

Parks & Recreation Tennis Spotlight

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MORE THAN COURTS: THE THRIVING COMMUNITY CULTURE AT LAKE CANE TENNIS CENTER

Located within Shadow Bay Park in Orlando, Florida, the Lake Cane Tennis Center stands as a powerful example of how dedicated collaboration drives community growth. As the largest and oldest continuously running public tennis facility in Orange County, Lake Cane has served players since its current operation began in 1996, growing to feature 17 lighted hard courts, a clubhouse, and a welcoming atmosphere.



From the beginning, Lake Cane has fostered an inclusive and warm culture that promotes immediate belonging and connection among all players. The facility is set among mature live oak trees, offering shaded spectator views and a high quality tennis experience in an accessible, public park setting. The center's long-standing success is a testament to an effective partnership between the Orange County Parks & Recreation Department and MG Tennis. This strategic decision empowers the tennis experts at MG Tennis, led by its founder Marcelo Gouts, to ensure the public has access to high-quality programming.

The tennis center offers a robust assortment of community programs and a comprehensive pathway for participation, supporting hundreds of players in weekly classes, leagues, and competitive events. Programs span all ages and abilities, from introductory lessons and vibrant youth academies to over 50 adult league teams and competitive tournaments.

By consistently providing access and exceptional opportunities for the Orlando community, Lake Cane Tennis Center and the Orange County Parks & Recreation Department are directly supporting the USTA's mission of Growing tennis to inspire healthier people and communities everywhere.



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