



Flying Foxes JTT



Polina's Tennis Academy is proud to support



TENNIS PRO EXPRESS

Flying Foxes Tennis Team

Oxford Hunt has an organized recreational & competitive tennis team called the Flying Foxes. The Oxford Hunt Flying Foxes compete Year Around with other tennis clubs. If your child is not ready to compete, he or she still could be a part of the Kids' Tennis Club and take regular clinics based on his/her age and level. We want your child to be ready for the next season. Please check www.Polinatennisacademy.com for information about clinics & private lessons. Tennis Team Competitive Seasons are typically 6 to 8 weeks long and include regularly scheduled two practices during the week, matches on weekend, and a pizza party at the end of the season.

The Oxford Hunt Tennis Team is open to kids ages 5 to 18.
Team Parents / Volunteers are Welcomed!



Spring 2014 Tennis Team Recreational Divisions Rules & Guidelines

Spring League Dates

March 9th – May 7 (no play on March 27th/28th, April 3rd and 4th), week of May 11-16 –Rain make up week!

The new dates would be...

Matches Start: March 14th/15th , **8s play matches on Fridays starting at 5:30 or 6:30**

10s and 12s play on Fridays starting at 5 or 6:30

14th and 18s play on Saturdays starting at 10:30 am, 12pm or 1:30pm

Matches End: Mid May



Our official website for Oxxford Hunt Flying Foxes JTT is

<https://oxxfordtennisteam.shutterfly.com> *This is the central place of communication for our team this season. On this site you can find out about the schedule for the season, All the Tennis Events at Oxxford Hunt Tennis Courts and other locations, snack schedule, and player availability.*

Important Dates & Deadlines

Friday, March 28th: Last day to register players to play competitive matches between different Clubs and their teams!

First Regular Scheduled Practice will begin the week of March 9th. Practice schedule will be posted at the Flying Foxes Tennis Team website. Make-ups will be added to the end of the season.

There will be one parent meeting at the beginning of the first practice session and will last about 15 min.

Fees & Registration:

\$145 per player - Check Paid to Polina's Tennis Academy for the Regular Scheduled Practice Sessions at Oxxford Hunt Tennis Courts twice a week.

\$16.50 per player - The fee to register for the team through the USTA / tennislink website is \$12.50 per player, plus a \$3 tennislink fee and \$1 fee for coaches background checks. So the total when you register will be \$16.50 per player. This does include the Jamboree and Pizza Party at the Cary Tennis Park .

Your coach/captain can register your child for you. Add \$16.50 Fee to the check paid to Polina's Tennis Academy.

****USTA MEMBERSHIP is required before signing up!!! Go to the website below to join or renew.*** <http://www.usta.com/Membership>*

Free Memberships for New 10 & under players!!! Go to

www.tryusta.com/juniorfree

After you register your child for the USTA membership you need to send a coach your number ASAP to help you to register your child!

To register for the Team e-mail Polinatennisacademy@gmail.com, Include your child's name, age,

Choose 2 days of your availability Monday, Wednesday or Tuesday, Thursday. Also include the times you are available after school. The schedule will be posted in couple of weeks, at the end of February.

Age Eligibility

Jr. Team Tennis follows the USTA's Championship Year Calendar, which begins August 1st each year. The age eligibility cut-off may require certain players to play one age level up. This date is August 31st, 2014

Teams/Minimum number players must be registered:

3-4 players per team for 8 and Under. 6-8 players per team all other divisions, such as 10 *and under*, 12 to 10 *division*, 14 *and under division*, 18 *and under division*. Teams are Co-ed.

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Progression League

Champion would qualify for advancement to the State Championships in July. (Progression rules on next page)

Match Locations- Each age division will play at the same site each week, unless otherwise noted. (Recreational division only!).

Weekly Match Format 8U Recreational (Rally Ball) Teams will play team singles format w/ 4 timed rotations. All other recreational divisions will play a total of 4 singles matches & 2 doubles match each week. Matches will be staggered to use only two courts at a time. Play 2 singles/ 1 doubles first and use the same players or new players the next round (2 singles/1 doubles). A full match will last an hour and a half. The first round of 2 singles and 1 doubles will play for 45 minutes, then the 2nd round of matches will play for 45 minutes. Winner of match is based on # of total games won by each team. **Individual**

Match Scoring

See Chart Below

Site Coordinators/Parent Volunteers/Coaches

Each recreational site will have a site coordinator to help facilitate matches and keep the time. Each team should have a coach or parent volunteer for each match as well.

Recording Matches

Site coordinator will confirm scores with parent volunteer/coach from each team and will enter scores. ***MATCH SCORING & LINE-UPS** - The parent volunteers or coaches will exchange line-ups before the start of the match. A player may only play a maximum of 2 lines in a particular match. No substitutions may be made in an individual match after the lineup has been presented, except for emergency, injury to, or illness of, a player prior to the start of such match. If the substitution is made during the warm-up, the

substitute player is entitled to a five minute warm-up. The substitution is a line substitution and the lineup shall remain the same.

MATCH INFORMATION – On Wednesday, at 6 pm each week players, parents, and coaches can check the link below to get match information for that weekend's matches.

RAIN-OUT POLICY - In the event of rain, incomplete individual matches will stand as played. The same players at the exact game and point must resume incomplete matches as they stood when play was halted. Matches cancelled due to rain will be made up at the end of the season.

Match Information and Weather Update Page:

<http://games.townofcary.org/tenniscenter/displaystatus.php>

Weather Updates/Cancellations: -Any cancellations or updates will be posted here first. -No need to wait for an email or call someone.

LEAGUE SCORING – Team winner is based on number of games won. If an unbalanced schedule is played, all teams may play a Championship Match on the final week of play to determine the Champion.

This team will be eligible for progression. If the league point total is tied at the end of the regular season, the tiebreaker order will be Individual Wins, Team Wins, Sets Won, and Games Won.

***DEFAULTS** – As long as a team has 4 of its players show up they will not have to default any of their matches. If less than 4 players show up then they will have to start defaulting individual lines, starting with singles. The defaults will be scored in accordance with the format in TennisLink Team Tennis. In the event of a default by both opposing players, neither team receives credit for that match win. If a team does not have the minimum players required to start a match, the team must default the last line of each wave of matches.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP PROGRESSION - The local league champions in each age group will be eligible to advance to the State Championships (July 18th-20th) in Fayetteville, NC. These teams must have at least 3 boys and 3 girls (except 8 and under teams) that have played in at least 3 matches each.



Division Format

8 and under

Team Singles

Games are timed and players play until time called. Underhand or overhand serve hit into the court from behind the baseline. May drop hit.

10U/12U/14U/18U-- Recreational (Beginner)

6 Total of 4 Singles, 2 Doubles in 90 minutes. Two 45 minute rounds of 1 Singles and 1 Doubles.

Team with most games won is the winner.

Best 2 out of 3 short sets – no ad, first to 4 games. (Ex: 4-0, 4-1, 4-3) Games are the first to win 4 points. At 3 games all in a set next game wins. 3rd set is a 7-point tiebreak (only have to win by 1). Change sides after each ODD game. Each individual match has a 45 minute time limit.

Match Information and Weather Updates Look in one place! Cary Tennis Park

Program/League Information Page <http://games.townofcary.org/tenniscenter/displaystatus.php>

or You also can find it on Our

Local Oxxford Hunt website for the Flying Foxes Tennis Team !

Match Information: - Schedules for teams will be distributed at the beginning of the season and include opponent, match date and time. -Match locations will be posted online every Wednesday by 6 pm for all Recreational league matches. -Each division will be scheduled at one of two match times depending on the day . Matches Start: March 14th/15th , **8s play matches on Fridays starting at 5:30 or 6:30**

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