



ACE TennisBALL Program

By Toronto Tennis City

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Introduction

8-year-old Michael will once become one of the World Top Ten players. His day starts with a usual 6am on-court training followed by a 1.5-hour physical and psychological fitness with a private coach. Then Michael goes home to have some rest while watching TSN broadcasting live Wimbledon matches. 2-hour break - and he is on the court again. Michael trains at one of the city's best clubs and does it all that will help him to succeed in his sports career.

But then he wakes up... It was just a dream...

You may want to think that in a city as progressive as this one everyone has a possibility to play sports. You may think so, but you would be closing your eyes to a real problem in our city today. There are communities in Toronto that do not receive recognition from the media, politicians or from people that do not live there. Look around and you will get a new perspective of the city that is more than the CN Tower and Yonge Street. Most of the people in those communities are new immigrants: they frequently lack employment and are struggling to pay their bills.

The \$25,000 ACE TennisBALL program launched by Toronto Tennis City with the support of ACE Tennis, Wilson and Greenwin Property Management, is once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for the kids from the inner city areas of Toronto to learn how to play tennis in a 35-week program *FOR FREE*. After the tryouts that took place on September 19th 2010 at the Toronto Tennis City club, 32 lucky kids have been each given a \$1,200 training scholarship and put into one of the four teams: Australian Open, French Open, US Open and Wimbledon. The grant enables every ACE TennisBALL participant to come and train at Toronto Tennis City every Sunday from 1pm to 2pm. In addition to the actual scholarship, each kid receives:

- ✚ An ACE Tennis T-Shirt
- ✚ A Sponge Ball
- ✚ A Wilson Racquet
- ✚ A Wilson Backpack



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Program Highlights

How can I play TennisBALL?

- ✚ **TennisBALL** is a new game to help popularize the sport of tennis with youngsters. It is offered the first time at Toronto Tennis City in September of 2010.
- ✚ **TennisBALL** can be played almost anywhere on any surface.
- ✚ **TennisBALL** can be played with friends, family and teams.
- ✚ **TennisBALL** skills can be practiced alone.

What are the rules of TennisBALL?

- ✚ Two [singles] or four [doubles] players can play.
- ✚ All players must stand outside the court when starting a point [except for younger and beginner kids].
- ✚ Scoring is like in ping-pong.
- ✚ One player serves [only one serve] four points in a row from outside the court into the service box of their opponent. Players or teams alternate serve after four points.
- ✚ Serve must be hit in the air with a bounce; the return must be hit after bounce. After return all balls must be hit before or after one bounce over the net in opponent's court. If not you lose the point. Game is up to 21. Matches are best of 3 or best of 5 games.

How does it work?

- ✚ The ACE TennisBALL program will be supervised by the Program Director, Tania Englander. Tania holds a Psychology degree from the McMaster University. She has her Tennis Canada Club Pro 1 certification and is currently a Club Pro 2 candidate.



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- ✚ Dale Power will be the Head Coach for the program. Each team will also have a volunteer coach recruited by Toronto Tennis City, and a parent volunteer captain, to be assigned on the first day.
- ✚ Players have been divided into four teams, as per the attached roster list.
- ✚ The fall league runs for 12 weeks until Sunday December 19. There will be no class on October 10, for the Thanksgiving weekend.
- ✚ Two more 12 week sessions are held after Christmas. The teams will be remade for the winter and the spring sessions.
- ✚ For each session, the first week will be a practice week, when the kids will be shown all the proper strokes. The rules of the game will also be reviewed with the kids as well as the team captains.
- ✚ The four teams will play each other three times [weeks 2-10].
- ✚ Playoffs [1vs4, 2vs3] will be held weeks 11-12. Gold, silver, bronze and certificate awards will be presented.
- ✚ Each match day, [week 2-12] there will be a 10 minute warm up and then three rotation of matches of fifteen minutes.
- ✚ During each rotation, 8 singles matches will be played, 4 players from each team.
- ✚ Each match won scores 1 match point for the team, a one point tie break point if tied at the end of 15 minutes. If match is not finished at the end of 15 minutes, the player ahead in score wins the match.
- ✚ Total of 12 match points available each week. The team with the most match points wins the week's head-to-head competition.
- ✚ Head-to-head winners get two points in league standing; if teams tie [6 all] both teams get 1 point in league standing.
- ✚ All participating kids will receive a player's package including a bag, racquet, sponge ball and T-Shirt.



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Appendix

Tennis-BALL Team Rosters



Australian Open

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Assistant Coach: Zach Harmath

Captain: Anna Ricci

Robert Ricci
Tharusha Mudalige
Ra Manoharan
Kyle Lai Thom
Michael Pazzano
Leo Marmorina
Hilary Sherlock
Bryan Gan



US Open

Assistant Coach: Zach Green

Captain: Tiffany Richards

Jared Lai Thom
Arulini Rathakrishnan
William Chan
Destiny Richards
Wells Zhang
Miranda Chen
Justin Vo
Alexi Adamidis



French Open

Assistant Coach: Greg Walker

Captain: Manny Pires

Nicole Fernandes-Chongling
Laura Luont-Pires
Spencer Deng
Matthew Ricci
Clea Sheldrick
Axel Marmorina
Osiris Manoharan
Brian Ho



Wimbledon

Assistant Coach: Maria Patrascu

Captain: Mike Ricci

Matthew Deng
Justin Perez
Adrian Zuleta
Ryan Aleixo
Dhara Sheldrick
Paolina Czapinski
Raphael Gabramadhin
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