

# **2021 Summer Women's Tennis League Information**

The 2021 Bloomington Women's Summer Tennis Season offers advanced, intermediate, and recreational level doubles leagues, as well as a singles ladder encompassing still levels from beginners to advanced.

Play begins Tuesday, June 1 (singles), and Wednesday, June 9 (doubles). No play 7/7 & 7/8. Doubles start time is 6:30 p.m.

| IMPORTANT DATES                |                    |  |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Registration Opens             | March 1            |  |
| Registration Deadline          | May 17             |  |
| Pre-Season Meeting via<br>Zoom | May 26 @<br>6:30pm |  |
| Singles Season                 | June 1-Aug<br>31   |  |
| Doubles Season                 | June 9–<br>Aug 12  |  |

### **TENNIS COORDINATOR**

Marcia Bach 952-250-3454 mbach@bloomingtonmn.gov

### **2021 LEAGUE FEES**

Fees include supply of game balls, court scheduling for the tennis season, and league champion awards.

## Doubles League\$90\* per team

Singles League

• \$23\* per person \*incl. tax Court reservation may be available upon request for practice. The fee is \$7.25 per hour plus tax.

### **COURT LOCATIONS**

Valley View Park 401 East 90th Street

Dred Scott Playfield 10820 Bloomington Ferry Road

## How to Register:

| DOUBLES      |              |                       |  |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|--|
| Day          | Leagues      | Location              |  |
| Wednesday    | Advanced     | Valley View Park      |  |
| Thursday     | Intermediate | Jefferson High School |  |
| Thursday     | Recreational | Valley View Park      |  |
| Ladder       |              |                       |  |
| Day          | Time         | Location              |  |
| Agreed Upon* | Agreed Upon* | Agreed Upon*          |  |

**Singles Ladder:** Matches will be played at an agreed upon day, time and location. When initially entering the ladder, you place yourself where you believe is most appropriate. Use the guides below and the USTA ratings to judge your ability level. You will either move up or down depending on your ability and will be accurately placed throughout the singles season through match play and challenges. Singles players are expected to play 2 matches per month to maintain ladder status.

**Doubles:** Ratings can overlap and can be dependent on your partner's score. Both of your scores add up to the TOTAL score. Please refer to the USTA Rating chart below to determine your rating if you are unaware of it.

| RATINGS INFORMATION |                     |                |
|---------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Advanced            | 3.5—4.0 USTA Rating | Total: 7.0—8.0 |
| Intermediate        | 3.0—3.5 USTA Rating | Total: 6.0—7.0 |
| Beginner/Rec        | 2.0—3.0 USTA Rating | Total: 5.0—6.0 |

Please keep in mind you will be expected to follow guidelines laid out by the City of Bloomington in conjunction with the Governor, USTA and MDH/DNR. Specific guidelines will be sent out prior to play.

<u>Online:</u> blm.mn/adultsports; <u>Email:</u> parksrec@bloomingtonmn.gov; <u>Mail/Drop Off Registration Form:</u> 1800 W Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN 55431

To report tennis ladder scores email: rwalters@BloomingtonMN.gov or tennis@BloomingtonMN.gov

City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department 1800 West Old Shakopee Road Bloomington, MN 55431

# National Tennis Rating Program (NTRP) Level Information

| NTRP<br>Level | Description  |
|---------------|--|
| 1.0           | Just starting to play tennis   |
| 1.5           | Has limited experience with stroke development and is still working primarily on getting the ball into play. Not yet ready to compete.   |
| 2.0           | Needs on-court experience with emphasis on play. Struggles to find appropriate contact point.<br>Needs stroke development/lessons and is not yet familiar with basic positions for singles and<br>doubles play.  |
| 2.5           | Learning to judge where the ball is going when receiving, although movement and recovery are<br>not in sync. Can Sustain a rally of slow pace with other players of similar ability and is<br>beginning to develop strokes. This player is becoming more familiar with the basic positions for<br>singles and doubles. This player is ready to play social matches, leagues and low-level<br>tournaments.  |
| 3.0           | Fairly consistent when hitting medium-paced shots, but is not comfortable with all strokes and lacks execution when trying for directional control, depth, pace or altering distance of shots. Most common doubles formation is one up and one back.   |
| 3.5           | Has achieved improved stroke dependability with directional control on moderate shots, but still lacks depth, variety, and the ability to alter distance of shots. Effective use of lobs, overheads, approach shots, and volleys is limited due to a lack of confidence. More comfortable at the net, has improved court awareness, and is developing teamwork in doubles. <b>Potential limitations or strengths:</b> The level at which it begins to be about what skills a player can display on court, not what they can't. |
| 4.0           | Has dependable strokes, including directional control, depth and ability to alter distance of shots on both forehand and backhand sides during moderately paced play, plus the ability to use lobs, overheads, approach shots, and volleys with more success. This player occasionally forces errors when serving. Rallies may be lost due to impatience. Teamwork in doubles is evident. <b>Potential strengths:</b> Less likely to beat themselves; more dependable second serve; recognizes opportunities to finish points. |
| 4.5           | Has begun to vary the use of pace and spins, has good movement, can control distance and depth of shots, and is beginning to develop game plans according to strengths and weaknesses. Can hit the first serve with power and accuracy and can place the second serve. Tends to over-hit on difficult shots. Aggressive net play is common in doubles. <b>Potential strengths:</b> Points are won and lost off the serve more often; better able to cover weaknesses; beginning to develop a weapon.                           |
| 5.0           | Has good shot anticipation and frequently has an outstanding shot or attribute around which their game can be structured. Has confidence to regularly hit winners or force errors off of short balls and can put away volleys, can successfully execute lobs, drop shots, half volleys, overheads, and has good depth and spin on most second serves. <b>Potential strengths:</b> Better decision making; covers and disguises weaknesses well; mentally tougher, but can still break down in stress situations.               |
| 5.5           | Has developed pace and/or consistency as a major weapon. Can vary strategies and styles of play in a competitive situation and hit dependable shots in a stress situation. <b>Potential strengths:</b> Can hit offensively at any time; can vary strategies and styles of play in competitive situations; first and second serves can be weapons.  |
| 6.0           | Has obtained a sectional and/or national ranking. Typically has had intensive training for national or top level collegiate competition.   |
| 6.5—7.0       | World-class players with extensive satellite and/or international tournament experience. Makes living from tournament prize money.   |



# 2021 Summer Women's Tennis League Registration Form

### Team Name:

| Player Information |                             |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Name:              |                             |
| Address:           |                             |
| City & Zip:        |                             |
| Phone: (H)         |                             |
| (W)                | (C)                         |
| Email:             |                             |
| New Member Re      | eturning Member             |
| NTRP Rating*:      | _(Ratings will be verified) |
| Substitute:        |                             |

Both players on a doubles team must submit their own signed registration sheet for the team to be registered for a league, regardless of whether team members are paying individually or having one player subm it payment for both players. If you would like to register as a substitute for a league (no fee required), please check on the substitute line.

## Completed Registration form and full payment can be returned via:

**Email:** parksrec@BloomingtonMN.gov **Mail:** 1800 W Old Shakopee Road Bloomington, MN 55431 ATTN: Women's Tennis League Checks payable to: City of Bloomington

(3 Digits on Back, AmEx: 4 on front)

\*If you are unsure of your rating you can use your best judgement, start with the beginners league, or have a league representative obeserve your play for proper placement.

| <b>Partner's Information</b> | l need | l a partner |
|------------------------------|--------|-------------|
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#### Partners Name:

\*Indicate which league you would like to participate in by placing a check mark next to your desired league

|          | Women's Doubl | <u>es</u>    | Singles Ladder<br>\$23/Person |
|----------|---------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| Advanced | Intermediate  | Recreational | Singles Ladder                |

#### Waiver

I understand that participation in activity or program is completely voluntary and that the activity or program being offered is for the betterment of the participant. The City of Bloomington shall not be liable for any claims, injuries, or damages, of whatever nature, incurred by the participant which are directly or indirectly attributable to the negligence, whether passive or active, of the City of Bloomington, their agents and employees, arising out of, or in connection with the activity or programs. On behalf of myself, I expressly release and discharge the City of Bloomington, their agents or employees from any such claims, injuries or damages. I also understand this waiver includes any injuries that may result from the condition of facility used in the activity or program.

#### Release Agreement

City of Bloomington takes pictures, slides and videos of participants enjoying the activities for use in marketing and promotion of the programs. If I do not grant permission, I will send a letter to the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Division expressing my wishes.

#### Data Privacy Act/Tennessen Warning

According to the Minnesota Data Privacy Act, some of the information you provide on this form may be classified as private data. Private data is available to you but not the public. If you do not provide this data, you are not eligible to play in the City of Bloomington Adult Athletic Leagues. The data may be released to the United States Tennis Association, the Minnesota Recreation and Parks Association, the Recreational Sports Officials Association and City Bloomington staff for the purpose of

| administering the league.  |  |                   |
|--|--|-------------------|
| For Office Use Only  |  |                   |
| Date Received / Staff Initials:  | SIGNATURE DATE   |                   |
| The City of Bloomington does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access accommodation will be provided to allow individuals with disabilities to participate in all City of Bloomington be provided in Braille, large print, audio to the second | oomington services, programs and activities. Upon request, t |                   |
| Cancellation/Withdrawal Policy   | Authorized Fee Amount: \$                                    |                   |
| Full refunds will be processed if the league your team is registered for is cancelled by<br>Parks and Recreation due to lack of teams.   | Payment Method:<br>Cash Check # (Payable to City             | r of Bloomington) |
| Pro-rated refunds will be processed if scheduled games are cancelled and make up dates are not available due to unavailable facilities.  | □ Visa □ MasterCard □ Discover                               | AmEx              |
| Teams will receive a full refund less a \$50 service charge if your team withdraws at least 3 weeks before the start of play.  | Cardholder Name:   |                   |
| <b>Refunds will not be processed if</b> your team withdraws less than 3 weeks before the start of play or if your team is removed from the league due to disciplinary action.  | Cardholder Signature:  |                   |
| Card Number  | Expiration Date: / CVV                                       |                   |