

## FALL 2016 LEAGUE NEWS

### USTA Forty and Over Mixed League (Combo Rating 6.0, 7.0, 8.0)

No local leagues; all go straight to the **DISTRICTS** (vs. local NV teams) over a 3-day weekend, **Sept. 9-11** at **Darling Tennis Center** (DTC). Winners advance to **SECTIONALS** (vs. CO, UT, ID, MO, WY), again over a 3-day weekend, **October 7-9** at DTC. Winners play **NATIONALS** in Surprise AZ in **Nov. 4-6 (6.0/8.0)** and **Nov. 11-13 (7.0/9.0)**.

Players must be USTA members. Cost to register for the first leg of the competition: \$28/player and \$50/team.

The combined ratings of each double team must not exceed the level the team is entered (e.g. in a 6.0 team the doubles team can consist of two 3.0 players or one 2.5 and one 3.5). The minimum level allowed for a player to join a team is as follows: 2.5 for 6.0 team, 3.0 for a 7.0 team, and 3.5 for an 8.0 team.

**Team numbers are available now. Team registration deadline is August 22, 2016** (by this date, the teams must have a minimum of 3 men and 3 women registered; more can be added through Districts).

No matches will be played at Sun City Anthem. I hope we are able to form SCA teams but if we cannot recruit enough players from our club, outside players can join. None of the matches will be played at Sun City Anthem. Of course, any practice done at our courts will be subject to our association and club guest policies. It is expected that 4-6 matches may be played over a 3-day weekend.

Currently, Linda Joven has organized a 6.0 team and I believe this team has the needed numbers of men and women players. We have the potentials of forming a 7.0 and 8.0 teams.

### Nevada Tennis Association (NTA) Fall Senior 50 and Over

The intent was to get participations for both men and women in the 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 divisions. In the past few years, this league consisted mostly of **Women 3.5** where 3 doubles teams compete on Thursdays. **Men's** team, if formed, plays on Sundays.

This is an NTA League and stays local; no progression to Districts and beyond. USTA membership is required.

A player can play one level higher than current rating; i.e. a 2.5 can play 3.0, a 3.0 can play 3.5, etc.

**Team numbers** are available **July 21. Team Registration Deadline is Sept. 14** (must have 6 minimum number of registered players by this date; more can be added during the season). **League starts week of October 3.** Expect about 8-10 matches during the season.

## NTA Adult 18 and Over

I know we are getting to that stage in life to think it is ridiculous to try to compete against those young enough to be our children or grandchildren. It can be really frustrating but doubly rewarding. There is no pressure, we are not expected to win, we get plenty of exercise and it is a great feeling when we do well. We rarely play against the 18 year-olds. Majority of the younger players are in their 40s and there are many seniors who play this league. We can teach the young ones a thing or two about finesse, craftiness and tenacity.

League levels are 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5; Formats are 1 singles and 2 doubles for 2.5; 1 singles and 3 doubles for 3.0 – 4.5.

The league allows players to play one level up (2.5 up to 3.0, 3.0 up to 3.5, etc.). The following limitations apply: singles must be played by an “at level” player and at least one of the doubles team must be an “at level” player. An “at level” player in the 3.0 division is a 3.0-rated player.

This is an NTA League; it is played locally; no advancement to Districts and beyond. USTA membership is required.

**Team Numbers** are available now. **Team Registration Deadline is August 25** (by this date, the minimum players registered must be 5 for 2.5; 7 for 3.0 – 4.5). **League starts on September 24.** Matches played on **Saturdays**. Many teams are expected to register. You may play up to 10 matches during the season.

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## **SCA 55+ Women 6.0 Competing in Denver, September 23 – 25**

The team has been quietly practicing very early in the morning all summer long. All nine members of the team are going. They are Josie Baker (captain), Pam Adams, Karin Bridges, Virginia Dien, Linda Joven, Juliet LeBlanc, Laurie Musselman, Lupita Noriega-Manzo, and Susan Stephens.

**GOOD LUCK TEAM!**

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Let me know if you are interested in joining or forming any of the Fall Teams described above.

**Let us keep competitive tennis alive at Sun City Anthem!**

Josie Baker, League Coordinator