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Schedule of Events Spring/Summer 2013

April 27-28—USTA NTRP Tournament, Davis Community Courts. Entries closed April 21. Visit

<http://www.luckypotluck.com/potluck/DTCSpringUSTAtournament> to volunteer and/or donate tournament snacks.

2nd and 4th Saturdays—Drop-in Tennis from 9 a.m. to noon at Davis Community Courts. All are welcome. No drop-in April 27 due to tournament.

May 1—DTC Board Meeting begins at 6 p.m. at Clubhouse.

June 1-2--2013 SATA Jr. Grand Prix at Rio Del Oro. Go to sactennis.org to learn more.

Sally Hosley greets players at last year's USTA NTRP Tournament. She'll be back along with the competition April 27-28. Volunteers and snack donations are welcome. (See story p. 2)



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We Welcome New Board Members

On behalf of the DTC board, I'd like to welcome you to our spring season of activities and thank you for your continued support of community tennis in Davis. As president of the Davis Tennis Club, I also want to thank my fellow members of our nominating committee, Grace Vaughn and Shahryar Ahmad, for their efforts in the recruitment and recommendation of new board members who were subsequently elected at our annual meeting in February. New and welcome additions to the board are Jeff Chale, the men's interclub coordinator, and Carol Rose, our USTA/SATA representative. I also want to express my appreciation to Joanne Crosta who has shifted her DTC Board functions to take on the position of newsletter editor and to extend my thanks to the remainder of our Board for their continued support and efforts on our behalf.

And Say Goodbye to an Invasive Plant

You may have noticed something missing in the area adjoining our courts at the community complex. "The Ice Plant Goeth" should have been the mission name of the cleanup project taken on by community youth ministry outreach groups who coordinated a volunteer cleanup of the landscape on the west side of the tennis complex and extended their reach into the western edge of court 4.

Mayor for a Day

"Honorary Mayor of the Davis Tennis Courts" might be a good title for board members who now host drop-in tennis twice a month at the community court complex. We are acting on behalf of our past and always honorary mayor Gene Sakai. I had the privilege of hosting drop-in on April 13 and must extend my appreciation to my friend Son for bringing coffee from his Woodland coffee shop for the event. Tennis players of all skill levels (DTC membership not required) are encouraged to come by and enjoy the camaraderie and tennis and occasional refreshments from 9 a.m. to noon on the second and fourth Saturday of each month, weather permitting, with the exception of April 27.

Enjoy the wonderful weather and tennis during the upcoming months.—

Barry L. Markman, DTC President

The mission of DTC is to encourage participation in tennis by players of all ages and abilities. This is done through sponsorship of instructional, social and team-based programs that are open to all. Look for us at www.davistennisclub.org and <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Davis-Tennis-Club/180365978779819>. Our teaching pro's site is <http://www.davistennisacademy.com>.



USTA ADULT TOURNAMENT APRIL 27-28

Spring is here and the Davis Tennis Club NTRP Adult Tournament is fast approaching, April 27-28.

We have women's and men's singles, doubles and mixed doubles, so you won't want to miss the action! Check out the link below for more information.

<http://tennislink.usta.com/Tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T=126099>

Although entries closed April 21, you can still be part of the fun. If you would like to help out, please visit the link below to learn how or to donate snacks.

<http://www.luckypotluck.com/potluck/DTCSpringUSTAtournament>

Once you are at the "luckypotluck" site, just click on "Claim this" on the left and fill in your name. Then click on the floppy disk picture to save it, or the X to erase your name. If you make a mistake after you have saved, you can click on the pencil to the right to make changes, then click on the floppy disk to save again.



It's all about teamwork at last year's USTA tournament



SUMMER PROGRAMS START JUNE 10

The Davis Tennis Academy is in full force and gearing up for the summer. Boys and girls ages 5 to 15 will have the chance to learn new tennis skills and build on old ones at the Summer Junior Tennis Camps directed by DTC head pro Dale Hersch starting June 10. Ten weekly sessions will be offered through mid-August from 9 a.m. to noon, Mondays through Fridays, with full-day camps optional in June.

Along with the weeklong junior tennis camps, the DTA will be offering junior teams in the summer USTA junior league. This is for intermediate to advanced juniors who would like to get their game to the next level. The teams will be coached by Sally Hosley, Katrina Zheltova, Jeff Chale and Dale Hersch.

For more information, go to www.davistennisacademy.com.

All information on the camps, clinics and lessons are there. For any further questions, feel free to call Dale at [530-220-2728](tel:530-220-2728). (Dale Hersch is a USPTA Pro 1, owner and Head Pro of Davis Tennis Academy, and Davis High School's Boys Tennis Coach.)



Davis Junior Tennis Program 2009

SATA NEWS AND MORE JUNIOR TENNIS

If you have a budding young tennis player or know of one who would like to play some competitive matches, introduce them to the Sacramento Area Tennis Association's Grand Prix circuit. All matches are played in the Greater Sacramento area and no membership is required. Entry fees vary from \$25 to \$40 for the weekend.

This year there are 13 tournaments, including one in Davis Sept. 28-29, and a final one at the end of the year for the top eight finalists. Singles points are accumulated throughout the year for participation and wins toward the final high point trophy.

The next event will be at Rio Del Oro June 1-2. For a complete listing of the 2013 schedule, go to www.sactennis.org.

If you would like to receive email reminders of upcoming tournaments, please register at sata.grandprix@gmail.com.--Carol Rose, SATA President & DTC Board Member

BLUE DEVILS ON PATH TO SECTIONAL CROWN

DHS Boys tennis team finished 8-0 in the Delta Valley Conference and is now gearing up for sections. It looks like a date in the section finals vs. rival Jesuit is almost a sure bet. This match will take place on Wednesday, May 8 at 3:30 at the Davis HS tennis courts. Come out and help the Blue Devils capture their fifth straight section crown. --Dale Hersch, Head Coach





Spring SATA Season Halftime News

DTC's women's teams have a reputation in the SATA league for serving the best post-match meals. To show they hadn't missed a beat from one season to the next, they met on the courts to practice their game and then gathered in the clubhouse for a gourmet pre-season kickoff in March. All of the nutritious salads and carb-replenishing brownies must have done their job because many of the DTC teams are having an excellent spring season.

As of mid-April, records for the women's teams are:

Friday Weekday Doubles 9.0 are 3 and 2; Monday Evening Rotating Doubles 4.0 are 0 and 5; Saturday Doubles 4.0 are 5 and 0; Monday Weekday Doubles 7.0 are 3 and 3; Davis Wegulars Weekday Regular 3.5 are 2 and 2 with rainout makeups in the future; and Tuesday Evening Doubles 8.5 are 4 and 0 with Captain Kerry Spangler on track for a second undefeated pin for the season.

Holy Mackerel! Men's 3.5 in Hunt for First

As we head into the second half of the SATA season, the men's 3.5 4-man team was tied for first with a 4-1 record. This is a highly competitive 9-team league with five teams having one loss and the other four teams sharing a truckload of losses. Despite one hiccup versus Laguna Creek, the boys of 3.5 are optimistic about their championship chances. Historically the Mackerels have been a strong late season group. Unfortunately, past results don't guarantee future performance. Win or lose, we are having a great time.--Captain Chris Dewees, Co-captain John Walter

Other men's teams are also doing great and, if not having a winning season, they are having a fun time on the courts. As of mid-April, records for men's teams are: Sunday Regular Davis Respectables 3.5 6-person are 0 and 6; Sunday Regular 4.0 are 5 and 1.

USTA 18+ Adult Leagues Men's 4.0 and Women's 3.5 started the season at the beginning of April and will run through July (The women's team has 14 matches to get through)!



Friend Us

Guess who has a Facebook page? Thanks to DTC's computer guru Janine Carlson, we do. Check out our

page <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Davis-Tennis-Club/180365978779819> and then like us! Also look for DTC's new club brochure printed on tennis ball green paper and loaded with information for new and old members alike.

Cracka-Whoa

As you probably know, the Walnut courts have significant cracks. While still playable, they are not acceptable to be used as an overflow for a tournament. Because the cracks cannot be patched, the DTC is meeting with the City to develop a long-term solution. The City has already agreed to contract for a geotechnical survey which is needed for determining the design of a new foundation. The actual construction of new courts is still to be decided and will depend on available funds.

Special Olympics

This is my second year coaching tennis for TEAM Davis, Special Olympics, and I'm pleased to announce we have over 30 athletes! I'm very fortunate to have a dedicated group of coaches and helpers to assure our weekly practices are productive and safe. Also, thank you to the DTC membership for your generous donations of used rackets. All the players are very appreciative. This year we will be traveling to Marin County in May to play in the regional tournament. Then, in June, our top players will compete in the Summer Games at UCD! Very exciting for everyone involved!

Davis High Girls Tennis

We had a very successful tennis season last fall. The DHS girls won the Delta Valley Conference and made it to Nor Cals! I was lucky to have a very talented and dedicated group of young women representing Davis High. Our 2013 season begins in August! --Sally Hosley, Teaching Pro and DHS Girls Tennis Varsity Coach

