

# The Rundown

What: From beginners to experienced league players, Red Hare Tennis welcomes all playing types and styles in a laid back, social atmosphere on Monday nights.

It's a lot social, a little competitive, and co-ed!

When: Monday nights (with a Tuesday option at Sandy Springs Tennis Center) starting March 15, league play runs 6-8 weeks

<u>Where:</u> The league is **facility-based** with players having the option to choose the facility that works best for them. Teams choose a facility and play all matches at chosen location.

Location options: Sandy Springs Tennis Center, Terrell Mill Tennis Center in Marietta, DeKalb Tennis Center in Decatur, and Fair Oaks Tennis Center in Marietta

How this league is unique: 3 lines of doubles: women's doubles, followed by men's doubles, followed by mixed doubles – 8 game sets with unique rules (players can sub in for one another, each player gets one mulligan, etc.); more beer & more fun with themed nights and social yet competitive atmosphere; end-of-season party at the Red Hare brewery with free pizza & beer for all

Who: 2 divisions: beginner/intermediate (2.5-3.5 rating) & intermediate/advanced (4.0-5.0 rating)\*. \*Sandy Springs Tennis Center offers 3 divisions: Beginner (2.5-3.0), Intermediate (3.5-4.0) and Advanced (4.5+)

A USTA membership is NOT required to participate in this league.

Teams: Consist of minimum 3 women and 3 men

<u>Free Agents:</u> We also offer the option to register solo as a "Free Agent" player!

We recommend that free agents register early in the registration process as we assign free agents to teams on a first-come, first serve basis.

Please note that there are seasons in which the number of free agent players outweighs the number

of teams with open space available. If this is the case, "homeless" free agents are contacted at the conclusion of registration and a full refund is issued.

#### **Location Options:**

**Terrell Mill Tennis Center:** 480 Terrell Mill Road, SE, Marietta, GA 30067

Sandy Springs Tennis Center: 500 Abernathy Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30328

**DeKalb Tennis Center:** 1400 McConnell Drive, Decatur, GA 30033

Fair Oaks Tennis Center: 1460 W Booth Rd Ext SW, Marietta, GA 30008

#### **Important Dates:**

Registration Opens......Friday, January 15, 2021 Registration Closes......Friday, March 5, 2021 Play Begins.....................Week of March 15, 2021 Finals (if applicable)....Week of May 3, 2021 End of Season Party.....TBD

#### Cost:

\$60 Registration Fee/Person which includes:

- Red Hare Tennis t-Shirt
- Court fees
- Balls provided for each match
- End-of-Season Party at Red Hare Brewery (21 and up)\* with free pizza and beer
- Entry into giveaways throughout the season
- Swag for all players
- The opportunity to be a part of Atlanta's top social tennis experience

\*The End-of-Season Party has free food & Red Hare beer (and/or root beer if under 21) for all league members. Players can enjoy mini-tennis, patio games and door prizes throughout the evening.

For more info. on the "nitty gritty" like the RULES, more detail about how the season is going to go, and the REGISTRATION LINK, head back to www.ustaatlanta.com/redharetennis



# Frequently Asked Questions

#### "I want to join a team with people I know. How do I join my team?"

- The key is to use the e-mail link your captain sends to you. Go back to <a href="www.ustaatlanta.com/redharetennis">www.ustaatlanta.com/redharetennis</a> and select the "PLANNING TO REGISTER? READ ME FIRST." tab for more info. about how to register correctly. Wanting to captain but still have questions? E-mail us at redharetennis@gmail.com

## "How do I know which level I should register for?"

- If you're unsure about what your skill level is, e-mail us: <a href="mailto:redharetennis@gmail.com">redharetennis@gmail.com</a> and we'll talk it out.

## "I'm a free agent and want to play every week on the team you place me on."

- We coordinate the league as a whole but your captain will be the one who makes weekly line-up decisions. Like any tennis team, you'll want to communicate with your captain about your season availability and expectations. Keep in mind that they've been nice enough to add a stranger to their roster so show them some #respect.

## "I love BEER. Why am I not receiving BEER every night in a tennis/BEER league?"

- The facilities you play out of are public facilities so while we can't shower you with beer each week, we *will* have beer giveaways and samples throughout the season <u>and</u> the End-of-Season party will involve LOTS of Red Hare Brewing Co. beer! (You don't want to miss the party...trust us.)

#### "I love WINNING. I want to beat everyone and win the champion's prize. Is this the right league for me?"

Listen, everyone enjoys winning things but this isn't the U.S. Open and to be honest, no one will
care whether you win or lose. This is a social league which means if you act a fool on the court and
are overly competitive, the people across the net will think you're crazy and no one will want to be
your friend.

Take a deep breath, chug a beer, and be nice to people. Having a good time is the name of the Red Hare Tennis game. If you want to play in a competitive tennis league with a rulebook that's longer than your newsfeed, <u>USTA Atlanta has LOTS of awesome leagues</u> for you to choose from.

### "How many players are on a team?"

- The minimum is three women and three men but the max. number of players you can have on a roster is ENDLESS. Some teams have up to 20 players, some have 6. Our unique subbing rules make it possible for up to 18 players to play in one night (if you sub as many times as humanly possible).

## "How much does this cost again?"

- \$50. You spend more on Lyft rides and drinks out on the weekends, don't lie. Calculate how much court fees and balls cost for 7 weeks of matches and you'll quickly discover that \$7.14/week is a small price to pay (+ a Red Hare Tennis t-shirt, giveaways, swag, the end-of-season party with dinner/beer provided, and an excuse to exercise and have a fabulous time with your friends on Monday nights)!

### "Why are there three division levels at Sandy Springs Tennis Center?"

- SSTC is a test site; because this location is a popular Red Hare Tennis site, there are enough teams to make three divisions and we are testing how successful this division tactic is. There are three division options at SSTC: Beginner (2.5-3.0), Intermediate (3.5-4.0) and Advanced (4.5+).