

GVR TENNIS CLUB POLICIES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Updated: Through November 2021

Definitions:

- Winter Season – November 1 – April 30
- Summer Season – May 1 – October 31
- Membership Dues - \$15 per calendar year
- Ball Machine Fee - \$30 per calendar year (GVR Tennis Club Members Only)
- Courts - 17 GVR Tennis courts at 6 locations
- Priority for court use:
 1. GVR Activities
 2. Reservations by players
 3. GVR Tennis Club Clinics and Classes
 4. GVR Tennis Club Leagues
 5. USTA/Interclub Matches have priority on courts at the West Center from Noon to 2 PM
 6. USTA/Interclub Practices
- Guest of the GVR Tennis Club is a non-member who is allowed participation in club leagues/clinics for not more than 4 weeks

I. COURT USE:

No USTA matches played in Green Valley will begin prior to Noon unless specifically excepted. All tennis players (competitive or social) must adhere to the standing GVR policy regarding guest use of tennis courts.

II. TENNIS COURT RESERVATIONS:

The following GVR reservation “rules” have been developed over several seasons of play and are meant to provide the fairest availability of court time during periods of high demand for play:

- Courts may be reserved by any GVR Tennis Club members and GVR members who have paid the appropriate fee Monday through Saturday mornings at 6:00 AM, 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM
- Afternoons 1/2 hour time blocks on the hour and half hour from 12:00 PM and all day Sunday for 90 consecutive minutes, unless reserved for leagues or other scheduled use. (See the on line court schedule or court side computer monitor.)
- Qualified players may have one active reservation during any seven-day period.
- GVR Tennis Club hosts may reserve a court for their guests to use.
- In addition to one regular court reservation during any seven-day period, GVR Tennis Club members who have paid the annual ball machine fee may have one additional active reservation on a court booked WITH the ball machine during any seven-day period.
- If they cancel or use their reservation, they may make another reservation.
- New court reservations become available at 4:30 pm MST seven (7) days in advance.

III. PLAY ON AN UNRESERVED COURT:

Open time slots are available on first-come-first-served basis and may be taken no earlier than 10 minutes before the scheduled time slot. All players must be in attendance to hold the court. If more than one “new” group is ready to take an open court, a racquet spin or coin flip should be used to determine which group uses the 1 and ½ hour time slot (if players are waiting, current players must exit after completing their time slot).

- Play on any GVR, USTA or other competitive team is restricted to GVR Tennis Club members with the exception of GVR Staff.
- In accordance with GVR policy, no courts will be provided to any team containing non-GVR members.

IV. GVR TENNIS CLUB LEAGUES:

The "League Coordinator" is responsible for coordinating league types, times and courts as well as insuring that each league has an active Captain. All leagues are given to the "Court Scheduler" for placement into the on-line court reservation system. Summer leagues may use the courts at Desert Hills in the morning.

Afternoon sign up for open courts applies to all leagues on unreserved courts.

Criteria for non USTA leagues:

- Preference of court usage and overflow is Desert Hills, Canoa Hills, East Center then West Center as determined by the League Coordinator.
- All league captains must assume the responsibility of players scanning into the court side computer system.
- Captains have say so in the format of their league (open drop in or closed skill specific) and eligibility of players such as level of playing ability or first come, first serve, ect.
- Suggested: King of Court concept.
- Suggested: ½ hour time periods with winners moving up, losers move down, partners splitting.
- Suggested: Bring your own balls.
- Suggested: USTA rules but sun rules or FBI may be determined by players on court.
- Organized league/clinic participation is restricted to GVR Tennis Club members and Guests of the Club as an established benefit of membership; therefore, it is the responsibility of the League Coordinator and League Captains to insure that participants are listed in the GVR Tennis Club roster which is maintained on the club web page. If not listed on the roster then confirmation will be made with the Treasurer.

V. BALL MACHINE:

1. The GVR TC Board will determine the court location of any GVR TC Ball Machine, with approval of GVR.
2. The ball machine will be used if the courts are dry. Courts will not be considered to be dry until 1 hour of direct sunlight has passed after the courts have been rolled or swept.
3. If there is a failure of the ball machine, contact the Ball Machine Chair or their appointed delegate to resolve the issue. This may take many hours. Users should not attempt to repair the machine if a problem develops. The two exceptions are: first, if there is no power to the machine, the user should hit the "reset" button on the GFCI receptacle. The second is jammed balls. After unplugging the machine from the power source, remove jammed balls by hand only. If either of these permitted fixes does not work, contact the committee chairman for the ball machine.
4. The ball machine can only be used by members who have paid the annual ball machine fee. If a person has not paid the ball machine fee they shall not hit nor attempt to hit any ball launched from a GVR TC Ball Machine.
5. All ball machine users must scan in regardless of whether they have made a reservation or not.
6. The ball machine can be used all day on a reservation basis. Reservations must be made using the online reservation system. Those GVR TC members, who have paid the ball machine fee, may reserve court time slots in his/her name. One active ball machine reservation per user is permitted within a 7 day period.

7. Ball Machine users receive one additional reservation for use with the ball machine. CHECK Ball Machine on the reservation form.
8. As a courtesy to all other players, if a reservation is not going to be used, the reservation should be cancelled up to 90 minutes in advance. Others may, then, book that court.
9. A ball machine reservation is considered forfeited if not in use by 10 minutes after the reservation start time.
10. Members using the ball machine have priority use of the court. If the ball machine is not reserved, the court is open for tennis play.
11. If there is no advance sign up, court is first come, first served. No ball machine priority is given.
12. Prior to the end of your time, the ball machine will be put away with all machine balls, both on and off court, returned and the cord properly wound and placed on top of the ball hopper.

VI. GVR TOURNAMENTS: All tournaments will require a budget with approval by the GVR Tennis Club Board.

VII. FINANCIAL: Expenditures, already in the budget, by any Board or Committee member associated with normal club sponsored events and reasonable expenses incurred for Board/Committee member in performing day-to-day GVR TC business function shall be approved. All procurement expenditures must first be discussed with the Treasurer and any in excess of \$500 must have GVR TC Board approval prior to expenditure unless they have already been budgeted and approved by the Board.

VIII. COURT PROTOCOL: The tennis club has adopted afternoon tennis scheduling standards. To implement these standards; the position of "Court Scheduler" has been created which incorporated the "afternoon scheduler" and "USTA scheduling" position. The scheduler will assign courts all afternoons after 12:00 PM and all day Sunday based on requests from the Board and the League Coordinator as well as maintenance issues from GVR.

General Guidelines to be followed:

- 1) In the "summertime" league and team practices may be held in the morning at the discretion of the League Coordinator or team captain, otherwise, they will be scheduled in the PM. USTA matches may be scheduled as early as 10:30 AM.
 - a. If open courts are available within 4 days prior to a scheduled match, and both team captains agree to a time prior to 10:30 AM, the Court Scheduler shall reassign the dedicated match courts to the earlier time, if the time block prior to 10:30 is available.
- 2) In general, winter league play is 12-2 PM and team practices are 2-4 PM.
- 3) One official reserved practice time per week per team.
- 4) Team practice times reserved for "current" teams only. Pre-season practice times shall be limited to two months prior to league start, assuming courts are available.
- 5) Prior year's teams have priority over their previous years' time slot for practice and matches. New teams have to fit into existing available time slots.
- 6) West is principal match location. Practices can be held there as long as courts are available.
- 7) Teams get two practice courts with an optional third court if court is available and it is an exceptionally large team with 16 or more players.
- 8) GVR afternoon tennis classes and clinics have top scheduling priority.
- 9) Active USTA and league involvement is good for the GVR community; however, it is also the GVR Tennis Club's belief that some open court time is highly desirable and to that end; the Court Scheduler shall make every effort to keep at least Madera, Las Campanas and East Center locations open in the afternoons and all day Sunday.

VIII. Club Communication:

Emails to the GVRTC membership shall only be sent by the Communications person and only for the following reasons:

- a) Announce GVRTC meetings
- b) Announce tournaments or events
- c) Provide GVRTC updates
- d) Send newsletters or eblast electronically which may include such items as club information, announcement and results of tournaments; but, may not include requests for donations (unless club related), political opinions and non-club related merchandising.
- e) Notification of GVRTC activities (i.e. ball machine, clinics, leagues, etc.)
- f) Notification of GVR activity as related to the tennis courts
- g) Notification of a passing club member, only with the permission of a surviving family member
- h) Any other items not listed, but requested by a GVRTC member, must be approved by the Board either at their regular meeting or through an email vote.