

DROP-IN PADDLE TENNIS
Mondays, 9:00-11:00 AM
HOA Courts 10 AND 11

- All ability levels are welcome; however, guests may not play during “drop-in.”
- Non-marking court shoes are required.
- Drop-in is doubles play. Each match consists of four no-ad games, each served by a different player. In case of a 2/2 result, one additional point is played at the end of the final game to determine the winner. If no players are waiting, players may engage in regular tennis sets which must be won by two points (not no-ad games).
- The score must be called out before each serve.
- Drop-in format is quite social, depending upon number of players in attendance. Rotation of players is determined by total numbers of players in attendance on HOA Courts 10 and 11. If six or fewer players are waiting, the winners remain on the court and the next two players rotate onto the court. If seven or more players are waiting, all four players vacate the court allowing a new foursome to play *if desired by waiting players*. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for each player to play with others.
- At the start of each new match, the four players decide among themselves the teams most likely to create an evenly matched competition.
- Additional players should use the “paddle saddle” to put their paddles in line for the next court opening. Do not enter or leave courts when a game is in progress without the permission of players.
- Players are allowed to waive their opportunity to be “next on court” without losing their place in the queue. This should be done without offering a reason –just say “skip me please” or similar.
- Players may wait to play in chairs on the courts near the net areas or may wait outside the court gates or in the patio below.
- During drop-in, instruction is offered to new players by committee members and/or other experienced players present.
- Players may arrive and depart at any time during the session.

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