



2019 AASSTC TEAM TENNIS

Hello Members!!! It's time for **TEAM TENNIS**, a competitive activity for tennis players 60 and over. You don't have to be a member of AASSTC to participate however the teams need players who are seriously committed and dependable.

The format and guidelines are attached...Please read thoroughly.

PUT THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR:

- **Fridays, June 7 and 14, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon**—Sign-up for a random draw to determine team members will take place at Fort Lincoln Tennis Courts. If you cannot make either sign-up day, **call me on 301/434-4690 on or before June 14**; I will enter your name. No entries will be accepted after **12:00 p.m. on June 14**.
- **June 14** –The draw will be held at Fort Lincoln at 12:15 p.m. All entrants should **attend to witness the draw and determine their team assignment**. Also, **team members will meet each other, choose Captain/Leader and practice**.
- **June 19 -- Matches will begin at 10:00 a.m.**

Team name and colors will remain the same, because we already have banners for those names/colors: **Team 1**- Hot Action (red/white); **Team 2** - The Players (yellow/white); **Team 3** - Strikers (black/white) and **Team 4** - Forthcoming (light blue/white).

We hope to have four teams. This is ideal for matches because they can all be played on the same day. **Keep the playing schedule in your tennis bag, so you will know which team you will play each week.**

NOTE: This is a call-out for more male participation for Team Tennis 2019. Without a minimum of 12 men signing up to play this year, Team Tennis would not be fair and competitive. If no sufficient number of men for this activity at sign up, we will then evaluate the continuation of this activity.

I look forward to additional men signing up so we can have another great season in 2019!! **See you for sign-up on June 7 or June 14 ...and... at the draw at 12:15 p.m. on June 14.** Feel free to call me, if there are questions.

Otelia



AASSTC TEAM TENNIS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Coordinator: Otelia Redman (301/434-4690 home; 240/281-2016 cell)
Facilitator: Juanita Harris (202/489-3426)

DURATION: 6 weeks (June 19—July 24, 2019)
DAY/TIME: Wednesdays 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: Fort Lincoln Park -- Courts 1-4

FORMAT /GUIDELINES

- Each team will consist of a minimum of **3 men** and **3 women** and a maximum number will be determined based on number of participants.
- Team names and color will remain the same as 2018. Members for those teams will be assigned by a random draw. The teams will meet initially on June 14 to witness the draw and choose a captain/leader.
- Teams will play 4, one-set matches, in the following order:
(1) One--Men's Doubles (2) One--Women's Doubles (3) Two—Mixed Doubles
- **No-ad scoring.** The winner is the first to reach 6 games, with no margin of 2 (*i.e.*, the final score can be 6-5).
- The number of games won will be recorded each week. The team that accumulates the largest number of games won during the six weeks will be declared the winner. If there is a tie, the teams that are tied will play a 9-point tiebreaker (first to 5).
- **Team captains/leaders** are to prepare line-ups by 9:45 a.m. and are to report match results to coordinator/facilitator following the match. If there are not ample players to field, discuss with facilitator.
- **Matches start at 10:00 a.m.** Players must be prepared to take the court at that time. Match play should start when called.
- **20-minute default; 10-minute warm-up, including the serve.**
- At deuce in mixed doubles' matches, the serve is "**gender to gender.**"
- **Substitutions** can be made at end of a game or at change-over during match-play (unless there is injury/sickness). **This should not interrupt match play on the adjacent courts.** There is no warm-up time for substitutes—upper courts are available for this. Shoes should remain on when entering and leaving court.
- If **sickness or injury** occurs and player leaves the court during a game, that game will be forfeited and that game will be credited to the opponent.
- Matches that are **rained out** will be scheduled on another day during that week or at the end of the season. Team Captains will make the decision.
- When **cheering** for a particular team, please be respectful of other teams that are in match play.

PLAYING SCHEDULE (Based on 4 teams)

		<u>COURTS 1 & 2</u>	<u>COURTS 3 & 4</u>
Week #1	June 19	Team 1 vs Team 2	Team 3 vs Team 4
Week #2	June 26	Team 2 vs Team 3	Team 1 vs Team 4
Week #3	July 3	Team 3 vs Team 1	Team 2 vs Team 4
Week #4	July 10	Team 4 vs Team 3	Team 1 vs Team 2
Week #5	July 17	Team 1 vs Team 4	Team 3 vs Team 2
Week #6	July 24	Team 2 vs Team 4	Team 1 vs Team 3

NOTE: All players are expected to show up for their team matches — if you are going to be absent or late, **call your Captain/Leader, Facilitator or Coordinator.**