

GETTING STARTED
SCTA Website: www.sctatennis.com
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If you are new to tennis or want to get back into the game, here are some suggestions.

FOR ALL TENNIS PLAYERS (Residents)

- If you don't have any rating, you can sign up to attend the Sun City Rating Clinic held the 1st Saturday of every month at 3:00pm. One of our tennis professionals will rate you so that you get a better idea of your level of play. Sign up at the Logo building; there is a \$5 fee. Residents who wish only to play socially, do not need a rating.
- All clinics and lessons are open to all residents. See the LOGO Building staff for more information.
- You can always sign up for court time through the Chelsea System. To establish an account for the Chelsea System, please stop by the LOGO Building during hours (7 am – 4 pm, Mondays through Fridays and 7 am to noon, Saturdays and Sundays) and the LOGO scheduler will assist you.
- Any player who is NOT a resident is required to pay guest fees; please see the LOGO Building attendant for further information.
- If you are looking for a partner, check the Players' Corner sheet on our bulletin board for other tennis players looking for partners.
- To use the Ball Machine, court 4, you MUST attend a Ball Machine Orientation which is held 1st Saturday of the month at 2:00pm. Sign up at Logo Building.

Players rated 3.0 and Above (All Residents)

- Round Robin meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30am to 9:00am on the south side. **Level of play is 3.0 and above.** Signing up beforehand is recommended and sign up is at the counter area at the Logo Building. On the day of play, please arrive by 7:15am for court assignments. Players switch courts every 30 minutes. **To avoid interfering with daily court maintenance, please do not go on a court before 7:30am.**
- On the final page of this document, please find the SCTA Ambassadors listed. These individuals can also help new resident players find their way in tennis.

Joining Sun City Tennis Association (SCTA)

In addition to the information above, other tennis opportunities are offered if you join the Sun City Tennis Association (SCTA). The dues are \$50 per year and if you want more information, please contact our Director of Membership, Deb Welsh @ 904-563-5616 or dawelshfl@gmail.com.

With a membership to SCTA, members are provided many opportunities to improve tennis skills and participate in various levels of social and competitive play. One of the most important is access to the Tennis Ambassadors, page 3 here. Most of these activities require a Club Rating at minimum (See Rating Clinic above.). Some of these include;

SCTA Members rated 2.5 Level and Below

- Tuesday afternoons at 2:00pm there is Open Tennis (aka New to Tennis) for 2.5 and below players on the North Side, courts 13-15. If you have any questions, please call Linda Borovich at 803-337-6119 or codachance80@gmail.com.
- A Rookie League 2.0 and below is on Sundays during Spring and Fall from 2:00-4:00pm on the south side courts. Call Donna Baumwell for further information, 843-707-1946 or ladyd918@aol.com.

SCTA Members , Mixed Combo League 2.5 – 3.0

Mixed combo 2.5-3.0 Hybrid Tennis - Meets on Sundays from 2:00-4:00pm. Contact Chris Scott at 717-580-2320 or clscott98@gmail.com

SCTA Members rated 3.0 and Below, 80+ years old and Over

Geezer & Geezerette League - 3.0 Men & Women are 80+ years old during this calendar year, can play this league. Thursdays @ 12:00 noon courts 10, 11, 12. Call Bob Gudger at 843-816-5339 or rgudger@sc.rr.com.

Intraclub, 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, and 4.0

SCTA Men and Women

Intraclub offers a competitive, structured, and fun league of like-rated SCTA members with fair play and parity among teams as an expectation.” During a season, players are assigned a team and matches are weekly. Contact the league coordinator if you need more information.

USTA, 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, SCTA Men & Women

Sun City is a community included in the Beaufort-Bluffton Tennis League (BBTL), which in turn, reports to United States Tennis Association in Columbia, SC. Each season-spring, summer, and fall—Sun City has competitive teams who participate in competing with similarly rated teams from other communities. This level of tennis is more competitive and can result in attending State Championships. If you want more information regarding USTA, please contact Bob Waite at 201-572-8383 or waiteinsurance123@gmail.com.

SCTA Members and Lottery Courts

Each season, SCTA holds a lottery which allows members a chance to request 1 – 3 courts to be reserved on a weekly basis, at the same time/day each week. The number of courts is based on number of players. These courts are reserved for the entire season—there are 3 seasons. For more information on this process, please contact Steve Sandike at 914-805-1935 or ssandike@gmail.com.

Social Events, Tournaments, and Club Championships for SCTA Members

Each year, SCTA sponsors several social events, tournaments, and club championships. To participate, players must be members of SCTA. In general, these provide social and/or competitive play at all levels of tennis from 2.5 through 4.0.

SCTA Tennis Ambassadors

For new SCTA members, an ambassador is assigned, by playing rating level, to help guide you through the various information provided above. Based on your level of play, contact the Ambassador listed below for that level if you need further information.

SCTA TENNIS AMBASSADORS

Men's, 1.5 – 2.5	Bob Field	843-505-3628	bojangles15044@gmail.com
Men's, 3.0	Rich Koncicki	908-331-1220	rkoncicki@gmail.com
Men's, 3.5	Rick Biethman	618-954-6116	rickbiethman@mac.com
Men's 4.0 & over	Tom Jones	914-263-5934	jonestr212@gmail.com
Women's, 1.5 – 2.5	Linda Borovich	803-337-6119	codachance80@gmail.com
Women's, 3.0	Linda Chasnov	339-832-0166	lindachaz59@aol.com
Women's, 3.5	Debra Murray	301-351-9207	dfm931953@gmail.com
Women's 4.0 & over	Debbie Kniewel	201-749-6464	dkniewel@gmail.com

Tennis Instruction Contact Information

Director	Gavin Cox	843-816-1665	gcox.lsnsc@gmail.com
Head Pro	Brett Robertson	843-816-2033	bjkdrobson@gmail.com
Asst. Pro	Cindy Vander Berg	843-816-3205	tennispc@aol.com
Asst. Pro	Bunnie Jackson	513-608-9621	bunniemjackson@gmail.com