

Reffkin Tennis Center & the City of Tucson welcome the 2017 USTA National Winter Championships to Tucson, Arizona!

LEVEL 1 - USTA NATIONAL WINTER CHAMPIONSHIP - Boys & Girls 12s & 14s

Tournament Sanctioned Dates are December 27th - January 2nd Mandatory Check-in Date & Meeting (More Details Below) -- December 26th

Tournament Director:

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To Call Tournament Desk – 520-330-0916

For Fax - 707-772-4896

TennisLink Tournament Website (info, seeds, alternates, draws, results) --> http://tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T=185799

Tournament Referee:

Ed Osnowitz

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A) MAP OF TOURNAMENT SITES MAPS FOR EACH DIVISION:

Copy and paste your division's link into your web browser to download their map.

Boys 14s --> http://docdro.id/afdMCpz

Boys 12s --> http://docdro.id/tpo9q1r

Girls 14s --> http://docdro.id/xS0TaUm

Girls 12 --> http://docdro.id/8p0UrjM

B) PENALTIES FOR LATENESS

Per USTA National Guidelines, penalties for lateness will be assessed. See USTA rule on this below:

When a player is late in arriving for the player's scheduled match time and any court is available, the Site Referee shall start the lateness penalty clock. The Site Referee is not required to keep a court open while waiting for a player. A player is not deemed to have arrived until the player checks in at the place designated for checking in for matches and is properly clothed, equipped, and ready to play. A doubles team is not deemed to have arrived until both partners have arrived and checked in.

5 minutes or less: Loss of toss plus 1 game 5:01-10 minutes: Loss of toss plus 2 games 10:01 - 15 minutes: Loss of toss plus 3 games

More than 15 minutes: Default

Both players equally late up to 15 minutes: No Penalty

1) DEADLINE:

Deadline to Submit Doctor's Note/Trainer's Notes for any withdrawals or unplayed matches that happen from (Nov. 30th to Jan. 2nd): January 2nd, 2018

2) USTA PLAYER WAIVER/RELEASE FORM - DUE NOW!

All players should have already mailed the USTA player waiver/release form. To check if we received your waiver form go to this website and click the waivers tab and look for your players name (organized by division and alphabetically by last name) -->

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1JI0DchIYZEQkItz3ASLIviPYib_hAw9SjRpiH0AERZY/edit?usp =sharing

If there is a no next to your player's name please fill out the form ASAP and email me a copy to ustawinternationals@gmail.com AND bring a paper copy with you to the player check-in on Dec. 26th. Copy and paste the link below into your web browser to download the release form. https://s3.amazonaws.com/ustaassets/assets/1/15/usta_release_and_waiver._juniors._2015.pdf

3) WINTER NATIONAL APPAREL FOR SALE:

All items below will be for sale at the Player check-in from 12pm to 5:30pm on December 26th at DoubleTree Hotel Reid Park Boojum Room

Payment will be taken by credit card only. All prices below include tax.

2017 Winter Nationals Longsleeve Cotton T-shirt = \$15 = Youth & Adult Sizes (free for tournament players)

2017 Winter Nationals Hooded Sweatshirt = \$30 = Youth & Adult Sizes

2017 Winter Nationals Performance Hats = \$26 = Youth & Adult Sizes

2017 Winter Nationals Fleece-Lined Beanie = \$22 = Youth & Adult Sizes

2017 Winter Nationals Performance 1/4 Zip Pullover = \$45 = Adult Sizes

**If we run out of your size we can order and ship an item to you just email us at ustawinternationals @gmail.com to place your order.

4) TOURNAMENT VIDEOTAPING POLICY:

There is no official USTA nation-wide rule prohibiting taking videos or photos of USTA junior matches. HOWEVER, facilities/tournaments (public or private) may have policies regarding videos or photos. Jim Reffkin Tennis Center/L1 BG12&14 Winter Nationals REQUIRES that you obtain permission from the parent(s) of the other child prior to videotaping a match. If the other child's parent(s) does NOT agree to you videotaping their child, all videotaping must cease immediately. (This includes cell phones if they can be construed as videotaping)

5) DOUBLES INFORMATION:

- 1. Doubles Pairings Document Updated Daily Copy and paste this link into your web browser --> https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1JI0DchIYZEQkItz3ASLIviPYib_hAw9SjRpiH0AERZY/edit?usp =sharing
- 2. If any of the 128 singles players withdraw from doubles only, then we fill the doubles draw based on the ordered singles alternates list posted on the tennislink tournament website. If we do have a doubles spot, we will email you an online invoice. In order to confirm you want a doubles only spot, that invoice will need to be paid within 6 hours. Accepting a doubles only spot will not change your position on the ordered singles alternates list. If you are asked to fill in for doubles, you will be randomly assigned a partner.
- 3. If you were paired for doubles and do not have your doubles partner's contact information, please email us at ustawinternationals@gmail.com to request that info.

6) DRAW AND MATCH FORMATS:

Boy's & Girl's 12s & 14s

Singles - 128 Draw - Compass Draw - Main Draw Format is Best of 3 Sets (new can of balls for 3rd set) – players get a mandatory 10 minute break between the 2nd and 3rd set (penalties for lateness are enforced if players go over that time)

Singles - (4 guaranteed opponents – win or lose)

(The Singles Compass Draw guarantees each player at least four matches/opponents with round-of-16 losers fed into separate single elimination draw -silver- and the quarterfinal losers fed into another separate single elimination draw -gold-)

Singles Consolation Matches - Match Tiebreak in Lieu of Third Set (Match Tiebreak is first to 10 points win by 2 – no new can of balls for a tiebreaker) - players get a mandatory 3 minute break between the 2nd set and match tiebreaker, players cannot leave the court, coaching is allowed on court Doubles - 64 Draw - Single Elimination - Match Tiebreak in Lieu of Third Set (1 guaranteed round) Doubles Semi-Finals & Finals - Best of 3 Sets

7) DATE AND TIME FOR DRAW TO BE MADE AND POSTED:

Draws were made starting December 21st. Draws will be published online and at player registration on Tuesday, December 26th by 12pm (Arizona Time). All players are instructed to Check-In at their match site 30 minutes prior to their scheduled match time.

8) TOURNAMENT POLICY ON SMART WATCHES AND CELL PHONES:

No smartwatches allowed and cell phones must be turned off and in bag. The only exception is after the 2nd set before the match tiebreaker or before the 3rd set.

9) TOURNAMENT LINE CALL OVERRULE POLICY:

Once a player has been overruled a second time, they will be cautioned by the roving USTA Official that after another overrule, they will be penalized for unsportsmanlike conduct under the Point Penalty System: point, game, default.

10) WITHDRAWAL/ENTRY FEE REFUND POLICY FOR USTA JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AFTER ENTRY DEADLINE:

Immediately contact the tournament to withdraw from the tournament. All withdrawals have to be emailed so documentation is in writing. Email player withdrawals to ustawinternationals@gmail.com. Players must also fulfill the written verification requirements described below if the withdrawal is for injury, illness, or personal circumstance and the player wants to avoid being levied USTA Suspension Points.

Withdrawal After the Entry Deadline:

Players who withdraw after the entry deadline for any reason are NOT entitled to a refund. http://www.usta.com/youth-tennis/junior-competition/withdrawalsentryfeerefunds/

The required written verification of an injury or illness must be from a medical professional and can be faxed to (707)-772-4896 or emailed to ustawinternationals@gmail.com

Players that suffer from an illness or injury during the tournament may obtain written verification from one of our certified athletic trainers that will be at the El Conquistador Resort(ECRES), Tucson Racquet Club(TRC) and Reffkin Tennis Center (REFFK). It is the player's responsibility to obtain this written verification and deliver it to the tournament director at the time of withdrawal in person or by emailing it

to ustawinternationals@gmail.com

All withdrawals for any reason without the proper written notification are recorded as defaults and a code of conduct report will be completed for any player who fails to submit written verification/medical verification to the tournament director by January 2nd, 2018, 9PM. Four suspension points will be assessed for that player.

If the player is withdrawing because of a personal emergency, the player must deliver a written explanation of the situation in detail to the tournament director by emailing ustawinternationals@gmail.com, and the referee will determine whether the situation will be categorized as a personal emergency/circumstance.

11) HOW ALTERNATES LIST IS ORDERED:

The Tournament Committee shall prepare an alternate list of those players with timely entries not accepted into the draw who appear on the Sectional Endorsement Lists. Alternates shall be ordered using the National Standings List used to accept players into the draw to fill remaining vacancies. Late entrants who are eligible for selection shall be listed below these players by the date and time on which the late entry is made. If multiple late entries are received at the same time, they shall be ordered by lot. Late entrants are not ordered by position on the National Standings List.

12) HOW ALTERNATES GET INTO THE DRAW:

The ordered alternates list at the top of the tennislink tournament website is updated immediately if we do have a withdrawal. There is no need to call or email and ask if there have been any withdrawals. As of December 21st, withdrawing players will be replaced with the next highest remaining alternate.

13) ON-SITE ALTERNATES:

Only those players that have gone through the online registration process and/or appear on the alternate list will be considered for on-site alternate substitution. On-site alternates will be considered in the ranking order that they appear on the alternate list. Any alternate player wishing to be an on-site alternate must check in with the tournament desk at the appropriate location listed below, ready to play, between 8am and 8:29am (8:15am ideally). At 8:31am they are considered late. Alternates checking in after the first round has commenced will be placed at the bottom of the on-site alternate list, regardless of ranking. If any player shows up at or after 8:30am they will be on the bottom of the list regardless of what number they were on the ordered alternates list. The only exception is alternates who were accepted into doubles but not singles. Those alternates playing doubles do NOT have to check-in as an onsite alternate, playing their doubles match checks them as being available as an on-site alternate for singles.

On-site alternates for singles (that are not already in the doubles draw) should report to the following sites below between 8am and 8:29am (8:15am ideally) at the tournament desk on December 27th:

Girls' 12s - Reffkin Tennis Center "REFFK"

Boys' 12s - La Mariposa "LAMAR"

Boys' 14s - Tucson Racquet Club "TRC"

Girls' 14s - Saddlebrooke Tennis "SADDL"

(addresses listed in the tournament sites section of this email)

Checking with the tournament desk staff person at the appropriate age division check-in site above between 8am and 8:29am on December 27th automatically checks in alternates as an "on-site alternate" for singles and for doubles.

SPECIAL NOTE:

The highest alternate on the ordered alternates list posted on the tennislink website that checks in on time on 12/27 (between 8am and 8:29am) with the tournament desk staff at the correct site OR is playing doubles will be the first player admitted into the draw if there are any players that withdraw at the last minute from the tournament. HOWEVER, if there is a player in the tournament that cannot play their first match but believes they can play their second in consolation we will NOT replace that player with an onsite alternate. Since the spot in the tournament is theirs, they can choose to not play their first match because of some personal circumstance and then try to play their next match in consolation.

14) TOURNAMENT OFFICIAL CHECK-IN:

All players must check-in on December 26th at any time between 12 pm and 5:30 pm at the DoubleTree Hotel - Reid Park-Tournament Registration Desk located in the Boojum room at 445 S Alvernon Way, Tucson, AZ, 85711

If you absolutely cannot attend check-in, go to the link below, provide us with the reason you are not attending, and fill out the other information requested. This form needs to be submitted by December 23rd (PLEASE - NO exceptions) in order to be excused from missing the check-in and parent's meeting on Dec. 26.

Link to copy and paste --> https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/USATAWN2017 Players missing check-in must also have already submitted their USTA player waiver/release form.

15) CHECK-IN DAY SCHEDULE DEC. 26:

December 26th, 2017

9:00 am ---- Training Workout Sessions Begin @ Reffkin (there are 4 different 2 hour training workout sessions available)

12 pm - 5:30 pm ---- Event Check-in @ DoubleTree Hotel (Boojum Room)

4:00 pm - 4:30 pm ---- Mandatory Parents Meeting @ DoubleTree Hotel (Grand Ballroom)

5:30 pm ---- Last Training Workout Session Ends @ Reffkin

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm ---- Players Party, Dinner @ DoubleTree Hotel (Grand Ballroom) – dinner is for player's only (parents are allowed to have the buffet dinner AFTER all players have eaten 4:45pm - 5:45pm ---- Guest Speaker Dr. Jorge Valverde @ DoubleTree Hotel (Ballroom)

(Times and Locations are subject to adjustment - please check back often)

16) TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE (Schedule is tentative and subject to change)

We will be playing doubles first then singles each day.

- ---Dec. 27 (Day 1 of 7)
- 1 Round of Singles + 1 Round of Doubles
- ---Dec. 28 (Day 2 of 7)
- 1 Round of Singles + 1 Round of Doubles
- ---Dec. 29 (Day 3 of 7)
- 1 Round of Singles + 1 Round of Doubles
- ---Dec. 30 (Day 4 of 7)
- 1 Round of Singles + 1 Round of Doubles
- ---Dec. 31 (Day 5 of 7)
- 1 Round of Singles (for Main Draw), 2 Rounds of Singles (for Consolation Brackets) + 1 Round of Doubles (Semis)
- ---Jan. 1 (Day 6 of 7)
- 1 Round of Singles (Main Draw Semis), 1 Round of Singles (Consolation Bracket Finals) + 1 Round of Doubles (Finals)
- ---Jan. 2 (Day 7 of 7)

Singles Finals, Singles 3rd/4th Play Match, Singles Gold Bracket Finals

When making your travel arrangements, please remember that finals day (Jan. 2nd) matches will continue through the afternoon and cannot be rescheduled. Please also note that schedule above WILL change if there are any weather problems.

PLEASE NOTE: We will NOT accommodate ANY scheduling requests because you have scheduled travel plans earlier than you should have. The schedule has been organized the way it is based on court availability, chaired matches, officials, etc and these details cannot be changed. Do NOT ask for your match time to be rescheduled. Make EVERY effort to be available for all matches/match times scheduled.

17) PRACTICE COURT RESERVATIONS:

Limited courts will be available for reservation December 25th & 26th at Reffkin Tennis Center. \$12 per court per hour, Non-refundable. Call (520) 791-4896 to reserve. December 25th (Christmas) Reffkin Tennis Center is only open from 8am-12pm - reservations not needed for that day only. December 24th Reffkin Tennis Center is only open from 10am-3pm.

18) 12 TOURNAMENT SITES:

(Age Groups Listed Below next to each site are subject to change. Towards the end of the tournament (January 1st and 2nd), all matches will be played at the Reffkin Tennis Center. ALL Tournament sites and dates below are subject to change.) Site abbreviations that will be listed on the draws are show below in parenthesis.

1st. (REFFK) Reffkin Tennis Center - GIRLS 12s & BOYS 12s -(12/27-1/2) & other divisions as well (12/31-1/2) - (Main Site) - 50 S. Alvernon Way - (520)791-4896 - Using 22 Courts (3 courts will be available for tournament hitting sessions and warm-up) — Starting matches at 9am each day at this site and ALL Courts will be available for free for warm-up (4 to a court) 8am to 9am each day.

2nd. (TRC) Tucson Racquet Club - BOYS 14s Matches -(12/27-12/31)- (12 min. from REFF) - 4001 N. Country Club Rd. - (520)795-6960 -- Using 22 Courts (other courts may be available for warm-up but can only be used if TRC's members are not using them) — Starting matches at 9am each day at this site and 12 Courts will be available for free for warm-up (4 to a court) 8am to 9am each day.

3rd.(ECRES) Hilton Tucson El Conquistador Resort - GIRLS 14s - (12/27-12/31)-(32 min. from REFF) - 10000 N Oracle Rd, Tucson, AZ - (520)544-1780 - Using 12 Courts (other courts may be available during the tournament but can only be use if you reserve and pay for the court in their pro shop). – Dec. 27(starting matches at this site & day at 11am, no courts available for free before 11am only available by paid reservation by calling their pro shop—there will be 6 courts available for free for warm-up 11am-1:30pm first come first serve warm-up 4 to a court & check with tournament desk on what courts to use) // Dec. 28(starting matches at this site & day at 1pm, 12 courts available for warm-up for free from 11am-1pm, courts available before 11am but only by paid reservation with their pro shop), Dec. 29,30 & 31(starting matches at this site & day at 11:30am, 12 courts available for warm-up for free from 11am-11:30am warm-up 4 to a court, courts available before 11am but only by paid reservation with their pro shop)

4th. <u>(OVCC) - Oro Valley Community Center</u> - GIRLS 14s - (12/27 - 12/31) - (36 min. from REFF) - 10555 N La Canada Dr, Oro Valley, AZ - (520)544-1900 - Using 12 Courts (other courts may be available during the tournament but can only be use if you reserve and pay for the court in their pro shop). – Dec. 27(starting matches at this site & day at 1:30pm, no courts available for free before 11am only available by paid reservation by calling their pro shop—there will be 12 courts available for free for warm-up 11am-1:30pm first come first serve warm-up 4 to a court) // Dec. 28(starting matches at this site & day at 1pm, 12 courts available for warm-up for free from 11am-1pm, courts available before

11am but only by paid reservation with their pro shop), Dec. 29,30 & 31(starting matches at this site & day at 11:30am, 12 courts available for warm-up for free from 11am-11:30am warm-up 4 to a court, 3 courts available for warm-up for free between 11am-5pm, courts available before 11am but only by paid reservation with their pro shop)

5th. (PIMAW) Pima Community College WEST Campus - GIRLS 12s - (12/27-12/30) - (18 min. from REFF) - 2202 West Anklam Rd., Tucson, AZ 85709 - Using 6 courts (1 other court will be available during the tournament for warm-up, players must warm-up 4 to a court if needed and no more than 30 minutes at a time) – Starting matches at 9am each day at this site and 12 Courts will be available for free for warm-up (4 to a court) 8am to 9am each day.

6th. (SCOV) Sun City Oro Valley - GIRLS 14s - (12/27-12/31) - (14 min from OVREC) - 1565 East Rancho Vistoso Boulevard, Oro Valley, AZ 85755 - (520)825-3711 - Using 5 courts (3 other courts will be available during the tournament for warm-up but their members have first priority to use them). – Starting matches at 9am each day at this site but 5 courts will be available for free to warm-up from 8am-9am players must warm-up 4 to a court.

7th. (LAPAL) La Paloma Country Club (not the resort) - BOYS 12s - (12/27-12/30) - 3660 E. Sunrise Dr., Tucson, AZ 85718 - (520)299-1500 - Using 2-3 Courts (the other 3 courts will be available during the tournament for warm-up but their members have first priority to use them). — Starting matches at 9am each day at this site but 2 courts will be available for free to warm-up from 8am-9am Dec. 27-30 and players must warm-up 4 to a court

8th. (LAMAR) La Mariposa Resort - BOYS 12s - (12/27-12/31) - 1501 N. Houghton Rd., Tucson, AZ 85749 - North of Speedway on Houghton - look for La Mariposa entrance sign on ur left (west side) if coming from Speedway - (520)749-1099 - Using 4-6 Courts (the other 2-4 courts will be available during the tournament for warmup but their members have first priority to use them). — Starting matches at 9am each day at this site but 4 courts will be available for free to warm-up from 8am-9am Dec. 27-31 and players must warm-up 4 to a court.

9th. <u>(TCC) Tucson Country Club</u> - BOYS 12s - (12/27-12/31) - 2950 N. Camino Principal, Tucson, AZ 85715 - (520)298-2381 - Using 6 courts (the other 4 courts will be available during the tournament for warmup but their members have first priority to use them). – Starting matches at 10am each day at this site but 6 courts will be available for free to warm-up from 8am-10am Dec. 27-31 and players must warm-up 4 to a court.

10th. (HIMML) Himmel Tennis Center - BOYS 12s/14s & GIRLS 12s - (12/27-12/30) - 1000 N. Tucson Blvd, Tucson AZ 85716 - Using 4 courts (the other 2 courts will be available during the tournament for warmup). — Starting matches at 9am each day at this site but 6 courts will be available for free to warmup from 7:30am-9am Dec. 27-31 and players must warm-up 4 to a court.

11th. <u>(VENTA) Lodge at Ventana Canyon</u> (do not get this site confused with Loews Ventana hotel) - BOYS 12s - (12/27-12/31) - 6200 N Club House Ln, Tucson, AZ 85750 - (520)577-4009 - Using 6 courts (the other 4 courts will be available during the tournament for warm-up BUT their members have first priority to use them). – starting matches at 12pm each day at this site but 6 courts will be available for free to warm-up from 11am-12pm each day Dec. 27-31 and players must warm-up 4 to a court.

12th. <u>(SADDL) Saddlebrooke Active Adult Community Main Tennis Courts</u> - GIRLS 14s - (12/27-12/31) - 64335 Saddlebrooke Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85739 - (520)825-0255 - Using 8 courts (there will not be any other courts available on site for warm-up during the tournament for warm-up). – Starting matches at 9am each day at this site but 8 courts will be available for free to warm-up from 8am-9am Dec. 27-31 and players must warm-up 4 to a court.

19) PRACTICE SITES:

When courts are in use for practice and are limited, please share and warm-up four to a court.

Boys 12s

Udall Parl - 7200 E. Tanque Verde Rd. -- 4 courts --- 8am-6pm Rolling Hills Park -- 8900 E. 29th St. -- 2 courts -- 8am-4pm Sabino High School -- 5000 N. Bowes Rd. -- 10 courts -- 8am-4pm Stefan Gollob Park -- 395 S. Prudence Rd. -- 4 courts -- 8am-4pm

Girls 12s

Catalina Magnet High School -- 3645 E. Pima St -- 10 courts -- 8am-6pm Rincon High School -- 421 N. Acadia Ave. -- 10 courts -- 8am-4pm DoubleTree Hotel Reid Park -- 445 S. Alvernon way -- 3 courts -- all day Ft. Lowell Tennis Center -- 8 courts -- 8am-8pm -- costs \$2.50 per person

Boys 14s

Catalina Magnet High School -- 3645 E. Pima St. -- 10 courts -- 8am-6pm Rincon High School -- 421 N. Acadia Ave. -- 10 courts -- 8am-4pm Westward Look Resort -- 246 E. Ina Rd. -- 3 courts -- Free -- first come first serve Ft. Lowell Tennis Center -- 2900 N. Craycroft Rd. -- 8 courts -- cost is \$2.50 per person

Girls 14s

Green Fields School -- 6000 Camino de la Tierra -- 3 courts -- 8am-4pm (1 court used for pro there) -- courts MAY be locked over winter break at Green Fields School
Best Western Inn Suites -- 6201 N. Oracle Rd -- 2 courts
Westward Look Resort -- 246 E. Ina Rd. -- 3 courts -- Free -- first come first serve
Canyon Del Oro High School -- 25 W Calle Concordia, Oro Valley, AZ -- 8am-3pm -- 8 courts -- First come first serve -- MAY be closed because of winter break at CDO HS
Hilton El Conquistador Resort & Oro Valley Community Center – they charge for warm-up courts but do take reservations from 8am-11am each day

20) RACQUET STRINGING:

Stringer will be onsite at Reffkin Tennis Center, Tucson Racquet Club, Saddlebrooke, El Conquistador and some other tournament sites during the duration of the tournament. Prices differ at all sites so please be sure to check with the site in advance. Links are provided below for more information: Reffkin Tennis Center: http://reffkintenniscenter.com/other/proshopinfo/

Reffkin Tennis Center: http://reffkintenniscenter.com/other/proshopinfo/ Tucson Racquet Club: http://tucsonracquetclub.com/pro-shop-tucson/

21) TOURNAMENT SPONSOR HIGHLIGHT – ATHLETIC DNA SPORTS APPAREL

Athletic DNA is giving a 50 percent discount on our website to all of the participants of the tournament. They are going to have tents at the boys 12s La Mariposa and girls 12s La Mariposa sites with prizes. Athletic DNA has a junior sponsorship program and players can talk to the reps to get more details. Devyn Billingsley is the main contact at the tournament and her email is devyn@athleticdna.com and phone number is 714-702-4008

22) ENTERPRISE RENTAL CAR

Get a 5% off at the time of booking and 5% off for booking online.

To get this rate copy and paste the link below into your web browser:

https://legacy.enterprise.com/car_rental/deeplinkmap.do?bid=028&refld=JIMREFFK

Or call and use code: L508634 and Pin: Jim

Enterprise Tucson International Airport: (520) 295-4900 Enterprise Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport: (602) 225-0588

23) TOURNAMENT HOST HOTEL OPTIONS:

MAIN HOST HOTEL

DoubleTree Hotel at Reid Park - Rate: \$99 (Breakfast included) -- THIS HOTEL IS SOLD OUT!

Phone Reservations: (520) 881-4200 - mention group code "RF9"

445 S. Alvernon Way, Tucson, AZ, 85711

Online booking link --> http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/T/TUSBTDT-RF9-

20161221/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

For questions regarding this hotel, email: rcrane@dtreidpark.com

Recently Remodeled 295 Guest Rooms, Pool, 3 Tennis Courts, Fitness Center, Day Spa, Business

Center, 10,000 sq. ft. ballroom - Across the street from Jim Reffkin Tennis Center

RECOMMENDED HOTEL FOR GIRLS 14S (SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS RECOMMENDED HOTEL IF SITES CHANGE)

Hilton Tucson El Conquistador Golf & Tennis Resort-

Rate: \$139/night (the rates Includes the resort charge)

Phone Reservations: 1-800-325-7832 (group code "RTC")

10000 N Oracle Rd, Tucson, AZ 85704

ONLINE Reservations (copy and paste link below):

https://secure.hilton.com/en/hi/res/choose_dates.jhtml?hotel=TUSHTHH&spec_plan=RTC

If you need help making your reservation, please contact: Michaela.Gray@hilton.com

Distance from ECRES (GIRLS 14s Site 1 of 4): Walking Distance

Distance from OVCC (GIRLS 14s Site 2 of 4): 4.2 Miles

Distance from SADDL (GIRLS 14s Site 3 of 4): 13.5 Miles

Distance from SCOV (GIRLS 14s Site 4 of 4): 7.3 Miles

Distance from Reffkin (Site for January 1st & 2nd): 15.5 miles

BEST WESTERN INN SUITES HOTEL Tucson Foothills (G14) -- (SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS

RECOMMENDED HOTEL IF SITES CHANGE)

6201 N. Oracle Road | Tucson, AZ 85704 USA

Online Reservation Website:

http://book.bestwestern.com/bestwestern/groupSearch.do?groupId=5K9NR0N5&propertyId=03093

Group ID: 5K9NRON5

Rate is \$80/night & FREE Breakfast -- great deal!

(520) 297-8111

Tennis practice courts on-site.

Problems making a reservation here? Email: bmacnow@innsuites.com

Distance from ECRES (GIRLS 14s Site 1 of 4): 5.3 Miles

Distance from OVCC (GIRLS 14s Site 2 of 4): 7 MilesDistance from SADDL (GIRLS 14s Site 3 of 4):

17.8 Miles

Distance from SCOV (GIRLS 14s Site 4 of 4): 11.6 Miles

Distance from Reffkin (Site for All Age Divisions on January 1st & 2nd): 10.5 miles

RECOMMENDED HOTEL FOR BOYS 14S & GIRLS 14s -- (SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS

RECOMMENDED HOTEL IF SITES CHANGE)

WESTWARD LOOK RESORT

Rate (subject to change): \$119 (\$20 resort fee is included, 15% off on food, beverage and spa services with reservation)

Free tennis courts available at hotel for guests to use.

Phone Reservations: 1800-722-2500 (group name "Reffkin Tennis Center")

245 E Ina Rd, Tucson, AZ, 85704

Reservation Link:

https://aws.passkey.com/e/49545405

Distance from TRC (B14 Site 1 of 3): 7.7 Miles

Distance from PIMAW (B14 Site 2 of 3): 11.4 Miles

Distance from HIMML (B14 Site 3 of 3): 9.3 Miles

Distance from ECRES (G14 Site 1 of 3): 5.3 Miles

Distance from OVCC (G14 Site 2 of 3): 7 Miles

Distance from Reffkin (Site for All Age Divisions on January 1st & 2nd): 11.1 Miles

HOMEWOOD SUITES by Hilton Tucson at St. Philip's Plaza (Recommended for Boys 14s) -- (SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS RECOMMENDED HOTEL IF SITES CHANGE) -- THIS HOTEL IS SOLD OUT!

Hotel Address: 4250 N Campbell Ave, Tucson, AZ 85718

(520) 577-0007

Group Code: "UWN"

Rate: \$129/night-\$132/Night for one Double Queen suite (subject to change) and includes a fully

equipped kitchen, Free Breakfast and Wifi. Call 520-577-0007 to make reservations.

Questions with Hotel Reservations at Homewood Suites should be emailed to:

Donna.Lominac@hilton.com

Distance from TRC (B14 Site 1 of 3): 2.7 Miles

Distance from PIMAW (B14 Site 2 of 3): 8.9 Miles

Distance from HIMML (B14 Site 3 of 3): 4.3 Miles

Distance from Reffkin (Site for All Age Divisions on January 1st & 2nd): 6.1 Miles

RECOMMENDED HOTEL FOR BOYS 12s -- (SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS RECOMMENDED HOTEL IF SITES CHANGE)

RADISSON SUITES TUCSON - Rate: \$99/night

Phone Reservations: (520)721-7100 Mention code "USTA National Winter Championships" or promo code "1217US"

For Online Reservations, go to following website and make a reservationusing the promo code

"1217US" --> http://www.radisson.com/suites_tucson

Any problems making the reservation, please email: Megan.patrick@prismhotels.com

6555 E. Speedway Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85710

Distance from TCC (B12 Site 1 of 5): 2.5 Miles

Distance from LAMAR (B12 Site 2 of 5): 5.8 Miles

Distance from VENTA (B12 Site 3 of 5): 7.2 Miles

Distance from LAPAL (B12 Site 4 of 5): 9 Miles

Distance from TRC (B12 Site 5 of 5): 7.3 Miles

Distance from Reffkin (Site for All Age Divisions on January 1st & 2nd): 4.4 Miles

RECOMMENDED HOTEL FOR BOYS 12s & GIRLS 12s -- (SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS

RECOMMENDED HOTEL IF SITES CHANGE)

HAMPTON INN by Hilton -- Rate: \$85 for standard room and \$90 for suites (subject to change) &

(Breakfast included)

Across from Park Place Mall

Phone Reservations: (520) 514-0500

Mention Group Code "REF"

Online Reservation Link:

http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/T/TUSEAHX-REF-

20171226/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Address: 251 S. Wilmot Rd. Tucson East (Broadway/Wilmot)

For help making a reservation, email: scott.holly2@hilton.com

Distance from TCC (B12 Site 1 of 5): 3.5 Miles

Distance from LAMAR (B12 Site 2 of 5): 7.3 Miles

Distance from VENTA (B12 Site 3 of 5): 8.1 Miles

Distance from LAPAL (B12 Site 4 of 5): 9.9 Miles

Distance from TRC (B12 Site 5 of 5): 8.3 Miles

Distance from REFFK (G12 Site 1 of 3): 3.3 Miles

Distance from PIMAW (G12 Site 2 of 3): 10.9 Miles

Distance from HIMML (G12 Site 3 of 3): 5.6 Miles

Distance from Reffkin (Site for All Age Divisions on January 1st & 2nd): 3.3 Miles

RECOMMENDED HOTEL FOR BOYS 12s -- (SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS RECOMMENDED HOTEL IF SITES CHANGE)

LOEWS VENTANA CANYON RESORT -- Rate: \$135/night

(very close to Lodge at Ventana Canyon, 1 of 5 B12 tournament sites) -- Group Code: "WIND26" and

mention "Winter Nationals Room Block" Call 1-800-234-5117 to reserve.

Tennis courts at hotel available for players to practice on available for reservation fee.

For questions regarding booking at this hotel, email: SMann@loewshotels.com

Online Reservation Link:

https://www.loewshotels.com/ventana-canyon/winter-nationals-room-block

Distance from TCC (B12 Site 1 of 5): 6.9 Miles

Distance from LAMAR (B12 Site 2 of 5): 11 Miles

Distance from VENTA (B12 Site 3 of 5): 1.1 Miles

Distance from LAPAL (B12 Site 4 of 5): 5.4 Miles

Distance from TRC (B12 Site 5 of 5): 9.5 Miles

Distance from Reffkin (Site for All Age Divisions on January 1st & 2nd): 10.8 Miles

RECOMMENDED HOTEL FOR BOYS 12s -- (SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS RECOMMENDED HOTEL IF SITES CHANGE)

WESTIN LA PALOMA Resort and Spa - Rate: \$135/night

Reduced service resort fee rate of \$15

Phone Reservations: 1-800-228-3000 mention group reservation under "Winter Nationals 2017"

Hotel Address: 3800 E Sunrise Dr Tucson, AZ, 85718

Tennis Courts on site for guests to practice for hotel guest court fee.

Registration Link:

https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/winternationals2017

For questions regarding reservations at La Paloma, email: CHERIE.SWANSON@westinlapaloma.com

Distance from TCC (B12 Site 1 of 5): 9.4 Miles

Distance from LAMAR (B12 Site 2 of 5): 14.1 Miles

Distance from VENTA (B12 Site 3 of 5): 5.6 Miles

Distance from LAPAL (B12 Site 4 of 5): Walking Distance!

Distance from TRC (B12 Site 5 of 5): 6.2 Miles

Distance from Reffkin (Site for All Age Divisions on January 1st & 2nd): 8.3 Miles

RECOMMENDED HOTEL FOR BOYS 14s AND GIRLS 12s -- (SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS

RECOMMENDED HOTEL IF SITES CHANGE)

La Quinta Inn & Suites (Reid Park) - Rate:\$85.00 (Breakfast included)

Phone Reservations: (520)795-0330 Mention code "REFFKIN" (Tennis Event @Reffkin)

102 N Alvernon Way (Broadway/Alvernon)

Reservation cut off date: December 16th

Need help making reservation at La Quinta? Email: Laura.Inman@prismhotels.com

Distance from REFFK (G12 Site 1 of 3): 0.6 Miles

Distance from PIMAW (G12 Site 2 of 3): 7.6 Miles

Distance from HIMML (G12 Site 3 of 3): 2.3 Miles
Distance from TRC (B14 Site 1 of 3): 4.9 Miles
Distance from Reffkin (Site for All Age Divisions on January 1st & 2nd): 0.6 Miles

24) TOURNAMENT TRAINING SESSIONS/PRIVATE HITTING SESSIONS:

December 26th, 2017

Get prepared! And get acclimated to Arizona - with a hitting session on the courts you'll be playing on! 2-hour sessions grouped by gender and ability. Supervised by the Smith-Perry Tennis Academy. You may sign up for more than one session if available. These sessions will sell out, so get signed up early! Fees are non-refundable. Each player should check in 15 minutes prior to session start time. Show up on time! Late arrivals will be replaced with wait list players. To be placed on the wait list, please arrive 15 minutes before sessions begin.

Tournament Training Session Registration: (520) 791-4896 with credit card (Master Card or Visa only).

Training Location: Reffkin Tennis Center - Host Event Site

Training Session Fee: \$45 per session per player (2 Hours)

Session Times: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:30 pm, 3:30 pm

Only 40 Spots Available For Each Time Slot (alternates list players are welcome as well). Players are organized by level.

Private Hitting Sessions are available through the Smith-Perry Tennis Academy for Winter National participants from December 27th through January 2nd.

HERE IS A LIST OF WINTER NATIONALS HITTING SESSION COACHES AVAILABLE:

Jason Jaruvang: Former University of Arizona men's team 2012 to 2016. Approx UTR: 11

Available Dec 26 9am to 1pm, Dec 28th to Jan 2nd, 7am to 5pm

Hitting session site: Reffkin Tennis Center.

Rate: \$60 per hour, \$40 per 1/2 hour.

Cell: 602-326-7018 Email: jasonjaruvang@gmail.com

Chris Cooprider: Pro tennis tour 3 yrs. Former world ranking 900. Division 1 college player at UNCW Former coach of WTA players

Available Dec 26 1:30pm to 3:30pm, Dec 27 to Jan 2

Hitting session site: Reffkin Tennis Center.

Rate: \$60 per hour, \$40 per 1/2 hour.

Cell: 720-840-8617 Email: ccooprider44@comcast.net

Tyler Campbell: Former Gonzaga University men's team 2008-2011. 6+ yrs of coaching experience.

Available Dec 26th 9am to 1pm, Dec 27 to Dec 30, all times.

Hitting session site: Refkin Tennis Center.

Rate: \$50 per hr, \$35 per half hr. Available Dec 26 to Dec 30, all times.

Cell: (206) 427-3297 Email: tcam1228@gmail.com

Gretis Li: Coach at Smith-Perry Tennis Academy. Plays for the Arizona club team. Apprx 5.0 NTRP level

Available Dec 26 1:30pm to 5:30pm, Dec 27 to Jan 2

Hitting Site: Rincon High School (at Reffkin on the 12/26)

Rate: \$50 per hr, \$35 per half hr. Available Dec 26 to Dec 30, all times.

Cell: 520-300-0690 Email: gretisyli@gmail.com

Francisco Ton: Played for Pima College and was regional doubles champion

Available Dec 27th - 31st, 7am to 7pm

Hitting Site: Rincon High School

Rate: \$50/hr, \$35/.5 hour

Cell: 520-455-8405 Email: franciscoton1995@gmail.com

George Jiang: High school State Champion, Ranked 10 in 18s Southwest

Available Dec 27th - Jan 2nd, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Hitting Site: Rincon High School

Rate: \$45/hr, \$30/.5 hour

Cell: 520-359-3553 Email: george7jiang@gmail.com

25) PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY:

YourGameFace will be providing action photography by appointment. Please SIGN UP early to schedule match photos. They will have a tent at Reffkin and Hilton EI Conquistador for showing the images, but traveling to other sites for player photos by APPOINTMENT. CALL CELL - 214-543-5437

YourGameFace.com Photography - Professional photographers Lloyd & Melissa Clayton will be onsite to provide action portraits and commemorative posters of match play by appointment. Please sign up early! Email: yourgameface@mac.com Phone: (214) 543-5437 CLICK on the order form - http://goo.gl/forms/2Kdllzpwox

26) AWARDS

The USTA will award gold, silver, and bronze tennis balls to the first, second, and third place finishers in singles and doubles. In addition the tournament will award 4th place singles and doubles, Gold Bracket 1st and 2nd, Silver Bracket 1st and 2nd, and Northeast / North/ Northwest / West / Southwest / South / Southeast 1st and 2nd.

The USTA National Winter Championship will present a sportsmanship award for each age division. Players, parents, and officials are encouraged to nominate players for the tournament committee to consider. The winner of the USTA sportsmanship award will receive a commemorative plaque from the USTA. Nomination forms will be available at registration and at each tournament desk.

27) WEATHER:

In the event of inclement weather, we will be posting updates on both this Tennislink tournament page and the voice message on our pro shop phone line at (520) 791-4896. Please don't assume anything - always check for updates! Thank you!

28) TOURNAMENT BALL:

Wilson US Open Balls - New can of balls will be provided for third set. Girls 12s&14s use regular duty balls. Boys 12s&14s use extra duty balls.

29) HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMP AT TUCSON RACQUET CLUB FOR ALTERNATES OR SIBLINGS:

Dec. 27-29 and Jan. 2-5

Info on this can be found on their website here --> http://tucsonracquetclub.com/holiday-camp-2017/

30) SEEDING METHOD:

Seeding Criteria for USTA National Championships

https://www.usta.com/content/dam/usta/pdfs/2017%20USTA%20Junior%20Tournament%20Regulations.pdf

Seeding done per USTA National regulations using USTA's National Ranking list.

31) SOUTHWEST SECTION DRESS CODE FOR THIS TOURNAMENT:

All players are required to wear appropriate tennis attire. Cut off shorts, bare midriffs, and compression shorts alone are not allowed. Shirts should not reference sex, drugs, alcohol, or tobacco..

32) THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS:

Metropolitan Tucson Convention & Visitors Bureau www.visitTucson.org
Bruegger's Bagels
www.brueggers.com
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www.cms3.tucsonaz.gov
Head Penn
Athletic DNA
Your Game Face
DoubleTree Hotel Reid Park

33)TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE:

Chair Person and Tournament Director: Meghan Houk

Tournament Referee: Ed Osnowitz Committee Member: Lindsey Kotz

34) ABOUT THE GUEST SPEAKER DEC. 26TH:

Dr. Jorge Valverde will be giving a presentation on Sport Psychology and Mental Toughness at 5:30 pm on Registration Day, December 26th. The presentation will take place at the DoubleTree Hotel (Across from Reffkin). Dr. Valverde is a regular contributor at National Championships and will be available for individual consultations during the event. Don't miss this great opportunity!

Free 20-Minute Mental Toughness Consultation

Dr. Jorge Valverde, a renowned psychologist who has developed a specialized system to train the minds of tennis players in a positive and effective way, will be providing 20-minute free consultations (compliments of the Tournament) for players, parents and coaches during the tournament. This is an excellent opportunity for players who want to develop mental toughness.

Dr. Valverde graduated from the University of Kansas with a Doctoral dissertation research on the mental preparation of highly ranked tennis players. He has served as sport psychologist for numerous tennis academies and universities throughout the US, Mexico, Poland and South America. He has also worked with many elite players such as Luke Jensen, French Open Doubles Champion, 1993, Daniela Hantuchova, ranked as high as 5 in the WTA, Anna Lenna Groenefeld, number one junior player in the world in 2003 and ranked as high as 14 in the WTA Meghann Shaughnessy, ranked as high as 11 in the WTA, Timothy Neilly, 2004 Orange Bowl Boys' 18s Champion, Tim Smyczek, singles Semi Finalist at Wimbledon 2005, Kim Couts, 2006 Girls 18s Easter Bowl Champion, Gabriel Flores, 2006 Boy's 14 Winter National Finalist, and Ashley Weinhold, 2007 Girls18's Super National Hard Court Champion, Austin Krajicek. Kalamazoo Champion, B18s, 2008, Jordan Cox, Kalamazoo Champion, B16s 2008, Mac Styslinger, 2011 Australian Open Junior Quater-finalist, Alex Del Corral, 2011 Boys 12's, Spring

National Singles and Doubles Champion.

Please call Dr. Valverde to set up your free-20 minute consultation at (785) 979-1264 or visit his web site: www.bmentallytough.com Email: valverdeinfo@aol.com

35) ELEVATION IN TUCSON:

The city's elevation is 2,643 ft (806 m) above sea level.

36) AVERAGE TEMPERATURE IN DECEMBER:

Average temperature in Tucson is high of 64 and a low of 41.

37) TOURNAMENT TRAINER:

We will have a certified trainer from 8:30am till the end of the play each day at Reffkin Tennis Center "REFFK" 12/27-1/2, Tucson Racquet Club "TRC" 12/27-12/31, and the Hilton El Conquistador Resort "ECRES" 12/27-12/31. They can help with injuries and stretching and can also fill out injury report forms if a player cannot play in a match. Free of charge to the players!

38) OFFICIALS:

If a PLAYER is having a problem in their match (scoring dispute, line calls, injury etc) the PLAYER needs to get an official for their court. The parent or coach CANNOT request an official. If a player cannot find an official they should go to the tournament desk to request an official.

Please note matches are covered by Roving officials that are covering up to 4 courts at a time and will not be able to stay on one court for an entire match and will have to spend an equal amount of time on each of the courts they are assigned to monitor.