

APRIL

2017

# PING

## MEDALS OF EVERY COLOUR

Brisbane members  
medal in ITTF  
Aus Junior Open

## INTERCLUB COMPS

**BRISBANE  
OPEN**  
MAY 13 & 14

FREE



# INTER CLUB FRIENDLY

## REPRESENT YOUR CLUB!

### **BTTA vs MBTTA**

2016 saw the first friendly match-up between Brisbane Table Tennis & Moreton Bay Table Tennis.

That competition resulted in a draw. This is a friendly comp so we need players of **ALL SKILL LEVELS.**

We will have 5 divisions.

Who will be victorious?

Sign on now to represent your club.

May 7th 10am @ Moreton Bay Club.

Please contact Michael Bygraves to sign-on.

## Fixtures Sign-on

The Winter Fixtures Season is not too far off, so now is the time to sign-on. We play fixtures on

Monday & Tuesday nights, kicking-off @ 7:15pm.

On Monday night you can register as a team or let the committee find a team for you. On Tuesday nights the teams are set according to Ratings Central ratings.

## Play Fixtures: Get \$5 Off

Here's a special bonus when you sign-on to the winter season. When you register and pay full price for a fixture night (\$14), just ask for a voucher which entitles you to come back for a training session or squad session later that same week (when the Centre is open) and get \$5 off.

If you want to play fixtures on both Monday & Tuesday nights, the second night remains half price.

## Adult Beginners

Want to get into playing Table Tennis? Adult Beginners is a great start. Wed night coaching 7:30pm-9pm (register by 7:15pm) designed for Adult beginners.

**Special offer** - only \$112 for 6 week program that includes social membership. Normally = \$80. Normally Adult Group Coaching = \$22 (non-member) so 6 x \$22 per session = \$132.

Instead of paying \$212 you only pay \$112. Instead of \$22 a session you only pay \$12 & you get half price member. This is a total saving of \$100. This is terrific value. New players welcome year round.

## FIREBALLS!

Kids love to play Table Tennis. Wed nights 6pm - 7:30pm . Designed specially for kids. During school term - only \$9 per child. This is great value! For more info see <https://goo.gl/bptYNN>



# MEDALS OF EVERY COLOUR

## Gold Medal On International Debut

Congratulations to BTTA members who have won medals of every colour in the **ITTF Australian Open Junior & Cadet Championships 2017** in the teams category.

It was gold for Ben Lander. Ben got a wildcard to enter the tournament and was teamed up with two boys from Japan.

"I was excited to get a wildcard, this is the first time I've played in an international competition," said Ben.

"I was pleased that I beat my opponent from Australia B so my team won in straight matches, but I never expected to win the gold medal. My Japanese team-mates are great players, so really I owe it to them," said Ben.

Together the Japanese/Australia team took the gold. Ben Lander was also the only BTTA member who won his way through to the final 14 in the Singles event. But he was knocked out by his Japanese team-mate who went on to claim silver in an all Japanese final.

Benjamin Gould was in the Australia A team who secured the silver medal (not in the photo). And Mateo Dvorani was in the Australia C team who won bronze.

### Gold

Japan/Aus team -  
Ben Lander

### Silver

Aus A team -  
Benjamin Gould

### Bronze

Aus C team -  
Mateo Dvorani



# New Table Tennis Events Proposed for the Olympics

In the lead up to the Tokyo 2020 Olympics International Federations have proposed new events.

Four sports will compete for the first time at Tokyo 2020: karate, skateboarding, sport climbing and surfing with baseball and softball making a return after being dropped after 2008.

According to insidethegames, ten sports have requested new events.

These are archery, aquatics, basketball, boxing, judo, modern pentathlon, table tennis, taekwondo, triathlon and weightlifting, who have all proposed new events or disciplines.

Specifically, Table tennis have proposed men's and women's doubles and mixed doubles events.

This would be in addition to the four existing singles and team events.

## QLD JUNIORS 2017

The Queensland Junior Championships has been rescheduled to 22-24 April in Mackay due to the effects of Tropical Cyclone Debbie. Despite the postponement several Brisbane Table Tennis juniors will make the trek to Mackay to compete.

We wish them luck!



MAY 13 & 14

# BRISBANE OPEN

ALL WELCOME!

The Brisbane Open returns to the Brisbane Table Tennis Club in May and you are invited. Last year more than 150 people entering the Brisbane Open. Let's break the record! Help make the event a smashing success. The 2017 event has more than \$4,000 prize money. Plus there is a special hotel accommodation special at the nearby Brisbane International Hotel (Windsor) - Quote BTTA17 when you book. We have some great raffle prizes including a \$100 Dinner Vochure from Va Bene Italian Restuarant & a Party Rental For 6 from Laser Tag in a Box. So if you are vying for victory in the Main Event, want to make your mark in the Graded Events, or just want to have some fun with the novelty events, then register today.

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[BrisbaneTableTennis.org.au/brisbane-open-2017](http://BrisbaneTableTennis.org.au/brisbane-open-2017)



## **GOLD COAST COMMONWEALTH GAMES**

The Gold Coast Commonwealth Games have announced ticket prices for the Table Tennis. Adults from \$20. Children from \$10. Movieworld's Sound Stage 9, regularly used to film Hollywood blockbusters, is the largest sound stage in the southern hemisphere and during the Commonwealth Games it will host the Table Tennis. The Com-Games Team describe Table Tennis to be like threading a needle while on a roller-coaster.

Keep up to date here: <https://www.gc2018.com/sport/table-tennis>

# BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL



## **Accommodation Special: Brisbane International Hotel**

Brisbane International Hotel (Windsor) has a special offer for this year's Brisbane Table Tennis's Brisbane Open.

To support the Brisbane Open the Brisbane International Hotel Windsor has offered competitors and supports 10% off their standard rates, so per night it is \$122 for a Queen Room (room only). Plus as an optional extra you can add a full hot buffet breakfast for \$15pp. Or \$155 in a twin room (2 beds) including 2 breakfasts, plus you can add an extra person for \$15. This room sleeps up to 3. Included in all packages is Free WIFI and free car parking. The 4 Star Hotel also has 24hr room service, laundry facilities, a fitness room, sauna & outdoor pool. (Not available with other discounts, subject to availability.)

Located on Lutwyche Rd, Windsor the hotel is a short 750 metre walk (around 10 minutes) from the Table Tennis stadium.

Call 1800 811 343 and use promo code "BTTA17" to get the discount. Or book online <http://www.brisbaneinternationalhotels.com.au/windsor/hotel-accommodation>

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