

ServeAces

Parking Lot (Mini) Tennis

Award winning ServeAces Bar League is back this spring! Social league on Thursdays with an "advanced" league playing on Mondays!

<u>\$35 League Fees:</u> All players receive a t-shirt and end of season party hosted by LNTA. Register through QR code below or vist www.lnta.org Do you like to drink beer and hang out with friends? If you answered yes to both of these questions, you need to play ServeAces mini tennis! New to tennis or seasoned player? We have a league for you! Season starts mid-April and runs into June.

Thursday Night Social League

Thursday nights 6:30pm

No experience necessary, FUN social league open to all levels.

The Thursday Social League is dedicated to the laid back player that's in it for the fun!

More rules are in place to protect the new to tennis players (Newbies), but still fun enough for tennis players to enjoy.

Players will play 4 rounds of doubles, first to 21 points, rotating sides and tagging in players every 8 points. No need to understand tennis scoring. It doesn't make sense anyway!



Winning team receives pint glasses, a growler trophy for the bar and gets to host the end of season party sponsored by LNTA - not to mention bragging rights.

Monday Night Advanced League

Monday nights at 6:30pm

This league caters to tennis players who enjoy more competitive play.

This is the same fun format as the social league and anyone can play, however, there will be NO rules in place to protect the "Newbies".

Players will play 4 rounds of doubles, first to 21 points, rotating sides and tagging in players every 8 points.

Questions? Contact Amy at director@Inta.org



What is Mini-Tennis?

FOAM balls...perfect for when your partner bonks you in the head (or hits your car)







Youth-sized tennis rackets to fit the smaller court

Small pop-up nets that are easily erected in the parking lot and ready for play in a matter of minutes



SERVEACES (Cervezas......get it?) Stuff to Know

Court Set Up:

- Home team is responsible for setting up the court. Please arrive early enough to have the court set up in time for a 6:30 start.
- Pop up the net
- Use provided chalk or tape to mark out court. Guidance marks are already in place.

Match Play & Rules:

- You can play with as few as 2 players up to as many as you'd like. 10 15 player teams are a good size.
- All players do not need to be on site to start the 1st round. You can play with just 2 present on each team.
- **Social League:** Each team must have one new to tennis player playing <u>AT ALL TIMES</u>. Players with a USTA rating of 4.5 or above can only play 8 points each round. Please make sure to have enough "newbies" on your team to adhere to this rule.
- <u>Advanced League</u>: Follows the same fun format as the Social League but there are <u>NO</u> "newbie" rules in place. Any level of player can play, including non-tennis players, as long as they are okay with the rules.
- Play rock paper scissors each round to determine which team serves first
- Starting server serves two times for two points. Alternate teams and servers for a total of 8 points. After all 4 players have served, switch sides of the net.
- Serve must be done from behind the baseline from either side.
- <u>Ball must bounce</u> before being hit including the serve (no overhand or "smash" serving). Taking the ball out of the air will result in loss of a point, <u>including if the ball hits you while inside the court lines</u>.
- Teams will switch sides of the net every 8 points (changeover). You can tag in players at this time.
- Teams will play 4 rounds of doubles, <u>first to 21 points (by 1)</u>. You do NOT need to be the serving team to win a point.
- If the ball lands on the line, the call is good. The ball must bounce <u>outside</u> of the line to be out. Even with beer goggles on, try to be nice.

Tennis players: This is a fun bar league! Please do not enforce USTA rules!

Recording and reporting the scores:

- Notate players' first and last names and scores (by total points) for each round on the score sheet (Ex. 21–17). Remember when you are writing them out that someone has to read these when you text them in. I've seen some real doozies ©.
- After the last round, total the points won, with 84 being the maximum possible score. The team with the highest total score will win the match.
- You can win more rounds than the other team and still lose the match (since it's total points won).
- Both Team Ambassadors please text a picture of the entire scoresheet to me on Thursday night at 704-746-2897. Please don't make me track you down :)
- I will enter the scores and send out team standings. NO TENNISLINK SCORE ENTRY THIS YEAR!
- Send me team pics each week to share on social media!
- Be sure to "like us" on Facebook to see player pics.

Bar Courtesy

- Be respectful of your bartenders and patrons
- Have your entire team out in full force and bring friends to support our sponsor establishments!
- Please refrain from 5-fingering the glasses. If you like it, offered to pay for it.

Inclement Weather:

- Just because it's raining where you are, doesn't mean it's raining where you're going. If you are the home team, please call your brewery/bar and ask them if they think you're able to play. Then notify the other Team Ambassador.
- In the event of rain, please schedule the makeup on your own to be played within 2 weeks on any day both ambassadors agree upon. **Be sure to receive brewery/bar approval of chosen date**. If the match has been started, you must try to keep the same players, if not, any player can play in the rain makeup. Please notify Amy at **704.746.2897** of the reschedule date so the system can be updated.