



2014 ITF Seniors World Team Championships

Italia Cup, Suzanne Lenglen Cup, Tony Trabert Cup, Young Cup,
Dubler Cup, Margaret Court Cup, Fred Perry Cup, Maria Esther
Bueno Cup, Austria Cup & Maureen Connolly Cup

Men's & Women's 35 – 55

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Fact Sheet as of 29 November 2013



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The International Team Competition for Men and Women in the 35-55 years age groups.

Venues: BallenIsles Country Club, Palm Beach Gardens* (14 courts) – **Tony Trabert Cup (M40), Maureen Connolly Cup (W55)**
PGA National Resort & Spa, Palm Beach Gardens (14 courts) – **Austria Cup (M55), Young Cup (W40)**
Boca Grove, Boca Raton* (10 courts) – **Italia Cup (M35)**
Polo Club Boca Raton* (20 courts) – **Dubler Cup (M45), Margaret Court Cup (W45)**
Woodfield Country Club, Boca Raton* (12 courts) – **Fred Perry Cup (M50)**
Boca West Country Club, Boca Raton* (16 courts) – **Suzanne Lenglen Cup (W35), Maria Esther Bueno Cup (W50)**

*Please note that these clubs do not accept cash. All purchases made on site (lunch etc) must be made by credit card.

Dates: Monday 21 – Saturday 26 April 2014

Please note that in the event of bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances, the ITF reserves the right to play on Sunday 27 April. Participating teams should take this into consideration when making travel arrangements in order to comply with Section II, Rule 16 of the ITF Seniors Regulations.

The competition will take place in accordance with the ITF Rules of Tennis and the ITF Seniors Regulations, which include the Regulations for the ITF Seniors World Team Championships and the ITF Seniors Code of Conduct.

The Competition will be played on a round robin basis, followed by knock out in the later stages where appropriate, to give a complete ranking of all teams. Each tie will consist of two singles and one doubles rubber. According to Section II, Rule 21 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, each team must consist of a minimum of two (2) players and a maximum of four (4) players, one of whom is designated captain. Alternatively, a non playing-captain can be nominated in addition. Players must have reached the appropriate age by 31 December 2014 and must have a valid Seniors IPIN.

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The Change of Ends tie-break will be used during the 2014 ITF Seniors World Team Championships for every tie-break. As per Appendix IV of the ITF Rules of Tennis, "Change of Ends": "During a tie-break game, players shall change ends after the first point and thereafter after every four points".

Matches will be played over the best of three tiebreak sets. The seven point tiebreak will operate at six games all in all in each set.

A copy of the passport will have to be sent with the nomination form for those players who have not played in the Competition in the last four years.

A copy of the ITF Seniors Regulations will be available for all team captains at the Captains' Meeting, along with a finalised list of team entries and nominations. The event formats can be found on the ITF Seniors website.

Entry deadline for National Team entries MONDAY 27 JANUARY 2014

Deadline for nomination of players MONDAY 10 MARCH 2014

According to Section II, rule 9 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, **all nominated players must be in possession of a valid Seniors IPIN**

Entry Fee \$ US 350 (+20% UK VAT where applicable) per participating team

WITHDRAWALS

According to section II, regulation 16 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, any team that withdraws its entry later than 28 days prior to the scheduled first day of play in the Competition may have its entry refused for the following year's Competition and shall be liable for a fine of up to four times the amount of the entry fee. Any team that

- i) is a no show
- ii) fails to play all its ties, including placement ties; or
- iii) is disqualified for an offence committed in the Competition

may have its entry refused for the following year's Competition and shall be fined. The fine shall be no greater than four times the amount of the entry fee.

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COURTS

Surface Har-Tru (green clay)
Match Courts 86 at 6 venues

Practice Courts Practice courts will be available at all venues from Friday 18 until Sunday 20 April, from 10am-7pm. Practice courts can be booked by calling the clubs, numbers as follows:
Ballensles Country Club, Palm Beach Gardens: +1 561 625 5707 ext. 2
PGA National Resort & Spa, Palm Beach Gardens: +1 561 624 8330
Boca Grove, Boca Raton: +1 561 487 7070
Polo Club Boca Raton: +1 561 995 1260
Woodfield Country Club, Boca Raton: +1 561 995 5213
Boca West Country Club, Boca Raton: +1 561 488 6996

Practice courts will also be available at Broken Sound Country Club, Boca Raton, tel: +1 561 241 6880.

Practice courts during the event to be confirmed at the Captains' Meetings.

MAKE OF BALL

Wilson Clay Court Championship

Practice Balls Teams will be provided with practice balls each day from Friday 18 April free of charge.

STRINGING

Stringing will be available on site at all clubs for a fee of \$15 (labour only) or \$27 (with strings).

ARRIVAL OF TEAMS

Earliest Date Thursday 17 April (for airport/railway station transportation)

Latest Date Sunday 20 April (for airport/railway station transportation)

TRANSPORT

Air: Palm Beach International Airport is situated approximately 15 miles from Palm Beach Gardens and 22 miles from Boca Raton.

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Rail: Teams who fly into Miami or Fort Lauderdale International Airports may catch the Tri-Rail train located at each airport to either the Yamato Train Station (Boca Raton) or West Palm Beach Train Station (Palm Beach Gardens). In order to see Tri-Rail schedules and fares (\$3-5 each way) go to www.tri-rail.com. Yamato Train Station is located 3-5 miles from the Boca Raton sites. West Palm Beach Train Station is located 12 miles from the Palm Beach Gardens sites.

All team members and accompanying persons will be taken from Palm Beach International Airport, West Palm Beach Train Station and Yamato Train Station **to the official hotels only** from Thursday 17 – Sunday 20 April, provided that Trina King (World Championships Organizing Committee) receives the Player Arrival Form no later than **Friday 15 March**. There is no charge for accompanying persons.

In order to benefit from this service, please complete and return the **Arrival Form** to Trina King (details given on form) by **Friday 15 March**. If required, teams will be returned to Palm Beach International Airport, West Palm Beach Train Station and Yamato Train Station on Sunday 27 and Monday 28 April, following the conclusion of the event. (Please see note on page 1 about the possibility of finishing the competition on Sunday 27 April).

Should the Championships finish on Saturday 26 April as planned, team players will be moved from Boca Raton to Palm Beach Gardens for the World Individual Championships on Saturday 26 April at 8.00pm and Sunday 27 April at 8.00am. Reservations will be required. The transportation fee is \$10 per person.

Car Hire:

Discounted rental car rates are available through Enterprise for ITF Seniors participants at this website: www.globaljbs.com/list/ITF (click on the Enterprise Rental Car link). Please indicate on your arrival form if you are planning to rent a car and not utilize official transportation. **This is very important as the clubs have limited car parking facilities and we need to ensure that there is enough parking space for all teams who require it.**

REGISTRATION

The registration desk at each club will be open on Saturday 19 April from 9am-5pm and Sunday 20 April from 9am-2pm. **Captains must register their teams during this period, before the start of their respective Captains' Meeting.**

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PROGRAMME

- Captains' Meeting:** Sunday 20 April at each club, times to be confirmed direct to captains. **According to section II, rule 34 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, should the captain of a team or the appointed delegate fail to attend the Captains' Meeting without having notified the ITF in advance, the team shall be fined half the amount of the entry fee.**
- Draw:** Sunday 20 April immediately after the Captains' Meetings.
- Opening Ceremony:** Sunday 20 April at 4pm at BallenIsles Country Club in Palm Beach Gardens, sponsored by BallenIsles Country Club (for teams playing at PGA and BallenIsles). Sunday 20 April at 3pm at Polo Club Boca Raton (for teams playing at all other venues). Transport will leave from the official hotels from 2pm (exact time will be posted at each hotel). All players are requested to wear their official team clothing.
- Start of Play:** Monday 21 April at 11.30am (tentative start time, to be confirmed by the ITF on site)
- Finals:** Saturday 26 April – time to be confirmed by the ITF Representative on site. *(Please see note on page 1)*
- Prize Giving Ceremony:** Saturday 26 April, immediately following completion of the finals. *(please see note on page 1).*

SOCIAL EVENTS

Welcome Cocktail Party

On Sunday 20 April after the opening ceremony at BallenIsles Country Club in Palm Beach Gardens (sponsored by BallenIsles Country Club) and the Polo Club Boca Raton. Free of charge to all team members and accompanying persons.

Official Dinners

Boca Raton:

Wednesday 23 April from 7pm at the Polo Club Boca Raton. Free of charge for all team members **playing in Boca Raton**, \$25 for accompanying persons. Dress code: casual.

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Palm Beach Gardens:

Thursday 24 April at 7pm at the Hilton Hotel Singer Island. Free of charge for all team members playing in Palm Beach Gardens, \$25 for accompanying persons. Dress code: casual.

Accompanying persons can buy tickets at the registration desk at each club.

ITF REPRESENTATIVES		Sergio Elias, Peter Nader, David Stobart, Ronnie van't Hof
TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR		Trish Faulkner
TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR BOCA RATON		Jean Mills
ITF STAFF		Helen McFetridge, Hayley Iveson
ITF PHOTOGRAPHER		Susan Mullane
OFFICIALS	Referees	TBC
	Chief of Umpires	TBC
	Chair Umpires	Chair umpires will be provided for the 1 st & 2 nd and 3 rd & 4 th place play-offs.
	Linespersons	Linespersons will not be provided
	Ballpersons	Ballpersons will be provided for the 1 st & 2 nd and 3 rd & 4 th place play-offs (singles rubbers only)

TROPHIES

Trophies will be presented to the winning teams, together with medals presented by the ITF. The losing finalists and third placed teams will also receive medals presented by the ITF.

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The Captain of each winning team will have to take the trophy to his/her home country on behalf of his/her national association. The national association must then ensure that it is engraved and delivered in good time to the 2015 ITF Seniors World Team Championships.

DRESS ON COURT

Players and captains are strongly recommended to dress at all times on court in compliance with Team Identification principles. To comply a player and captain shall display the country's name on the back of his/her shirt or he/she shall dress in National colours. Team Identification shall be in accordance with the Official ITF Seniors Style Guide (attached). Members of a doubles team shall be dressed in substantially the same colours.

Please note that the Country Clubs do not allow t-shirts on court.

MEDICAL & TRAVEL INSURANCE

According to Section II, Rule 27 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, players are responsible for checking with their local health authority regarding medical recommendations for travel to the country hosting the ITF Seniors World Team Championships.

Each national association is responsible for ensuring that all members of their team(s), and any accompanying officials in their delegation, are fully and adequately covered by insurance for the purposes of attending and participating in the ITF Seniors World Team Championships.

The ITF Ltd, the host association and the host site cannot accept any liability for any participant or visitor in this respect.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Please contact the ITF offices in Florida and/or London for any matter related to Health and Safety.

VISA RECOMMENDATIONS

Please contact the US embassy in your country to find out about visa requirements for entry into the USA. Should you require an invitation letter to apply for visas, the USTA will forward you an appropriate letter. To start the process, please forward your request for an invitation letter to the ITF Seniors Department in London as early as possible to avoid problems obtaining visas. Neither the ITF nor the USTA can take any responsibility for the failure of any player to obtain a visa.

For further information on the tournament and the Palm Beach County area please see the tournament website: www.itfseniorsworldchampionships2014.com.

Palm Beach County Sports Commission is the Presenting Sponsor of the ITF Seniors World Championships. For more information on Palm Beach County please see www.palmbeachfl.com.

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ACCOMMODATION

It is recommended that accommodation is booked at one of the official accommodation providers.

All accommodation must be booked through www.globaljbs.com/list/ITF in order to benefit from the special tournament rates. If you have problems booking please email trina@globaljbs.com or phone +1 866 652 1226. Further information on all hotels can be found at www.globaljbs.com/list/ITF.

All prices are in USD and include all taxes and breakfast. The price shown is the total cost per room.

Please ensure that you book your accommodation by Friday 15 March in order to benefit from the special tournament rates. Any player booking after this date will have to pay standard rates and cannot be guaranteed a room in an official hotel.

Boca Raton Hotels – 35, 45, 50 age categories only

Boca Raton Marriott at Boca Center, 5150 Town Center Circle, Boca Raton, FL 33486 - 4 Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room
1 King Bed with Single Sleeper Sofa	\$120.99	\$120.99	\$120.99	NA
2 Double Beds	\$120.99	\$120.99	\$120.99	\$120.99

Renaissance Boca Raton Hotel - 2000 NW 19th Street Boca Raton, FL 33431 - 3 ½ Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room
1 King Bed	\$143.19	\$143.19	NA	NA
2 Double Beds	\$143.19	\$143.19	\$154.29	\$165.39

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Embassy Suites Hotel Boca Raton - 661 NW 53rd Street Boca Raton, FL 33487 - 3 Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room	5 People per Room	6 People per Room
1 Bedroom Suite 1 King Bed with Full Sofa Sleeper	\$120.99	\$120.99	\$132.09	\$132.09	NA	NA
1 Bedroom Suite 2 Double Beds with Full Sofa Sleeper	\$120.99	\$120.99	\$132.09	\$132.09	\$143.19	\$143.19

Hilton Boca Raton Suites - 7920 Glades Road, Boca Raton, FL 33434 - 3 Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room	5 People per Room
Suite 1 King Bed with Single Sofa Sleeper	\$120.99	\$120.99	\$132.09	NA	NA
Suite 2 Double Beds with Single Sofa Sleeper	\$120.99	\$120.99	\$132.09	\$143.19	\$143.19

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SpringHill Suites Marriott Boca Raton - 5130 NW 8th Avenue, Boca Raton, FL 33487 - 3 Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room	5 People per Room
Studio Suite 1 King Bed with Full Size Sofa Sleeper	\$116.55	\$116.55	\$116.55	NA	NA
Studio Suite 2 Double Beds with Full Size Sofa Sleeper	\$116.55	\$116.55	\$116.55	\$116.55	\$116.55

TownePlace Suites Marriott Boca Raton - 5110 NW 8th Avenue, Boca Raton, FL 33487 – 3 Star

All rooms with full kitchen.

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room	5 People per Room	6 People per Room
Studio Suite 1 Queen Bed with Full Size Sofa sleeper	\$116.55	\$116.55	\$116.55	\$116.55	NA	NA
Two Bedroom Suite with 1 Queen Bed in Each Room, Queen Sofa Sleeper	\$138.75	\$138.75	\$138.75	\$138.75	\$138.75	\$138.75

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Wyndham, Boca Raton - 1950 Glades Road, Boca Raton, FL 33431 – 3 Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room
1 King Bed	\$120.99	\$120.99	NA	NA
2 Double Beds	\$120.99	\$120.99	\$120.99	\$120.99
Suite 1 King Bed	\$187.59	\$187.59	NA	NA
Suite 2 Double Beds	\$187.59	\$187.59	\$187.59	\$187.59

The following hotels are also recommended hotels, with discounted tournament rates for those teams **with own transportation only**. Transportation will not be provided between these hotels and the airport or clubs. Further information is available at www.globaljbs.com/list/ITF.

Delray Beach Marriott – Ocean front hotel – rates from \$254.19
 Residence Inn Boca Raton – Suites with full kitchen – rates from \$154.29

Palm Beach Gardens Hotels – 40, 55 age categories only

Hilton Garden Inn Palm Beach Gardens - 3505 Kyoto Gardens Drive, PBG, FL 33410 - 4 ½ Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room
1 King Bed	\$132.09	\$132.09	NA	NA
2 Queen Beds	\$132.09	\$132.09	\$132.09	\$132.09

Hampton Inn Palm Beach Gardens - 4001 RCA Boulevard, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 - 4½ Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room	5 People per Room
1 King Bed with Full Size Sofa Sleeper	\$120.99	\$120.99	\$132.09	\$132.09	NA
2 Double Beds with Full Size Sofa Sleeper	\$132.09	\$132.09	\$132.09	\$132.09	\$132.09

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Palm Beach Gardens Marriott - 4000 RCA Blvd Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 - 4 ½ Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room
1 King Bed	\$154.29	\$154.29	NA	NA
2 Double Beds	\$154.29	\$154.29	\$154.29	\$154.29

DoubleTree by Hilton Palm Beach Gardens - 4431 PGA Blvd, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 – 4 Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room
2 Queen Beds	\$143.19	\$143.19	\$143.19	\$143.19
1 King Bed with Full Size Sofa Sleeper	\$143.19	\$143.19	\$143.19	\$143.19
Studio Suite 1 King Bed with Full Size Sofa Sleeper	\$154.29	\$154.29	\$154.29	\$154.29

Embassy Suites Palm Beach Gardens - 4350 PGA BLVD Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 - 4 Star

Room Type:	1 person per Room	2 People per Room	3 People per Room	4 People per Room	5 People per Room
King Bed suite with Full Size Sofa Sleeper	\$154.29	\$154.29	\$154.29	\$154.29	\$154.29
Two Double Bed Suite with Full Size Sofa Sleeper	\$165.39	\$165.39	\$165.39	\$165.39	\$165.39

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Hilton Singer Island – Ocean front hotel – rates from \$154.29
 Residence Inn West Palm Beach – Suites with full kitchen – rates from \$143.19

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Homewood Suites by Hilton Palm Beach Gardens – rates from \$154.29

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TEAM ARRIVAL FORM

TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED FROM THURSDAY 17 – SUNDAY 20 APRIL TO COLLECT TEAMS AND ACCOMPANYING PERSONS ON ARRIVAL AT **PALM BEACH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT/WEST PALM BEACH TRAIN STATION / YAMATO TRAIN STATION.**

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO TRINA KING BY 15 MARCH.

THE PICK-UP SERVICE FROM THE AIRPORT/TRAIN STATION OPERATES SEVERAL TIMES A DAY, times TBC

RETURN TO: TRINA KING
 FAX: +1 561 290 0374
 EMAIL: trina@globaljbs.com
 TEL: +1 561 290 0587

PLEASE DO NOT SEND THIS FORM TO THE ITF
LATEST DATE FOR ARRIVALS: Sunday 20 April

COUNTRY.....

OUR TEAM **DOES NOT** NEED COLLECTING ON ARRIVAL

CUP EVENT.....

PLEASE COLLECT OUR TEAM ON ARRIVAL

Tick box as appropriate

NAME (Note: Please identify accompanying persons by initials "AP")	ARRIVAL DATE & TIME	AIRPORT/ TRAIN STATION	FLIGHT NUMBER	HOTEL	USING OFFICIAL TRANSPORTATION
					Y / N
					Y / N
					Y / N
					Y / N

Name:

Signature:

Tel:

Email:

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TEAM DEPARTURE FORM

TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED FROM SUNDAY 27 to MONDAY 28 APRIL TO DROP OFF DEPARTING TEAMS AND ACCOMPANYING PERSONS TO **PALM BEACH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT/WEST PALM BEACH TRAIN STATION / YAMATO TRAIN STATION.**

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO TRINA KING NO LATER THAN 15 MARCH.

THE DROP-OFF SERVICE TO THE AIRPORT/TRAIN STATION OPERATES SEVERAL TIMES A DAY, times TBC

RETURN TO: **TRINA KING**
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 TEL: +1 561 290 0587
 EMAIL: trina@globaljbs.com

PLEASE DO NOT SEND THIS FORM TO THE ITF

LATEST DATE FOR DEPARTURES: Monday 28 April

COUNTRY.....

CUP EVENT.....

OUR TEAM **DOES NOT** NEED THE DROP OFF SERVICE

PLEASE DROP OUR TEAM OFF AT AIRPORT/TRAIN STATION

Tick box as appropriate

NAME (Note: Please identify accompanying persons by initials "AP")	DATE OF DEPARTURE	PICK UP POINT (HOTEL)	AIRPORT/ TRAIN	DEPARTURE TIME	FLIGHT NUMBER

Name:

Signature:

Tel:

Email: