



Special Notice for High School Coaches/Players

Effective this year, (July 2008,) CIF did away with the affiliation rule for our area. What that means is that coaches can now run their own Junior Team Tennis Teams for their high school players during their teams' off seasons.

Every high school season, many many kids are cut from their high school teams. There just aren't enough spaces available for everyone who wants to play. Many high schools could form entire teams from the kids who are cut each season. As painful as it is to be cut, this will give those kids a place to be able to play matches, so they can improve and hopefully make their team the following year. This league is great practice for that.

(Girls who do make their high school teams are ineligible to play Junior Team Tennis during their high school season.)

All the boys are welcome however, since they will be in their off-season this Fall.

If you are a coach, and would like to form a team at high school, or be able to send your kids to an existing team in the area, here are the available options:

Novice: This would be a good place for players who are fairly new to the game. Teams are genderless and may include any mix of girls and boys. This is probably where many of the girls who don't make their team could play, if they are beginners. (If they are decent satellite-like players, they should play Intermediate.)

Intermediate: Typically Junior Varsity Players play here. Teams are genderless, but in the fall, most of these teams will be comprised of boys. However, girls who don't make their team are welcome to play here.

Advanced: Typically this is where Varsity Players play, or a team of a mix of both JV and Varsity. These teams will be almost all boys, with maybe a few girls who are very good, but not playing for their high school team.

To have a team, you need a facility. Many high school teams play at their high school courts, and the coach just puts up a laminated sign at the beginning of the season saying courts are being used on Saturday from ? to ? during the season dates. (Each team picks their own times for their home matches) There are typically 7 - 10 matches during the season. Coaches should arrange for bathrooms to be open during this time or at least have a key available.

The League Fee is \$16 for the season, and players must be a USTA member.

On the back side of this flyer are the instructions for registering on a team. If you want to have a team(s) this season, we have a captain's/coach's meeting on Friday, August 15, from 12 noon to 2pm at Tustin Hills Racquet Club.

For information on the league, please contact Heidi Stryker at heidi.stryker3@gmail.com

USTA JUNIOR TEAM TENNIS LEAGUE
Orange County ~ 2008 Fall Registration Instructions

- Go to www.orangecountyusta.com
- Click on the icon that looks like this:



- On the left-hand side, under the Tennis Link Heading, click on USTA Team Tennis
- On the upper right-hand side, under the red heading 'Join Team Tennis' , click on Register for a Team
- When the registration page comes up, fill in the player's USTA number. If they don't have one, click where it says Don't have a number? in blue. This will lead you through the process of obtaining a team tennis number for them without joining the USTA. Input your team number, which your coach has written in the space below:

Your Team Number is:

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- You will see an option to add your child's school information next. If you want to do that, click search and follow the prompts. Otherwise ignore that. **It is no longer mandatory to enter the school name.**
 - Click on Proceed to Checkout and pay league fees (\$16) with your credit card.

*******For help with registration and/or league information,
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Orange County League Information may be found at
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