



AEGON TEAM TENNIS SCHOOLS NATIONAL COMPETITIONS UPDATE : SUMMER 2010

AEGON Team Tennis Schools is a programme of three nationally organised competitions, which provides Secondary School and Further Education pupils with the opportunity to play regular competitive tennis and to represent their school. All competitions begin locally and culminate in a national final.

How does being part of AEGON Team Tennis Schools benefit your pupils and school?

- It provides players with regular team competition over a set time period.
- It offers players the chance to represent their school in competitive team tennis.
- It gives players a chance to be part of a team and enjoy the social side of tennis.
- Participation and success in the competitions raises the profile of the school.

Approximately 12,000 players from 3,000 teams currently compete in the following three competitions:

- AEGON Team Tennis Schools National Championships
- AEGON Team Tennis Schools Year 8 & 10
- AEGON Team Tennis Schools Senior Students

The Termly Update aims to raise awareness of the three competitions and provide Competition Managers, School Sport Partnerships and teachers with information about the events throughout the year. The updates will appear in January, April, and September.

For all AEGON Team Tennis Schools enquiries, please visit www.schoolstennis.org. If your query cannot be resolved, please contact schoolscompetition@LTA.org.uk / 0208 487 7000.

AEGON Team Tennis Schools National Championships

Fast Facts:	Age Group: Years 7 to 13	Structure: Knockout > Finals
	Period: April to July	Entry: January
	Teams Entered: 426	Events: Boys & Girls

The 2010 competition is underway with matches scheduled from Wednesday 21st April. The aim of this competition is to provide players with the opportunity to compete for their school and become the best team in the country. The eligibility, format & scoring is as follows:

- Players must be in Years 7-13 or born between 1st September 1998 and 31st August 1991 inclusive.
- Both boys & girls events require 4 players with the format being 4 singles and 2 doubles rubbers.
- Each rubber is 2 sets, with a match tiebreak in place of any 3rd set.
- You can see the entered teams, draw and match schedule by [clicking here](#)

AEGON Team Tennis Schools Year 8 & 10

Fast Facts:	Age Group: Years 7 to 10	Structure: Local Leagues > Knock-Out > 1/4 Finals > National Finals
	Period: April to December	Entry: January
	Teams Entered: 2000+	Events: Boys & Girls

The 2010 competition is currently about to begin with leagues in place across the country. Once again entries have been very high with around 2000 teams entering the competition which begins with league stages between April and July. Those schools that win their local league division 1 will qualify for the knockout rounds which take place in the autumn term with the opportunity to reach the regional 1/4 finals and National finals.

The leagues are organised locally and each area has been assigned an organiser who will have scheduled matches and will manage the leagues. We wish all those schools competing in the Year 8 & 10 competition good luck this season and very much hope you enjoy your experience in the event.

AEGON Team Tennis Schools Senior Students

Fast Facts:	Age Group: Years 11 to 13	Structure: League > Knock-Out > Finals
	Period: September to March	Entry: September
	Teams Entered: 250+	Events: Boys, Girls & Mixed

The AEGON Team Tennis Schools Senior Students Finals took place at Bolton Arena in March. 250 teams entered the competition from nationwide and top 8 teams in the Boys, Girls and mixed events were in Bolton. The standard of tennis as well as the attitude, behaviour and team spirit of the teams at the finals was excellent and all those involved should be proud of their achievements.

The results of the finals in Bolton can be seen by [clicking here](#).

Congratulations to the winning schools who will benefit from Judy Murray (mother of British Number 1 Andy Murray and National Coach) visiting their school for a coaching session. The winning schools for 2009/10 are:

Boys Winners: **Birkdale School – Yorkshire** Girls Winners: **Culford School – Suffolk**;
Mixed Winners: **Queen Mary’s College - Hampshire**

A report from the event can be seen by [clicking here](#).

And Finally...

- We’re constantly looking at ways to improve the AEGON Team Tennis Schools competitions, so that the experience of all involved is as positive as possible. If you have any comments or suggestions for future improvement, please e-mail them to schoolscompetition@LTA.org.uk
- Don’t forget to look out for entry forms for the 2010/11 Senior Students Competition, which will be available in September 2010.
- Significant changes have taken place to Schools Tennis Membership for 2010, to enhance the benefits available and to enable more people involved in schools tennis to keep up to date with developments and opportunities. Please see the following link for more information: <http://www.tennisfoundation.org.uk/schoolsandcolleges/schoolstennismembership/>

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