

Great Britain / USA / Australia / France

LTA Grand Slam Nations Challenge (To include The Maureen Connolly Challenge Trophy – GB v USA)

Tuesday 23rd June to Thursday 25th June 2015
Devonshire Park, College Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 4JJ

FACT SHEET

Teams	<p>Each team is invited to nominate a squad of up to five 18&u Girls (minimum four) plus their team captains.</p> <p>Nominations for teams must be sent to Kate Meakin (kate.meakin@lta.org.uk) at the LTA by Friday 12th June 2015. Changes to nominations can be made until 6pm on Monday 22nd June.</p>
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Match Format	<p>Each nation will play a tie against each other in a round robin format. Each match will consist of 6 rubbers – 4 singles and 2 doubles. All singles matches are the best of 3 tiebreak sets. Doubles matches will be two sets and a match tie break. Captains will be allowed to sit on the court.</p> <p>If a tie is level at 3-3 after the singles and doubles, a tie break shoot out will be played to decide the winner. This will consist of two singles tie breaks and, should it be necessary, a deciding doubles tie break. Captains will decide who plays in which tie break.</p> <p>The winner / final positions will be decided based on number of ties won; thereafter total number of rubbers won. If this remains equal then the percentage of sets won to sets played will be taken into account and finally, if necessary, percentage of games played to games won.</p> <p>For The Maureen Connolly Challenge Trophy, a result will stand assuming at least all the singles matches have been completed.</p> <p>In the event of bad weather, uncompleted matches will be finished on Friday 26th June. In such circumstances, a change to the format may be considered if agreed by the referee and all team captains. If bad weather persists on Friday 26th the final standings will be decided based on completed matches.</p> <p>Each team is permitted to nominate 5 players in their squad. The team captains will be required to submit a team of four players for singles on each match day thirty minutes before the start of play to the referee. Doubles pairings must be nominated 10 minutes after the fourth singles rubber each day and can include any member of the 5 player squad.</p> <p>The schedule of play will be similar on all match days. Each match will be played on 2 courts with two singles and one doubles match being played on each court (as outlined below).</p> <p>Captain's Meeting and Media Event for all players – Monday 22nd June. Time tbc.</p> <p>Additional rules</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. ITF Junior Code of Conduct will be in use2. Singles matches will be played in order of ITF junior rankings as at Monday 22nd June.3. Doubles pairings and order is at the captains' discretion.
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Order of Play	Play will start at 11.00 am each day See Order of Play below
Event Personnel	LTA Match Director – Iain Bates LTA Match Coordinator – Kate Meakin Referee – Tom Kinloch AEGON International Tournament Director – Gavin Fletcher Match officials – provided by the LTA

Tournament Office	Telephone: 0845 873 9501 Court Control Officer – Bill Perkins
Practice Courts	Practice courts are available on Monday 22 nd June from 2pm. We are unable to provide grass court practice before this time. On Monday 22 nd June this will be at the official tournament practice ground, Rompa LTC (2 minutes drive from Devonshire Park). Bookings can be made via the Court Control Officer at Devonshire Park. During the event there will be on-site practice at Devonshire Park as well as access to Rompa LTC. In the event that inclement weather limits practice, the match warm up will be extended to 10 minutes.
Functions	Monday 23 rd June - Welcome dinner for all Players and Officials at Pomodoro Mozzarella, 7.30pm. Thursday 26 th June - Drinks reception for teams from Great Britain and USA. Time tbc.
Doctor Physiotherapist Stringing Surface Ball Ball change	Please enquire at Tournament Office Will be on-site throughout the week – details from Tournament Office A stringer will be situated on-site during the event: second floor of centre court building. Rackets charged at £15 (TBC) each when players supply string. Pay on collection. Grass Slazenger Wimbledon Final Set (4 balls in play) – As at ITF Grade 1 Roehampton
Accreditation	The match will be played in conjunction with the AEGON International which is a WTA Premier event. AEGON International Player accreditation will be provided to all players and captains.

Transportation	<p>Transportation will be provided from the Airport (Gatwick or Heathrow) to Devonshire Park. Please contact Kate Meakin (kate.meakin@lta.org.uk) with your arrival details.</p> <p>- A coach will be organised to take teams from Eastbourne to Roehampton on Friday 27th June. Time tbc.</p>
Hospitality	<p>Accommodation will be provided for the teams from the evening of Monday 23rd June until Friday 27th June. Please note that hospitality will be provided for 4 players and 2 captains. Teams bringing a 5th player will be expected to meet any additional cost.</p> <p>Teams and Captains will be staying at The Cavendish Hotel.</p> <p>Please contact Kate Meakin (kate.meakin@lta.org.uk) to confirm your room requirements.</p> <p>Lunch will be provided on-site for teams, captains and officials from Monday 23rd – Friday 27th June in the player's restaurant.</p> <p>Dinner will also be included. Details to be finalised between Team Captain and Match Director.</p>

GBR v FRANCE USA v AUSTRALIA Order of Play*		
Day 1 – Tuesday 23 rd June		
Round 1 Singles	4 v 4	3 v 3
Round 2 Singles	2 v 2	1 v 1
Round 3 Doubles	Doubles 2 v Doubles 2	Doubles 1 v Doubles 1

The schedule for day 2 and day 3 will be confirmed on Tuesday 23rd June.

*The order of play may be altered at the discretion of the referee and match director.