



East Valley Seniors Tennis League (EVSTL)

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East Valley Seniors Tennis League (EVSTL) brings together **16 organized tennis clubs** from across the East Mesa Valley to enjoy friendly competition and recreation through well-run inter-club league play for players aged 50+. To support this, the league is governed by elected officers and guided by member-approved by-laws, as well as policies and procedures that help matches run smoothly while encouraging player development and good sportsmanship.

Season & Players

League play runs from late October through early March (16 weeks). Players participate through their host community's tennis club and compete within one of seven ability levels: 1.5 (basic), 2.0, 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, and 4.5 (advanced). An evaluation process is used to place players at the appropriate level. (Check the "Member Evaluation" in the CLUB FAQ section of this website).

Team Captains

Each Team has a Captain or Co-Captains. Their priorities include keeping matches fair, competitive, and fun, minimizing sit-outs, rotating partners, communicating with opposing captains, and supporting balanced matchups. Look to them for information and help joining in your level.

Teams & Schedules

At Venture Out, team lists and match schedules are shared by email and posted on the kiosk bulletin board at the NE SportsPlex, organized by level. At the start of each half-season, players mark their availability on the schedule. If plans change, notify your captain at least one week in advance. Weekly lineups (pairs) are posted by captains, and players confirm availability. Weekly court time is also reserved by level for team lessons and practice.

Matches & Scoring

League matches are played in the mornings, Monday through Friday, with each level playing on a specific day. Each team plays one match per week. The matches may be played at our home court or at the courts of the opposing club. Venture Out's home courts are Courts 1 – 6 located in the Northeast SportsPlex. An EVSTL Event, for the 75+ League is also scheduled, check "On-Court Play" in the CLUB FAQ section of the website.

For information on schedules, rosters, teams, communication, scoring, statistics, locations and archives, visit [Tenniscores](https://evstl.tenniscores.com) (<https://evstl.tenniscores.com>), the official league management system.

Ratings & Move-Ups/Move-Downs

Player placement is based on evaluation and league results. Strong performance at top lines may require a move up, while very low win rates at lower lines may result in a move down (with exceptions, such as 2.0). Clubs may request one re-evaluation per season, and accommodations exist for serious long-term health issues. (Check out the Moving Up and Down in the EVSTL" handout in the Evaluation CLUB FAQ section of the website).

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