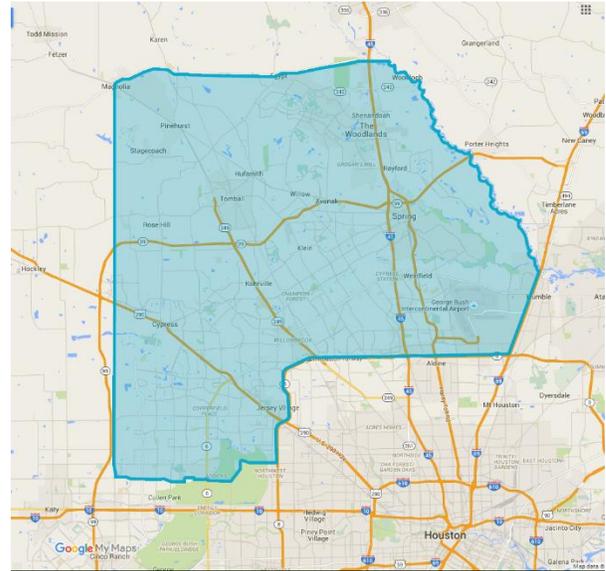




TEXAS JACKRABBIT LEAGUE is a non-profit organization, formed in 1981 by a small group of women for the purpose of providing a recreational program of tennis for women in the greater Northwest Houston area. The league started with six subdivisions Huntwick, Olde Oaks, Ponderosa, River Plantation, Westador and Wimbledon, all located in proximity to Jackrabbit Road.



The seed was planted and soon Norchester, Northampton and The Woodlands joined in with teams. By 2005, the boundaries expanded by 5 miles as a result of growth and locations petitioning to play Jackrabbit. Today over 2,000 women from more than sixty locations participate in this popular Friday league. Our thanks to the women who founded Jackrabbit and to the players who continue to make it the best league in Houston!



TJL IS A MULTI-SURFACE LEAGUE

Jackrabbit was established as a recreational women's league, playing on the multi-surfaced courts provided by the clubs inside the original boundaries. Jackrabbit teams have played Friday scheduled matches and rain makeups on clay, indoor, covered and outdoor courts since 1981. Unless changes are made by our charter clubs, Jackrabbit will remain a multi-surface league. We partner with the USTA campaign to grow this great sport that also provides our members with some of the same surface experiences as the majors. Although our ladies are used to hard court leagues, many were raised playing on clay courts in the southern states.

CLAY COURT LOCATIONS: Jackrabbit has had as many as three locations with clay courts. Today, only one charter club, Woodlands Country Club remains to have clay courts that are necessary to meet the longstanding court requirements for their teams.

- **WOODLANDS COUNTRY CLUB:** For many years, it was an accepted understanding that the matches scheduled at Woodlands Country Club would be played on clay. Clay court requests were obliged to assist with club scheduling needs. With their growth in teams, Woodlands CC must utilize (6) hard courts and (4) clay courts with an indoor court rotation to meet the scheduling requirements. Due to league player requests for preferred hard court matches, WCC has reached a maximum of 10 teams until they can provide additional hard courts.
- **2010 AGREEMENT BETWEEN TJL AND WCC:** In a concerted effort to calm the concerns of players that preferred only hard court matches, Woodlands Country Club asked to attend a Jackrabbit Board meeting in 2010 and met Jackrabbit more than half way to help address those concerns. Jackrabbit and WCC reached an agreement whereby (1) all WCC teams are included in the clay court rotation assignments; (2) WCC shall prepare and provide the assignment of all regularly scheduled matches on clay prior to the season start date. Additionally, (3) WCC offered a clay court drill to visiting teams at the WCC rate to give them familiarity with the clay court surface prior to their scheduled match day.

CLAY COURT SCHEDULED MATCHES

- **ADVANCED NOTICE of WCC REGULARLY SCHEDULED MATCHES ON CLAY.** Once the Jackrabbit Scheduling Secretary completes the league schedule, the home match schedule for all Woodlands Country Club teams is sent to the WCC Head Pro. The Head Pro then schedules courts for all WCC home matches that require clay court assignments for the entire season. The WCC clay court schedule is sent to the Jackrabbit President for approval. The schedule is verified that all WCC teams are rotated for clay court/indoor court assignments and that opponents in the same division with more than one WCC team are not scheduled for more than one match on clay. Once approved, the TJL President maintains a copy of the WCC clay court schedule; and gives advance notice to the visiting teams that have a regularly scheduled match and date assigned to clay courts. This is a courtesy notification that is extended by Jackrabbit and the 2010 agreement reached with WCC for all regularly scheduled matches on clay.
- **MOVING FROM A SCHEDULED HARD COURT TO AVAILABLE CLAY COURT(S) AS AN OPTION WITH CHANGING OR MISTY WEATHER.** See TJL Rules for available options in the event of rainy weather. Courtesy dictates for the home team captain or acting captain to notify the opponents once she knows that clay or indoor courts are available for her team in the event of changing weather. It is legal to change court surfaces provided all four players of said line(s) agree. **AGREEMENT TO MOVE THE MATCH FROM SCHEDULED HARD COURT TO AVAILABLE CLAY COURT(S) ALSO CONSTITUTES AGREEMENT TO COMPLETE SAID LINE(S) ON CLAY COURT.** If the match moves from hard court to clay court to start or resume play and the match gets rained while playing on clay, the rain makeup can be scheduled to resume on clay without protest. (see TJL Rules for rain delays and scheduling rain makeups.)

PRIVATE CLUB AND HOA RULES: Jackrabbit has no control over private club, neighborhood or HOA rules. Jackrabbit has jurisdiction over league rules, match play and court requirements for the Friday morning scheduled matches. Jackrabbit does not govern HOA or club rules including membership policies, required courts for non-league members or residents, procedures for booking courts, policies for booking extra courts, contracts with club and neighborhood pros, court assignments for pro lessons & drills, other tennis programs, tournaments or court business on non-league days.

LOCATION CHANGES: Changes have taken place with a number of locations over the years. The Olde Oaks indoor court facility was sold and converted to indoor soccer. North Harris College courts were deemed unplayable and those displaced teams moved to Fall Creek; Woodlands Parks rules changed for court use by non-residents and displaced teams moved to Montgomery College or other subdivisions; Woodlands Athletic Center (a 10 court facility) was sold for other real estate purposes and displaced teams moved to eligible park locations or players joined WCC.

TJL BOUNDARIES: The boundaries were extended during 2004-05 which also allowed court locations and teams petitioning along the 290 corridor (i.e. Fairfield, Lakes on Eldridge, Lost Forest Racquet Club, Bear Creek, Deerfield and Towne Lakes to date), as well as, Fall Creek to the east and new Woodlands Parks locations on the north side of The Woodlands up to and including Montgomery College. The Woodlands Parks courts located within proximity to Woodlands Parkway were allowed before the 2004-05 boundary extension.