

CRITERIA AND BENEFITS OF CLUB AFFILIATION WITH BTA

What is BTA affiliation?

Clubs involved in the sport of tennis can gain a range of benefits if they affiliate with BTA. The BTA is made up of strong clubs and we wish to continue to support their growth and development in the sport of tennis.

Affiliated clubs have the following benefits:

- New Membership provisions support the growth of clubs in order to participate in BTA pennant competitions.
- Access to a wider network of support services to grow tennis.
- Regular contact and meetings (quarterly) with the BTA.
- Support from the BTA for future development and access to funding organisations.
- Greater access to specialised coaching and training programs.
- Access to provide club news in the BTA newsletters, on a rotational basis with other clubs.
- Club details and flyers to be displayed at Nolan Street centre.
- Access to the Nolan Street courts for the purpose of your club championships.
- The Club is eligible to 25% discount on hire of function rooms at Nolan Street centre.

Become affiliated and share these benefits!

Affiliating your club

Affiliating your club is easy but there are a few things that we need to see first:

- Must be a “non for profit” organisation and incorporated under an Associations Incorporation Act or similar legislation (proof of current incorporation).

- A copy of your Club Constitution. The club constitution is basically the guidelines and rules by which your club will be run which includes all provisions for memberships, disciplinary matters, the committee, and meetings etc.
- A copy of your club's Certificate of Incorporation.
- Details of your club facilities and home base – it is a requirement of the BTA for clubs to have home courts.
- A Certificate of Currency for Insurance.

Bendigo Tennis Association – Club Affiliation

Current Clubs are:

- Spring Gully TC
- South Bendigo TC
- Strathfieldsaye TC
- Ironbark TC
- Strathdale Park TC

The new BTA Committee of Management is attempting to contact as many clubs as possible with a view to have them on board in the common goal for the growth and development of tennis in Bendigo and surrounding regions. The aim is to have at least eight affiliated clubs in the not-too-distant future.

The aims are to increase participation whilst supporting our member clubs and to assist with this the Committee of Management has developed new fees for affiliation of incorporated clubs, subject to application as per the BTA constitution.

New affiliation fees for clubs from 1 October 2020 (these fees are reviewed annually):

- New and small clubs (less than 100 members) (Strathfieldsaye, Ironbark and Strathdale Park) \$150 per year
- Larger clubs (greater than 100 members) (Spring Gully and South Bendigo) \$300 per year