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Baseline Bulletin

New Location for Clubhouse

George Haver, DTC President

(For more background information on the Clubhouse, please visit our website: <u>www.davistennisclub.org</u>).

As most of you know, for the past 3 years the DTC has been engaged in efforts to find a permanent structure for a clubhouse. One option was to build an addition to the existing Community Park Pool building. We employed DTC member and architect Richard Berteaux to draw up a concept for this plan which was approved by the City of Davis. Recently, the DTC learned that the city may demolish and upgrade the pool complex which would significantly alter our plans. However, the city proposed we use the current site of the vacant "Guild Building" located between the AYSO building and the library. We are currently exploring options for remodeling or replacing this existing structure.

The DTC board finds that the "Guild" site offers us a new set of very reasonable and affordable clubhouse options. We now need those of you who are familiar with construction and contracting to help us in our decision-making process. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Dennis Anderson at farful1@sbcglobal.net or Bill Reinert at williamreinert@agcode.com. As President, I will be making the clubhouse project a priority this coming year.

Hear ye! Hear ye!

Membership renewal time is upon us!

Please go to

www.davistennisclub.org/download/ DTC Membership 2010.doc to download your 2010 membership form. You must be a member to participate in SATA interclub play, access the membership list and get DTC lesson discounts. Your dues are at work maintaining our courts and supporting public tennis here in Davis.

The Pro's Corner

Happy Holidays from Dale Hersch, Head Pro DTC, DHS Boys' Tennis Coach



Season's Greetings!

2009 was a tremendous year for tennis in Davis. The Davis HS boys' team won the team Sections for the 2nd time in three years. Jimmy Stone and Nelson Hosley captured the section doubles crown and are favorites to repeat in 2010.

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The girls' team advanced to the section finals, with Naomi Wainwright and Mari Cajandig also winning the individual doubles crown. For a tribute to the girls' team go to the venerable www.davistennismagazine.com website.

The two SATA adult tournaments which the DTC hosted were both a success and the DTC interclub teams were very competitive this year. The turnout for drop-in play at the high school courts, especially during the weekend mornings was at an all-time high. It was great to see all of the action throughout the last twelve months.

Now, for 2010. Lessons at the club are in full force. Ex-UCD Women's assistant coach and current head coach at American River College, Sara Morenc, has joined my staff along with Daniel Sheeter, Jared Martin, and Sally Hosley. Please go to www.davistennisclub.com for more lesson information.

The DHS boys' team will be heading down to Laguna Beach for a 16 team invitational on March 19. They will also be participating in the 112-team California HS Boys Classic in Fresno and then hosting Clovis West, Aptos and Redwood of San Rafael in the Davis Invitational on March 26-27. Please come by and watch high school tennis at a very high level.

Our annual fundraiser tournament will be a big part in helping to raise funds for these events. Tentatively, the fundraiser will be April 17. The SATA tournaments in Davis will be May 15-16 and August 14-15. I am looking forward to seeing everyone competing for grand prix points and a new car. Well, actually a trophy.

The talk about our new clubhouse is very exciting. This will not only help my teaching program, but also will serve as a place for interclub teams, tournament players, social event participants, and any DTC member to hang out; to eat, drink, and be merry! I am looking forward to another fantastic year with the Davis Tennis Club.



Men's Interclub

3.0 League Champs!

3.0 Regular, Mike O'Malley and Tim Youmans, captains

The 3.0 team won the Sunday Men's Regular 6-man league with a record of 7-1 (55 matches won in total, 16 matches lost). We split home and away matches with the 7-1 team from Southgate (53 matches won, 19 matches lost), but squeaked past them on the matches won/matches lost tiebreaker.

Six players had undefeated seasons including Randy Chinn, Tyler Shaffer, Mike O'Malley, Duane Thomson, Tom Young and Joshua Rapport.

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SPRING SATA SIGN UP DATES

NEW THIS SEASON:

ONLINE REGISTRATION AND LATE FEES!

SATA anticipates offering an 8 week season in the spring. Registration packets will be available on January 4, 2010.

Online registration will begin January 18, 2010.

All registration is due by <u>February 1, 2010</u> and a late fee will apply this year.

Interclub will start Sunday, <u>March 7, 2010</u>. For more information keep checking the SATA website at <u>www.sactennis.org</u>

If you are interested in joining a Davis team, go to the Interclub/USTA link on the DTC website: www.davistennisclub.org

"Jingleballs"

Dashing through the court On a one course poaching play Down the line we go Laughing all the way

Balls on racquets zing
Making spirits bright
What fun it is to smash and swing
And volley with our might

Jingle balls, jingle balls Jingle all the way Oh what fun it is to smash The tennis ball today, hey! (repeat)

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Fun-loving Mackerels Play Like Champs

3.5 Regular, Chris Dewees, captain

The men's 3.5 team finished tied for first this fall with a 5-1 record. We dominated much of the league with our stunning play, good looks, and sensational sportsmanship. Most weeks we had most of our roster participating. It was a memorable season for the Mackerels.

While we considered ourselves league champions, we were done in by Byzantine SATA tie breaking procedures. Though we beat Park Terrace head-to-head, they benefited from two total team defaults that gave them a higher percentage of sets won than us. Regardless we've declared ourselves co-champions and printed up team shirts!

Almost everyone had a winning record and a great time. With four or five members of the 3.0 team jumping up in rating to join us next season, it looks like the mackerel population is growing. We will have a deep team in coming years. However we are constantly on the lookout for **young** talent to join us.

Good Start for 4.0 team

4.0 six-man team, Peter Williams, captain

With some new, strong players on the team (Alex Hazel, Andrew Morris, Sanjai Parikh, Matthieu Royer) we got off to a great start with two wins against Laguna Creek and Gold River. Unfortunately, our opposing teams seemed to come up with just as many strong new players and things got a bit trickier from here on!! We had just one more win (against Southgate B - the eventual league winners!) with losses to Natomas, Del Norte and the other Laguna Creek and Southgate teams. This left us some way down the leader board at the end of the season.

The star of the team was Matt Royer who went undefeated in singles!

Men break age barrier

50+ Doubles, George Haver, captain

The men's 50+ doubles team had a successful season playing in the Saturday afternoon league for the first time. The league consisted of nine teams and our team finished with the best win/loss record of 7-1. The scoring system for the league determined league standings by number of sets won during the season, so we ended up third even though we beat the two teams above us. SATA says they'll change that system for next season; we hope so!!

Over 15 DTC players participated during the season with Bob Miller, Dave Cone, and Paul Schwartz posting the best win/loss match records for our season. Now, on to the spring 2010 season!!

2010 Tournaments

Saturday, February 6 Woodland Frostbite

A social lunch will follow play. Save the date and watch for updates in the future.

March 22-25 Palm Desert Senior Cup Team Tennis Format

Senior players: if you're interested in a SoCal tournament in the spring, George Haver and Grace Vaughn are interested in forming teams for this event. Go to www.pdsctennis.com for more information.

March 26-27
DHS Davis Invitational

April 17 (tentative)
DHS Annual Fundraiser

May 15-16 SATA Tournament

June UC Davis Men's Futures

That's right folks, pro tennis just down the street at UCD!

The tournament is in the planning stages. Currently, the Wild Card play is scheduled for June 9-11 with qualifying and main draw play on June 12-20. The UCD, Davis and Woodland tennis communities plan to work together to make this a great tournament. If you are interested in helping, contact local USTA rep Jennifer Castle at castle@norcal.usta.com.

August 14-15 SATA Tournament

CONGRATULATIONS!

Undefeated SATA fall season players:

Lisa Lance

Kathlyn Lamoure

Mike O'Malley

Duane Thomson

Steve Shaffer

Barry Markman

Matthieu Royer

To earn an undefeated pin, you must have actually played and won more than half of the scheduled matches during the regular season.

In the Mix

Mixed Team League Finalists

Mixed 3.5 Doubles, Jack Jonas and Dennis Anderson, captains

Dennis and I enjoyed our new captaining roles and the Mixed 7.0's had a fun and pretty successful fall season. We ended up with a 7-1 record which tied us with our neighboring Woodland team in matches. Though we beat them head-to-head, 2-1, for the season they had a superior record in individual matches, sets and games so we were runners-up. The coordinator of the League has notified us that we will be receiving awards as the second place team since there were eight or more teams competing. We tried to play everyone who showed interest week-to-week and ended up playing nine women and eight men over the season. Undefeated in more than one match were: Alesia McCrorv and Tom Young at 4-0 and Art and Georgina Williams at 3-0. Overall we met a lot of nice folks and had some good and fun competitive tennis over the nine week season.

Women's Interclub

Ladies of the Night

Team Margarita Parties On

3.5 Evening Rotating Doubles, Janine Carlson, captain

The Tuesday 3.5 Rotating Doubles Women had a fantastic year! We made new friends, had some interesting matches ("got water?"), enjoyed our in-between season clinics, and ended with Dos Coyote margaritas (year end party, not after the matches!)! We are looking forward to another fun (and hopefully injury-free) season next year!

4.0 Night-owls needed

4.0 Evening Rotating Doubles, Carol Rose, captain

The fall was a tough one for us. Most of us are strong middle-of-theteam players, but what we really need are some strong top-of-the-team players!!!! It's a fun league and very

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SHORT COURT

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS YOU WISHED YOU ASKED

Q: How are Roger and Lisa Gough?

A: Roger is now "peared" with the Harry and David fresh-fruit gift company as assistant manager of their Rockville store and also keeps busy stringing racquets for RPM Sports in Bethesda. Lisa is working

with programs to enhance K-12 science education and communication at the National Center for Research Resources at the NIH.

Q: Whazzup with former DHS and USF tennis standout Mason Fuller?

A: Mason is playing on the pro circuit and has accrued 18 ATP doubles points.

Q: Why do those people look so familiar on the SATA website?

A: SATA asked standout photographer Janine Carlson to submit some of her tennis photos for their site.

Q: What is Anneke Balics' national ranking?

A: Anneke is currently listed at #4 but hopes to finish out the season at #3 due to some recent tournament wins! Wow!

Confused about which web site?

Club information, tournaments, league play and social events, go to www.davistennisclub.**org**

Junior programs, lessons, and contacting pro Dale Hersch, go to www.davistennisclub.**com**



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competitive. Ratings do not count, so it's a good league in which to practice your new moves. If you're a good solid 4.0 player, we could really use you as a regular. Let me know if you're interested.

7.0 Doubles are champs

7.0 Evening Traditional Doubles, Carol Rose, captain

We managed to win the championships last season, so we're the team to beat in the spring. It was a very long season, but I never had any trouble getting players together. We always have room for anyone else who is interested. In this league there are 3 matches played on a scheduled evening and ratings do count. Let me know if you're interested in being a regular.

8.5 Doubles dominate

8.5 Evening Traditional Doubles, Mei Wang, captain

Mei Wang's 8.5 team won the Wed night women's doubles league.... undefeated were Lisa Lance and Lyn Lamoure.

Member Spotlight: Anneke Balics



Anneke Balics took up tennis in her late 20s as another addition to her sports repertoire of volleyball, field hockey and team handball. This self-taught player has played in France, Brazil, the USA and in her native Holland and was a regular participant in the big Davis tennis tournaments in the late 1960s to 70s. She began competing on the senior circuit in the early 1980s and last year finished #2

in 75 singles in the USA and #5 in the world. She expects to finish out this year ranked #3 in the USA.

Anneke says that tennis has kept her very fit and encourages anyone who is interested to try the senior circuit. The competition is fun and it is also a great place to make friends. An easy place to start is the tournament in March at Rio del Oro. For a summary of what's going on with senior tennis, go to www.carolynnichols.com.

Congratulations to Anneke for winning her Gold Ball trophy at the September Chamisal tournament and for winning the round robin at the Scottsdale Fiesta Bowl. Click here to view the Davis Enterprise article written about her!

Daytrippers

Doubles have twice the fun

7.0 Weekday Doubles, Joanne Crosta, captain

Joanne ably took over captaining from Peggy Leander who is traveling abroad. The team had a challenging schedule as the league combined all teams this year with an average play level of 3.23.

8.0 Weekday Doubles, Mimi McMahon, captain

We had some great matches, laughed a lot, won and lost equally and are learning each other's game. As always there was great food, at least if we did it! We are continuing to practice together (weather permitting) so that we will be good to go in the spring. Thanks to everyone for their participation.

Regulars and Irregulars

- 3.5 Saturday Regular, Lindsey Rowell, captain
- 3.5 Wednesday Regular, Carolyn Teragawa, captain
- 4.0 Regular, Leisa Miller, captain
- 3.5 Sunday Singles, Lindsay Rowell, captain

Both 3.5 teams and the 4.0 team had losing records this fall, but this only increases our resolve to do better at this singles stuff! The Sunday singles only team fared better with a 5/5 record and 3rd place finish. Congrats to Leisa Miller, Lindsay Pears-Dickson and Sharon Polis for winning all their matches. Congrats also to Carolyn Teragawa who was awarded a captain's pin.