

Information release from President of the HC-CTA

The Henderson County Community Tennis Association is a not-for-profit, volunteer-based organizations supporting programs that grow the game of tennis for people of all ages by developing and assisting tennis programs for all levels of players, coordinating with other area state and national tennis organizations, and serving as a resource organization for public and private tennis organizations, park and rec departments, and promoting tennis as healthful recreation and an aid to physical fitness. For more information, please contact Jan Partin at HC-CTA, P. Box 352, Hendersonville, NC 28793.

Ongoing programs for Youth

USTA Junior Team Tennis brings together boys and girls ages 6-11 to play singles, doubles, and mixed doubles against other coed teams. It provides a competitive level-based environment that promotes individual growth, social growth, and life skills. CTA is financially supporting and working with the HC Parks and Rec and with tennis pro Pam Cloer, program coordinator, to make this program a success.

Abilities Tennis is a grassroots organization with a mission to provide free tennis opportunities for young athletes with intellectual disabilities. CTA endorses the program and is providing volunteers.

Tennis Indoor Performance Program (TIPP), a 6-week session offered to public high school boys and girls team tennis players 8th grade and up through Hendersonville Racquet Club. CTA is subsidizing the cost of the program.

Kids Tennis Club, a novice tennis program at Jackson Park for children 5-10 years old includes fun group tennis activities in June/July. The pro instructors are USPTA certified. CTA provides funding and volunteers for the program.

Middle School Youth Tennis Program. The CTA is working with the HC School Board to offer a tennis program/club in the HC middle schools.

Boys and Girls Club Program. The CTA has been working with the HC Boys and Girls Club to set up an after-school program for students in grades 5, 6, and 7.

One day events

The CTA has participated in the HC Health Department's 'Be Active Day' in January at the Blue Ridge Mall offering nerf tennis play to encourage a love for the game of tennis among beginners. CTA has been participating in Healthy Kids Day sponsored by the HC Parks & Rec Dept.

The CTA has participated in Healthy Kids Day through the YMCA in April.

CTA Scholarships

The Community Tennis Association is offering (2) two \$1500 scholarships to tennis athletes graduating from a Henderson County High School. The scholarships are intended to help H. C. students who have participated in a tennis program through their high school. Scholarships are awarded in the spring for the purpose of furthering the athlete's higher education whether it is an accredited 4 year or 2-year college/university. Students are chosen based on grade point average, financial need, participation in tennis programs, and their positive attitude toward peers and administration.

Apple Open Tennis Tournament

The CTA sponsors the Apple Open Tennis Tournament in September. For 2021, the dates are September 17-19. Proceeds from last year's event help to fund the programs and activities the CTA sponsors.