



Centennial Parklands
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CPSC Adult Beginner Orientation

Welcome to Beginner Lessons at Centennial Parklands Sports Centre

You are taking the first steps toward acquiring the skills required to be a tennis player. Our Beginner Tennis Lessons are designed for players who have never stepped on a tennis court to those who have some experience hitting the ball or playing with friends.

Where are the Centennial Parklands Sports Centre tennis courts?

Our 11 tennis courts (9 synthetic grass, 2 hardcourt) are located across the road from The Entertainment Quarter. Programs are usually held on Courts 1 to 4.

What to bring...

An adult-sized tennis racquet (27 inches). Running shoes will work—though they do not offer the best support for lateral movement. Racquets are also available for loan from our Tennis Kiosk.

What you can expect...

Tennis is a skill-heavy sport, so our sessions are designed to ensure you receive a balance between the required technical instruction and the opportunity for play. Our coaches will guide you through the fundamental strokes, which are comprised of: Forehand, Backhand, Forehand Volley, Backhand Volley, Overhead, and Serve. Sessions are divided into a technical portion where coaches will instruct you on the stroke of the week and a play-oriented portion where you will get the opportunity to test out these strokes in game and point situations.

By the end of this term...

You should have an understanding of the fundamental tennis strokes. As each player progresses at their own pace, you may or not be able to recreate these strokes under game and point situations—though attempting them under rally or score pressure is important for your development.

The more you practise, the quicker you will improve! We encourage you to practise outside of lessons with friends, family, and players in your group. Players progress to Adult Intermediate Group Lessons after approximately three to four terms of Adult Beginner Group Lessons—depending on their competency.



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What if it's raining?

You will receive an SMS from the CPSC team if your lesson has been cancelled at least an hour before its scheduled start time. (Unless your class is in our earliest timeslot on Saturday—in that case we will endeavour to send you a message 30 minutes before your start time.) For this reason, please ensure that your mobile phone number is entered correctly on your user profile. If you do not hear from us, assume that the lesson is on.