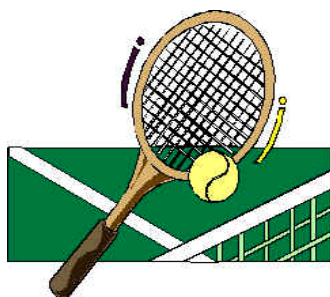

2006 INDIVIDUAL TENNIS FORMAT

SPORT SPECIFIC INFORMATION



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2006 INDIVIDUAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & INFORMATION	DATE	TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS (cont)
Tournament Entry Form Due	Received on or before Monday, May 8, 2006	Tournament Director contact information is available in the "Members Only" section of the MIAA website
Seedings:	Wednesday, May 10 (Check with your director for site and time)	
Sectional Rounds: Rain Date:	May 13, 14 and May 20, 21 May 27, 28	
State Tournament Rounds:	Saturday, June 17 Clark Univ. Corash Tennis Courts Sunday June 18 – Rain Date	
Semi-Finals	9:00 a.m. Boys and Girls Singles 10:30 a.m. – Boys and Girls Doubles South v. North West v. Central	North (B) Mr. Andy Shupe North (G) Mr. Chris DuBose South (B) Mr. Richard Norman South (G) Mr. Dennis Comolli
State Finals	Approx. 1:00 p.m. Boys & Girls Singles Approx. 1:30 p.m. Boys & Girls Doubles	Central (B) Ms. Kate Breen Central (G) Mr. Tim Breen West (B) Mr. Tom Voisen West (G) Mr. Edsel Ford State Boys & Girls Mr. Richard Norman
Rain Date	Sunday, June 18	
	<u>SITE DIRECTORS</u> Site Manager-North (B) Mr. John Geilfuss Site Manager-North (G) Mr. Bob Jampol Site Manager-South (B) Mr. Phil Goldberg Site Manager-South (G) Ms. Faith Heneghan	

THE FOLLOWING FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED:	Due:
Tournament Entry Form	Monday, May 8, 2006
Tournament Code of Conduct Form	Monday, May 8, 2006

2006 MIAA BOYS/GIRLS SINGLES/DOUBLES TENNIS TOURNAMENTS

A. Criteria for Entry

1. **A player must be a bona fide member of an MIAA high school tennis team.**
2. Each boys and girls team is limited to a total of (5) five entries (i.e., 3 singles and 2 doubles teams) into the MIAA sectional singles/doubles tennis tournament.
3. Doubles players must have played half their matches up to the time of the first round of the sectional tournament as doubles, though not necessarily with each other.
4. **Players must be entered in order of their position on the team.**
5. Please mail your entry to the director or site manager of the location where you will be competing as stated below.
6. **NO entries or substitutions will be accepted at the sites.**
7. **NOTE: All players must be accompanied by a coach as signed on the official entry form or the player(s) will not be allowed to participate. The coach must remain for the entire match(es). (SEE SECTION C-8)**
8. Any mixed doubles teams (one male, one female) must play in the boys' doubles tournament.
9. If you are not entering a team please notify the appropriate director.

B. Proposed Sites and Assignments - The following is subject to change.

1. South Boys

- a. Barnstable High School: shall include teams from: **Entry to Richard Norman**
(First match at 10:00 a.m.)
 - 1) Leagues: Mayflower, Cape and Islands, Eastern Athletic Conference, South Coast, Atlantic Coast (excluding Quincy and North Quincy) and Old Colony.
 - 2) Schools: New Bedford, Durfee, Mashpee, Middleboro, Duxbury, Pembroke, Cape Cod Academy, Carver, Sturgis, Martha's Vineyard, Silver Lake and Harwich.
- b. Newton North: shall include teams from: **Entry to Phil Goldberg**
 - 1) Leagues: Hockomock, South Shore (excluding Mashpee, Carver and Harwich), Bay State and Patriot (excluding Middleboro, Silver Lake and Duxbury).
 - 2) Schools: Quincy, North Quincy, Brockton, Catholic Memorial, Xaverian, and B.C. High, Archbishop Williams, and Marian.
- c. Barnstable High School: Finals - Second weekend

2. South Girls

- a. Old Rochester High School; shall include teams from: **Entry to Dennis Comolli**
 - 1) Leagues: Mayflower, South Coast, Eastern Athletic Conference, Cape and Islands, Atlantic Coast (excluding Quincy and North Quincy) and Old Colony (excluding Marshfield).
 - 2) Schools: Silver Lake, Pembroke, Martha's Vineyard, Cape Cod Academy, Sturgis, Middleboro, Carver, New Bedford, Durfee, Harwich, and Mashpee.
- b. Hingham High School; shall include teams from: **Entry to Faith Heneghan**
(Singles 8:30 a.m./ Doubles 11:00 a.m.)
 - 1) Leagues: Hockomock, Bay State, Girls Catholic Conference (schools South of the Mass. Pike), South Shore (excluding Mashpee, Carver and Harwich), and Patriot (excluding Silver Lake and Pembroke).
 - 2) Schools: Quincy, North Quincy, Marshfield, Brockton, Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop Williams and Duxbury.

c. Old Rochester Regional High School; Finals – Second Weekend

3. North Boys

- a. Chelmsford High School - Shall include teams from: **Entries to Andy Shupe**
- 1) Leagues: Cape Ann, Commonwealth, Northeast Conference, and Merrimack Valley.
 - 2) Schools: St. John's, Austin Prep., Melrose, Stoneham, Woburn, Reading, Burlington, and Wakefield, and St. Mary's (Lynn).
- b. Weston High School: Shall include teams from: **Entries to John Geilfuss**
- 1) Leagues: Dual County, Greater Boston, and Tri Valley.
 - 2) Schools: Belmont, Lexington, Watertown, Winchester, Bishop Fenwick, Malden Catholic, and Arlington Catholic.
- c. TBA: Finals - North sectional boys' - Second weekend

4. North Girls

Entries to Chris DuBose or Bob Jampol

- a. Site for first weekend: Newton South OR Wayland:
Teams from these leagues: Cape Ann, Catholic Conference (schools north of the Mass Pike), Commonwealth, Dual County, Greater Boston, Merrimack Valley, Middlesex, Northeast Conference and Tri Valley. Independent schools north of the Mass Pike.
Teams will be placed at either Newton South or Wayland, with the goal of achieving a balance of strength at each site.
- b. Wayland High School: All Finals - Second weekend

5. **Central Boys** – all participants report to **Marlborough HS** **Entry to Kate Breen**
for court assignments
6. **Central Girls – Clark University & TBA** **Entry to Tim Breen**
7. **West Boys** – TBA **Entry to Tom Voisen**
8. **West Girls** – TBA **Entry to Edsel Ford**
9. **State** - All sectional winners will play at Clark University's Corash Tennis Courts

C. Tournament Regulations - Sectional and State

1. Draw

a. Sectionals

- 1). The draw and the operation of the tournament shall be the sole responsibility of the sectional tournament director.
- 2). Singles players and doubles team(s) from the same school shall be in separate quarters of the draw.
- 3). Players from the same league should not meet in the first round, where possible.

b. State - (See Page 2)

2. Game Balls

a. Sectionals

- 1). **Each singles/doubles team must bring an unopened can of USTA approved optic yellow tennis balls (not low pressure).**
- 2). **Coaches should bring extra balls in case of loss or damage.**
- 3). **The winner of each match receives the unopened can to use for the next round.**
- 4). **This procedure is repeated for each round.**

- b. **State** - USTA approved optic yellow balls will be provided by the Tournament Director.

3. Game Rules

- a. USTA rules and the current MIAA Blue Book/Coaches Handbook are in effect for all matches.
- b. Players are not to leave the playing enclosure during the match except for a bathroom break.
- c. The first three games of each set will be played without a rest except for the change of ends after the first game. Coaching is allowed by the high school coach during odd game changeovers for one minute except after the first game of each set. Coaching is also allowed during the 2 minute rest period at the end of each set. Coaches are not allowed on the playing surface.
- d. The racquet spin is to be conducted before the ten minute warm-up period.
- e. Playing sites shall be asphalt or hard court consistency.
- f. Injury Time-Out - According to MIAA Rules (5 mins.)
- g. Players will receive at least one (1) hour rest between single matches and one-half (1/2) hour rest between doubles matches.
- h. It is recommended that students ***not be requested to play more than 2 singles matches in one day.***

4. Medical Coverage – It is the responsibility of each participating school to provide for the first aid/medical needs of their student athletes.

5. **Sportsmanship** - The tournament director or his/her designee shall have authority to default any player for unsportsmanlike conduct. A warning should precede any disqualification. However, a flagrant violation may result in immediate disqualification. This authority includes matches where officials are assigned.

6. Line Calls/Foot Faults

- a. Complaints concerning line calls or foot faults shall be made by a player to his/her coach.
- b. It shall be the coach's decision to inform the tournament director of any concerns.
- c. The tournament director shall inform the opposing coach and player of the concerns.
- d. Upon request the tournament director shall provide an arbitrator to monitor the match.
- e. Students shall ***NOT*** be asked to watch the lines.

7. **Dress** - All players must be dressed in **the official school uniform** to participate. Players are asked to avoid sneakers with black soles to eliminate any adverse markings on playing surfaces of host sites.

8. Starting Times

- a. Players are to be at the playing site or assigned courts on time, ready to play.
- b. After a 15 minute wait period, if the coach has not communicated with the tournament director the match will be defaulted.
- c. The player receiving the default will advance to the next round of play.
- d. PLAYERS ENTERED IN THE TOURNAMENT ARE EXPECTED TO HONOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN EVERY ROUND THEY ATTAIN.

9. Coach/School Designee

- a. **IMPORTANT: All players must be accompanied by their high school coach. The coach must identify him/herself to the tournament director upon arrival at the tournament site.**
- b. If the high school coach is unable to attend, the principal, in a signed letter, may appoint an official school designee. This letter must be presented to the Tournament Director when the player(s) check in.
- c. The official school designee may coach during the match.
- d. The coach/school designee is to remain at the tournament site for the entire playing time of his/her player(s).
- e. Failure to observe these rules will result in the player(s) being defaulted.

10. Inclement Weather/Postponements

- a. If rain dates have been exhausted and inclement weather occurs, permission to schedule indoor matches must first be obtained from either Richard Norman (Tournament Director) or Bill McGuirk (at the MIAA office).
- b. If rain occurs during matches, the tournament director/site director will decide if play should continue.
- c. A suspended match shall resume at the exact point of suspension.
- d. *PLEASE HELP! Schools are requested to bring extra roll-dri or squeegee(s).*

11. Umpires

- a. Sectional - use of chair umpires at sectional finals is strongly recommended.
- b. State - chair umpires will be assigned by USTA to each semi-final and final match.

D. RESPONSIBILITY OF PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

All schools are responsible before, during and after a match for the proper conduct of their coaches, athletes, students and spectators and, when requested, a school must complete a report regarding the match in which a problem occurred.