

Tennis Lessons 2017

Program The SWSTC tennis program is designed for **ages 4-18 and all skill levels**. Adult programs are described on the Adult Opportunities page. We offer lessons for juniors from just picked up a racket to young high school team players. Competitive players along with those who are ready to learn should check the Tennis Team page. **In order to better coordinate tennis lessons with swim team, the early morning lessons are 45 minutes and mid-morning lessons are 40 minutes and the last lesson is 35 minutes. 4-5 year olds may only register for the 11:20-11:55 lesson time. All ages are allowed at this lesson time but note it is a shorter lesson. New this year we will try an evening lesson on Tues/Thurs from 6-6:50pm for ages 6 and up. As a courtesy to others please do not sign up if you can make a morning lesson.**

Tennis Staff Brendan Finnegan, Varsity Coach and Head Pro, will be taking full charge of the lesson program and will be supervising every day. Brendan Finnegan will be teaching on a full time basis along with an assistant head pro and instructor. Lorne Roux is a board member and serves as the director for tennis.

Expectations These lessons are designed to introduce beginning students to tennis and to help experienced students improve their strokes. You should expect the instructors to demonstrate proper technique, to conduct themselves professionally and to make the lessons enjoyable. **You can arrange directly with an instructor to pay for private lessons on Fridays, since no lessons are scheduled on Fridays, and on Weekends or any time after lessons end in August.**

Mini Tennis We will continue to use an exciting new approach in teaching tennis to young players – mini tennis. We will use bigger, slower, lighter balls for the youngest kids and slower balls for those a little older. This technique helps younger players concentrate on developing proper technique. We mix in a series of games to ensure our youngest students are having fun and are eager to keep playing. A program of all drills is likely to drive young players away.

Registration We had over 140 participants last year so scheduling is a real challenge. Assignments are made as applications are received. The only way to ensure a spot is to register by June 13th. To facilitate quality, final placement will be at the discretion of the Head Pro and Director. **Adults should see Tennis Adult Opportunities for lesson details.**

Tennis Lessons June 20 to July 27 **Registration Deadline June 13, 2017** (First in; first priority)

Please complete the following information and mail to Lorne Roux, 30 Quail Run, south Windsor, CT 06074 or scan and email to lovemykateandsam@cox.net

Student's name _____ Age _____

Please check the highest level that describes the student's current ability level:

Has played on a competitive team Can serve well enough to play a continuous game.
 Can hit a backhand. Can hit a forehand.
 Still learning. Has never touched a racket.

Please mark all time slots that are acceptable for you, in order of your preference, 1 being first:

Tue/Thu 8:05-8:50 8:55-9:40 9:50-10:30 10:35-11:15 11:20-11:55 6:00-6:50pm

Mon/Wed 8:05-8:50 8:55-9:40 9:50-10:30 10:35-11:15 11:20-11:55

Parent's Name _____ e-mail _____

Address _____ Cell Phone _____

Swim Team Schedule for reference: Seniors: (11& older): 9:45-11:15; Juniors: (10 & under): 9:00-9:45

***Please bring a new can of tennis balls for the first lesson only.**

Safety Note: Please make sure your child arrives on time for the lessons and that they are supervised. Club policy requires children to have a parent or guardian in place at the club. *Under no circumstances should young children be dropped off and left alone for lessons.*