Tennis Etiquette Guidelines

Basic Conduct:

Only members should have the gate code combination. Don't share the gate code with any non-members. After the lock is opened, make sure the code is not visible. Members can invite a non-member to play. The guest fee is \$10/day per adult - \$5/day per junior 16 - 18 yrs. The fee is to be paid by e-transfer to: treasurer@oconnorhillstennis.com. In the message section please type your name & guest name.

The club pro has priority access to court #4

Smoking is prohibited anywhere on Club property.

Drinks are only permitted in spill-proof non-breakable containers.

Every member is asked to help keep the grounds tidy and clean.

Getting On A Court:

- Wait until a point is over before going behind a court where a match is in progress.
- When getting ready to go onto a court you are expected:
 - to wait until play has terminated and then to WALK QUICKLY to your court
 - to always go behind the court not through the court
- If you must cross several courts you are expected to run to the space between the courts until play on that court has been completed and then proceed.

Ball Control:

- When returning a ball to the server it should be returned:
 - To the server, WHEN the server is facing you...
 - NOT at the same time as the other balls are being returned...
 - The ball should be played gently to the server
- When playing doubles... The server's partner is the controller of the third ball.
- Mention dangerous situations by calling a LET (a ball rolling onto the courts, etc)
- Wait until the players on another court have completed their point before retrieving, returning or requesting a ball.
- When a serve is OUT the ball is to be hit to the net, caught and held, or moved to the back of the court but not hit back to the server.
- ALL players are responsible to keep track of the score and the server should announce it.

Line Calls:

- Line calls are made AFTER the ball bounces.
- In doubles, if one player calls it in and other player calls it outIT's IN.
 - If there is any doubt whether it's in or outIT's IN.
 - It is your responsibility to call all balls on your side.
- AND to call against yourself any ball you see out on your opponent's side of the net.
- Do not enlist spectators' help in making line calls.
- If you call a ball out then realize it was good, correct your call immediately.

Lets:

- When a serve hits the net and lands in the service box, serve is replayed.
- When another tennis ball enters your play area (calls must be made instantaneously).