

# KANSAS CITY JUNIOR TENNIS LEAGUE

2017

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# IMPORTANT DATES 2017

March 1st	Spring Kick off Meeting at IHCC . Deposits for 2017 due to Executive Director
March 8th	Registration is open on-line for 2017 season
May 15th	Last day to register on-line. Last day to have a team in a division.
May 17th	Seeding board meeting ADS/ACES
May 22nd	Schedule posted on-line for full season
June 5th- July 10th	Regular season begins with 6 full weeks of play. If you are scheduled on the July 4th please make arrangements with opposing club for a make-up day.
June 30th	Last day for Tournament registration
July 11th	Seeding meeting for tournament 6:30 IHCC
July 17th	Doubles tournament (rain out day July 18th)
July 19th	Singles tournament (rain out day July 20th)
July 21st	Singles main draw semi-finals/finals and consolidation finals
July 31st	Site Directors/Helpers reimbursement requests are due
August 1st	Final payment is due to KCJTL.

### GENERAL LEAGUE INFORMATION

# 1. Purpose and Organization

Kansas City Junior Tennis League was formed in 1954 to provide organized team match play for beginning and novice tennis players in the KC metro area. KCJTL is incorporated as a not-for-profit, under IRS code 501c7. KCJTL is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors elected by representatives of the member clubs and facilities. Each club/facility has volunteer parents who organize the team ladders and supervise league matches and a tennis pro who oversees the program.

# 2. League Management

Operation of the league is handled through the management hired by the Board of Directors. The league office, run by KCJTL Executive Director, handles the management and operations of the league; responsible for inquiries, information, scheduling, registration, billing and coordinates overall management.

# 3. Participating Club/Organization Eligibility

Any club or program that subscribes to the purposes of KCJTL can make a written application to the Board of Directors.

# 4. Membership Organization Requirements

Member must pay a \$300 deposit by March 4th. It will be applied to final billing In event the club does not have enough for a team they can get a full refund by April 1. Half will be refunded if notified April 1 - May 15th. After May 15th no refunds available.

Each club must submit a certificate of insurance by May 15th.

Clubs must pay dues for each player that is listed on the roster and added to the roster during the season. KCJTL dues refundable if there are illness or other exceptions will go to the board.

Clubs must have at least 4 courts available from 1-3 on inter-club day. Additional courts are required if more than 1 team in represented in the same age group. We will work with schedules to help multiple matches. There is no charge to guests for court time. Regular season and tournament matches are must be played at no charge to KCJTL

# 5. Team Registration

A minimum of 6 players must be registered in an age/gender division in either and Aces or Ads division. (Unless board approval granted) When clubs submit their rosters they need to justify the placement of the team in Aces or Ads.

The final decision on Aces/Ads is the Board's decision.

Clubs may enter any or all of the following age/gender divisions

 10 & U Girls
 12 & U Girls
 13& Over Girls

 10 & U Boys
 12 & U Boys
 13 & Over Boys

The 10 & U age division is the only co-ed division. The division in which they play is determined by the majority of the gender.

To field a 10 & U team. The club must provide:

- 1. 60 foot courts with permanent or adhesive lines
- 2. New at beginning of season Orange balls for match play (50% compression)
- 3. Provide 2 pro/staff members or 1 pro/staff and 1 parent volunteer on the court to assist for the match.

To field a 12 & U team. The club must provide:

1. New at beginning of the season Green Balls for match play (75% compression)

To field a 13 & O team The club must provide:

1. New yellow balls for each match regular season

If a club has at least 12 players on one age/gender ladder, they may enter multiple teams in that division. The club must provide the following:

- 1. A minimum of 6 players per roster.
- 2. At least 6 courts available from 1-3 on match day at one location. Or a second location with at least 4 courts available.
- 3. Club must play the top 6 players as its No 1 team.
- 4. If a club requests more than 4 teams in an age division it is necessary to have an additional 4 courts available for regular season.

# Team rosters are due to KCJTL by May 15th at 5 pm.

# **League Rules**

KCJTL standards for player participation.

Players must know traditional tennis scoring (10 & U no Ad scoring)

Players must be consistent serving the ball and within tennis rules.

Players aware of the responsibility of calling balls in and out on their side of the net.

Players understand the etiquette of not challenging the opponents calls. If there is a problem, please seek out a pro or a parent.

Charges for players for regular season is \$26 per child billed to the club directly.

Charges for players for tournament is \$10 per child billed to the club directly.

# Player Eligibility

Players must be members of a club they represent unless the club allows non-members and is not a member of another club.

Players can participate for only one club and one group except in the situation that the club needs additional players to fill out a roster. The club can add them to each roster and charges additional dues. If they do not register the player correctly it will automatically be scored as a 4-8 loss in the system.

Players who have accumulated 450-500 USTA points on May 1 of each year in USTA sanctioned MO Valley tournaments. They will be required to play in the 13& over division. If the player succeeds 550 points, they are ineligible for KCJTL unless board approval.

# **Match Participation**

A team's participation in a match requires a minimum of 4 players and a maximum of 8 players.

Substitutions are available if a team doesn't have 4 available players from the appropriate age group. The subs can come from a lower age division or another team in the age division.

### **CLUB REPRESENTATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES**

Club representative should be tennis pros and/or parents who help handle the day to day management of club players and teams. Club representatives should understand the following.

KCJTL rules and procedures.

Attend the KCJTL kick off meeting March 1st.

Confirm the final roster on **KCJTL.org** by May 15th

Collect KCJTL membership fee from each player

Provide team coordinators with scoresheets from website (Copy in the back)

Attend the KCJTL tournament seeding meeting. Provide knowledge on your team and reasons for a seed.

### TEAM COORDINATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsible adult over 21 from a club.

Responsible for cancelling or stopping the match for weather, health or safety.

Remain with the team during entire match.

Enter score on website or provide to Pro to enter the score.

Organize to ensure there are at least 4 players available for the match (Prefer 8 for each match)

Home matches must provide new can of balls for 13& O matches

Make sure there is water on the court for matches.

Remind players to exercise good sportsmanship and be available for questions from players.

# Scoring

Home team is responsible for entering the score on the website.

Fill out complete score sheet including sportsmanship

If match is stopped in progress the score will be turned in as a partial score.

If the match is not played due to weather, please work with opponent on new date

### PLAYERS RESPONSIBILITIES

Players must wear proper tennis attire and non-marking tennis shoes. Note: Kansas City Country Club has an all-white clothing rule. Players are expected to conform to the rule when they play at KCCC.

13&Over home players must have a new can of tennis balls for each match.

Understand and adhere to the official rules of tennis as listed on the website. www.usta.com/rules

Each player is responsible for calling his/her side of the court. Game score should be called before each point and set score should be called before a new game.

Players cannot accept any coaching during the progress of the match.

Players should adhere to the rule of continuous play during a match. Stalling, intentional delay, verbal abuse or profanity will not be tolerated.

Players should shake hands and if available provide a cold drink to your opponent following the match.

Players should report to their team parent if they experience any sportsmanship problems during the match.

# **SPECTATOR RESPONSIBILITIES**

Please watch and enjoy the matches as a passive observer. Please do not have any involvement on the court during the match. If questions arise, please seek out the club pros for a resolution.

The goal is to have the players resolve all issues on the court including tie-breakers. If there are still questions please seek out the club pro to assist.

### **INTERCLUB MATCHES**

Matches are scheduled on the following days and times. Please arrive prior to start time.

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10 & Under - Monday's at 1 p.m. (1 and 1/2 hours)
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12 & Under - Tuesday's at 1 p.m. (2 hours or completion if court time allows)

13 & Over - Thursday's at 1 p.m. (2 hours or completion if court time allows)

If club needs to reschedule a match please confirm with both clubs and send an email to mail@kcjtl.org

For weekly team lineups, each club should have an active club ladder in each age/division group with regular challenge matches at the club. The ladders are managed within each club at their discretion.

If you do not have at least 4 players you may substitute players from the younger divisions or equal divisions.

### Placement on courts

Club Brings:	Singles:	Doubles:	
4 players	#1-#4	#1	#2
5 players	#1-#4	#2	#4
6 players	#1-#4	#3	#5
7 players	#1-#4	#4	#6
8 players	#1	#5	#7

If club has two matches scheduled concurrently at a single location, the club must use 6 courts for 2 hours. The matches shall run as follows: Singles #1-#4 for Match A and Double #1 and #2 for Match B at 1 pm. At end of an hour doubles #1-#2 for Match A and singles #1-#4 for Match B.

If a club doesn't field a team with a minimum of 4 players, it must default 4th singles match and the 2nd doubles match. Scoring for default is a 8-0 or (10s 4-0, 4-0) not to exceed 24-0 per team.

### 10& Under Matches

Orange balls provided by host club.

Plays 2 out of 3 sets first to 4 games. No Ad scoring

Time will be called after 45 minutes in singles and match will switch to doubles.

No tiebreaker, if tied after 45 minutes one more game will be playeScores recorded as total games won.

# 12& Under and 13 & Over Matches

10 minute warm up time is allowed

8 game Pro Set

12 point tie breaker if the score reaches 8-8 (If host club has no time restrictions play to end of match, if time restrictions a 1 hour time limit will be observed. Pro/Club Rep should give a 10 minute warning on time. At end of hour finish game they are playing and if still tied play one more game)

# **Injury/Voluntary Retirement**

If a match is in progress and must be stopped due to injury or a voluntary request of the player, the score should be recorded as is for the injured or requesting player and the non-injured player will record their score as winning.

### Weather

If a match is in progress and must be stopped due to weather. The score will be turned in as it stands. Team coordinators can try to reschedule and contact <a href="mail@kcjtl.org">mail@kcjtl.org</a> with a new date.

# Rain/Thunderstorms/Tornado Watches-Warnings

When weather comes and not safe to play the home court will contact the visiting team that the match has been postponed. Please also reach out to <a href="mail@kcjtl.org">mail@kcjtl.org</a> with a new date of the match.

### **Excessive Heat**

If there is excessive heat please use judgement for player's safety. Agree at the beginning of the match if you would like to implement no ad scoring to quicken the play and shortening Pro-Set games to 6. Also make sure that there is plenty of water on the court for safety and mandatory water breaks. Safety first!

# **Arrival Delays/Penalties**

Please arrive at the start time of the match. If the team is delayed traveling to the match, please contact the host club as soon as possible. No late penalties will be given for the first 15 minutes. For every 5 minutes after that a 1 game penalty will be accessed. After 30 minutes, a default should be awarded.

# **Scoring Discrepancies**

This will happen from time to time while matches are being played. If a disagreement occurs all points played in good faith stand. (If a point is finished and then a player determines that the score was incorrect the point stands) If the players lose track of scoring they should return to a point of the match they can agree on the score.

# **Score Entry**

Home team is responsible for the official score sheet. The home team must enter them on the website within a 24 hour time. The visitor team must validate the scores and if there are problems reach out to mail@kcjtl.org

### **Match Winner**

A club's final score for the match consists of winning percentage by the total number of games won vs lost.

### **Tiebreakers**

If the game score reaches 8-8 at 12 point tiebreaker will be played. The first player to reach 7 points with a margin of 2 wins the set. The final set score is tallied as 9-8.

# How to play:

Player A (first server of the set) serves one point from right/deuce side of court

Player B serves 2 from left/ad side of court and 3 from right/deuce

Player A serves 4 from left/ad and 5 from right/deuce

Player B serves 6 from left/ad

**SWITCH SIDES** 

Player B serves from right/deuce

Player A serves 8 from left/ad and 9 from right/deuce

Player B serves 10 from left/ad and 11 from right/deuce

Player A serves 12 from left/ad

If no player has a 2 point margin keep playing until achieved and switch sides every 6 points.

# PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT & SPORTSMANSHIP

1.	Learn, honor, and obey the rules of tennis and the Player's code <u>usta.com/rules</u>
2.	Introduce yourself to your opponent and shake their hand prior to your match.
3.	Announce the score loudly and clearly before serving the point.
4.	Do not stall or interfere with continuous play.
5.	Do not complain, yell, curse, hit or throw your racquet.
	If a disagreement over the score occurs return to the last score you agree upon and resume play from that point.
7.	When in doubt, give the point to your opponent.
	Do not accept any coaching during a match. If you need assistance with scoring or an issue please seek out the club rep or pro at home club.
9.	Shake hands and congratulate your opponent at the end of the match- win or lose.
10	If your club hosts the match, treat your opponent to a cold drink after the match.

### **AWARDS FOR LEAGUE PLAY**

A team winner will be determined in each age/gender category based on percentage of games won. To be considered for overall team/club championship all scores from all divisions must be entered. There are 3 different winners of regular season . Small Club winner, Medium Club winner, and Large Club winner. The division are determined by the board based on total number of players. The award is given to highest cumulative point total.

Aces teams are awarded the following points based on divisional finish:

14 points	1st place	8 points	5th place
13 points	2nd place	7 points	6th place
11 points	3rd place	6 points	7th place
10 points	4th place	5 points	8th place

Ads teams are awarded the following points based on divisional finish:

10 points	1st place	4 points	5th place
9 points	2nd place	3 points	6th place
7 points	3rd place	2 points	7th place
6 points	4th place	1 points	8th place or lower

# DALE ESCHELBRENNER AWARD

Most improved club. The club/organization that has the added more members, plays matches with true sportsmanship and excels on the court. The award will be voted on and awarded by the board members at the tournament finals.

### POSTSEASON TOURNAMENT

Doubles Tournament will be played entirely on the Monday following the last week of regular season play (Rain date is Tuesday). The Singles tournament will begin on Wednesday of that week (Rain date is Thursday). Main draw semi-finals and finals & finals of consolation draws will be held the Friday of that week. The cost is \$10 per player for singles and \$10 per player for double.

The tournament is played with a first round-consolation draw, ensuring all players play in at least two matches. Seeds are determined by the club representatives and pros at the tournament seeding meeting. All the decisions are final.

Any player who has played in non-JTL and/or USTA tournaments are required to play in the Aces division regardless of the division their team played in the year. Exceptions to this rule must be submitted to executive director by June 30th.

Players that have played on an Ads team are permitted to play up in the Aces tournament, players who have played in Aces cannot play done into the Ads tournament. For clubs with two teams, if they have any wins in the Aces division in singles or doubles must play Aces.

Doubles partners can be from any of the participating clubs and have played in KCJTL during the season. For clubs with two teams in one age division, an Ads-level player may play up to Aces for doubles if their partner is Aces-level.

Each age/gender division plays at a different site. Site locations will be listed on the website. (www.kcjtl.org)

Approximate times for first round matches will be posted on the web-site 48 hours prior to match. Additional times will be determined by the tournament site directors.

Proper behavior will be required. A player will be given one warning by the site director and then he/she may be defaulted by the site director for any flagrant misbehavior on the court.

New tennis balls will be provided by KCJTL for the tournament. Consolation draw matches will be played from used balls from first round matches.

June 30th Deadline to register for the tournament

July 17th Doubles Tournament (Rain Date July 18th)

July 19th Singles Tournament - Early rounds (Rain Date July 21)

**July 22nd** Singles Tournament Semi's & Finals of main draw and Finals of consolation

### PROCEDURE FOR TOURNAMENT SITES

Clubs who host a tournament site must provide at least 4 courts for tournament play. Tournament director must attend tournament seeding meeting.

The courts must have a center strap properly attached to the court, no dangerous cracks, and accessible water. All sites must have a KCJTL representative or a tournament site coordinator.

Draw sheets for singles and doubles will be available on-line or via email the day before the match.

Doubles Tournament- No players may change partners after the draw is made. If both players are not available 15 minutes after the match was scheduled to play the match is forfeited. After play is completed please email results to <a href="mail@kcjtl.org">mail@kcjtl.org</a>

Singles Tournament- Players will default if they are not ready to play 15 minutes after the match was scheduled to play the match is forfeited. In the main draw, play matches through the quarterfinals. All first-round losers move to consolation draw. Play the consolation to the final. Make sure all players scheduled to play in the finals on Friday can make it to the tournament. As soon as the play is completed email results to <a href="mail@kcjtl.org">mail@kcjtl.org</a>

Players are entitled to a 1 hour lunch break.

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CIRCLE ONE IN EACH ROW Aces / Ads Boys / Girls 10 & Under / 12 & Under / 13 & Up

	Date	Week (1-6)
Home Club		Visiting Club
Total No. of Players Playing for Host Team		Total No. of Players Playing for Visiting Team
HOME TEAM (Circle Winner)		VISITING TEAM (Circle Winner)
Singles Players	Games Won	Games Singles Players Won
1		1
2		2
3		3
4		4
Doubles Players		Doubles Players
1		1
2		2
Totals		Totals
10's - Play 2 out of 3 first to 4 game sets with a tiebreaker 12's & 13's - Play 8 game pro set with tiebreaker at 8-8. Ad All tiebreakers are 12 point (1st to 7 points, win by 2)		)). No Ad scoring All tiebreakers are 12 point (1st to 7 points, win by 2).
SPORTSMANSHIP		
Home Team		Visiting Team
Poor Satisfactory Exceptional		Poor Satisfactory Exceptional
Home Parent Signature and Phone Number		Visiting Parent Signature and Phone Number

GO TO WWW.KCJTL.ORG TO ENTER SCORES ONLINE

Host team enters scores same day/Visiting team verifies within 2 days. Give scoresheet to Pro.

# 2017

# **KCJTL Clubs/Organization**

Blue Hills Country Club	777 W Burning Tree Dr, KC, MO 64145 Brenden Kenny	816-942-3293
Blue Valley Recreation	(BVNHS) 12200 Lamar OP, KS 66085 Scott Enge	913-685-6030
Carriage Club	5301 State Line KC, MO 64112 Scott Schibig	816-363-6203
Clayview Country Club	7990 N Farley KC, MO 64158 Andrew Shipp	816-781-7939
Genesis	6700 W 110 <sup>th</sup> Leawood, KS Thaigo Santos	913-209-7996
Hallbrook Country Club	11300 Overbrook Leawood, KS 64138 Lisa Blair	913-345-1661
Hilltop	6600 E 87 St KC, MO 64138 Larry Yocom	816-356-6651
Homestead Country Club	6510 Mission Road PV, KS 66208 Rod Zerni	913-262-0445
Indian Hills Country Club	6847 Tomahawk Rd, MH, KS 66208 Kevin Lehr	913-362-9323
Kansas City Country Club	6200 Indian Lane MH, KS 66208 Helen Wilson	913-362-9392
Lake Quivira County Club	100 Crescent Blvd LQ, KS 66217 Allyson Braun	913-631-0874
Milburn Country Club	7501 W 69 <sup>th</sup> OP, KS 66204 Rebecca Snodgrass	913-432-0490
Mission Hills Country Club	55400 Mission Dr MH, KS 66208 Scott Herring	913-722-5400

National Golf Club	lub 6807 Birkdale Ct Parkville, MO 64152 Carolina Perry	
Northland Racquet Club	306 Tennis Court NKC, KS 64116 Chris McCarthy	816-842-8811
Oakwood Country Club	9800 Grandview KC MO 64137 Brad Drummond	816-761-5501
Olathe Tennis	11031 S Valley Olathe, KS Joel Brantstrom	913-669-6312
Old Pike	5101 Old Pike Rd Gladstone, MO 64118 Lynn Nichols	816-309-1357
OP Racquet Club	Plaza Tennis Courts Kevin Braun Mike Jones	913-262-0445
Prairie Village Rec	Harmon Park Tennis Courts Tracy Cooper	913-381-6464
Round Hill Tennis Club	8932 Maple Circle OP, KS 66207 Lisa Erickson	913-381-2603
Tennis West	5900 Monticello Shawnee, KS Amy Fangman	913-219-0406
Woodside	2000 W 47 <sup>th</sup> Place Westwood, KS 66208 Mary Spencer	5 913-831-0322



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