USPTA MID ATLANTIC 10 AND UNDER FALL CONFERENCE

TENNIS CENTER OF COLLEGE PARK, MD
November 15 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

USPTA
Mid-Atlantic Division

The USPTA Mid Atlantic is planning a 10 and Under Conference for tennis teachers and coaches at the 2013 USPTA Mid Atlantic Fall Workshop in College Park, Maryland. The workshop will be held at the Tennis Center of College Park on Friday, November 15. The event will be held from 10:00 a.m-7:00 p.m.

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Speakers currently scheduled are Craig Jones, USTA Director of Youth Play and Competition, Ajay Pant, General Manager of the Junior Tennis Champions Facility, Michael Harper, Director of Junior Tennis at the Junior Tennis Champions Facility, Barbara Linke, USTA Maryland Program Coordinator Community Tennis, and Patrick Kearns, Executive Director of the Mid Atlantic USPTA.

This is a great opportunity for teaching professionals in our region to learn from some of the top experts in the tennis industry. This 10 and under workshop is designed to put professionals at the top of their game with insight from the industry's leading professionals.

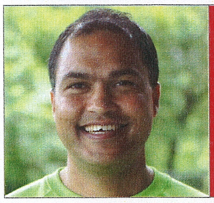
TOPICS WILL INCLUDE:

- Linking 10 and under competences with long term player development
- Mechanical and technical aspects of 10 and under tennis
- Training and competition for 10 and under success
- Moving past the red ball. How to navigate the red, orange, and green balls
- Player, parent, and coach. Creating a pathway that everyone understands.
- Programs that work for the ten and under player.
- USTA junior team tennis opportunities for the ten and under players
- Drills and Games for the Ten and Under Player

Craig Jones

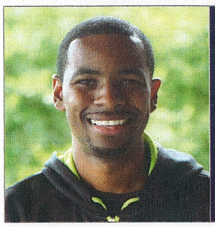
is the Director of Youth Play and Competition for USTA and is considered an industry leader in 10 and Under Tennis. In his role with the USTA, he oversees all 10s competition, Jr. Team Tennis, and 12-18 local play. In addition, he works closely with USTA Player ID/Development, and Coaching Education.

Before joining the USTA, Craig was a Director of Tennis and club pro, working withhundreds of junior players from novice to national champions. He is acertified USPTA and PTR Pro, a USTA High Performance Coach, and the owner of the Petersburg Racquet Club in Martinez, Ga.



Ajay Pant General Manager TCCP

Ajay is currently the General Manager for the Tennis Center at College Park, in College Park, Maryland. For the past 20 years, Ajay has worked as the National Tennis Director for TCA, the largest indoor tennis club company in the United States. He is one of 14 teachers rated as Master Pro by both the PTR and USPTA globally. Ajay is also the Chair for USTA National Ten and Under Task Force.



Michael Harper TCCP Director of Junior Tennis (10U)

Prior to joining TCCP, Harper was a staff professional at Frog Hollow Racquet Club in suburban Philadelphia and Tennis Service Representative for USTA Middle States. He has been a featured speaker at conferences throughout the greater Philadelphia area on topics ranging from 10 & Under Tennis to marketing andsocial media integration. Harper is certified by the USPTA and PTR in both Adult and Junior Development. Named the 2008 USPTA Middle States "Rookie of the Year," Harper is a Master Trainer for TIA Global Cardio Tennis and is a Licensed TRX Group Suspension Trainer. Harper holds a B.S. degree in Psychology from Morgan State University.

Patrick Kearns

Patrick is the current USPTA Mid Atlantic Division Executive Director. He currently is the Owner and Executive Director of 4 Star Camps in Charlottesville, Va. Before purchasing the camps Patrick was the Head Tennis Professional at Farmington Country Club in Charlottesville, Va.

Vesa Ponkka, Senior Director of Tennis

Selected as the 2011 USOC National Developmental Coach of the Year, Ponkka has trained top junior players in the United States and Europe for national, NCAA, ITF and professional competition. He is widely acclaimed as one of the top international junior coaches and has been the driving force behind JTCC's coaching philosophy since its founding in 1999. His students have won numerous professional and national titles, achieved the #1 ITF Junior World Ranking, several #1 USTA National Rankings, and NCAA All-American honors.He holds PTR, USPTA, and USTA High Performance certification.

Schedule:	
9:30	Registration
10:00 - 10:30	Opening Remarks-Patrick Kearns
10:30 - 11:00	Athletic Development for the TAUP
11:15 - 12:00	Training and competition for 10 and under success
12:00 -12:30	USTA Junior Team tennis and changes coming to TAUT,
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch and roundtable discussion on the 10 and under player,
1:30 - 2:30	Games and drills for the 10 and under player and progressive game building for the red, orange, and green balls
2:30 - 3:15	Building and Managing Your Program On and Off The Court
3:15 - 4:15	Mechanical and Tactical: How to Maximize the Development of TAUP
4:15 - 5:00	Working with parents to help them understand the Pathway
5:00 - 6:00	Linking TAUT Competencies for Long Term Success
6:00 - 7:00	Networking

Location:	The Tennis Center at College Park, College Park, Maryland
Time:	10-6 which includes lunch and a networking party from 6:00 - 7:00
Registration:	Online at usptamas.com
Fees:	New members (within this past year) and under 30 yrs old-$20.00
	All others $35.00
	All fees include lunch and the networking party after the event

For more information on the 2013 USPTA Mid Atlantic Fall Workshop and to register for this premier event, visit the USPTA Mid Atlantic Website at usptamas.com or follow us on Facebook!

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