

Bentwood Country Club

Tennis Handbook 2015



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MEET YOUR PROFESSIONAL STAFF

- *Managing Partner – Kevin Collins, USPTA Certified*
- *Director of Tennis – Courtney Choate Nagel, USPTA Professional 1*
- *Head Tennis Professional – Kaysie Smashey, USPTA Professional 1*
- *Assistant Tennis Professional – Jesse Buchanan, USPTA Certified*
- *Assistant Tennis Professional – Jason Hufford, USPTA Certified*

COMMUNICATION

We, the Employees of Bentwood Country Club, have worked hard to bring communication to a new level. Most of us have begun to enjoy the wonderful world of technology, making communication easier, faster and more accurate. Bentwood Country Club uses several modes of communication:

- *Website – www.bentwoodcc.com*
- *Club E-Newsletter – Sign up to receive this email by contacting courtney.bentwood@gmail.com*
- *Club Newsletter: The ByLines*
- *Twitter: BentwoodTennisADventures*
- *Facebook: BentwoodTennisADventures, Bentwood Country Club & SanAngeloUSTALeagues*
- *Posters and flyers around the Club*
- *2015 Tennis Handbook*
- *Employee email –*

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HOURS OF OPERATION

- *Tennis Shop*

Tuesday – Thursday 9:00am – 8:00pm

Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm

Saturday 10:00am – 4:00pm

Sunday 1:00pm – 5:00pm March-May: 1:30-6:30

Monday – shop closed but tennis pros are on court in afternoon excluding summer months

**Shop hours are subject to change, especially in winter months.*
- *Weekend Evening Play*

For weekend evening play, please call during shop hours and reserve court for lights. We have four courts' lights that are on an evening timer.

Court RESERVATIONS

- *Court reservations may be obtained up to 48 hours in advance by calling 325-949-1534 or walk-in based on availability.*
- *Ball Machine Reservations – must be used during shop hours.*

REGISTRATION

- *All tennis players must check in at the Tennis Shop prior to play where they will be assigned a court by the Tennis Shop Staff.*
- *All members are expected to check in and pay for their guests prior to play, or the guest may check in and pay. (See guest policy below.)*
- *All tennis players must have their own tennis rackets to play. We offer demo racket service if needed.*
- *All tennis players are expected to follow the dress code. (See the Tennis Attire section of the Handbook for details)*

GUEST PLAY

- *All members must register their guest in the tennis shop prior to play. There is a \$10 court fee per non-member.*
- *Guests must be accompanied by a Member at all times unless pre-approved by the Head Tennis Professional or Director of Tennis.*
- *Members are responsible for the conduct and attire of their guests at all times. Please inform your guests of the dress code, etc., prior to their arrival at the Club.*
- *Local guests have a limited guest play of six (6) times in the same calendar year, no more than one (1) time per month.*

Tennis ATTIRE

Proper tennis attire is required of all Members and their guests at all times. Non marking tennis shoes must be worn at all times. Swimwear will not be permitted in the Clubhouse or the tennis court.

Tennis SHOP MERCHANDISE/SERVICES

The Bentwood Tennis Shop strives to provide Members and their guests with a variety of top of the line tennis merchandise at very competitive pricing. We stock men's, ladies', and juniors' footwear, as well as, tennis rackets and accessories. The Bentwood shop offers full service retail and repair. Brand names like Wilson, Nike, Babolat, Prince, and Tail are offered to membership and to the public. Special orders are available so please ask if you do not see what you need in the shop. WE MATCH INTERNET PRICING!

BENTWOOD STRINGING

Technology has changed Tennis String! We have some great string available in the shop...you don't have to play with syngut forever. Helpful Hint: If you don't break strings regularly, it's a good idea to get your racket restrung as many times a year as you play weekly.

DEMO POLICY

We do our best to provide demos in the latest racket technology for our Members to try. Members check out a "demo" marked tennis racket from the Tennis Shop to try on the Bentwood courts. This is complimentary service for our members, but if the tennis racket is not returned, you will charged the cost of the racket. If returned damaged, the Tennis Professional Staff will assess the damage and the fee for repair will be the responsibility of the Member.

Tennis EQUIPMENT USAGE

- *Bentwood Ball Club is designed to help defray the costs of balls for our junior members who are in the tennis program, and for our adult members who enjoy practicing with hoppers of balls. The cost of Ball Club is \$8.00 per month and allows unlimited use of the lesson balls for practice and matches during shop hours. This certainly beats buying a new can of balls every time you play!*
- *Ball Machine usage is for members only and is an unlimited usage fee of \$25.00 per month or \$10.00 per hour/\$5.00 per half hour. Our junior players who participate in privates and groups can enjoy unlimited monthly usage for \$16.00 (includes Ball Club fee.) The Ball machine needs to be reserved during shop hours.*

Club Leagues

Bentwood has established 4 Leagues throughout the year. Cost is \$25/member and \$40/non-member for the 6-week leagues. The current leagues include:

*Tuesday morning – 4.0 Ladies (8:30am)
Tuesday evening Ladies – All levels (6:30pm)
Wednesday morning 3.5-4.0 Ladies (9:15am)
Thursday evening Men's League – All Levels (7:00pm)
Friday morning 2.5, 3.0, 3.5 Ladies (9:15am)*

*Events and Mixers (see Tennis Calendar section of the handbook for details)
New Leagues start from time to time. Be sure to check for any additional League Programs with tennis shop.*

Tennis INSTRUCTION

- *Kevin Collins*
30 minute lessons - Private Member - \$40
45 minute lessons –Private Member - \$58
One Hour lesson – Private member - \$75
- *Courtney Nagel*
30 minute lessons - Private Member - \$33, Non Member - \$39
45 minute lessons –Private Member - \$47, Non Member - \$53
One Hour lesson – Private member - \$60, Non Member - \$70
- *Kaysie Smashey*
30 minute lessons - Private Member - \$33, Non Member - \$39
45 minute lessons –Private Member - \$47, Non Member - \$53
One Hour lesson – Private member - \$60, Non Member - \$70
- *Jesse Buchanan*
30 minute lessons - Private Member - \$31, Non Member - \$37
45 minute lessons –Private Member - \$44, Non Member - \$50
One Hour lesson – Private member - \$56, Non Member - \$66
- *Jason Hufford*
30 minute lessons - Private Member - \$31, Non Member - \$37
45 minute lessons –Private Member - \$44, Non Member - \$50
One Hour lesson – Private member - \$56, Non Member - \$66

Groups of 2-6 people: \$70 (members) Groups of 7+ \$10 per person

Junior Group Lessons

Spring (January-May) & Fall (September - December)

JR. TENNIS LESSONS with QuickStart!

Junior Tennis Lessons are designed for the beginner to intermediate-level junior tennis players ages 5-12 years. Participants can expect to learn basic stroke mechanics, coordination skills, keeping score, match-play, etc. This group teaches the FUNdamentals while keeping the kids entertained with fun and games. We use the USTA's popular QuickStart curriculum which scales down the court and uses pressure-less balls so kids can actually learn what it means to play tennis! We have restructured the groups by the ball type/court size, red ball, orange ball and green dot ball to coincide with the USTA Quickstart program. This will better develop the players and during the groups they will be asked at time to be mentors to the younger players and get the opportunity to be challenged by the older players/ball type.

Little Lobbers (red ball): Ages 5-7 - 4:00-5:00 PM

Ragin' Rackets (orange ball): Ages 8-12 – 4:30-5:30 PM

Jr Competition (green dot ball): Ages 10+ - 5:00-6:00 PM

When: Mondays &/or Wednesdays

Cost: Advanced monthly sign-up \$10/mem/day, \$15/non/day;

Walk-up \$13/mem/day, \$18/non/day

Academy: 5:30-7 PM Thursdays

Academy is designed for competitive players in junior high and high school. We focus on pushing the competitive player with strategic drills, scenario playing, and game management.

ATTENDANCE POLICY: *In order to keep the junior programs well structured we will be asking for monthly sign up and payment at the beginning of the month. There will be an additional charge for walk-ups. In the case of illness, if the staff is previously informed of the child's absence due to illness, make-ups will be permitted but will have to be scheduled with the staff.*

Summer Camps (June-August) – Tuesday- Friday

Little Lobbers: *Ages 5-7 - 9:00-11:00am*

Cost: \$75/mem/day, \$90/non/day

Designed for the beginner to intermediate-level junior tennis players ages 5-7 years old. Participants can expect to learn basic stroke mechanics, coordination skills, scoring and some rally play. This camp teaches the FUNdamentals while keeping the kids entertained with fun and games. The kids' groups and curriculum will be based on age and ability.

Rock n' Rally: *Ages 8-13 & new tourney players/middle school*

9:00am-12:00pm

Cost: \$110/mem/day, \$130/non/day

Formerly Jr. Competition Camp, this camp will be a smash & a splash for our elementary-age and middle school kids who have the desire to become tournament players. This 3 hour camp will be a more intensive workout than the Little Lobbers by providing the technical drills, situational and match play necessary to teach kids how to be competitive players who can rally and play. The last 30min. of camp will consist of field games or swimming to incorporate a fun fitness element.

Week 1: June 9-12

Week 3: July 7-10

Week 2: June 23-26

Week 4: July 28-31

Academy (Qualified Tournament Players/high school age) *1:00 pm- 4:00 pm*

Cost: Advanced monthly sign-up: \$30/mem/day, \$35/non/day

Walk-ups: \$35/mem/day, \$40/non/day

This is our top level competition camp for our middle school, high school and qualified players. This camp is structured around weekly concepts with the technical courts and situational-play designed specifically for those concepts, and match play. In the modern game, you can't be competitive without fitness so we have certified trainers from WTSWI do tennis specific conditioning daily.

Week 1: June 2-5

Week 5: July 7-10

Week 2: June 9-12

Week 6: July 13-15 (Mon-Wed)

Week 3: June 16-19

Week 7: July 28-31

Week 4: June 23-26

Week 8: August 4-7 (Boot Camp)

GTS (Golf, Tennis & Swim Camp) *9:00-1:00 GTS Camp is Bentwood's most popular camp! This is a fun and exciting camp for beginner to intermediate level golf and tennis players from the ages of 5 to 12 years old. Participants can expect to learn basic skills in tennis and golf from our professional staff in the first two and a half hours, then finish up at the pool with lunch, which is included in the camp cost, and a non-instructional fun swim for the last hour. \$120mem/\$140non per session.*

Week 1: June 16-19

Week 2: July 21-24

Week 3: August 4-7

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Tennis Events

Kids Play Days – Jan 24, Feb 8 & TBD Informal practice matches and learning to play. See e-news and bylines for dates.

Adult Boot Camp – Saturday, January 31st. Inviting all tennis players and USTA members playing in the USTA Adult leagues in 2015. The Bentwood Staff will drill and play in during match time to help coach you on specific themes. Drills from 10am-12pm and match play from 1-3pm. Lunch will be provided on Saturday. Cost is \$60 per person.

World Team Tennis Showdown (WTT) – March 8th - Get your competitive hats on and your rackets re-gripped. This event is a team competition where you have 2 men and 2 women on a team. Each player on a team will play two events....singles, mixed doubles, or doubles. Each team will compete in a draw to advance through the tournament. WTT rules will apply such as playing lets on the serve and first to 5 games in scoring with a tie breaker at 4 games all (tiebreaker being first to 5 points wins; if 4 all, then sudden death point). Cost TBD and time 2-5 PM. Watch for more info in club newsletter or call tennis shop.

Jr. Sneaks & Cleats – April 10th & Fall TBD - Golf, Tennis, and pizza! This has become an annual classic for the kids. We meet at the tennis courts and then swarm to the golf course for some night golf. We start the fun at 6:00 and last till 9:30. Cost \$30 per member, \$40 non-member.

Adult/Child Tournament – Friday, April 24th, 6-9 PM. Team up with your son/daughter or favorite junior player at the club and compete against other teams. Cost TBD

San Angelo Adult Major Zone – April 17-19: San Angelo's USTA sanctioned Adult Major Zone! Register online at www.texas.usta.com. All Adult NTRP levels and age levels. Let's take advantage of our home court advantage!

Memorial Tennis Mixer- Saturday, May 23rd. Time and Cost TBD

Tennis n' Toddies - Adult beverages + Tennis = Entertainment! This is our tennis Happy Hour. We provide appetizers and offer drink specials. 6:30-8:00pm. Cost is \$5/ member, \$15 non-member. See the newsletter for TNT throughout the summer.

Fantastic Finale – Saturday, June 13th - A Bentwood tradition to celebrate the end of the USTA league season by playing in a maximum encounter round robin with the opponents and teammates from the league's season. This event is a Saturday only tournament that includes a nice prize, lunch, beer and all the tennis you can "stand" to play! 8:00am-6:00pm Cost \$40.

Highway 80 Junior Tournament – June 20-21st. A USTA sanctioned event where any junior USTA member can participate. All levels eligible.

Adult Club Championship – July 24-26th - It is time for you to prove that you are the best tennis player at Bentwood Country Club in singles, doubles, and/or mixed doubles. We are reverting back to hosting all the events on one weekend so it will be fast and furious! You also have an opportunity to win your own parking spot, a seat at the Champions dinner, and a spectacular trophy. Singles: Men and women divisions 2.5-Open. Cost is \$30 per event. Doubles: Men and women divisions 2.5 - 4.5, Mixed divisions 6.0, 7.0, 8.0 and cost is \$55 per team. Limited to two events each.

Junior Club Championship – July 24-26th. A chance for our junior players to show off their talents on the court. All the hard work during the summer will come into play to earn a spot for your name on the Club Champions board and bragging rights for the year. Age divisions are 12 & under, 15 & under, 18 & under. Cost is \$25 per child.

Champions Dinner- *All Flight Champions and Overall Champions will join together for an Awards Presentation and 'Toast to the Champions' date TBD in January 2016. Invitations mailed following Championship Weekend.*

High School Boot Camp – August 4-7th. Let's get ready to rumble for high school tryouts. This boot camp is to get a few extra workouts in before the intensity of high/middle school tryouts begin. 1:00-4:00 pm, \$140/mem/week, \$160/non/week

Adult Sneaks & Cleats – Friday- Saturday, August 14-15th – Big hit last year! Take your clubs and racket & paddles out of storage and join us for some fun golf, tennis and pickleball. Friday evening with a 9-hole golf scramble followed by food and beverages poolside, continuing Saturday morning with tennis and pickleball. Four person team, all play in golf scramble then strategy comes into play deciding which 2 team members play tennis and which 2 play pickleball. Opportunity to earn points for your team will last throughout each event! Prizes will be awarded. Each team will consist of 4 people, (make your own team or sign up as individual or pair and we will create team for you. Tennis and Golf pros will be participating also! \$45 Member, \$60 Non-Mem

Slamfest – September 26-27th. Bentwood's premier event of the year! This has been a successful tournament for over 30 years raising money for local charities and the Bentwood facility. The event is 6.0, 6.5, 7.0 & 8.0 mixed doubles play and a men's & women's pro-am Saturday and Sunday. Saturday night provides dinner and a Collegiate Shootout Exhibition. Sponsorships are available and Tables are available for sale for seating and viewing of the Exhibition. Cost \$ 200/team & \$125/ProAm

ZAT Junior Tournaments – October 3-4th & November 7-8th. SAPA & Bentwood host two USTA sanctioned events a year for Junior players. We encourage all our non-qualified juniors to play! These are the first level of tournaments for a competitive career. *Member court availability will be limited on these dates.*

Halloween Mixer – October 24th. Come dressed in your most spooky, funny, original, decorative outfit that you can find and play some tennis. There will be a contest for the best costume, snacks and beer will be provided. Don't forget your camera! Saturday evening from 7-10pm. Cost \$25 mem, \$40 non-mem.

Divorce Court Mixer – Sunday, November 15th, 2-5 PM. Sign up with your spouse or husband/wife "of the day" or individually and we will pair you up! Compass draw: If you win you stay with your spouse. If you lose you split up. The couple who stays together the whole draw wins! If you lose, you keep divorcing! \$ 15/ person member, \$25/ person non-member (beer provided).