



**2020 ITA Central Regional**

October 23-25, 2020

Hosted by the University of Arkansas  
Billingsley Tennis Center

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## PERSONNEL

### ITA REPRESENTATIVES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Cory Brooks	Director of Championships
Caroline Eberhart	ITA Championships Coordinator
Todd Chapman	Regional Chair
Adam Albertson	Central Regional Op. Com.

### UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Grayson Greer	Tournament Director
Ruth Seaborne	Assistant Tournament Director
Jessica Roberson	Tournament SID
Matthew Townsend	Tournament Medical
Chris Pohl	Event Manager

### RESOURCES

<u>Competition Facility</u> Billingsley Tennis Center	1503 W Nettleship St Fayetteville, Ark. 72701
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### RESULTS

Results will be available on [www.ArkansasRazorbacks.com](http://www.ArkansasRazorbacks.com) and emailed to head coaches and the appropriate communication directors at the conclusion of each day of competition.

### COACHES' MEETING

The Coaches' Meeting will be held on **Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. (CT)** at the Billingsley Tennis Center Club Level. A representative from each institution should be present as attendance is expected.

It's our goal to provide you with the best game day experience possible and leave you satisfied with your experience from the time you park your vehicle to the time you pull out after a win.

## **ITA Regional event hosted by The University of Arkansas** **COVID-19 Protocols**

\*The following document was developed with recommendations from USTA, and directives from the CDC, Arkansas Department of health, and SEC and BIG 12 conference guidelines.

### TESTING PROTOCOLS

- For this event teams must undergo SARS-CoV-2 testing. These protocols apply to all competitors and members of the teams travel party (coaches and staff)
- The following testing protocols have been approved by the Big 12 and SEC offices:
  - Big 12 protocol: Antigen testing 24 hours to the start of competition or as close to travel as reasonably possible.
  - SEC adapted protocol: PCR testing 48 hours prior to the beginning of competition.
  - Teams not within these conferences may complete either protocol.
- All teams must complete the Big 12 and SEC attestation forms prior to the beginning of matches.
- **Please have these forms submitted by 7pm on Thursday, October 22, 2020**
  - **Email to Matthew Townsend (mt045@uark.edu).**

### ENTERING AND EXITING PROCEDURES

- The main entrance into the indoor courts will be used for entering and exiting. Please follow markings and signage.
- **By entering the facility each day, you are attesting that all members of your team and travel party are not exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19. Please seek medical evaluation/clearance if you are experiencing the following symptoms:**
  - **Fever/chills, dry cough, shortness of breath, muscle/body aches, headache, new loss of taste/smell, congestion/runny nose, or GI issues.**
- Each team will have a designated area within the facility to store personal items and team equipment, this will also be an area to go if you are not playing and need a place to go. The goal is to not have teams intermingling or gathering in groups in common areas.
- Masks must always be worn and may only come off during matches. After finishing play please put your mask back on.
- Please adhere to social distancing markings and signage.
- Always maintain at least 6 feet of distance from other individuals.

## ON COURT AND MATCH CONSIDERATIONS

- Student-athletes must maintain 6 feet of distance or more on court from officials as well as competitors. **Do not make physical contact with others such as handshaking or high fives.**
  - Racket taps are an appropriate form of sportsmanship during this time.
- Please either wash your hands or use hand sanitizer prior to, during, and after matches.
- **Student-athletes must bring their own towels, the facility will not be providing them.**
- Do not share any equipment such as rackets, grips, water bottles, or towels.

## CLEANING AND DISINFECTING

- Hand sanitizer will be available in several locations for use.
- No congregating or socializing in large groups.
- At the end of each match, benches and high touch surfaces will be disinfected by officials.
- Facilities staff will clean and disinfect the facility daily, and common areas such as bathrooms will be disinfected throughout the day

## LOCKER ROOMS, AND RESTROOMS

- Please always wear a mask.
- Restrooms will be accessible within the facility, please no more than three individuals in a restroom at a time.
- Please thoroughly wash your hands after using the restroom; for at least 20 seconds with warm water and soap.
- Locker rooms and showers will not be available for this event.

## HYDRATION

- Water coolers will be available on each competition court and practice courts.
- **Please utilize hand sanitizer before and after use.**

## INJURY TREATMENT

- The host athletic trainer will be available for any on court injuries or injury timeouts if the team did not have an athletic trainer travel.
  - Please wear your mask when receiving treatment on court or off.
- Treatment areas are available if requested prior to the start of the event daily to allow scheduled times and avoid overcrowding.

## MEDICAL SERVICES

Dear Visiting Tennis Athletic Trainer:

The University of Arkansas Sports Medicine Staff would like to welcome you and your team on your upcoming visit to Fayetteville. We hope to make your stay here at the University of Arkansas as pleasant and safe as possible. During your stay, we invite you to utilize our facilities as needed, please contact our athletic trainer, Matthew Townsend with and needs you may have.

1. The Tennis Athletic Training Room is located behind the curtain of the indoor courts. This space will be utilized for emergencies or on a schedule basis. Please notify us in advance if you will plan on needing time in the training room.
2. Water, Ice, Ice Bags and Elastic wrap will be available daily in an injury ice cooler labeled outside or within the ATR.
3. In addition, crutches, splint kits and an AED will be jointly available for all teams' use should the need arise.
4. Emergency Services and Our Orthopedic Physician/Team Physician will be on-call during the competition.
5. If you would like any treatment time, please notify us in advance. If your team is traveling without a Certified Athletic Trainer, we ask that you call ahead to make arrangements for your team. A Certified Athletic Trainer and student trainer will be available if you need any assistance.
6. Please adhere to all COVID protocols that were sent out to your team and are also available in this manual.

On the next page is a list of important names, phone numbers and a map that may be of assistance to you during your stay in Fayetteville. If there is anything else we can do for you, please feel free to contact me via cell phone at 479-200-3432. Good luck with your season, may it be safe and injury-free.

Sincerely,

*Matthew Townsend*

Matthew Townsend

479-200-3432

**mt045@uark.edu**

Main Training Room  
Arkansas Sports Medicine

Phone: 479-575-4805

Fax: 479-575-6525

## ADDITIONAL NUMBERS

Joey Carroll	Graduate Athletic Trainer 727-667-3996
Dr. Kent Hagan, MD	Head Team Physician 405-307-1500
Emergency Room	Northwest Health Emergency Department- Fayetteville 1255 Shiloh Drive 479-757-1760
ER for Cardiac or Spinal Concerns	Washington Regional Medical Center 3215 N. Northhills Blvd. 479-463-1000
Walmart Pharmacy on Campus	616 Garland Ave #363 479-443-1588 Monday - Friday: 9 am - 7 pm Saturday: 10 am - 3 pm Closed on Sundays
U of A Police	155 S Razorback Rd 479-575-2222
Fayetteville Police Department	100 W Rock St, Fayetteville, AR 479-587-3555
U of A Student Health Center	525 N. Garland Ave. 479-575-4451

## **COURT USAGE & AVAILABILITY**

### **PRACTICE COURTS**

Practice courts will be available at the Billingsley Tennis Center beginning on Thursday Oct. 22nd. For practice court reservations on Thursday, please contact Ruth Seaborne via phone at 479-200-0342 or by email at rseaborn@uark.edu.

### **WARM-UP COURTS**

Warm-up courts will be provided by the Tournament Director via email or text message and posted to the tournament central page. Warm-up courts and times will be pre-assigned and reviewed at the Coaches' Meeting on Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Any changes will be posted to the tournament central page by email or text message.

**All court assignments will be sent out each evening via text, email and will be posted to the tournament central page.**

**\*\*All court availability is subject to change due to inclement weather.\*\***

### **COMPETITION COURTS**

Courts will be assigned "NB" and weather permitting. Draws will be sent out each night and will be posted in each team's home base. **Players must be ready to play 15 minutes prior to their match time.**

### **MEDIA & RESULTS**

Tournament draws will be sent out at the conclusion of every day. For media requests, please contact Jessica Roberson at jr098@uark.edu. No in-person media will be allowed, all interview requests will be fulfilled using audio only via Zoom.

### **RESULTS**

It is the winner's responsibility to verbally report their score to the official, the official will then report the final results. **Scores from each day must be verified by the head coach at the conclusion of competition each day.** Results will be available on the 2020 ITA Central Regional page at [www.ArkansasRazorbacks.com](http://www.ArkansasRazorbacks.com). Results will also be sent out via email at the conclusion of each day of competition.

**\*\*Scores must be verified by head coaches in order to receive wristbands for the following day of competition.\*\***

### **CONSOLATION MATCHES**

Consolation matches will be played, weather permitting.



## TOURNAMENT DESK

The tournament desk is indoors, located on the upper club level on the south side facing the outdoor courts of the the Billingsley Tennis Center.

## VIDEO

Point-and-shoot cameras are permitted inside the facility. However, professional camera equipment, camera bags and camera lenses exceeding 6" in length, monopods, tripods and video cameras are prohibited inside the facility. Flash photography is not permitted. Any capture of images still or motion for the purposes of advertising, promotions, trade or resale by patrons is prohibited. The recording of events and the public distribution without prior written permission is a violation of Southeastern Conference and University of Arkansas policies.

## HOME BASE

Each team will have its own designated "home base" for the entirety of the weekend. Please refer to the diagrams on pages 13-15 for home base assignments.

## TROPHIES/AWARDS

Trophies will be awarded to both the top singles and doubles winners.

## STRINGING SERVICES

Stringing services will be provided by the Arkansas Tennis staff. To use this service, please text Rob Hodous at 479-301-5755. The cost for stringing is \$20.00 per racquet service.

## INCLEMENT WEATHER

The tournament will follow the ITA rules with regards to wind and temperature. The Regional Committee, tournament referee and the tournament director will alter the schedule as necessary. Players and coaches will be updated via email and text message and any resulting changes will also be posted to the tournament central page.

## ELEVATOR

There is one elevator, located on the south end of the indoor courts in the east hallway. The elevator is available for use by the general public.

## EVACUATION

In case of the need for evacuation, instructions will be given over the public address system. Event Staff will assist in directing participants and teams to the appropriate exits from the Tennis Facility.

## LOST & FOUND

Please bring any found items to the southwest end of the upstairs club level area and give to the event manager. If you have any questions please contact Ruth Seaborne at 479-200-0342.

## **ATTENDANCE**

No fans or outside spectators, including friends and family, will be allowed inside the facility. When teams and participants are not actively playing or coaching, you are considered a spectator and will be held to the same code of conduct.

### **EVENT POLICIES**

Rowdy, threatening, unsafe or inappropriate conduct including profane, racial, sexist, abusive or intimidating comments or actions, fighting, smoking, drunkenness and throwing of any object in the tennis facility will not be tolerated and can result in ejection. UA policy strictly prohibits anyone from entering the tennis facility without proper credentials. The UA reserves the right to remove anyone from the premises if, in the sole discretion of event management personnel, the person's conduct endangers or disrupts the environment. Re-entry is permitted. Public address announcements are restricted to event management information and emergency situations only.

### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

The NCAA, SEC and UA have assigned a high priority to assuring athletic events are conducted in a safe and enjoyable atmosphere which promotes good sportsmanship by spectators, student-athletes and coaches. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants, officials, those around you, and event management in a positive manner and treating others with courtesy and respect.

### **THROWING ITEMS**

The throwing of items is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Offenders are subject to removal from the facilities and/arrest.

### **SMOKING/TOBACCO FREE**

Effective July 1, 2008 The University of Arkansas campus became tobacco free. This means no cigarettes, pipes, cigars, dip or chew anywhere on campus and includes no exiting the tennis facility for tobacco use outside the facility or in the parking lot.

### **DISABILITY SEATING**

Wheelchair and companion seating is available in the Tennis Facility. There is an elevator to the upper level seating area where you can view both the indoor and outdoor courts. Access to the elevator by entering the outdoor gate just on the east side of the indoor court and walk to the southeast doors.

## **FACILITY PARKING & TEAM ENTRANCE**

The University of Arkansas will distribute parking passes at the coaches meeting on Thursday, Oct. 22nd. Please make sure these passes are clearly and visibly displayed on the front dash of your vehicle each day on the premises.

### **DIRECTIONS TO FACILITY**

1503 W. Nettleship  
Fayetteville, Ark. 72704

The University of Arkansas campus is accessed from Interstate 540 at three major exits: 60 (Razorback Road), 62 (Martin Luther King Blvd.) and 63 (Wedington Road). The core athletic facilities (with the exception of Baum Baseball Stadium and the Tyson Indoor Track Center) are located between Razorback Road on the west and Stadium Drive on the east and Maple Street on the North and Sixth Street (Martin Luther King Blvd) on the South.

### **TEAM ENTRANCE & EXIT**

The only team entrance/exit is located on the north side of the Billingsley Tennis Center.

### **TEAM PARKING**

Team vehicles may drop-off at the north entrance of the facility for practice and competition. Vehicles will park in Lot 46W in front of the facility. Full parking diagram available on page 16.

Parking anywhere else on campus during the regular work week (Monday-Friday, 7am- 5pm) you will be subject to ticketing and/or being towed. Please double check all signage upon entering any lot to insure that you are parked in an available lot and understand any conditions associated with parking in that area.

## **TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

### **SINGLES FORMAT**

2-3 Sets

10-point tiebreak for the third set

No-ad scoring

### **DOUBLES FORMAT**

One set to six

No-ad scoring

Semifinals and finals will be played two out of three,  
with a 10-point tiebreak for the third set

### **Friday, October 23rd**

-Round of 64 Singles

-Round of 32 Singles

-1st Round of Consolation\*

-Round of 32 Doubles

-Round of 16 Doubles

-1st Round of Consolation\*

### **Saturday, October 24th**

-Round of 16 Singles

-2nd Round of Consolation\*

-Quarterfinal Round Singles

-3rd Round of Consolation\*

-Quarterfinal Round Doubles

-2nd Round of Consolation\*

-Semifinal Round Doubles\*

-Semifinal Round of Consolation\*

### **Sunday, October 25th**

-Semifinal Round Singles

-Semifinal Round of Consolation\*

-Final Round Singles

-Final Round Doubles

-Consolation Finals\*

\* Weather Permitting

## **BILLINGSLEY TENNIS CENTER**

One of the newer additions to Arkansas' athletic facilities was completed with the dedication of the George M. Billingsley Tennis Center on April 15, 2008.

The \$2.8 million expansion and renovation gives the Razorback men's and women's tennis teams a complete facility combining the outdoor courts of the Billingsley Center with the indoor courts of the Dills Indoor Stadium.

The outdoor facility includes bleacher seating between the two sets of five courts.

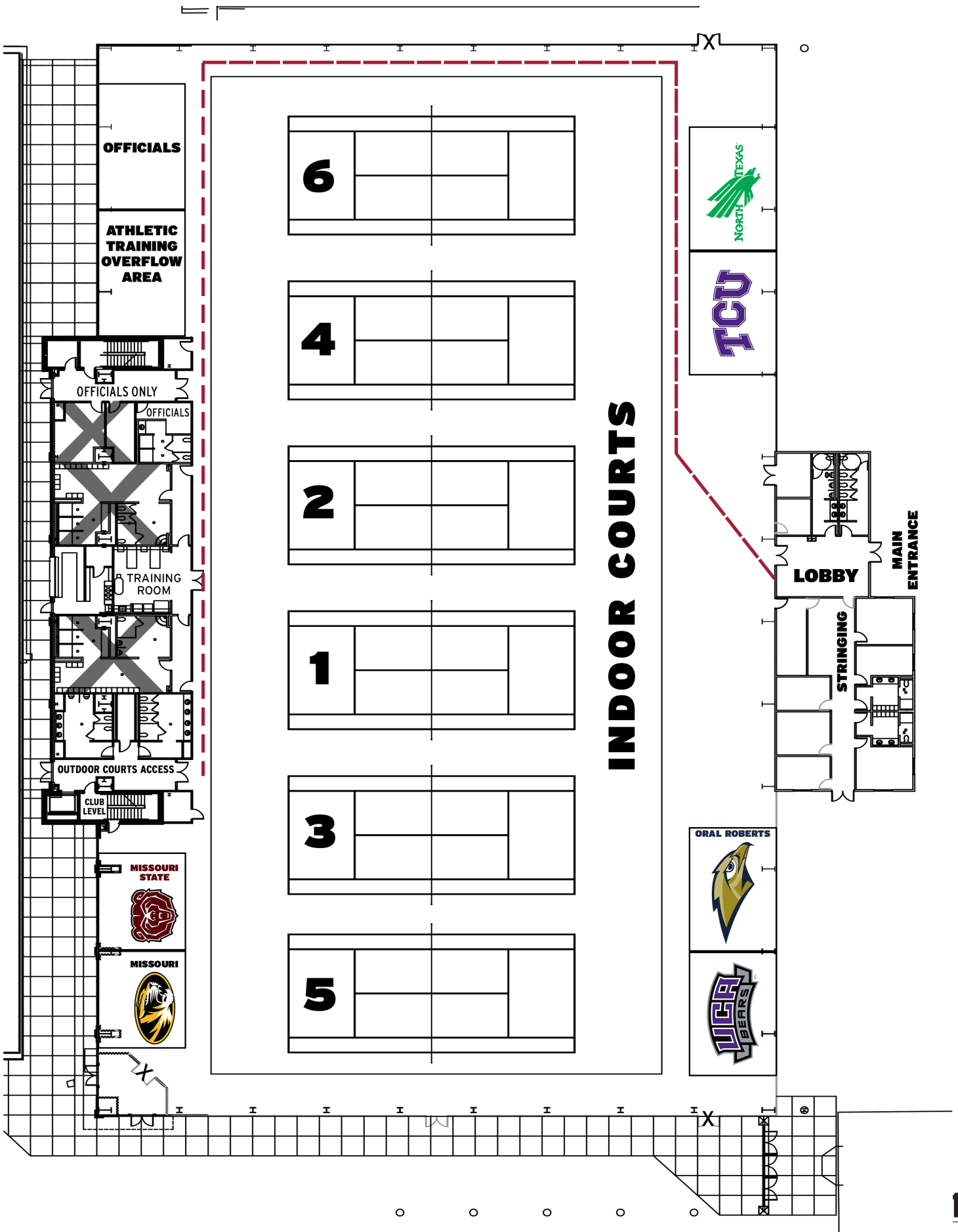
The renovation includes locker rooms, offices and an indoor club area attached to the Dills Indoor Stadium and connecting the indoor facility with the outdoor facility. The club area includes chair back seats on one side overlooking the Dills Indoor courts and chair back seats on the other overlooking the Billingsley Center outdoor courts.

17 TOTAL COURTS  
11 OUTDOOR, 6 INDOOR

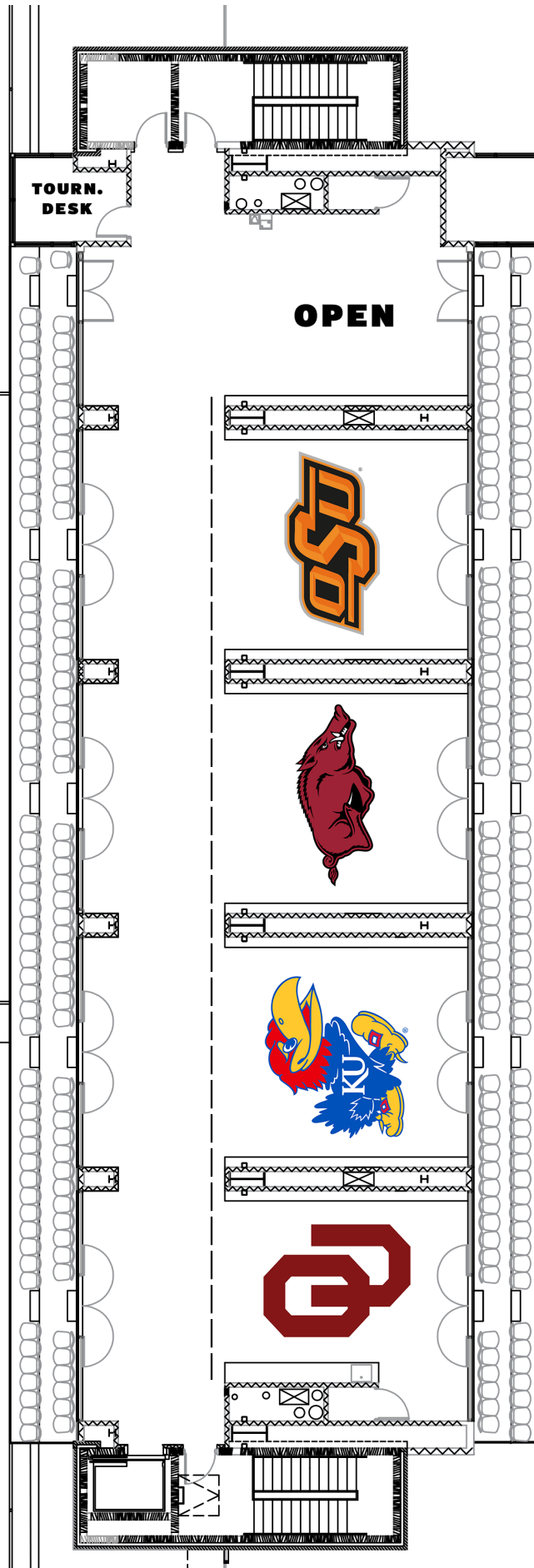
Other additions include scoreboards for the individual courts and a larger scoreboard on the west end of the north set of outdoor courts which will display the scores from outdoor courts one through six.

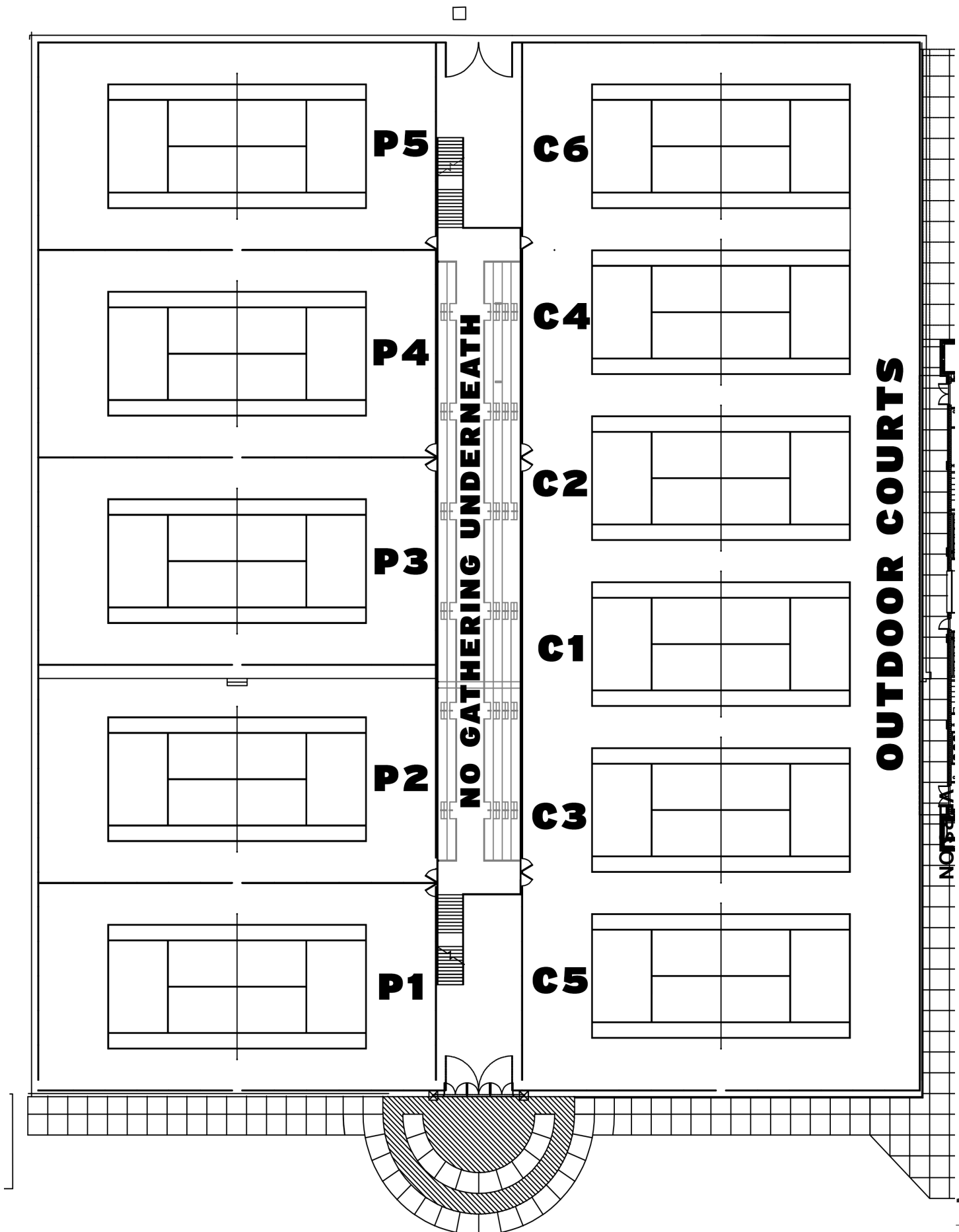
Unlike many other programs across the country, Arkansas' tennis teams take advantage of facilities which give the Razorbacks an opportunity to play and practice 365 days a year, regardless of the weather.





**UPSTAIRS CLUB LEVEL**







**George M. Billingsley  
Tennis Center and  
Dills Indoor Courts**

