March Tennis Program Sessions Available
City of Auburn Tennis Courts!

Join us at the Auburn Tennis Courts for Group Lessons! Group Tennis Classes available All Ability Levels

**MONDAYS:** March 5, 12, 19, 26 (4 lessons—Only $10 per Lesson!) - $40

with PTR (Professional Tennis Registry) Certified Professional Instructor Josh Honea

- 8 yrs, youth)
- 9AM, D 11AM
- 12PM, N 1:30PM, T 2:130-3PM
- 3:00PM, Z 1:30PM

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You're done! Register between April 30 & May 21 and your child will receive a FREE book courtesy of the Barrow Book Partnership. You will also have an opportunity to sign up for a FREE PINES library card from the Piedmont Regional Library System-Winder, Auburn, and Statham Public Libraries.

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**Step 1:** PRE-REGISTER your child for school [https://registration.barrow.k12.ga.us] You can do it online from home, no paperwork!

**Step 2:** ENROLLMENT and SCREENING

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Please bring all the required documents to the Central Office on your school’s scheduled registration day. To help alleviate crowding and disperse the registrations throughout the day, if at all possible, please attend during the time period listed that corresponds to the first initial of your child’s last name (A-C 9:30-11 AM, D-N 11-1:30 PM, T-Z 1-3:30 PM).

This is when your child will receive an enrollment and be screened. (The child and the biological parent/legal guardian must be present)

If the biological parent/guardian cannot be present on the school’s scheduled day then you may:

* Bring the required documents to the Central Office prior to the kindergarten screening/registration dates above. Your child will then receive an enrollment for school. (Your child doesn’t need to be present for this part, but the biological parent/legal guardian must be present)
* You will also need to make sure your child attends the scheduled screening/registration day for his/her school (see above), where he/she will be screened. (Since your child already has an enrollment, anyone can bring him/her in for screening)

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Programs & Events

March 1 at 11:30AM: Between the Pages Adult Book Club
March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 at 5PM: Teen Nights
March 1 at 5:30PM: Auburn Coding Club
March 5 at 3PM: Lego Club
March 5, 12, 19, 26 at 11:15AM: Ready to Read - Pre K Story Time
March 5, 12, 19, 26 at 1PM: Stitch, Knit and Crochet Club: Bring yarn and knitting needles
March 7, 14, 21, 28 at 11:30AM: Auburn Lapsit Story Time up to 2 years
March 10 at 12PM: Saturday Crafternoon
March 12 at 5PM: Cover to Cover Book Club
March 13, 27 at 5PM: Teen Writing Club
March 19 at 5PM: Friends of the Library Meeting
March 24 at 4PM: Bookworms Book Club for Tweens

MEETINGS CALENDAR

All meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 1361 4th Avenue (next to the Police Station) unless otherwise noted—meeting times, locations & dates are subject to change

03/01 at 6PM: City Council Business Meeting
03/08 at 5PM: Downtown Development Authority
03/15 at 6:30PM: Parks & Leisure Commission
03/15 at 6PM: City Council Workshop
03/21 at 8PM: Planning & Zoning

Free Transportation to Winder GED and ESL Classes

If you, or someone you know, needs to complete their high school diploma or wants to improve their English skills, free classes are being offered in Auburn and Winder. Transportation is currently available to Winder classes—Auburn Transportation will be coming online soon!

Auburn:
* Monday and Wednesday mornings - English as Second Language classes at Auburn Elementary School
* Tuesday and Thursday nights - Free GED classes at the Withers Bldg

Winder:
* Tuesday and Thursday mornings - Free GED and ESL classes available at the Wimberly Center on MLK Jr. Dr.
* Transportation and childcare are available to registered students.
* To become a registered student, call 770/531-3361 to sign up for orientation and to enroll.

Prepare now for a lush, weed-free lawn and healthy spring garden plot filled with vegetables. Mary Carol Sheffield UGA Extension

Even though it is cold outside, many garden tasks can be completed now in preparation for a successful growing season. You may be asking yourself, “What can I do right now that won’t be affected by freezing temperatures?” There are many things that you can do this month. Consider some of these suggestions from University of Georgia Cooperative Extension.

Test your soil.

As you look ahead to future projects and maintenance, don’t forget to test your soil. A soil test provides an analysis of nutrients in the soil and measures the pH of the soil, which impacts the availability of soil nutrients. A written report provides recommendations for the amount of fertilizer needed for a specific crop or lawn. Follow these recommendations to create the ideal soil for your spring garden.

Start seeds now.

Order seeds now and begin collecting supplies to start seeds for your spring vegetable garden. You can start seeds for lettuce, tomatoes, eggplants, peppers, lima beans, cucumbers and squash inside, then plant them outside after the chance of frost has passed. Don’t plant seeds outside until then!

Plan to fight lawn weeds.

Summer lawn weeds, like crabgrass, dandelions and spurge, can be prevented by pre-emergence herbicides. These herbicides are applied to lawns prior to the germination of weed seeds. They control weeds during the germination process, but do not actually prevent germination. Apply these herbicides between Feb. 15 and March 15. Pre-emergence herbicides are recommended only for turfgrasses that have been established for at least a year.

How Does Lawn Care Affect Our Water Quality?

- Proper lawn maintenance is not only required for a healthy and beautiful lawn, but it is also important for good water quality.
- When mowing your lawn, do not let grass clippings or leaves blow into the street or storm drains.
- Lawn grass clippings and leaves that are blown or raked into the street can clog storm drains and cause flooding.
- Fertilizer should not be allowed to fall onto the streets or driveways. Fertilizer on paved surfaces will be washed down the storm drains and directly to the local waterways.
- The nutrients from the grass clippings, leaves, and fertilizers can cause the aquatic life in the waterways to die by depleting the oxygen levels in the water.

Everyone’s goal should be to practice quality lawn care in an effort to keep our storm drains flowing and reduce excessive pollutants that would deteriorate water quality in local waterways. Please share this useful information with your lawn care provider.

PROTECT OUR WATER RESOURCES

Please do not dispose of yard waste like grass, leaves, brush trimmings, branches, garden waste, or other combustible items on creek banks, in ditches or in the storm drains.