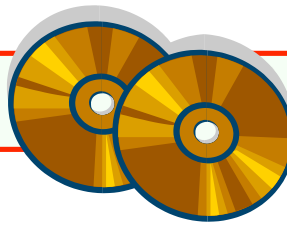


DVD REVIEW – `½ COURT TENNIS`.



This DVD from **WAYNE ELDERTON** and **NEIL PARKER** has received rave reviews from around the world, and deservedly so. It focuses on what in Canada is called `half court tennis`, but we know it as `mini tennis` - playing across the court with the doubles lines acting as baselines. It is an official **TENNIS CANADA** publication, and Tennis Canada is known for producing excellent resources for coaches.



Starting with an overview of red, orange and green balls, courts and scoring systems, all the information ties in with the programmes being promoted by Tennis Ireland. These programme are

of course fully supported by TICA. The DVDs main focus is on technical and tactical development. The Games Based Approach is viewed as important, but the presenters stress that

technique can be effectively taught using the GBA, and indeed that it should remain a priority.

This DVD is one of the best, if not the best, DVD on the market that focuses on total development of players at this early stage. This is a highly recommended purchase for all coaches working with players in this demographic.

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We are shown in detail how to progress players towards achieving high standards in five technical fundamentals, each of which is clearly defined and illustrated:

1. **GRIP**
2. **SET-UP (preparation)**
3. **IMPACT POINT**
4. **HITTING ZONE**
5. **RECOVERY.**

Best I have seen.

Larry Jurovich
LTA Head of Coach Education

Each fundamental is illustrated on the court using a split screen format – on one side of the screen being performed correctly, while on the other side `red flag` problems are illustrated and analyzed. If you have ever wondered exactly what technical aspects to emphasize with young mini tennis players, the answers are comprehensively and authoritatively delivered here.

There are over 50 drills shown on the DVD. A very useful addition to each drill is to show its ***"future connection"*** – how this drill helps in the ongoing development of the players overall game.

Everything you will see is based on logical progressions and smart principles. If you intend to buy only one tennis DVD this year, I strongly feel that this should be the one. Personally, I can't wait for the midi court DVD!

To order a copy of `1/2 Court Tennis`, go to www.acecoach.com and click on `Coaching Resources`. My copy arrived in only 4 or 5 days.

