



# MTC Junior Participation Grant Guidelines

## 1. Purpose of the program

The MTC Junior Participation Grant has been established to encourage young people aged 18 years and under to participate in tennis at MTC by providing financial support towards the costs of tennis participation.

Funds have been raised to assist local young people with the costs of tennis participation whether it be to contribute to coaching fees, fixture fees, tournament or equipment costs. Funds are intended to support those who would benefit from Club support to continue or increase their participation at MTC or in the wider tennis community via tournaments or other related competition activities.

In line with the objects of the MTC, being to promote, encourage and advance the game of tennis, the Management Committee has committed to supporting juniors at our Club.

## 2. Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for a grant, applicants must:

- i. Display good sportsmanship and behaviour at all times, abide by all Mooloolaba Tennis Club Rules (a copy of which can be viewed at <http://www.mooloolabatennisclub.com.au/downloads>) and Tennis Australia National Policies (which can be viewed at <http://www.tennis.com.au/about-tennis-australia/reports-and-policies/policies>).
- ii. A maximum of 1 grant per applicant per calendar year will be considered.
- iii. Applicant must have been a fully paid financial member of the Mooloolaba Tennis Club for the 3 months immediately prior to the application date.
- iv. Applications will ONLY be accepted if completed on the MTC Junior Funding Grant Application form and with supporting receipts and cost information attached.
- v. Applications will only be accepted during the funding application period.
- vi. Aged 18 years or under at the time of the application.

## 3. Application and Allocation of Available Funds

- i. Funds will be allocated on the basis of the information provided on the application form and there is demonstrated continued or increased participation or need.
- ii. All grants are at the discretion of Mooloolaba Tennis Club Inc. Management Committee
- iii. All amounts or benefits will be subject to the available funds in the Grant Pool and number of successful applicants in the funding round. We expect grants will range in value from \$40 - \$150 or as decided otherwise by the Management Committee in accordance with the previous parameters outlined above.
- iv. Funds are derived predominantly from fund raising activities throughout the year. The MTC Management Committee may also contribute towards the fund pool.
- v. The program is subject to review of objectives and outcomes following each funding round and may be cancelled where the intent is not being met or unforeseen circumstances make continuing the program excessively onerous or arduous.

## 4. Funding Timeframes

- i. In this the inaugural year of this program, there will be one funding round in 2016
- ii. Grant Applications will be accepted between 11 July and 30 August 2016.
- iii. Grants will be assessed during September 2016 and notification of successful grants shall be issued in the first week in November 2016
- iv. Frequency of 2017 funding rounds will be decided in early 2017 by the Management Committee on the basis of demand, available funds and success or otherwise of the 2016 Participation Grant program.

## 5. About the MTC

The Mooloolaba Tennis club dates back to 1947. At that time, it was established adjacent to the River Esplanade where the Wharf complex and Underwater World are now located. Due to increased development the club relocated to its present location in 1990. The Club throughout its history has been managed by a dedicated group of volunteers, guiding the progress of the Club, the establishment and maintenance of its facilities and supporting and promoting the game of tennis for its senior and junior members and the tennis playing community. This Club has always valued to involvement of juniors within the club and recognises the many benefits of developing tennis as a lifelong sport. The management committee is committed to junior participation and development.