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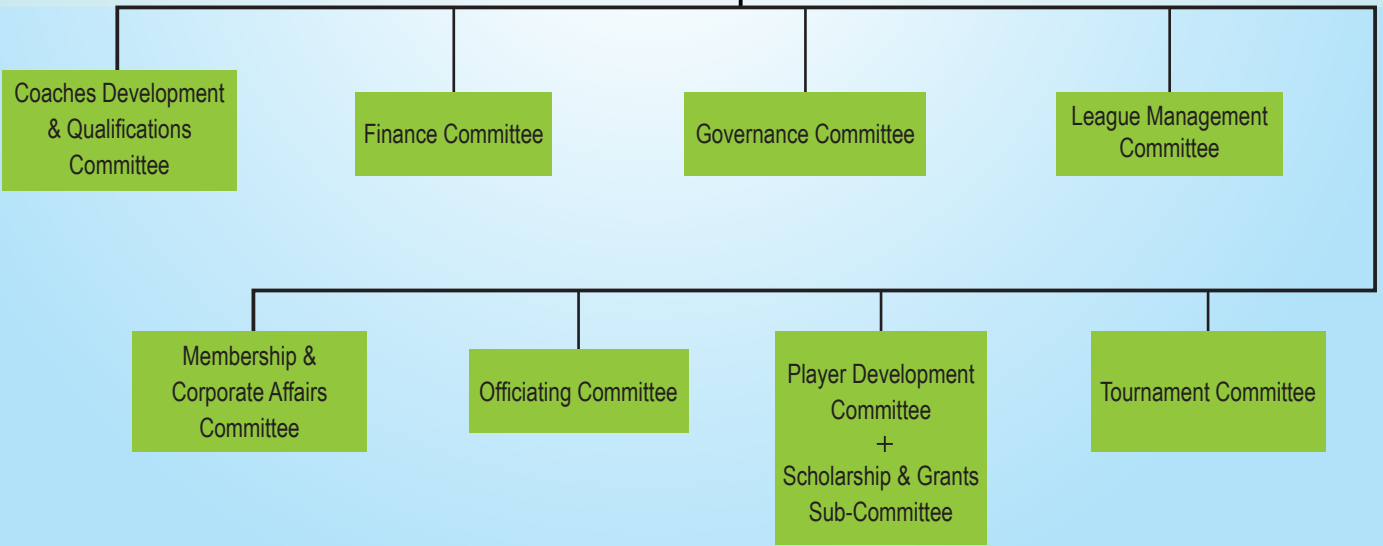
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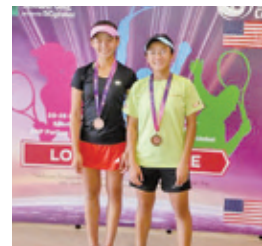
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Former Top 10 Player – Daniela HANTUCHOVA (SVK)



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Daniela HANTUCHOVA at Kids Day at the Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open next year's event will be moved to mid-October, and would be the 5th stop of the WTA Asian swing, providing us a better opportunity to secure an even stronger field. HKTA would like to take this opportunity to once again thank the HKSAR government, the Home Affairs Bureau, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, the title sponsor, Prudential Hong Kong and other sponsors for their invaluable support.



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New Director of Player Development

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HKTA New Director of Player Development – Mr. Eliot TELTSCHER

A legacy of producing top 100 players and main draw Grand Slam competitors from Hong Kong is what newly appointed Director of Player Development, Eliot Teltscher, hopes to leave behind. Teltscher brings to Hong Kong a rich and vast knowledge of the game at both the playing and coaching level.

Capturing a total of 14 ATP titles (10 singles and 4 doubles) and reaching a career high singles ranking of number 6, Teltscher has fond memories of Hong Kong, the country in which he lifted his first professional trophy in 1978 at the Victoria Park tennis courts. He went on to win again in Hong Kong in 1987.

During his coaching career, Teltscher has served many top players including Justin Gimelstob, Jeff Tarango, Pete Sampras and Hong Kong's current number 1 ranked male player, Phillip King. Teltscher also served the USTA as a national coach from 1998-2001, before being named the USTA Director of Tennis Operations in December of 2002. He later returned to the USTA as a national coach in the high performance section.

Teltscher's philosophy lies in grass roots development. He believes a strong emphasis needs to be placed on the athlete's development at a young age in order to give them a better chance at succeeding later on in their career. He also believes there is no substitute competition and match play. "To be better at playing matches, you need to play more matches!" says Teltscher.

With high aspirations and a drive to succeed, there would be few who would back against Teltscher to achieve his lofty goals.

Eliot joined the HKTA in September 2014.

Report from the President



HKTA President
– Mr. Herbert Chow

During the past year, the HKTA, under the brilliant guidance of the Council, and the hard work of the administration, has realized a few more important goals. You will read about these achievements from the reports of our various committees in the following pages, but I would like to highlight some of the notable happenings in the past year.

1. 10 Players to the Asian Games

For the first time in the history of Hong Kong tennis, we sent 10 players [5 men and 5 women] to compete in the Asian Games, 2014. This Council has always believed that any opportunity for our players to compete at a world class level represents a step closer to realizing the goal of taking Hong Kong tennis to world stage. It will open the minds of our players, strengthen their believe that they belong, add to their experience of competing under pressure at a high level, and enhance their chances to compete for a medal in future Asian Games and major team events. I would like to thank the SF&OC Selection Committee for making this happen for Hong Kong tennis.



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2. ITF Junior Event Upgrade to Grade 2

After several years of hard work and preparation to upgrade our October ITF Junior event, we are back to grade 2. Our ultimate goal is to upgrade to Grade 1 and stay there so that our U18 players can experience, on home soil, the level of play required for Hong Kong tennis to remain at the Elite Sports status. I thank the Council for their support of this vision.



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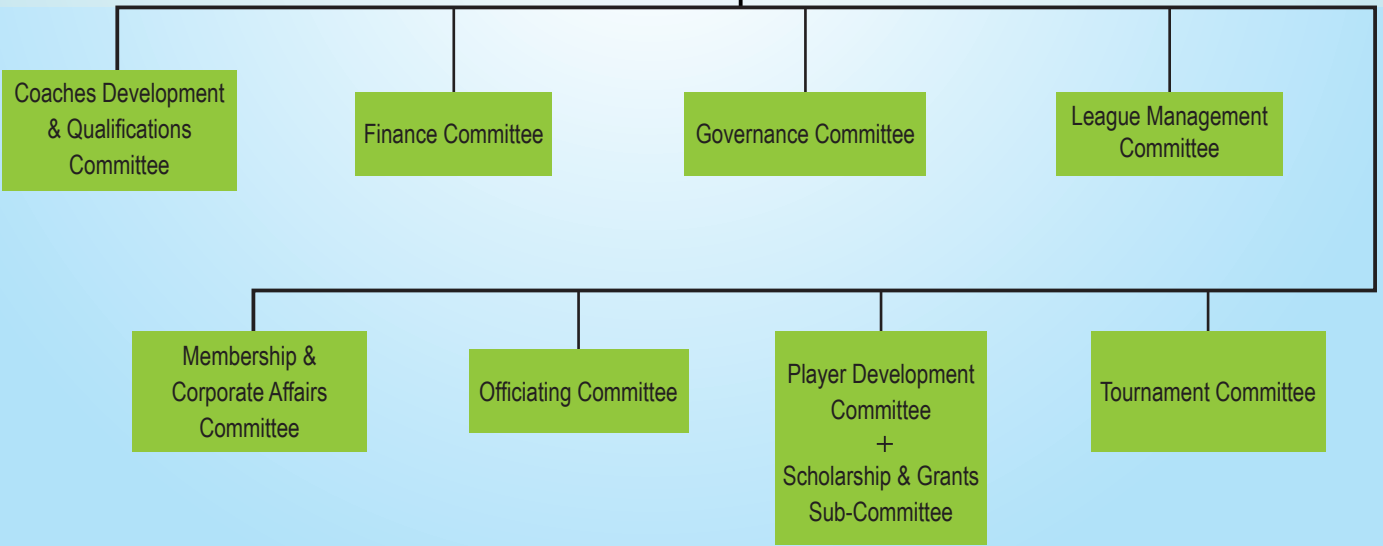
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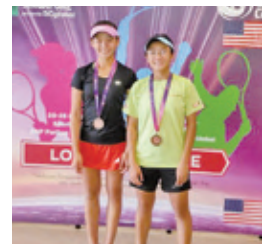
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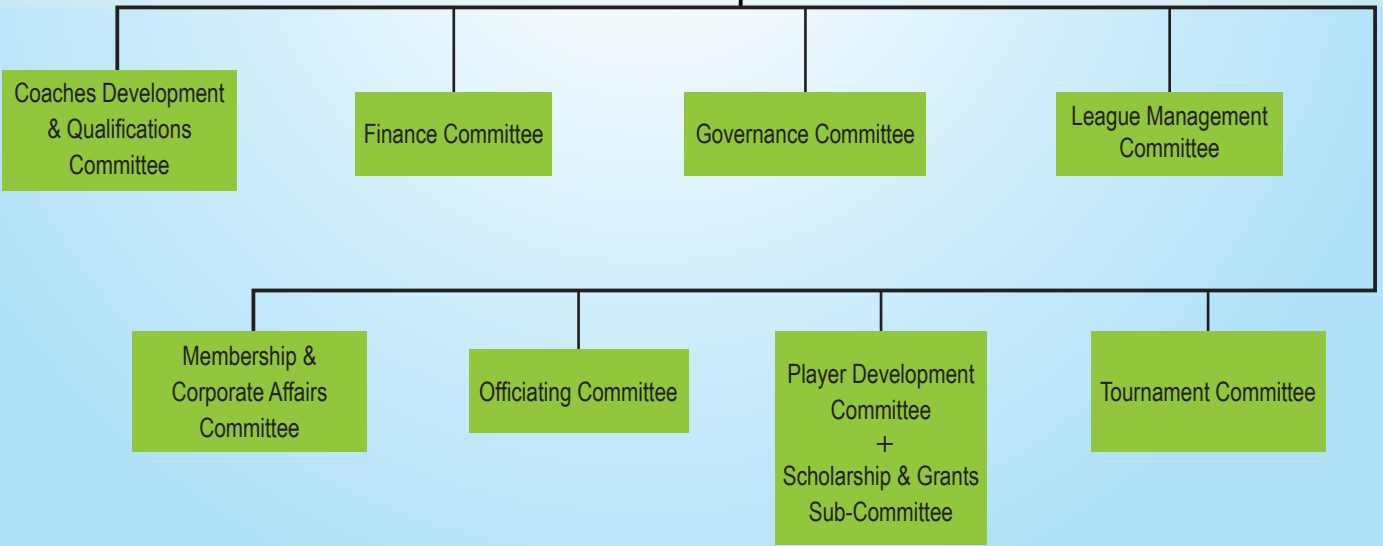
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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

2014 has been a memorable year for Hong Kong tennis with the following highlights:

January

ITF Hong Kong Junior Open

Andrew Li and Marco Lam started off 2014 by winning the boys' doubles in the China Junior 1, Shenzhen (G4). At the Hong Kong ITF Junior Tennis Tournament (G4), Eudice Chong won both the girls' singles and doubles events for the 2nd year in a row. In an all-Hong Kong girls' final, Eudice beat compatriot Claire Spackman 6-0, 7-5. Andrew Li was runner-up in the boys' singles, losing to the Taiwanese No. 1 seed 6-2, 6-1, while Tommy Lam and Jack Wong won the boys' doubles event, capping off a successful week for the Hong Kong team.



Andrew LI



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From left to right,
Hong Kong ITF Junior Tennis Tournament (G4) Girls' Singles
Champion - Eudice CHONG (HKG), HKTA President - Mr. Herbert
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April

Junior Davis Cup

Hong Kong's Junior Davis Cup ("JDC") Team that consisted of Jackie Tang, Jack Wong and Lam Ching, came 3rd in the JDC Asian qualifying competition, and won through a place to the final in Mexico. Hong Kong eventually came 11th out of 16 nations at the JDC Finals, after beating Sweden 2-1 in the 11/12th spot playoff. This was only the 4th time in history that the Hong Kong team had reached the JDC Finals. The Hong Kong JDC team was awarded the Sports For Hope Foundation Outstanding Junior Team in the second quarter of 2014.



From left to right,
Coach - Leo LIU, JDC Players - Jackie TANG, Jack WONG, LAM Ching



Claire SPACKMAN

ITF Junior Overseas Results

Claire Spackman reached the girls' singles final, and won the girls' doubles of the Nan Ying Cup International Junior Championships (G3) in Taipei. Claire also reached the quarter-final in the girls' singles of the Asian Closed Junior Championships (GB1) in India.

May

ITF Junior Overseas Results

Lam Ching and Jack Wong won the boys' doubles in IT&E Northern Mariana Junior Championships (G4) in the Northern Mariana Islands (G5). Justine Leong won through a play-off to represent Hong Kong at the Longines Future Tennis Aces tournament at Roland Garros, venue of the French Open.



IT&E Northern Marian Junior Championships (G4), Boys' Doubles Champions – LAM Ching (HKG) & Jack WONG (HKG)



From left to right, Vice President of Longines Hong Kong – Ms. Karen Au Yeung, Justine LEONG, The Youngest Male Grand Slam Singles Title Winner – Mr. Michael CHANG



Hong Kong Representative to the Longines Future Tennis Aces Tournament at Roland Garros, Paris – Justine LEONG

A highly-subsidized junior program targeted towards low-income families was rolled out in Tuen Mun. The objective of the program is to identify talented players who do not have the opportunity to play the sport at a young age, and to develop them into elite tennis players.

June

ITF Junior Overseas Results

Jackie Tang won his first ITF singles event at the South Pacific Open Championships (G4) held in Fiji. This was followed by Jack Wong also winning his first ITF singles event in the Oceania Open Junior Championships (G5) the following week. Jack Wong also won the boys' doubles at the Thamrin Cup Indonesia Junior Championships with an Indonesian partner.



South Pacific Open Championships (G4) Boys' Singles Champion – Jackie TANG (HKG)

September

ITF Junior Ranking

Hong Kong currently has 17 boys and 13 girls with an ITF ranking. The highest-ranked boys player was Andrew Li at ITF 180 in January, and the highest-ranked girls player was Claire Spackman at ITF 117 in September.



The Highest-ranked Boys Player – Andrew LI



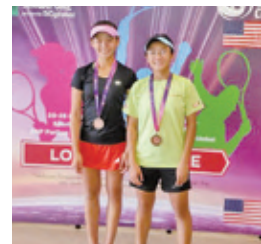
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October

WTA Future Stars

Claudia Ng Hei Ching and Justine Leong won through a play-off to represent Hong Kong to the inaugural WTA Futures Stars which was held during the WTA Finals in Singapore in October



From left to right, Claudia NG, Justine LEONG

November

New Sponsorship

Nissin Foods has signed a contract with HKTA to become the title Sponsor of the Hong Kong Junior Tennis Series 2015, and the Junior Tennis Novice Competition 2015. Additionally, Nissin Foods will be a product sponsor for the Lions Hong Kong National Junior Tennis Championships 2015.



February

Fed Cup

The Hong Kong Federation Cup team, consisted of Zhang Ling, Wu Ho Ching, Eudice Chong, Ng Kwan Yau and led by captain Phillip King, won the Federation Cup Asia Oceania Group 2 competition in Astana, Kazakhstan. Eudice Chong and Zhang Ling capped off an impressive week by defeating India in the final round of the promotion play-offs and Philippines in the final. Next year Hong Kong will compete in Group 1 for the first time since 2008.



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July

ITF Pro Circuit

Hong Kong hosted 3 ITF Men's \$10,000 Futures. Leading 16-year-old junior player, Jack Wong gained 2ATP points by winning first round matches at the Hong Kong ITF Futures F1 and F3. Both Brian Yeung and Kelvin Lam also gained 1 ATP point each in the singles. Brian Yeung and Kevin Wong reached the semi-finals of the F3 doubles, and each gained 6 ATP points.



Jack WONG



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August

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September

Asian Games

At the Incheon Asian Games, Hong Kong sent a strong delegation of 5 men and 5 women to compete in the team and individual events. In the women's singles competition, Zhang Ling, narrowly missed out on a medal after losing to Wang Qiang (WTA 106) of China in the quarter finals 6-4, 6-4, and Wang eventually won the women's singles event. The women's team also did well to reach the quarter-finals, losing to top seed China.

WTA and ATP Ranking

Zhang Ling returned to the WTA top 200, at No.192 (as of November 3, 2014).

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ATP:

David SOFAER Kelvin LAM
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Jackie TANG, Coach - Lap FONG

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Tennis Convenor of CRC - Mr. Edmund HO,
Hong Kong ITF Men's Futures 2014 (F2),
Singles Champion – Ruan ROELOFSE (RSA),
Singles Runner-up – LEE Duck Hee (KOR)



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(Week4US\$25K), Doubles Champions - Eri HOZUMI (JPN) &
Misa EGUCHI (JPN), Doubles Runners-up – ZHANG Ling (HKG)
& Zarina DIYAS (KAZ)

5. Tennis back to the HK Sports Institute as an Elite Sport

With outstanding results from our promising junior players and our leading ladies player - Zhang Ling in the past two years, tennis successfully regained Elite Sports status at the Hong Kong Sports Institute after an absence of 6 years, commencing April 2015. The Elite status will provide us with more support, resources and funding. The facility at the Sports Institute, which we started using in late 2013, has a total of 8 courts – 4 hard courts, 2 covered hard courts, 2 clay courts, and had significantly strengthened our training program. With these added resources along with our new coaching staff led by former top 10 player and renowned coach Eliot Teltscher, we are confident that Hong Kong tennis will remain at Elite Sports status in the years to come.



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Team to Asian Championships 2013,
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CHONG, Katherine IP, ZHANG Ling,
Coach - Timothy Austin NICHOLS,
Hong Kong Player Andrew LI, Kevin KUNG

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Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open 2014
Singles Final Presentation Ceremony



Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open 2014 Singles Champion
– Sabine LISICKI (GER)

7. Inter-Primary School Tennis

After years of trial, the HKTA has finally made a long term commitment to the Hong Kong School Sports Federation to establish the Inter-primary school tennis league. It will begin in the school year beginning September 2015. The HKTA will provide full resources to ensure that Inter-primary school tennis will be a permanent fixture on the HKSSF primary school sports calendar, including coaching resources for new comers of the league.

8. Going Forward

Our continuous goal of searching for potential ATP and WTA level players from a young age will hopefully see realization in the coming years with our new emphasis at the HKSI on U12 players. We are confident that there are players in our crop of young guns that can be trained into Asian Games medal winners by latest 2022.

To close, I wish to thank all the hardworking staff of HKTA administration and the passionate Council and Committee members for their contributions to this work-in-progress. We have no doubt achieved a lot since we took over in 2012 and made up for some lost ground. We are extremely proud to see Hong Kong tennis gradually reappearing on the world map again.

My special thanks also goes to the LCSO, the SF&OC, and the HAB, in particular Mr. Jonathan McKinley, for his passionate support of tennis development in Hong Kong.



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HKTA Council Members at the Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open Preview Reception



Executive Committee Chairman - Mr. Vincent LIANG JP giving his closing remarks at the preview reception



HKTA Honorary Secretary - Mr. Michael CHENG at the press conference of the Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open

Year in Review

Members of the Executive Committee assumed an active role in the Steering and Tournament Committees of the Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open. Frequent meetings with the event management company and the Home Affairs Bureau were held to discuss venue facilitation, M Mark funding from the Government, players procurement and commercial sponsorships for the tournament. The inaugural Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open successfully took place from September 6-14, 2014 at Victoria Park, and the first WTA event held in Hong Kong in 21 years.



Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open 2014 - Players' Party

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The HKTA had two important recruitments in 2014. Former Hong Kong Davis Cup player and captain Chris Lai, was recruited to become the Chief Executive officer of HKTA in May. Eliot Teltscher, who was ranked as high as ATP No. 6, was recruited to become the Director of Player Development of HKTA in September. He has coached Pete Sampras, Justin Gimelstob and Hong Kong's current No. 1, Phillip King in his coaching career. He was the USTA National Coach from 1998-2001 and the Director of Tennis Operations in 2002.

Friendly inter-port matches were held between Hong Kong, Macau and Jiangmen on September 6-7, 2014, at the Kowloon Tsai Tennis Centre, where Council and Exco members participated.

Terms of Reference

- To exercise all the powers of the Council where decisions have to be made and actions taken between regularly scheduled Council meetings or where specific responsibilities have been delegated to the Committee by the Council.
- To provide direction and guidance for management in respect of financial management, strategies and policies.
- To review the annual budget and the financial statements before presentation to the Council for approval.
- To deal with any major HR issues.
- To oversee other Committees of HKTA generally, and in particular the Membership & Corporate Affairs Committee and the Finance Committee.
- To deal with any matters not specifically assigned to other committees.

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HKTA takes its integrity and governance matters seriously, and the Council is responsible for the formulation and maintenance of appropriate governance standards within HKTA. The Council has been guiding and monitoring the activities and affairs of HKTA on behalf of the HKTA members and other stakeholders in the Hong Kong tennis community.

HKTA has in the past many years adopted an infrastructure of controls and accountability as the basis for the administration of governance. The current Council administers the policies and procedures of HKTA with increased openness and integrity, pursuing our governance commensurate with HKTA's needs.

2014 marks an important year for HKTA's devotion and efforts in promoting high standards of governance. During its review process on the governance framework of HKTA, the Council decided to take the initiative of establishing the Governance Committee, with the aim of bringing additional focus to good governance of the association. The Council believes the association should have a designated committee that develops and regularly reviews its policies from the perspectives of compliance with constitutional, legal, regulatory and governance standards and makes recommendations to the Council.

A committee dedicated to this role helps ensure that the association devotes appropriate attention, time and resources to this front.

The new Governance Committee was resolved by the Council on 21 June 2014 to be established.

Terms of Reference

1. Constitution

The council (the "Council") of The Hong Kong Tennis Association ("HKTA") has resolved the establishment of the governance committee (the "Committee") on 21 June 2014 and has adopted the following terms as the terms of reference for the Committee.

2. Membership

- 2.1 Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Council.
- 2.2 Save and except for (i) the Chairperson of the Committee who may be (but is not required to be) a member of the Council and/ or a member of a committee of the Council or (ii) unless otherwise unanimously approved by the Council, no member of the Committee shall be an employee of HKTA or hold any position in the Council or any committee of the Council.
- 2.3 The Committee shall consist of not less than four members and not more than twelve members.
- 2.4 The term of each Committee member shall, except for the initial members of the Committee whose terms shall expire on 31 December 2014 be one year. Subject to the constitutions of HKTA and the applicable laws and regulations, any member of the Committee may be re-appointed by the Council and continue to act as a member of the Committee upon the expiry of his/her term of appointment relating thereof.
- 2.5 If for whatever reason the Committee Chairperson becomes absent and there is no appointed deputy, the remaining members present shall elect one of themselves to chair the meeting until a new Chairperson is appointed by the Council.

3. Committee Secretary

The chief executive officer of HKTA shall act as the secretary of the Committee (the “Committee Secretary”). The Committee may, from time to time, appoint any other person with the appropriate qualification and experience as the Committee Secretary. The Committee Secretary or in his/her absence, his/her representative or any one member of the Committee, shall be the secretary of the meeting.

4. Frequency of Meetings

- 4.1 Meetings shall be held not less than two times a year at appropriate times.
- 4.2 The Committee Chairperson shall convene a meeting upon request by any member of the Committee.

5. Conduct of Meetings

- 5.1 Unless specified by these terms of reference, meetings and proceedings of the Committee shall be governed by HKTA’s articles of association and other internal rules and regulations regulating the meetings and proceedings of the Council and the committees of the Council.
- 5.2 Unless otherwise waived by all members of the Committee, notice of each meeting confirming the venue, time and date together with an agenda of items to be discussed, shall be forwarded to each member of the Committee no later than 7 days before the date of the meeting. Supporting papers shall be sent to the Committee members, and to other attendees as appropriate, at the same time.
- 5.3 The quorum of the Committee shall be any three members of the Committee. Meetings could be held in person, by telephone or by video conference. A duly convened meeting of the Committee at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all or any of the authorities, powers and discretions vested in or exercisable by the Committee.
- 5.4 Resolutions of the Committee at any meetings shall be passed by a majority of votes of the members of the Committee present. The number of votes for, against and/or abstain shall be recorded in the minutes. A resolution in writing signed by all the members of the Committee shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Committee duly convened and held.

- 5.5 The Committee may invite any member of the Council, any employee of HKTA, any external advisers or any other persons to attend all or part of any meetings as the Committee considers appropriate, on the condition that the aforementioned persons shall not have a right to vote at such meetings.
- 5.6 Each member of the Committee shall clearly and fairly disclose to the Committee:
- 5.6.1 any personal financial interest (other than as a Council member of HKTA) in any matter to be decided by the Committee; or
- 5.6.2 any potential conflict of interest on matters that are the subjects of discussions at the Committee meeting.

Any such member shall abstain from voting on resolutions of the Committee in relation to which such interest exists and from participating in the discussions concerning such resolutions, and shall (if so required by the Council) resign from the Committee.

6. Authority

- 6.1 Both the Council and the Committee are authorised to investigate any activity within these terms of reference. Each of the Council and the Committee is authorised to seek any information it requires from any employee and all employees are directed to co-operate with any request made by the Council / Committee.
- 6.2 The Committee is authorised by the Council to obtain outside legal or other independent professional advice and to secure the attendance of outsiders with relevant experience and expertise at meetings of the Committee if it considers this necessary.
- 6.3 Management of HKTA is obliged to supply the Committee with adequate information in a timely manner, in order to enable it to make informed decisions. The information supplied must be complete and reliable. Where a member of the Committee requires more information than is volunteered by the management of HKTA, the relevant member of the Committee should make additional necessary enquiries. Each member of the Committee shall have separate and independent access to the management of HKTA.
- 6.4 The Committee shall be provided with sufficient resources to discharge its duties.

7. Duties

- 7.1 The duties of the Committee shall include, without limitation, the following:
- (a) to develop and review HKTA's policies and practices on governance;
 - (b) to review and monitor HKTA's policies and practices on compliance with constitutional, legal and regulatory requirements;
 - (c) to develop, review and monitor the code of conduct applicable to the members of the Council and the employees of HKTA;
 - (d) to direct and supervise the investigation into any matter brought to the Committee's attention within the scope of its duties;
 - (e) recommendations to the Council as it deems appropriate on any area within its scope of duties where action or improvement is needed.

8. Reporting Procedures

- 8.1 Full minutes of the Committee's meetings should be recorded and kept by the Committee Secretary and such minutes shall be available for inspection at any reasonable time on prior reasonable notice by any member of the Council.
- 8.2 Draft and final versions of minutes of the Committee's meetings should be sent to all members of the Committee for their comments and records respectively, in both cases within a reasonable time after such meetings.
- 8.3 The Committee shall report back to the Council and keep the Council fully informed of its decisions and recommendations, unless prohibited by applicable laws and regulations.

9. Terms available

The Committee shall make available these terms of reference on request and by inclusion on HKTA's website.

While the Governance Committee is structured as a committee directly under the Council, the membership of the Governance Committee has a very strong independence element. Under the terms of reference, all members of the Committee (except for the Chairman who may or may not be a member of the Council) are required to be persons who are not members of the Council or any of the other committees of HKTA, and who are not an employee of HKTA.

During the period from July to November 2014, the Governance Committee has convened two meetings during which a number of governance issues within HKTA were discussed and considered, which include reviews on:

- the committee structure and their respective terms of references
- the proposed updates on the Code of Conducts
- the streamlining of the Conflicts of Interests policies, as well as the procedures and documentation for declarations of interests
- the proposed amendments to the HKTA's constitution from the compliance perspective, particularly in light of the recent changes to the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance
- certain procedures for Council and committee meetings
- the initiative to review the current complaint handling policies and process

As a result of these discussions and review processes, the Governance Committee has recommended to the Council:

- a proposal to the HKTA's members on a number of amendments to HKTA's constitution, to bring it in line with the legal requirements and other more up-to-date corporate practices
- amendments to certain code provisions and documentation on managing conflicts of interests by our Council / committee members
- amendments to certain rules for Council / committee meetings

Some of the work-streams of the Governance Committee are on-going, and recommendations from the committee will continue to be provided to the Council when appropriate.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairman

Mr. Gary SZE

Vice Chairman

Mr. Clement LEE

Members

Ms. ONG Yoke Ming

Mr. Joseph WAN

Mr. Benson WONG

Ex-officio Members

Mr. Michael CHENG

Mr. Herbert CHOW

Year in Review

The Finance Committee (FC) continued to review matters relating to the financial aspects and management of the HKTA, including financial investment. It also reviewed and recommended the annual HKTA's financial budget for approval by the Council. This year the FC also assisted the Council to review the financial plan and budget of the inaugural Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open.

Every year, the FC also reviews the annual financial statements and makes recommendations to the Council for the adoption of the audited financial statements.

Terms of Reference

- To review financial planning, annual budget and any projects undertaken by the HKTA
- To review and propose financial investment guidelines and ensure that investment directives approved by the Council are complied with.
- To explore investment opportunities and make recommendations to the Council
- To advise on financial control procedures, accounting systems, processes and reports.
- To advise Council on any major HR related issues.
- To reviews & make recommendations for the draft financial statement with the General Manager and the Accountant before it is passed to the Auditors, as well as to advise Council on the adoption of the Auditors financial statement.
- Carries out other duties and responsibilities as delegated by the Council.

Membership & Corporate Affairs Committee 2014



Chairman

Mr. Oscar CHOW

Members

Mr. Mathew CHENG Mr. Winston CHENG
Mr. Johnson CHU Mr. Philip MOK
Ms. Cindi HUI Mr. John YUEN
Mr. Franklin LUI Mr. Ronnie CHENG
Dr. Derek LING Mr. Vincent LIANG, JP
Mr. Frederick WONG

Ex-officio Members

Mr. Herbert CHOW
Mr. Michael CHENG

Year in Review

The Membership & Corporate Affairs Committee (MCAC) is responsible for communication with and dissemination of news and information to HKTA's members, affiliated and league clubs, sponsors, tennis enthusiasts in the business sector & the wider public, maintaining the HKTA's membership & membership services, and procuring sponsorship for HKTA and its events.

During the year the MCAC held the 22nd Dr. Henry Fok Corporate Patron League, under the new format of splitting the teams into two draws (Corporate Draw and Corporate Open Draw), which was first introduced in 2012. This format, once again proved to be well received by the 30 teams and more than 230 players that took part in the event this year. The surplus of approximately HK\$140,000 generated from the Dr. Henry Fok Corporate Patron League was applied to various HKTA junior development programmes.

Individual and club membership remained steady during the year and generated a stable income for the Association.



The 22nd Dr. Henry Fok Corporate Patron League 2014
– Prize Presentation Ceremony



The 22nd Dr. Henry Fok Corporate Patron League 2014
– Participating Team

The newly developed HKTA website successfully went live in August this year. The new website aims to provide a better look, user friendliness & functionality as well as a wider scope of services that can be provided to members and users.

The MCAC also focused on finding sponsors for HKTA's tournaments throughout the year. A number of sponsors were secured for the Corporate Patron League. This year, 8 sponsors along with the support from HKTF were secured for the Hong Kong ITF Men's Futures 2014 in July. More efforts will be focused on seeking sponsorship for the ITF Women's Circuit Series of three USD10,000 and one USD50,000 tournaments in December 2014 and early January 2015. Procuring sponsors for these events remains difficult in the current climate and will continue to be a focus for the MCAC in 2015.

The promotion of the latest tennis news was a key focus in the past year. More stories and results were added to the website, HKTA Facebook and Twitter to keep members and tennis fans abreast of the latest results of our players and developments in the local tennis scene. Press releases were sent to key media outlets for big news stories, such as Hong Kong Fed Cup team's promotion to Asia/Oceania Zone Group I for 2015.

Membership (as of November 11th, 2014)

Adult Members: 3236

Junior Members: 809

Total Members: 4045

Affiliated & League Clubs: 40

The 22nd Dr. Henry Fok Corporate Patron League was sponsored by:



Supporters:



Date: 25th – 27th April & 2nd – 4th May 2014

Venue: Victoria Park Tennis Stadium

Title Sponsor: Fok Ying Tung Foundation

Other Sponsors: Cafe Deco Group, DKSH (Salonpas), Femco Limited, Head, Hing Lung Food Place Ltd., Kee Wah Bakery, Lan Kwai Fong Group, Pacific Coffee, Sportline Ltd., Vita Distilled Water

No. of Entries: 30 Teams



The 22nd Dr. Henry Fok Corporate Patron League 2014
– Participating Team



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– Participating Team

Results

	Corporate Event		Corporate Open Event
	Joint Winners		Joint Winners
Premier	HSBC Team A / Police Tennis Club – Team A		Confederation Investment / Cafe Deco
Bowl	JP Morgan / Fire Services Department – Tennis Team		sake.com.hk / G.T.C. Chemicals (China) Ltd.
	Winner	Runner-up	
Plate	PricewaterhouseCoopers	meat.com.hk	Police Tennis Club – Team B / Yau Wing Co. Ltd.

Participating Teams:

Corporate Event	Corporate Open Event
1.Bank Julius Baer & Co Ltd	1.Cafe Deco
2.Barclays	2.Citi
3.BNP Paribas Hong Kong – Team A	3.Confederation Investment
4.China Minsheng Bank Hong Kong Branch	4.FCTC
5.CLP Power	5.G.T.C. Chemicals (China) Ltd.
6.Fire Services Department – Tennis Team	6.HKGCC
7.HSBC Team A	7.HKTA
8.HSBC Team B	8.HKUST
9.Jardine Sports Association	9.Morgan Stanley Asia
10.JP Morgan	10.Police Tennis Club - Team B
11.PCCW	11.The Hong Kong Medical Association
12.Police Tennis Club - Team A	12.The Law Society of Hong Kong
13.PricewaterhouseCoopers	13.sake.com.hk
14.The Hong Kong Jockey Club	14.Yau Wing Co. Ltd.
15.Towngas Tennis Club	
16.meat.com.hk	

HKTA Affiliated & League Clubs (2014)

1. Aberdeen Marina Club
2. American Club
3. Chinese Recreation Club Hong Kong
4. The Clearwater Bay Golf & Country Club
5. Club De Recreio
6. Club Esplanada
7. Correctional Services Department Sports Association
8. Craigengower Cricket Club
9. Discovery Bay Recreation Club
10. Fairview Park Country Club
11. Gold Coast Yacht and Country Club
12. Heng Fa Chuen Club
13. Hilltop Country Club
14. Hong Kong Country Club
15. Hong Kong Cricket Club
16. Hong Kong Football Club
17. The Hong Kong Jockey Club
18. Hong Lok Yuen Country Club
19. Hong Yip Service Company Ltd / Wonderland Club
20. India Club
21. Indian Recreation Club
22. Jardine's Lookout Resident's Association
23. Kingswood Villas Tennis Club
24. Kornhill Recreation Club
25. Kowloon Cricket Club
26. Kowloon Tong Club
27. Kowloon Tsai Home Owner's Association
28. Ladies' Recreation Club
29. Laguna City Resident Club House
30. MTR Corporation
31. Municipal Services Staff Recreation Club
32. Pacific Club
33. Police Tennis Club
34. South China Athletic Association
35. Spotlight Recreation Club
36. The University of Hong Kong Tennis Club
37. United Services Recreation Club
38. VTC Staff Recreation Club
39. Yau Yat Chuen Garden City Club
40. Yaumatei & Tsimshatsui Recreation & Sports Association

Terms of Reference

- To plan and implement tennis related activities for benefit of individual members and member clubs.
- To disseminate news, announcements and information regarding HKTA affairs and activities.
- To create and maintain a HKTA membership registry, a Hong Kong tennis player registry, a HKTA coaches registry and to issue membership cards.
- To compile and maintain the archive of tennis in Hong Kong with articles and photographs.
- To oversee the editorials, contents and management of the HKTA web page.
- To introduce new entrants to the Hall of Fame and Honorary Life Membership.
- To organise and run the Corporate Patron League.
- To foster exchange and encourage friendly relations between the business and sports communities through tennis to help identify possible sponsors for HKTA programmes.
- To plan and organise fund raising activities.

Player Development Committee

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Mr. Phillip KING

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Mr. Andy BROTHERS
Mr. Asif ISMAIL
Mr. Benny LIN
Mr. Clement LEE
Mr. Jimmy CHANG

Mr. John YUEN
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Year in Review

It has been a successful year for the Player Development Committee with lots of outstanding results in tournaments and development programs. In tournaments, the Fed Cup team of Zhang Ling, WU Ho Ching, Eudice Chong and Ng Kwan Yau achieved 1st position in Asia/Oceania Zone Group II gained and promotion to Asia/Oceania Zone Group I in 2015; the Junior Davis Cup team of Jack Wong, Jackie Tang and Lam Ching reached the 3rd position in the Asian qualifying competition and qualified for the World Group Finals; the most number of players in Hong Kong's history (5 men, 5 women and 3 officials) qualified to represent Hong Kong in the Incheon Asian Games.

In development programs, more than one thousand kids were assessed and a subsidised grass root programme was started in Tuen Mun in May for kids aged 6-8. In the summer, around 1,200 kids started learning tennis through the Tennis Stars of the Future programme. Another mini tennis program also successfully attracted another 200 young kids to start mini tennis lessons in indoor facilities.



Summer Tour in Europe



Brisbane Summer Tour



Qatar Team Cup



The 12th Taiwan National
Tennis Championship
(Grade B)



South East Asian
Championship 2014
– U12 Team Competition

With tennis tours organised and with more tournaments, players had opportunities to gain experience and therefore improved faster. Similar to last year, we had 30 ITF ranked juniors, 4 WTA and 4 ATP ranked players in 2014. The Player Development Committee is pleased to see all the hard work put in throughout the year being rewarded by the large numbers of players who are making good progress in advancing their skills and improving in the Player Development Structure. In the future, the Committee will continue its work hard along to achieve the best for Hong Kong tennis.



ZHANG Ling



Jack WONG

The success of the program is always due to the support of many different bodies, and the Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the HKTA Council for its support during the year, the Hong Kong Tennis Foundation for its financial support, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department for its funding support, the management of the HKSI for their continued support and grants awarded over the year and Prince, Dunlop, Wilson and Babolat for their generous sponsorship. We would also like to recognise the hardworking HKTA National Coaching Team and

staff, all the licensed coaches, teachers and players who have rendered so much support to us during the year, and the players' parents for their confidence and trust in us.

Hong Kong Team

Eliot Teltscher, the new Director of Player Development began his role in September. His mission is to develop elite players to play at the world class level and grow the game of tennis in Hong Kong. In order to achieve this, he believes that an arrangement with a smaller players to coaches, ratio with more private coaching time is more effective. Hence the number of players at HKSI was decreased to 12-15 in the afternoon session.

The HK Team consists of:

18U: Claire Spackman, Jackie Tang

16U: Alan Sou, Lam Ching, Claudia Ng

14U: Roger Ng, Stephen Wong, Kyle Tang, Kevin Wong, Nicole Tsang, Jacqueline Lam, Venia Yeung, Avril Look, Justine Leong, Cody Wong, Jenny Wong

Full Time Program

Apart from the junior development, the team also takes care of all the full time players, including Zhang Ling, Andrew Li and Jack Wong.

As of November 3rd, Zhang Ling is ranked WTA 192 in Singles. Jack Wong broke the record of the youngest Hong Kong player with an ATP ranking after gaining 2 points in the Hong Kong Futures during the summer. He is currently at his career highest ranking of 213 in ITF juniors and ranked ATP 1527 (as of 3rd November).

National Programme

The 12U assessment was organised during the summer and selected players were invited to join the National Squad in September. Players are required to commit to a 12-hour training program per week led by the National Coaching Team at the HKTA Tennis Centre and the Causeway Bay Sports Ground.

Apart from Leo Liu, Ronald Xu, Jaume Monfort and David Catala who have been with the HKTA for the past few years, newly recruited coaches of David Hsu from Taiwan and Hector Botella from Spain joined the Coaching Team in July and October respectively.



National Programme – 12U Assessment

National Squad Players:

12U (KT): Tiger Cheung, Tim Gauntlett, Johnny Lee, Coleman Wong, Kobe Wong, Mau Ka Long, Maxwell Heard, Leung Ho Wang, Chan Tsz Him, Melvin Lo, Ethan Leung, Lee Hon Chun, Butter Cheung, Po Sze Ying, Emily Chan, and Fung Tak Yu

12U (CB): Kaye Au, Nicole Lee, Kelly Leung, Karen Lui, Noelle Vanasse Wilbert, Masuda Sheena Karrasch, Ethan Ashley Distelbrink, Fong Ching Kit, Louis Gabison, Marvin Lee, Ethan Leung, Bruno Loeffler, Ng Kar Long, Maximilian Peh, Adrian Sun

The centres also continued to host high performance training programme for players aged 18 and under and they are:

14U (KT): Oscar Chan, Max Lee, Gordon Leung, Lam Chun, Hayden Lau, Chow Chun Ho, Sam Gauntlett, Bryan Fung, Calvin Lam, Myron Lai, Angela Sou, Law Wing Yin, Lin Wing Ka, Yannis Lee and Skylar Wan

14U(CB): Augustus Falloon, Darren Yang, Nicole Chu, Andrew Tsang

16U (KT): Wesley Law, Denton Ho, Hugo Wong, Arthur Chau, Yu Wing Sze, and Nicole Tsang

16U (CB): Alicia Yue

18U (KT): Lawrence Lo, Michelle Man, Sabrina Woll, and Nico Liu

HKSI Tier B and Individual Athletes Support Scheme

Based on the Elite Voting system under HKSI, tennis continues to be one of the sports qualified to receive supports under the Tier B category. We had 23 players that were awarded HKSI Individual Athletes Support School (IASS) for 2014-2015 based on the same system. They were Katherine Ip, Zhang Ling, Andrew Li, Eudice Chong, Venise Chan, Wu Ho Ching, Jack Wong, Larence Lo, Lam Ching, Wesley Law, Alan Lee, Alan Sou, Kevin Wong, Brian Yeung, Issac Chan, Sherman Yau, Tiger Cheung, Denton Ho, Ng Kwan Yau, Claire Spackman, Hugo Wong, Jacqueline Lam and Venia Yeung. All of them received the Elite Training Grant as well as tournament support under this funding.

HKTA Incentive Scheme

The Incentive Scheme continues to be one of the encouragements for players to play international tournaments and the overall objective is to raise the tennis level of local players.

Age 14 - to win an ITF Group 5 or above

Age 15 - to win an ITF Group 4 or above

Age 16 - to win an ITF Group 3 or above

Age 17 - to win an ITF Group 2 or above

Age 18 - to win an ITF Group 1 or above and a main draw match in an ITF Pro Circuit \$10,000 or \$15,000

Those players who achieved the above requirements are eligible for reimbursement for part of their tournament expenses based on the results achieved as an incentive. According to the records, we had more applications received in 2014 and it shows that this scheme provides good guide to the suitable level of tournaments, and creates a great motivation for players to participate in competition tournaments.

Junior Team Events

In 2014, selection of team event members selection was based on results of the Hong Kong National Junior Tennis Championships for the particular age group. The winner and runner-up are selected on to the team, plus a Captain's pick. For the 2nd time in the past 4 years, the Hong Kong Junior Davis Cup team of Jack Wong, Jackie Tang and Lam Ching finished in the 3rd position in Asia/Oceania and qualified for the World Finals. The team eventually claimed 11th in the final standings after dismissing Sweden in their final tie of the competition.



Junior Davis Cup Team



Junior Fed Cup Team



ITF World Junior Tennis Competition 2014 (Boys)



ITF World Junior Tennis Competition 2014 (Girls)

In other events, the Junior Fed Cup Team of Claudia Ng, Jacqueline Lam and Sabrina Woll finished in 13th position. At the WJT Asia/Oceania Final Qualifying in New Delhi, India, the Under-14 Boys' Team of Jonathan Zhang, Sunny Yue and Arthur Chau claimed 11th place, while the girls' team consisting of Claudia Ng, Nicole Tsang and Cody Wong finished in 6th position.

WTA Future Stars

The introduction of the WTA Future Stars Junior tournament series is aimed at encouraging young girls throughout the Asia-Pacific region to become active through tennis.

Justine Leong and Claudia Ng earned their right to represent Hong Kong after a play-off tournament. Although both girls failed to progress past the round robin stage, it was an invaluable experience to compete against quality opposition across Asia. Apart from the competition, the girls also had the opportunity to meet the top 10 players at the season-ending WTA finals, as well as participate in a tennis clinic for underprivileged youth.



Justine LEONG and Claudia NG at the WTA Future Stars

Longines Future Aces

Justine Leong won the Hong Kong selection of this year's Longines Future Tennis Aces on the road to the French Open. This has been the fifth edition of the annual event since 2010.

She represented Hong Kong in the Longines Future Tennis Aces Tournament where sixteen players from around the world competed in the prestigious annual 13 & Under tournament during the French Open fortnight.

Elite Development

The Elite Development Programme (ED) continued to serve as a platform with clearly defined structures and competitive pathways in order to facilitate a player's progression towards the National Programme and beyond. In 2014, there were more colour ball groups organised at Hong Kong Tennis Centre, Sai Wan Ho, Shek Kip Mei, Yuen Long, Tuen Mun and North District in order to include younger players in the programme and provide an intensive training for them at an early stage. Apart from training, there was match play between centres organized for 8U and 10U which provided a great opportunity for them to play more matches and improve their game.

A season-end party was organized in June. All the ED coaches and players together enjoyed a wonderful afternoon with group games and pizza time with prizes presented to all outstanding players throughout the year.

The Committee will continue to work hard to explore avenues for improving the effectiveness of training and we are looking forward to seeing our juniors from the ED programme succeeding into the National Squad and Hong Kong Team.

Junior Tennis Squad

In 2014, the total number of squads was seventy-four, organised at 26 venues, with players having undergone systematic training all over Hong Kong, Kowloon and the New Territories.

They are supervised by a group of experienced HKTA licensed coaches and official coach meetings were organized regularly in order to discuss all the possibilities for improving the program.

Supported by: **LONGINES**



Longines Future Tennis Aces - the Road to the French Open
Winner - Justine LEONG



Elite Development Programme



Elite Development Programme



Squad Meet

With more than 800 players in the program, the Junior Tennis Squad was an important channel for the growth of a broad base of tennis-playing youngsters in Hong Kong and serves as a major channel through which talent is identified and promoted to join training at higher levels. At the end of the season, a Squad meet was organised and it consisted of a parent seminar, fitness workshop and a presentation for encouraging those outstanding players in the Squad.

Young Athletes Training Programme

As usual, open assessments were held every 6 months and were conducted by a selection panel. The panel would ensure that those with “champion potential” are spotted and evaluations were conducted regularly to make sure the players were given a progressive pathway to developing their true potential in the game.

It is a programme for players aged 10 and under and the training was using Green balls and was closely monitored by our Technical Executive and a group of HKTA licensed coaches. Players in this programme need to fulfill the requirements set, like attendance and tournament commitment.

The assessment for the new season was organized in September. 32 players out of 74 were selected, they were:

- Kings Park: Chan Yee Ting, Leung Ka Chun Osoan, Leung Wing I, Li Man Wai Chloris, Mok Wing Chin Bethany, Tan Hong Tseng Curtis, Tang Lok Shu, Yuen Wai Hin
- Tsang Tai Uk: Hui Yi Hin, Lam Tsz Kiu, Lee Man Chun, Lee Tsz Lu, Lui Cheuk Ying, Tam Long Tin, Wong Chun Hei, Woo Dee
- Sai Wan Ho: Cheung Marco, Cheung Tsoi Yi, Fu Yat Tsing, Lee Karen Hiu Ying, Lee Kate Therese, Lau Hong Kiu Henry, Law Lok Yi, Yang Man Lok
- Tuen Mun: Chan Tsz Tung Tiffany, Cheung Chi Hang, Cheung Ngai Hoi, Kwan Ming Lam, Lam Yat, Mak Yvonne, Wong Tsz Ching, Yip Tiffany

Hong Kong Tennis Stars of the Future 2014

The programme has for years attracted thousands of newcomers to the game of tennis. In summer 2014, there were approximately 1200 fresh new faces that picked up a tennis racquet for the first time. All of them will hopefully, in time, learn to appreciate the time-honoured virtues of tennis and come to embrace it as “a sport for life”.



Hong Kong Tennis Stars of the Future 2014

The programme is well structured with five stages to provide a systematic tennis training programme at entry-level for kids between the ages of 6-14. As the participants advance to a higher stage, their skill level and knowledge of the game will also increase correspondingly. The programme culminates with an age-group competition, which is a chance for the players and coaches to see how they have advanced after 6 months of training. Those who exhibit a keen talent for the game may also receive invitations to join various HKTA junior squads to further their development.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Dunlop and LCSD. In the future, we are looking forward to meeting more young kids to discover their sporting potential and experience the fun of tennis through this programme.

NT Project

Tuen Mun is our first pick in this project. We visited 2 schools and assessed more than 400 kids aged 6-8. Kids showing good athletic ability were invited to receive heavily subsidized training in the district in order to lessen their expenses as well as providing a good environment for their development.

We will continue to work hard to get more kids to train outside schools and bring this project to other districts, i.e. North District.



NT Project

Mini-Tennis

The overall Mini Tennis Programme, which includes Primary School Mini Tennis, Regional Mini Tennis, and a Kindergarten Mini Tennis Tour, has proven to be an invaluable and an enjoyable starting point for children looking to pick up tennis as an extra-curricular activity.

Primary School Mini Tennis

With the generous sponsorship of Prince and the Hong Kong Tennis Foundation, the HKTA/Prince Mini Tennis Promotion Scheme is now in its 23rd year.

The Scheme consists of 4 components: namely School Visits, Teacher' Training, District Inter-school Competition and the Annual Championships. The 2013/14 Scheme has continued to receive a good response; 35 Primary Schools have entered the Scheme and 384 juniors played for their schools in the Mini Tennis District Inter-School Competitions.

Supported by: **prince**



HKTA/Prince Primary Schools Mini Tennis Promotion Scheme 2013/14

Regional Mini Tennis

As well as the HKTA/Prince Mini Promotion Scheme we currently have thousands of students who are receiving or have received mini-tennis training under the Schools Sports Program that is jointly run by the HKTA and the LCSD. We also organise the Regional Mini Tennis Training Program which provides mini-tennis classes at different levels to help the children attain good results. In the past summer, training was organised in more venues which successfully attracted more 6-and-under players to start the game. As well as the aforementioned programs we also operate family mini tennis classes during weekends, allowing parents



Regional Mini Tennis

to participate together with their young children and give them guidance on how to enjoy playing and hopefully choose tennis as their “sport for life”. During 2014, the participation numbers continue to grow and we are looking for a more successful year in 2015 by adding more fun elements into the program.

Kindergarten Mini Tennis Tour

This year, the Mini Tennis Demonstration work continues. The HKTA has continued to contact kindergartens to arrange a fun and inter-active mini tennis day for those young children aged 5 and under at their schools. The response of the children has been great and the principals and teachers appreciate very much the extra value that has been brought to their school life by playing mini tennis. The Mini Tennis Demo Team will continue to work hard and visit more kindergartens and put rackets into the hands of the enthusiastic young children in the coming year.



Kindergarten Mini Tennis Tour

Community Tennis

The LCSD, the FCTC and the HKTA have been working in partnership to increase participation across all sectors to fulfill our task of broadening the base of tennis participation in the territory.

In the CSC programme, a total of 35 community tennis clubs are affiliated to the HKTA, the highest number of community clubs amongst all sports in Hong Kong. Due to insufficient venues, we had stopped nominating new clubs in 2010 and meetings were organized between HKTA and LCSD every year to discuss improvement works. The “In and Out” system which aims to remove those non-active clubs and start considering new clubs to join was implemented and 5 clubs failed the evaluation, with 2 of them finally removed from the program due to not submitting an improvement plan. After the removal, we could start considering to have new clubs join and we hope all the community tennis clubs can fully utilize the public resources and also promote tennis in all districts.

Community Sports Clubs

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| 1 | Aberdeen Tennis Club | 18 | Shamshuipo Sports Assoc. Tennis Club |
| 2 | Ace Tennis Club Hong Kong | 19 | Tiebreaker Tennis Club |
| 3 | Chai Wan Tennis Association | 20 | Tsuen Wan Tennis Association |
| 4 | Eastern District Tennis Association | 21 | Tsuen King Tennis Club |
| 5 | Elite Tennis Association | 22 | Tuen Mun Sports Association Tennis Club |
| 6 | Excellent Tennis Club | 23 | Twin Town Tennis Club |
| 7 | Friendship Tennis Club | 24 | Universal Tennis Club |
| 8 | Federation of Community Tennis Clubs | 25 | Yours Tennis Club |
| 9 | Hong KongTennisclub.com Tennis Club | 26 | Wonderful Tennis Club |
| 10 | King's Tennis Club | 27 | Monday Tennis Association |
| 11 | Kowloon City Olympic Tennis Club | 28 | Sham Shui Po Junior Tennis Club |
| 12 | Kwai Tsing Tennis Club | 29 | Mongkok Tennis Club |
| 13 | Kwai Tsing Sports Association Tennis Club | 30 | New City Tennis Club |
| 14 | Kwun Tong Tennis Club | 31 | Jordan Valley Tennis Club |
| 15 | North District & Tai Po Tennis Club | 32 | Choi Hung Tennis Club |
| 16 | Progress Tennis Club | 33 | Power Tennis Club |
| 17 | Pushing Tennis Club | | |

Scholarship & Grants Sub Committee

A system was set up to consider grant requests for training and tournaments. In 2014, 24 applications were approved.

Terms of Reference

- To formulate a yearly plan of programme activities for the development of tennis in Hong Kong and to come up with a budget relating to the programme activities.
- To conduct activities for the recruitment of grassroots players.
- To promote tennis 10s and tennis in primary schools and various districts and to organise mini-tennis and tennis competitions.
- To be responsible for the Elite Development Programme (ED) and HKTA Junior Squad Training Programmes and to exercise quality control over these programmes.
- To identify talents in Junior Squad and Elite Development and to bridge the transition to the National and Elite Squads.
- To be responsible for the formation, development and regulation of the Hong Kong National Squad (NS).
- To design specialised training programmes for the NS.
- To organise and coordinate local and overseas activities for NS members.
- To coordinate sponsorship and subvention schemes of NS members.
- To arrange overseas tournaments for eligible ED, National and Elite players.
- To maintain a standard of play that will ensure tennis a place as an Elite sport.
- To oversee the Grants and Scholarships.

Notable Tournament Results

Date	Programme	Event	Venue	Position (No. of Entry)	Player
Jan	Hong Kong ITF Junior Tennis Tournament 2014 Grade 4	Boys' Singles	Hong Kong	Finalist (32)	Andrew LI
		Boys' Doubles	Hong Kong	Winner (16)	Tommy LAM / Jack WONG
		Girls' Singles	Hong Kong	Winner (32)	Eudice CHONG
		Girls' Doubles	Hong Kong	Winner (16)	Eudice CHONG / Ya Yun PAI (TPE)
		Girls' Singles	Hong Kong	Finalist (32)	Claire Spackman
	10K Sharm el Sheikh	Women's Singles	Egypt	Winner (32)	Zhang Ling
Feb	Fed Cup Group II 2014	Team	Kazakhstan	1st (13)	Zhang Ling / Tiffany WU / Eudice CHONG / NG Kwan Yau
	10K Nonthaburi Week 2	Women's Singles	Thailand	Winner (32)	Zhang Ling
	10K Nonthaburi Week 1	Women's Singles	Thailand	Finalist (32)	Zhang Ling
		Women's Doubles	Thailand	Winner (16)	Zhang Ling / Varatchaya WONGTEANCHAI (THA)
Apr	Nan Ying Cup International Junior Championships 2014 Grade 3	Girls' Singles	Taipei, Taiwan	Finalist (32)	Claire Spackman
		Girls' Doubles	Taipei, Taiwan	Winner (16)	Claire Spackman / Yukina SAIGO (JPN)
	Penang 4th ATF Asian 14U Series	Girls' Singles	Malaysia	Winner (24)	Claudia NG
		Boys' Singles	Malaysia	Finalist (32)	NG Ki Lung Roger
	25K Nanning	Women's Doubles	China P.R.	Finalist (16)	Zhang Ling / Saisai ZHENG (CHN)
	Chinese National Comp. 3 (12U)	Girls' Doubles	Jiaxing, China	Finalist (16)	Jenny WONG / CHAN Hiu Man (CHN)
	Jr Davis Cup Final Qualifying	Team	Kuching, Malaysia	3rd (16)	LAM Ching / Jack WONG / Jackie TANG
50K Aning	Women's Doubles	China P.R.	Finalist (16)	Zhang Ling / Varatchaya WONGTEANCHAI (THA)	
May	Guam ITF jr. Championship 2014 Grade 5	Boys' Doubles	Guam	Finalist (16)	Jeff CHAN / Jack BARBER (USA)
	China Junior 8 Beijing Grade 3	Boys' Doubles	China P.R.	Winner (16)	Robin NGUY / Xu Fan ZHOU (CHN)

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Date	Programme	Event	Venue	Position (No. of Entry)	Player
May	IT&E Northern Marianas Junior Championships Grade 5	Boys' Doubles	Northern Mariana Islands	Winner (16)	Jack WONG / LAM Ching
Jun	Malacca 4th ATF Asian 14U Series	Girls' Singles	Melaka, Malaysia	Winner (16)	Cody WONG
		Girls' Doubles	Melaka, Malaysia	Winner (6)	Cody WONG / Jenny WONG
	Thamrin Cup International Junior Championships Grade 4	Boys' Doubles	Indonesia	Winner (32)	Jack WONG / Bryan HUSIN (INA)
	South Pacific Open Jr. Championships Grade 4	Boys' Singles	Fiji	Winner (33)	Jackie TANG
		Boys' Doubles	Fiji	Finalist (16)	Lawrence LO / Jack WONG
	Jade Green 2nd Guangdong International Junior Tennis Championships (14U)	Girls' Doubles	Guangdong, China	Winner (6)	LOOK Avril / WAN Skylar
		Boys' Singles	Guangdong, China	Winner (26)	Adrian YAO
		Girls' Doubles	Guangdong, China	Winner (8)	Claudia NG / Thasaporn Naklo (THA)
		Girls' Doubles	Guangdong, China	Winner (8)	Cody WONG / LIN Wing Ka
	Oceania Open Jr Championships Grade 5	Boys' Singles	Fiji	Winner (32)	Jack WONG
Jul	LTAT U14 Thailand Circuit 1 By Siam Commercial Bank (14U)	Boys' Singles	Thailand	Finalist (32)	Adrian YAO
	LTAT U14 Thailand Circuit 2 By Siam Commercial Bank (14U)	Girls' Singles	Bangkok, Thailand	Winner (14)	Claudia NG
		Boys' Doubles	Bangkok, Thailand	Finalist (8)	Justin IP / Sherman YAU
		Girls' Doubles	Bangkok, Thailand	Finalist (5)	Yannis LEE / Claudia NG
	SUTAMA International Junior Tournament (14U)	Girls' Doubles	Japan	Finalist (16)	YU Wing Sze / Nicole TSANG
Asian 14 & Under CHN 3	Boys' Doubles	China P.R.	Finalist (14)	Dylan KAM / Issac CHAN	

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Date	Programme	Event	Venue	Position (No. of Entry)	Player
Aug	10K Astana	Women's Doubles	Kazakhstan	Finalist (16)	Eudice CHONG / Anna GRIGORYAN (RUS)
	ITF U18 Petit Camp Junior Open Grade 4	Boys' Singles	Mauritius	Finalist (32)	Jack WONG
		Boys' Doubles	Mauritius	Winner (16)	LAM Ching / YU Hua Chen (TPE)
		Girls' Doubles	Mauritius	Finalist (13)	Michelle MAN / Nico LIU (HKG)
	Indonesia ATF Tournament (14U)	Boys' Singles	Jakarta, Indonesia	Winner (36)	Sunny YUE
	ITF U18 Mauritius Open Grade 5	Boys' Singles	Jakarta, Indonesia	Finalist (36)	Roger NG
		Boys' Doubles	Jakarta, Indonesia	Winner (17)	Jason CHAN / Justine IP
Boys' Doubles		Mauritius	Finalist (16)	LAM Ching / YU Hua Chen (TPE)	
Oct	Hong Kong Open Junior Tennis Championships 2014 Grade 2	Boys' Doubles	Hong Kong	SF (16)	Jack WONG / LAM Ching
		Girls' Doubles	Hong Kong	SF (16)	Claire Spackman / Anastasia GASANOVA (RUS)
	Sabah 5th ATF Asian 14U Series	Girls' Singles	Malaysia	Winner (6)	Kelly LEUNG
	LTAT U14 Thailand Circuit 3	Boys' Doubles	Bangkok, Thailand	Winner (14)	Stephen WONG / Jason CHAN

Coaches Development and Qualifications Committee

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Mr. Michael CHENG

Year in Review

Localization continues to be the main direction for all works done in the CDQC this year. The big step was to have our local tutors conduct Mini Tennis Coach Courses in May / June and an Elementary Coach Course in November. To enrich their knowledge in coaching, we have subsidized the local tutors to attend the ITF Asian Regional Coaches Conference in Beijing and the Sports General Theory Certification course organized by the Hong Kong Sports Institute.

The CDQC continues to provide learning and practical opportunities for the above qualified coaches. An ITF tutor from India was hired to conduct the higher level coach course with our tutors and during the course the ITF tutor monitored their performance and gave suggestions for them to improve. Besides that, we hope the course can also successfully develop higher level local coaches in the near future.



ITF Asian Regional Coaches Conference in Beijing

Continuous Professional Development Programme

The “Continuous Professional Development Programme” continues to play an important role in developing coaches in Hong Kong. In 2014, various experts have been invited to share their experience and knowledge in tennis, sports science and physical fitness with our coaches.

The 7 workshops and seminars organized have provided an opportunity for licensed coaches to consolidate their knowledge in different aspects. The workshops and seminars are very well received by our coaches. Below is a table summarizing the workshops and seminars organized in 2014.



Continuous Professional Development Programme – Annual Dinner



Continuous Professional Development Programme – Workshop

Workshops and Seminars

Workshops and Seminars in 2014:

Month	Topic	Speaker / Coach
Jan	International Tennis Federation (ITF) Coaches Workshop 2014	Mr. LAU Ching Man, Mr. LEE Chi Fai, Mr. Daniel LEE, Mr. SHER Pui Cheong, Mr. Hugo TSE, Mr. YIP Ting Hang
Mar	Coaches Training Scheme 2014	Mr. Hugo TSE and Mr. LEE Chi Fai
Mar	Tennis - Sports General Theory Course	Dr. Sam LI, Senior Lecturer of Sports Programmes, IVE
May	Plyometric Training for Tennis Players	Mr. FONG Lap Yin
Jul	Heat Stroke Prevention and Injury Management	Mr. LO Wai Kit
Aug	Rules of Tennis and Local Tournaments	Miss Molly Kam
Sep	International Tennis Federation (ITF) Coaches Workshop 2014	Mr. Daniel Lee, Mr. SHER Pui Cheong, Mr. LEE Chi Fai, Mr. LAU Ching Man, Mr. Hugo TSE, Mr. YIP Ting Hang
Dec	CDQC Coaches Annual Party 2013	N/A

ITF Endorsed HKTA Coach Certification Scheme

In view of the need for quality coaches and a growing demand for certified tennis coaches, the HKTA has collaborated with the ITF and run a Certification Scheme in Hong Kong since 2003. Over the years, one Advanced Coach Course, 11 Development Coach Courses, 36 Elementary Coach Courses and 39 Mini Tennis Instructor Courses have been organized.

In 2014, approximately 120 candidates have undergone this certification scheme in 4 Mini Tennis Instructor Courses, 1 Elementary Coach Course and 1 Development Coach Course that we organised respectively.



ITF Endorsed HKTA Coach Certification Scheme

HKTA Coach Licensing Scheme and Coach Benefits

In 2014, we have 291 coaches successfully registered under this scheme. The Scheme helps to fulfill the market demand for standardization in the coaching system and for coaches with recognised qualifications, and opens a learning window for the coaches to keep abreast of the latest coaching know-how and technology in the game of tennis through a continuous educational programme.

In 2008, it became the policy of the LCSD that any new tennis coaches who wish to register with them must possess an HKTA license. This arrangement has shown the strong commitment of the HKTA in safeguarding the teaching quality of coaches in Hong Kong.

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The CDQC has been actively promoting the status of the HKTA licensed coaches in all of the HKTA programmes and on public courts throughout the year. The CDQC places a great deal of focus on the benefits for the licensed coaches and has endeavored to promote the licensed coach status to the tennis public. The CDQC has been liaising with potential sponsors with a view to providing tailor-made services and benefits for licensed coaches including discount purchase of equipment and uniform, etc.

The HKTA Coaches' Library, located at the HKTA Tennis Centre at Kowloon Tsai Park, provides another platform for the continual development and upgrading of coaches in Hong Kong. The library contains the latest collections of essential publications, DVDs and videotapes from the ITF and well-established tennis academies. Licensed coaches are encouraged to fully utilize the valuable resources in the library in order to keep them abreast of the latest coaching knowledge.

The next project for the Committee is to apply for bronze recognition under the ITF Recognition of Coach Education Systems of National Association for which we are currently in the process of doing. To be eligible, we have to create our own coach education program and have qualified tutors in place equipped to conduct the coach courses. In addition, we have to do more towards improving the level of tennis coaching, hence, we will continue to run local coaching courses with local tutors and we believe this will have mutual benefits for all parties, such as coaches, local tutors, the general public, member clubs and ourselves.

Terms of Reference

- To design and implement tennis coaches' training programmes in accordance with Council policies.
- To ensure the coaching quality of coaches.
- To design and implement programmes directed towards upgrading and maintaining the overall standard and competence of all HKTA certified coaches by providing channels for our coaches to self-improve and upgrade continuously.
- To set the benchmark for coaching at various levels in Hong Kong.
- To organise seminars and workshops to maintain the level of the coaches in Hong Kong and to update their knowledge.
- To monitor our coaches' activities, attitudes and training.
- To administrate the Coach Licensing Scheme.
- To assess the coaching ability so as to ensure the quality of coaches.
- To raise the level of public recognition of our certified coaches.
- To create collective bargaining power to uphold the benefits of our coaches.
- To ensure that the coaches are working in accordance with the directives from the Player Development Committee.
- To offer job placements on HKTA courses to certified coaches.

Tournament Committee

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Mr. Phillip KING

Mr. Philip MOK

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Mr. Herbert CHOW

Year in Review

With competition being one of the key elements in the sport of tennis, the Tournament Committee is committed to providing tournaments at all levels and for all ages. Tennis is a sport that is played for life and the competitive element of tournaments is one way of keeping players in the game. Tournaments can be arranged for any age group; for juniors as young as 5 years of age to senior players up to 80 years, and our aim is therefore to organise even more tournaments for players of all levels and ages.

An important duty of the Committee is the selection of teams from eligible and available players to represent Hong Kong in all major games and representative competitions, with tournament results and rankings being two of the means of selection.

To ensure that the younger players can gain match experience at an early age, many competitions are organised with the aim of attracting the younger players. This year the tournament section has been very busy, with 800 entries for the National Junior Championships, 2000 entries in the Junior Series, giving an impressive average of 380 entries for each competition, and an average of 190 entries in the Junior Novice Competition, with the youngest player only 6 years of age. To give more match experience for 112-and-under players, a Community Tennis Competition has been organized over the last 3 years with more than 100 12-and-under players participating. The Committee also organised four mini tennis competitions for children aged 8-and-under, with the goal of giving them a starting point in their competitive tennis careers with soft tennis balls.

Asian Games

The 17th Asian Games were hosted by South Korean city, Incheon. Hong Kong launched a 10-pronged assault across all disciplines in the tennis event. Women's spearhead Zhang Ling was supported by Venise Chan, Tiffany Wu, Katherine Ip and Eudice Chong. Whilst David Sofaer led a men's team comprising Kevin Kung, Brian Yeung, Kevin Wong and Andrew Li.



Team to the 17th Asian Games, Incheon

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In the team events both the Mens' and Womens' teams enjoyed opening round success against Kuwait and Pakistan respectively. In the second round the Hong Kong Men's Team were pitted against gold medal favourites, Kazakhstan. Kazakhstan, led by Mikhail Kukushkin (ATP 73) and Aleksandr Nedovyesov (ATP 99) proved too strong, whitewashing Hong Kong 3-0. The women's team suffered a similar fate at the hands of 1st seeds, China.

1st round individual action delivered victories for Andrew Li in the men's singles, Zhang Ling in the women's singles, Bryan Yeung and Kevin Wong in the men's doubles, Zhang Ling and Eudice Chong in the women's doubles, and Bryan Yeung and Eudice Chong in the mixed doubles. Zhang Ling would be Hong Kong's only athlete to progress to a quarter final, doing so in the women's singles event, just missing out on a shot at a medal after falling to Chinese player Wang Qiang, ranked just outside the top 100, 6-4 6-4.

Davis Cup

After being promoted to Asia/Oceania Group II in 2013, Hong Kong was unable to retain its position this year, despite a valiant effort from the team. In the first round of competition in February, Hong Kong, led by Philip King and Ognian Kolev faced Thailand away in Phuket and came up against a strong local side, losing 4-1 and setting up a relegation play off against Indonesia in April. Against a full strength Indonesian side, Hong Kong fought heroically. Philip King won his first singles rubber to score Hong Kong a point, however we suffered heartbreaking 5 set defeats in King's reverse singles and the doubles rubber to create an unassailable 3-1 deficit and relegation to Group III. The team will look to regain their position in Group II in Davis Cup play in 2015.



Hong Kong Team with SF&OC officials at the 17th Asian Games, Incheon



From left to right: Eudice CHONG, ZHANG Ling



Davis Cup Team



Davis Cup Team – Hong Kong & Indonesia Representatives



From left to right:
Davis Cup Team, Captain – Mr. Chris LAI, Phillip KING, Team Manager – Dr. David HO, Ognian KOLEV, Coach – Karan RASTOGI, David CATALA-VELASCO, Jack WONG

Federation Cup

In the Fed Cup Asia/Oceania Group II competition in Astana, Kazakhstan in February, Hong Kong achieved promotion into Asia/Oceania Group I for the first time since 2008. The team, consisting of Zhang Ling, Tiffany Wu Ho Ching, Eudice Chong, Ng Kwan Yau, captained by Philip King and coached by Karan Rastogi went undefeated throughout the week. They notched up emphatic 3-0 victories in the Group stage, defeating Vietnam and Malaysia without the loss of a set, before defeating India 2-1 in the play-off stages to set up a promotion determining tie against the Philippines. Zhang Ling and Eudice Chong came through their singles matches to record the 2 points needed to win the tie and finish atop the standing out of 13 countries, achieving promotion to Group I for 2015.



From left to right:
Coach – Karan RASTOGI, Eudice CHONG,
Captain – Phillip KING, Physiotherapist -
Ms, Jasmine LOKE, ZHANG Ling,
NG Kwan Yau, Tiffany WU



From left to right:
ZHANG Ling, Captain
– Phillip KING,
NG Kwan Yau, Coach
– Karan RASTOGI,
Eudice CHONG, Tiffany WU



WU Ho Ching



NG Kwan Yau

Junior Davis Cup

For the 2nd time in the past 4 years, the Hong Kong Junior Davis Cup team safely navigated the Asia/Oceania qualifying rounds to progress to the World Group finals, where the best 16/ U players from across the world converged on Mexico to vie for the title. In the Asia/Oceania regional qualifying event, Hong Kong was represented by upcoming talents, Jack Wong, Jackie Tang and Lam Ching. Seeded 6th, the boys emerged from pool play as the 2nd placed qualifiers behind Chinese Taipei and were subsequently drawn next to the highly fancied 3rd seeded Australians. After splitting the singles rubbers, Jack and Jackie claimed the decisive doubles victory in dominant fashion to guarantee their World Group qualification. Hong Kong would eventually place 3rd overall, after turning the tables on Chinese Taipei in the 3rd - 4th playoff.



From left to right, Coach - Leo LIU, JDC Players
- LAM Ching, Jack WONG, Jackie TANG,
Coach - Lap FONG



Jack WONG

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Opening against top-seeded France at the World Group Finals, Hong Kong nearly pulled off the upset of the tournament as Jack Wong scraped through a 3 setter against his French counterpart in the first match. The French would eventually claim the match after winning the second singles and a nail-biting 3 set doubles win. After a loss against 6th-seeded Brazil, Hong Kong found their legs and scored their first points against unseeded Egypt in the final pool match. They finished 3rd in their pool, which placed them in a 9th-12th playoff. After going down 3-0 against Estonia in the first of the play-off matches, Hong Kong's final matchup would be with Sweden, which they took 2-1 after claiming the deciding doubles rubber to claim 11th place overall.

Junior Federation Cup

In the JFC competition, a fresh-faced team comprising 15-year-old Sabrina Woll and 14-year-old Claudia Ng Hei Ching and Jacqueline Lam Wing Kiu, none of whom held any junior ranking at the time of competition, hoped to defy their lack of experience in a quality field of teams. Handed a tough draw in the pool stages, Hong Kong lost 3-0 against 1st-seeded Australia, 2-1 to 8th-seeded Uzbekistan and 2-1 to unseeded Singapore to finish 4th in their group.

Hong Kong's first post pool test would be against familiar rivals, the Philippines. After splitting the singles rubbers, Claudia and Jacqueline were unable to seal the W in the decisive doubles rubber, eventually going down 2-6 4-6. Unwilling to go home without the taste of success, the Hong Kong girls found some resistance, claiming the final 2 ties of the competition over Sri Lanka and Malaysia to achieve a final result of 13th. One must consider that all 3 girls are still available for JFC next year, whilst Jacqueline and Claudia are also available in 2016.



From left to right,
Coach – Leo LIU,
JFC Players
– Sabrina WOLL, Claudia NG,
Jacqueline LAM

World Junior Tennis

In this year's edition of the ITF World Junior Tennis Asia/Oceania final qualifying competition, the All India Tennis Association (ARTA) served as hosts to both the boys' and girls' teams from April 21st to May 3rd. The boys team comprised top 14-yr-old Jonathan Zhang Zheng Qi, Sunny Yue Ching Ho and Arthur Chau Ka Wai, whilst the girls team featured 14-yr-old Claudia Ng Hei Ching, Nicole Tsang Wai Yiu as well as the highly touted 12-yr-old Cody Wong Hong Yi.

In the pool stages, Hong Kong's boys were handed a 3-0 defeat by 3rd-seeded India, whilst 5th-seeded Japan proved too strong, claiming an eventual 2-1 victory. In the final tie of the pool stages, the boys bounced back to overcome their Singaporean neighbours 2-1 to finish 3rd at the conclusion of the preliminary rounds. Eager to turn their campaign around, Jonathan Zhang got the team off to a flying start in the play-offs with a first up singles win against unseeded Lebanon. With the tie delicately balanced at 1-1, he paired with Sunny Yue to claim the W and the tie.

Hong Kong split the singles rubbers in their ensuing tie against Malaysia, and Zhang and Yue fought valiantly to send the deciding rubber to a final set before eventually going down by a final scoreline of 6-1 5-7 6-7(9). The Hong Kong boys would claim 11th placing after they clinched a 2-0 victory in their final tie against Kazakhstan.



From left to right,
Boys Representatives –
Arthur CHAU,
Jonathan ZHANG,
Sunny YUE



From left to right,
Girls Representatives –
Cody WONG,
Nicole TSANG, Claudia NG



From left to right, Cody WONG, Claudia NG

The unseeded girls team had a fantastic run through the pool stages, handing a 2-1 loss to 5th-seeded Thailand, before being overpowered by 3rd-seeded China 3-0. The final tie before the playoffs saw Hong Kong whitewash Philippines 3-0, propelling them into the 1st - 8th play-off and a shot at advancing to the world finals. Facing the 2nd seeded Chinese Taipei proved to be an insurmountable task for the Hong Kong girls as they were brushed aside in convincing fashion 3-0. In the penultimate tie, Hong Kong faced Kazakhstan in a tie which could have gone either way. All matches went the distance, but it was the Kazakhstani 8th seeds who claimed the decisive final set in the doubles rubber to send Hong Kong into a final showdown won by New Zealand, which placed the Hong Kong girls 8th at the conclusion of the competition

ITF Circuit Events Sponsored by:

From July 5-26th, Hong Kong hosted 3 consecutive US\$10,000 ITF Men's Futures events at Victoria Park Tennis Stadium. The tournaments offered a prime opportunity for young local players to gain experience on the professional circuit, as well as gain ATP ranking points, with several players picking up their first points. Kevin Wong Chun Han and Brian Yeung Pak Long reached the semi-finals of the F3 doubles competition, defeating the third seeds en route. Fellow local player David Sofaer reached the doubles semi-finals of the F2 with his Australian partner Daniel Feretti. Jack Wong and Kelvin Lam also secured their first ATP points, by advancing to the second round of the F1 doubles tournament. David Catala-Velasco, Jack Wong, Kelvin Lam, David Sofaer and Brian Yeung Pak Long all secured main draw singles wins during the series.



From left to right:
Hong Kong ITF Men's Futures 2014 (F1),
Singles Runner-up
– Wishaya TRONGCHAROENCHAIKUL (THA),
Sponsor's Representative from Confederation
Investment Limited – Mr. Alex MAK,
Singles Champion – LEE Duck Hee (KOR)

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Hong Kong's male elite will be able to test themselves against top 200 players and pick up further points at an ATP Challenger event in January 2015, the first of its kind to be held in Hong Kong in many years.



From left to right:
 Hong Kong ITF Men's Futures 2014 (F3),
 Davis Cup Champion –
 Kento TAKEUCHI (JPN),
 Former – Jack HUI,
 Singles Runner-up
 – SONG Min-Kyu (KOR)



From left to right:
 Chevalier Hong Kong ITF Women's
 Circuit Series 2013 (Week4, US\$25,000),
 Singles Runner-up – Zarina DIYAS
 (KAZ), Singles Champion - Elizaveta
 KULICHKOVA (RUS)



Chevalier HK ITF Women's
 Circuit Series 2013
 (Week4, US\$25,000), Singles Champion
 - Elizaveta KULICHKOVA (RUS)

After a successful series of 3 US\$10,000 ITF Women's Circuit events and a US\$25,000 event in December 2013/January 2014, Hong Kong will again host three US\$10,000 tournaments in December 2014, followed by a US\$50,000 event in January 2015. The US\$25,000 event in 2014 saw an elite field, with the title won by rising Russian star and 2014 Australian Open Junior Champion Elizaveta Kulichkova, who defeated current WTA No. 33 Zarina Diyas in the final.

ITF Junior Tournaments 2014

Sponsored by:



Hong Kong hosted two ITF junior tournaments in 2014, the G4 Hong Kong ITF Junior Tennis Tournament in January and the newly upgraded G2 Hong Kong Open Junior Tennis Championships in October. At the G4 in January, Eudice Chong was a double titlist for the second consecutive year, with victories in both the Girls' Doubles and Singles events, defeating compatriot Claire Spackman in the final 6-0 7-5. In fact, 5 out of the 8 Girls' Singles quarterfinalists were local players. Unseeded Andrew Li was runner-up in the Boys' Singles final and Jack Wong & Tommy Lam captured the Boys' Doubles title in what was a very successful week for Hong Kong juniors.



From left to right:
 ITF Junior Tournament 2014 (G4), Girls' Doubles Runners-up
 – Kaoko KITAGAWA (JPN) & Miyo KOBAYASHI (JPN),
 Girls' Doubles Champions – Eudice CHONG (HKG) &
 PAI Ya Yun (TPE)



Claire SPACKMAN



Andrew LI

At the G2 Hong Kong Open Junior Championships in October, the first G2 junior event played in Hong Kong in several years, Hong Kong recorded some strong results, despite the high quality international junior field. Jack Wong reached the quarterfinals of the Boys' Singles, Lam Ching and Jack Wong reached the Boys' Doubles semi-finals, narrowly missing out on a place in the final after losing in a match tie-break, while Jackie Tang also reached the doubles quarterfinals with his Taiwanese partner. On the girls' side, Claire Spackman reached the Girls' Doubles semi-finals with her Russian partner, also losing in a deciding match tie-break.



ITF Junior Tournament 2014 (G4), Boys' Doubles Champion – Jack WONG and Tommy LAM

Hong Kong National Tennis Championships 2014

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The Hong Kong National Tennis Championships is one of the three major tennis tournaments that are held annually in Hong Kong, the other two being the SCAA Open and the CRC Open, and most of the top players in Hong Kong compete in these three events. Nine events were played: Men's & Ladies' Singles & Doubles, Men's & Ladies' B Singles & Doubles and Mixed Doubles. The total number of entries in the National Championship 2014 was 868 entries. The total prize money increased to HK\$307,750, the highest in prize money amount out of the three major tournaments. Ladies' Open singles winner Wu Ho Ching earned a qualifying wildcard to a WTA event – the Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open 2014, held in September. In the Men's Open Singles final, the format was changed to best of 5 sets, with top seeded player Philip King retaining his title by defeating Benoit Foucher in straight sets.



Hong Kong National Tennis Championships 2014, Ladies' Open Singles Champion – Tiffany WU



Hong Kong National Tennis Championships 2014, Men's Open Singles Champion – Phillip KING, Runner-up – Benoit FOUCHER, and ballkids



Lions Hong Kong National Junior Tennis Championships 2014

The Hong Kong National Junior Tennis Championships was once again sponsored by Lions Clubs
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International District 303 Hong Kong & Macau. The very popular event was held from 8th February to 9th March at Victoria Park. The juniors competed in 18 events: Boys' and Girls' Singles 10U, 12U, 14U, 16U & 18U and Boys' and Girls' Doubles 12U, 14U, 16U & 18U and we saw an entry of 800 players. In 2014, the winners and runners-up in the Boys' & Girls' U16 & U14 Singles events represented Hong Kong in international junior team tennis – the Junior Davis Cup, Junior Fed Cup and World Junior Tennis.



Lions Hong Kong National Junior Tennis Championships 2014,
Prize Presentation Ceremony



From left to right:
Lions Hong Kong National Junior
Tennis Championships 2014, Girls'
Best Champion – Cody WONG,
Lions Past District Governor
- Mr. Franklin LUI



From left to right:
Lions Hong Kong National Junior
Tennis Championships 2014, Boys'
Best Champion – Douglas YANG,
Lions Past District Governor
- Mr. Franklin LUI

They were also awarded qualifying or main draw wild cards in the Hong Kong Open Junior Tennis Championships which was held in October 2014. The runner-up and winners of the Boys' & Girls' U18 Singles, were awarded qualifying or main draw wild cards in the Hong Kong ITF Pro Circuit 2014 events held in July and December respectively. This initiative gives top junior players a chance to participate in professional events locally.

Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit 2014

The Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit is one of the HKTA local tournaments for adult players. Four events were played- Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles and Women's Doubles. The tournament has 8 competitions playing continuously at different venues including the Hong Kong Tennis Centre, Chai Wan Park, Lai Chi Kok Park, Shek Kip Mei Park, Tai Po Sports Grounds and Yuen Wo Playground, amongst others from April to November. The winners & runners-up receive an invitation to play the Grand Masters in December at Hong Kong Tennis Centre. The approximate total number of entries this year was 1,160 entries.

Junior Series

The Junior Tennis Series consisted of 5 competitions in 2014. It aims to promote tennis at junior level between ages 12 and 18. Events on offer include boys' & girls' Singles in 12U, 14U, 16U and 18U and boys' & girls' doubles in 12U, 14U, 16U, 18U, which is different from the grading format adopted in 2013. In 2014, there were more than 2,000 entries. In the Junior Tennis Series Competition, doubles events provide an opportunity for junior players to gain more experience in doubles, especially as doubles can be an important factor in results at international team competitions. The competitions are held in different public tennis courts such as Victoria Park, Hong Kong Tennis Centre, Lai Chi Kok Park and Chai Wan Park which provides several choices to players competing in different venues. In Competition 5, the boys' 18 singles and boys' 18 doubles age groups were scheduled to play in Hong Kong Country Club which provided an opportunity for players to compete in a club house facility. It helps to promote the usage of club house tennis courts by holding competitions there. The competition not only provides a chance to practise and to gain valuable tournament experience but to gain ranking points in each event. Ranking points are given to a player that reaches a round where points are available in order to calculate the Hong Kong Junior rankings in the relevant event.



Girls' 12 & Under Singles Final - KWOK Hong Kiu,
MASUDA KARRASCH Sheena Jade with Umpire CHAN Ka Ho



Girls' 18 & Under Singles Final - Avril LOOK,
TSANG Wai Yiu with Umpire Victor SO.

Junior Novice

The Junior Tennis Novice Competition is comprised of competitions and a Grand Masters, which is for junior tennis beginners aged between 8 to 10. It provides an ideal platform to engage in friendly, yet competitive tennis matches for youngsters who have progressed past the mini-tennis ranks or those that have already had some experience with tennis. Events on offer include boys' & girls' Singles in 8U, 9U & 10U.

In order to promote the ITF "Tennis 10s", the competition has been using green balls for 10U and orange balls for 8U & 9U for 3 years. Top finishers of each competition are invited to the Grand Masters. Competitions are held in different public tennis courts across Hong Kong. In order to allow players the opportunity to get more experience playing competitive tennis and to give them a chance to play as many matches as possible, players losing in the 1st / 2nd round in each event in the competition may be invited into the consolation draw to compete for a consolation winner title. This year, there were 930 entries across the competitions.

Community Tennis

The community tennis events are an integral and popular part of the tournament scene in Hong Kong and each year tennis events are organised in all the different districts to enable players of all standards to compete. In 2014, over 300 12 & under junior players enjoyed participating in the competition. The competition is supported by the Federation of Community Tennis Clubs.

Mini Tennis Competition

Mini tennis competition is a starting point for players aged 8U. The Committee organized 4 competitions in Ap Lei Chau Sports Centre, Shek Tong Tsui Sports Centre, Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park Sports Centre and Kwun Chung Sports Centre. Over 500 kids participated.

Rankings

Results from the National Championships, the SCAA Open, the CRC Open, and the Hong Kong Districts Tennis Circuit, as well as conversion points from ITF Junior ranking tournaments, WTA, ATP and ITF Futures events are used for the HKTA National Rankings. All participants in these tournaments will have a numeric ranking starting from number one.

The Junior National Ranking system shows singles rankings for boys' and girls' 18&U as well as boys' and girls' doubles rankings 18&U. Junior Players can gain points from Hong Kong Junior Tennis Series, CRC Open, Schools' events, Asian Tennis Federation (ATF) 14U events and conversion points from ITF Junior Rankings.

Terms of Reference

1. To organise junior & senior tournaments in Hong Kong.
2. To prepare budgets relating to local and international tournaments organised by HKTA.
3. To set up selection criteria for players for all International Representative Tournaments.
4. To select players, Captains and Managers for all representative events, and to collaborate with the Player Development Committee for junior team events.
5. To maintain an HKTA Ranking System for Junior and Senior players.
6. To coordinate work with the Ball Persons' Section.
7. To coordinate work with the Ushers and Court Services supervisors.
8. To sanction tournaments in Hong Kong organised by other organisations and to set down basic requirements for giving such sanctions and to charge for such sanctions.
9. To provide advice to organisers of other non-HKTA tournaments.
10. To collaborate with the ITF on matters concerning International events.
11. To collaborate with the ATF on matters concerning Asian events.
12. To collaborate with other local National Sports Associations when required.
13. To oversee the Officiating Committee.

Officiating Committee

Chairman

Dr. David HO

Members

Mr. Gary AU-YEUNG Mr. Warren KO
 Mr. Mathew CHENG Mr. WONG Wing Fai
 Mr. Philip MOK Mr. Vincent LIANG, JP
 Mr. Joseph WONG

Ex-officio Members

Mr. Herbert CHOW Mr. Michael CHENG

Year in Review

It has been an exciting twelve months for officials as we see more and more top level tournaments return to Hong Kong. With up to 50 regular events keeping them busy throughout the year, they also had the opportunities to challenge themselves at the Prudential WTA Hong Kong Open, a US\$25,000 ITF Women's Circuit event and the Grade 2 Hong Kong Open Junior Championship.



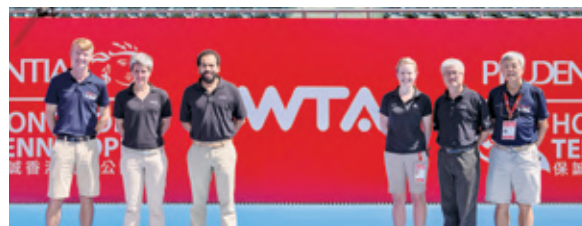
Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open 2014 – Officials

Anticipating this increasing demand for qualified officials, the HKTA continues to encourage our staff to upgrade their credentials. This year, we had Mr. Kevin Keung attaining ITF Level 2 (White Badge) Chair Umpire certification and Mr. Charles Lau achieving ITF Level 3 (Silver Badge) Chief Umpire status. Congratulations to them both!



The only Silver Badge chief umpire in Hong Kong - Mr. Charles LAU

National Level Schools have been held every year to recruit new officials. 62 candidates successfully completed the Level 1 Umpires' Training Course that was conducted at Kowloon Tsai Tennis Centre in June.



Prudential Hong Kong Tennis Open 2014 – Officials



HKTA National Level Umpire Course



HKTA National Level Umpire Course

For existing officials, a refresher course was held in May at the South China Athletic Association Tennis Centre.

Listed below is a breakdown of the qualifications of HKTA officials.

National Level Officials	170
ITF White Badge	15
ITF Silver Badge Chief Umpire	1
ITF Gold Badge Referee	1

Our exchange program with other nations has proven to be a great success, giving our officials more opportunity to work in professional events. We also invited higher ITF level overseas officials to work in our tournaments and share their experience with us.

The HKTA Officiating committee strives to improve communications with front-line staff. A new sub-committee, chaired by Mr. Mathew Cheng, has been formed to engage officials in getting first hand feedback on various issues and their involvement in decision-making.

HKTA Officials worked in the following events in 2014:

Hong Kong Tennis Open – WTA 250K
Hong Kong ITF Men's Futures 10K
Hong Kong ITF Women's Circuit Series 10K & 25K
Hong Kong Open Junior Championships (G 2)
Hong Kong ITF 4 Junior Tournament (G 4)
Hong Kong ITF Seniors Competition
ITF World Tennis Day
Hong Kong National Tennis Championships
Lions Hong Kong National Junior Tennis Championships
CRC Open
Hong Kong Tennis Champions Cup
Dr. Henry Fok Corporate Patron League
Hong Kong Districts Tennis Circuit
Hong Kong Junior Tennis Series
Community Junior Tennis Competitions
Junior Tennis Novice Competition
Open Mini-Tennis Competitions
HKTA/Prince District Inter-School Competitions and Annual Championships
Stars of the Future (Stage V) Tennis Competition
Longines Future Tennis Aces on the Road to the French Open
Summer League
Winter League
Veterans' League
Junior League – Summer & Winter
Central & Western District Age Group Tennis Competition
Eastern District Age Group Tennis Competition
Islands District Tennis Competition
Kowloon City District Age Group Tennis Competition
Kowloon West District Police Tennis Tournament
Kwai Tsing District Age Group Tennis Competition
Kwun Tong District Age Group Tennis Competition
Northern District Age Group Tennis Competition
Sai Kung District Age Group Tennis Competition
Shatin District Tennis Competition
Sham Shui Po District Age Group Tennis Competition
Southern District Tennis Age Group Competition
Tai Po District Tennis Competition

Tsuen Wan District Age Group Tennis Competition
Tuen Mun District Age Group Tennis Competition
Wan Chai District Age Group Tennis Competition
Wong Tai Sin District Age Group Tennis Competition
Yau Tsim Mong District Age Group Tennis Competition
Yuen Long District Tennis Competition
USFHK Tennis Tournament
Hong Kong National Veterans' Tennis Championships
Ladies Recreation Club Singles Championships
Immigration Department Disciplined Services Tennis Tournament
Ladies and Mixed Doubles Ranking Competition
Hong Kong Master Games
Hong Kong Corporate Games
FCTC League

Terms of Reference

- To deal with all matters relating to officiating.
- To maintain a registry of tennis officials in Hong Kong.
- To evaluate and assess all tennis officials in Hong Kong in order to upgrade and maintain the officiating standard.
- To recruit, train and develop tennis officials in Hong Kong.
- To upgrade and maintain the officiating standard and to establish a proper structure and classification for all tennis officials in Hong Kong.
- To arrange deployment of officials and to provide consultation services and assistance to tennis tournaments and events.
- To review and recommend a scale of allowances for tennis officials in Hong Kong.
- To coordinate with other officiating bodies.
- To deal with complaints on officiating and disciplinary matters filed with the HKTA.
- To give advice to affiliated clubs when required on matters concerning rules of tennis and requirements for facilities (i.e. court size, lighting, etc.).

League Management Committee

Chairman

Mr. Vincent LIANG, JP

Members

Mr. Benjamin CHANG	Dr. Jaime SIN	Dr. Desmond YIP	Mr. Peter TONG
Mr. Mathew CHENG	Mr. Andrew MACRAE	Mr. Frederick KEUNG	Mr. TSAI Ge Wah
Mr. Clement LEE	Ms. Debbie SEE	Mr. Gary SZE	Mr. Ernest CHIU

Ex Officio Members

Mr. Herbert CHOW Mr. Michael CHENG

Year in Review

The HKTA Tennis League, which has been in existence for more than 100 years, is one of the most popular and longest running team events in Hong Kong. Its operations and day-to-day running are overseen by the League Management Committee (LMC). The Committee is responsible for ensuring the managing, marketing & promotion and enforcement of rules of all league tennis which is organized or sanctioned by the HKTA and through the various leagues, is committed to ensuring fair play and competition through all levels of the local tennis community.

2014 saw 39 member clubs and league clubs, over 168 teams and over 2,800 players compete in the many divisions, with the actual total registration of players over all the leagues exceeding 12,000. The two primary leagues that took place over the season were the Men's and Women's Winter and Summer Leagues, ranging from A+ to E grade. In addition, the Mixed Doubles League, the Veteran's League (run jointly with Hong Kong Veterans Tennis Association) a Two Court League (run together with the Federation of Community Tennis Clubs (FCTC) and two Junior Leagues were also staged during the year, ensuring that players of all ages and abilities could compete.

League Results

The annual League Presentation Ceremony was held on September 3rd, 2014 at the Jockey Club Lecture Theatre in Olympic House and saw the prizes for the 2013/14 Winter League, 2014 Summer League, 2014 Veterans and Mixed Doubles leagues and the 2013 Autumn and 2014 Spring Junior Leagues awarded to captains of the winning and runner-up teams.



Winter League 2013/14 Men's A+
Champion – LRC



Summer League
2014 Men' A+ Champion – CRC



Winter League 2013/14 Ladies' A+ -
CRC

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In the Men's A + division, LRC took home the league cup in the 2013/14 Winter League, with CRC runners up, whilst CRC were victorious in the 2014 Summer League and HKCC placed second. In the Ladies A+ Division, CRC and KCC held the top 2 spots, with CRC capturing the 2013/14 Winter League title and KCC taking the 2014 Summer League, 1 point ahead of CRC. The 2014 Mixed Doubles League was won by CRC for the second year in a row, finishing one point ahead of second placed IRC 1. The Men's Veteran's 80+ league was captured by HKCC, whilst the 100+A and 120+ were won by KCC and Hilltop Country Club respectively. FCTC 1 took the Women's 80+ Veterans League and Hilltop was victorious in the Mixed 100+. In Junior Team Tennis, the Autumn 2013 League Division B was won by SSP and the Spring league by NUTC.



Junior League 2013 - Autumn Div B
Champion - SSP



Junior League 2014 Spring Div B Champion -
NUTC

Two Court League

In addition to the HKTA club leagues, the Two Court League is jointly organized by the HKTA and the FCTC, for those clubs and complexes that have only two available courts and are therefore not eligible to compete in the HKTA Leagues, with the goal of providing league tennis to all community tennis clubs and residential tennis clubs in Hong Kong.

The Men's A and Women's A+ champions are both New City Tennis Club. This year, 98 teams from 35 FCTC member clubs and 3 HKTA member clubs and residential tennis clubs participated. This continues to be a very successful initiative and the LMC will continue to search for ways of introducing other new and exciting ideas with the hope that they will attract even more players to league tennis.

HKTA Convenors' Tournament 2014

The 15th annual HKTA Tennis Convenors' Tournament took place to be held on November 30th during the morning of the final day at the CRC Open 2014. This tournament is traditionally jointly hosted by the LMC and the Chinese Recreation Club. It is always a well anticipated and enjoyable event, with players keenly competing for the Convenors' Cup, a perpetual trophy in memory of "The Tsui Brothers" - Tsui Wai Pui and Tsui Yun Pui. This year, the doubles team of Gordon Cheung and Jamie Sin won the event.



Tennis Convenor Cup Tournament
2014 Champion -
Jaime SIN(LMC) & Gordon Cheung(GCYCC)
Runner Up- Lam Siu Wai(CBGCC) & Tony Tam(YYC)

Terms of Reference

- (i) The LMC shall be responsible for the promotion, management, and marketing of all League tennis, which is organized or sanctioned by the Hong Kong Tennis Association
- (ii) The LMC shall be appointed annually by the HKTA Council and shall consist of a Chairman, a League Secretary and not less than eight additional members from Affiliated Clubs
- (iii) The LMC shall be responsible for the registration of teams, the grading of individual players, and the publication of a League Handbook containing the Rules for League Competitions and the arrangement of League Divisions
- (iv) The LMC shall have the authority to arbitrate on disputes between clubs and players concerning League matters
- (v) The LMC shall consult Convenors of Affiliated Clubs on at least one occasion each year at a Convenors meeting to consider modifications pertaining to the organization of Leagues or to the Rules for League Competitions

2015 Calendar

Events	Jan-2015
ITF Women's Circuit 50K 2015	1st-11th
Hong Kong ITF Junior Tournament 2015 (Grade 4)	17th-25th
ATP 50K Challenger	24th-31st
HKTA Mini Tennis Competition (Comp 1) 2015	31st
	Feb-2015
HKTA Mini Tennis Competition (Comp 1) 2015	1st
ATP 50K Challenger	1st-2nd
Hong Kong National Junior Tennis Championship 2015	3rd-16th, 26th-28th
	Mar-2015
Hong Kong National Junior Tennis Championship 2015	1st-11th
Hong Kong National Tennis Championship 2015	10th, 12th-13th
	Apr-2015
Hong Kong Junior Novice (Comp 1) 2015	6th-7th, 11th-12th
Hong Kong National Tennis Championship 2015	8th-22th
Corporate Patron League	24th-26th
	May-2015
Corporate Patron League	1st-3rd
Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit (Comp 1) 2015	1st-5th
Hong Kong Junior Tennis Series (Comp 1) 2015	8th-17th
Hong Kong Junior Novice (Comp 2) 2015	16th-17th, 23th-25th, 30th-31st
Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit (Comp 2) 2015	23rd-27th
	Jun-2015
ITF Men's Futures 2015	13th-30th
Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit (Comp 3) 2015	20th-25th
HKTA Mini Tennis Competition (Comp 2) 2015	27th-28th

Events	Jul-2015
ITF Men's Futures 2015	1st-5th
Hong Kong Junior Tennis Series (Comp 2) 2015	11th-19th
Hong Kong Junior Novice (Comp 3) 2015	18th-24th
Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit (Comp 4) 2015	25th-30th
	Aug-2015
Hong Kong Junior Tennis Series (Comp 3) 2015	3rd-11th
HKTA Mini Tennis Competition (Comp 3) 2015	8th-9th
ATF 14&U 2015	15th-30th
Hong Kong Junior Novice (Comp 4) 2015	22th-23th, 29th-30th
Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit (Comp 5) 2015	29th-30th
	Sep-2015
Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit (Comp 5) 2015	1st-3rd
Hong Kong Junior Novice (Comp 4) 2015	5th-6th
Hong Kong Junior Tennis Series (Comp 4) 2015	12th-20th
Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit (Comp 6) 2015	28th-30th
	Oct-2015
Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit (Comp 6) 2015	1st
Hong Kong Open Junior Championships 2015 (G2)	3rd-11th
Hong Kong Tennis Open 2015 (WTA event)	10th-18th
	Nov-2015
Hong Kong Junior Novice (Comp 5) 2015	1st, 7th-8th, 14th-15th, 21st-22nd
Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit (Comp 7) 2015	7th-12th
Hong Kong Junior Tennis Series (Comp 5) 2015	14th-22th
	Dec-2015
Hong Kong District Tennis Circuit (Grand Masters) 2015	5th-9th
Hong Kong ITF Women Circuits 2015	12th-31st
Hong Kong Junior Novice (Grand Masters) 2015	12th-13th, 20th
HKTA Mini Tennis Competition (Comp 4) 2015	26th-27th



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