.00pm
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00am – 3.00pm

#### **13 April:** 2014 Croydon Senior Open Tournament (9am – 5pm)

The 2014 Croydon Senior Open Tournament is sanctioned by Table Tennis Victoria and will be conducted during the day. Players have the choice of free entry to view these matches, prior to the commencement of the Hopes Challenge or, if they wish, are able to enter the event as well. International junior players will be given free entry into this event if they choose to play. Interstate junior players, who have entered the Hopes challenge, can enter for a maximum of \$15AU. Please also note, that this a Senior event, so playing the Youth (U/21) singles and the graded events would be our recommendation.

#### **13 April (17:00 – 20:00):** ITTF-Oceania Hopes Challenge Stage 1 Groups

#### **14 April (10:00 – 18:00):** ITTF-Oceania Hopes Challenge Stage 2 & 3 Groups & Pacific Hopes Challenge

### 14. Training Camp

The training camp will be managed by Mark Smythe Table Tennis, and will include a number of coaches as part of the program including Mark Smythe, Russell Lavale and David Powell.

### 15. ITTF-Oceania Assistance

ITTF-Oceania Development Program will provide accommodation for up to 12 athletes with a maximum of one boy and one girl per association. The accommodation provided will be at Option 1.

Full participation in the Training Camp and ITTF-Oceania Hopes Challenge is required to receive this free accommodation. The 12 athletes will be selected by ITTF-Oceania, with first preference going to international athletes, second preference to Australian interstate athletes, and thirdly to Victorian country athletes. Athletes receiving assistance will be advised within one week of the entry deadline.



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### 16. Hospitality

#### Accommodation Option 1:

Dorset Gardens Motel (3.5 Star)  
335 Dorset Road, Croydon, VIC 3136  
Family Room: 4 per room from \$40 per night per person  
3.8 km, 5 Minute Drive  
[www.dorsetgardenshotel.com.au](http://www.dorsetgardenshotel.com.au)

#### Accommodation Option 2:

York on Lilydale (3.5 Star)  
Cnr York & Swansea Road, Mt. Evelyn, Vic, 3796  
Family Room: 4 Beds per room (Queen, Double, 2 singles) \$50 per person per night  
Triple Room: 3 Beds per room (Queen, 2 singles) \$55 per night  
5.3 km, 7 Minute Drive  
[www.yorkonlilydale.com.au](http://www.yorkonlilydale.com.au)

Please note that all accommodation options are on a first served basis, so please ensure you book early.

#### Transport:

Transport package includes all transport within Melbourne. Transfers to and from Melbourne Tullamarine Airport (MEL), as well as transport from accommodation to venue on shuttle service provided.

**\$50.00 per person for event and/or training camp, free of charge for international players**

*Please note that all hospitality prices are in AU\$*

### 17. Travel and Health Insurance

All participants (athletes, coaches, accompanying persons) are required to have their own travel and health insurance.

### 18. Visa Requirements

For those requiring a visa to enter Australia, the local organising committee will help with the application process to assist in ensuring the visa is approved on time. Participants must ensure they have received their Australian Visa prior to their departure for Australia.

### 19. Promotional Activities

Players are expected to attend the following promotional activities:

- Opening Ceremony
- Public Draw
- Media Interviews
- Awards Ceremony

*Failure to participate in promotional activities may result in loss of prizes and assistance.*

### 20. Motion & Picture

By entering the event, athletes agree to abide by all ITTF Rules and by the rules and regulations of the Organising Committee. All entered associations and individual athletes agree to be under the auspices of the ITTF and its agents in all matters concerning television coverage, video, internet web casting, motion picture coverage and photographic coverage of any kind.

Participants release all rights or rights held by their agents or sponsors, in all matters relating to television and web casting coverage, video and motion picture coverage and photographic coverage of any kind. A participant's refusal of above listed coverage may be subject to suspension or dismissal from the competition.



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### 21. Entry Fees

Training Camp:

\$150AU – Australian players

\$60AU - International players

Hopes Challenge:

\$60AU – Victorian Players NOT attending the training camp

\$30AU – Victorian players who attend the training camp, and all interstate players

Free – International players

Pacific Hopes Challenge:

Free – For all international entries

### 22. Prizes

Through the assistance of the ITTF-Oceania Development Program, the winner of the ITTF-Oceania Hopes Boy's Singles & ITTF-Oceania Hopes Girls Singles will receive financial assistance to attend the ITTF Hopes Week & Challenge to be held in Otocec, Slovenia from 9 – 15 June 2014

If the winner[s] are unable to attend the ITTF Hopes Week & Challenge this will result in the funding to be awarded to the next highest place finisher who is able to attend the ITTF Hopes Week & Challenge.

The assistance provided would be free accommodation at the ITTF Worlds Hopes Week & Challenge (based on twin share) valued at \$650US, as well as a financial contribution towards the cost of airfares up to the value of \$750US upon successful participation in the ITTF World Hopes Week & Challenge, and upon receipt of airfare invoice to ITTF-Oceania

All Players will receive medals or certificates, according to final positions

### 24. Lunch & Dinner packs

There will be lunch and dinner packs, provided at cost, for participants of training sessions and Hopes Tournament. More information will be provided shortly.

### 25. Deadlines

Preliminary Entry Form: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2014

Final Entry Form: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2014

Accommodation: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2014

Travel Details: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March

No late entries accepted, all entries must be **Confirmed & Paid**



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**ENTRY FORM**

**Players Name** .....

**Association** .....

**Date of Birth** ...../...../.....

**Gender**                      **Boy**  **Girl**

**Contact Details**

Mobile .....

Email .....

**Training Camp**            **Yes**  **No**

**Accommodation**

Accommodation 1 – Dorset Gardens Motel

Accommodation 2 – York on Lilydale

Checkin            \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Checkout           \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

**Lunch - Dinner Packs**

- 1. Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April – Dinner Pack
- 2. Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Dinner Pack
- 3. Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Lunch Pack
- 4. Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Dinner Pack
- 5. Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Lunch Pack
- 6. Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Dinner Pack