

The Baseline Bulletin

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Schedule of Events Winter 2011/2012

December 26

SATA Flex League deadline. Sign up [here](#) - direct any questions to April Monroe at amonroetennis@gmail.com

January 2

SATA Flex League begins

January 5

SATA Spring League info available. Go to www.sactennis.org

January 7

WTC Frostbite Tournament. Sign up by Jan. 4, men's, women's and mixed doubles. Rain date Jan. 21.

Find the registration form [here](#).

January 30 - February 26

Sign up for USTA Adult League. Spring season runs March 26 - July 1.

Go to the [USTA calendar](#) for a complete list of signup dates and leagues.

March 4

SATA Spring leagues begin play.

March 26

USTA Adult Leagues begin play.

Join DTC for 2012!

Time to renew your membership! To sign up go to:

DavisTennisClub.org

DTC NEEDS YOU!

A message from the board

Do you value high quality community tennis in Davis? Then volunteer for the Davis Tennis Club board! We are the place to be for SATA and USTA teams, socials, drop-ins, meeting new players, and more. We work with the city and school district to reserve and maintain courts (benches, windscreens, nets, squeegees, etc.) and we are an advocate for tennis with the Parks & Recreation. We are nearing the grand opening of our clubhouse project which has been many, many years in the making.

Several of our current board members have volunteered for over 10 years and would like to take a break. We especially need to acknowledge outgoing president George Haver for his tireless and dedicated work to make the clubhouse a reality, and membership chair Grace Vaughn for her lively emails and her ability to connect with new players.

So, next time you are on the courts, think about how ridiculously easy it is to play tennis in Davis and consider how the DTC board has helped to make that happen. Maybe you can help to keep it going.

To see a list of board positions go to www.davistennisclub.org and click on "2010 Board of Directors. . ." in the Downloads section. Feel free to ask any current or past board member about how to help out; the only prior experience you need is a love of tennis. . .

Message from our president

As I've been thinking of what to say in this "President's Message," I've been looking back through my archives of Davis Tennis Club correspondence. I was struck by a letter I'd written to the Davis School District regarding the reconstruction of the tennis court complex that was dated May, 2002. Wow - I've served as president for a long time! So, I'm stepping aside from my board duties to let other Davis Tennis Club members step up to serve and help our club.

Thanks to the Board and many volunteers, we're almost ready for a "Grand Opening" of our clubhouse. Look for an announcement of a date early in 2012. I'll see you on the courts and at Davis Tennis Club activities and we can "raise a cup" in the new clubhouse this Spring.

--George Haver

Pro and academy news

The Davis Tennis Academy would like to welcome new junior coordinator Katrina Zheltova to the staff. Katrina brings a playing background that includes playing 3 straight years for the Belarus National Team, playing 4 straight years as Sacramento State's #1 singles player, a top 20 NCAA singles ranking, and All-American honors in 2008. Along with coordinating the junior program, Katrina is also available for private lessons and adult clinics. You may contact her at 916-606-1005.

Clubhouse update



- Betty Bertaux and Dennis Anderson turned Patty Nishi's tennis bike logo into a sign!
- Clubhouse progress hit a snag when city inspectors wanted more work on wheelchair access ramps. Dennis has been doggedly pursuing this issue that will require more concrete, lumber, labor and dollars.
- We fulfilled USTA publicity requirements and received the final share of the grant funds.
- We hope to use the clubhouse soon and plan for a Grand Opening in February or March.

Clubhouse help

Team donations

Members of the **Women's Monday 7.0 Doubles Team** found a way to honor their captain of many years and begin furnishing our new clubhouse. A large folding table with a small brass plate affixed thanking "Peggy Leander - Team Captain Extraordinaire" was donated and kick-starts our efforts to turn our club headquarters into a club "house." Any team or individual who would like to make a donation to honor a captain, please contact Dennis Anderson.

If there are any other teams that would like to make a donation, the clubhouse could next use the metal/plastic folding chairs, selling for \$20 at Costco.

We will also need to do some more in-house fundraising to furnish the interior of the clubhouse with cabinets, blinds, flooring and some furniture, so keep those dues and donations coming!

For more info on clubhouse needs please contact Dennis Anderson at farfull@sbcglobal.net.

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Spring Blue Devil Tennis

This year's Davis HS boy's tennis team might be the strongest team in over 10 years. With 3 straight section titles under their belts, the Blue Devils return 11 of last year's top 12 players, including all of the singles players. Please come out and watch some great tennis. The season begins in March. The schedule is available at www.davistennisclub.com.

Let it rain!



Indoor Tennis Court in Davis!

Yes, we now have an indoor tennis court in Davis. The surface is carpet, which is very common in Europe. It's a slower playing surface than the high school courts, which makes the rallies longer and more fun. If anyone is interested in renting the court, please contact Dale at 530-220-2728. Weekday mornings and Sundays are available. Saturdays and evenings are filling up quickly.

DTC adult team news

Kerry Spangler reports that the **Women's Tuesday 8.5 Evening Doubles Team** won the Fall season and Carmen Schnathorst ended the season Undefeated.

Women's 6.0 Combo Doubles Team:

Patty Nishi and the Davis Dames had their debut season this fall. For many of the players this was their first time playing on a team. They ended the season in the middle of the league pack. Marguerite and Margo went undefeated all season when playing together. The new season starts again in the spring. The 6.0 Combo team plays on Monday evenings at 6:30 pm. The team welcomes beginners as well as seasoned players. This is a great team if you want to have fun while improving your tennis.

The **Women's 3.5 Regular Team**, captained by Carolyn Teragawa, had a season of good fun and camaraderie while keeping league singles play alive with our 3-4 record. Congratulations to Grace Vaughn for earning an undefeated pin. We wish a speedy return to tennis for Sharon Polis who had a freak encounter with the net during a team match resulting in a major shoulder dislocation. Since many players' ratings have gone up and SATA decreased the per-match singles lines, we hope to resurrect the 4.0 regular team in the spring so we can get two teams playing singles.

The **Women's Thursday 7.0 Evening Doubles Team** with Capt. Lindsay Mahoney had a fantastic team this fall. Going into the final championship match, Davis was 7-0 and the opponent McKinley Park was 4-3. The championship went to McKinley Park in the final playoff match which was decided by the last doubles match which went to 3 sets! Davis had 8 women (out of 19) who had 100% wins this season but Kate Watson and Lindsey Rowell obtained Undefeated Pins since they were 5-0 during the regular season. Congratulations to Kate, Lindsey and the rest of the team for a great season!!!



USTA Adult Women's 3.5 and Women's Combo 7.5 teams

Our first year playing USTA leagues was challenging and we all had a great time playing tennis against some familiar friends and some new opponents. We also had some new teammates playing with us for the first time on both teams, expanding our tennis friendships.

In the **USTA Adult 3.5 Team**, the Davis women had a final record of 5-9 and we welcomed some Woodland and Fairfield members to our team. We ended up 5th out of 8 in our local flight, missing a

chance for a local playoff spot by just 3 matches! Lindsey Rowell had an amazing record of 11-1 which resulted in her being promoted to the 4.0 level. We also had three other 3.0 self-rated women move up to 3.5 (Cate Frey, Mimi McMahon and Carol Rose). Congratulations to all!

In the **USTA Combo 7.5 Team**, our heavily 3.5-laden roster was pit against some very strong 3.5/4.0 combo teams. We fought hard on some significant matches but ended the season with a consistent 0-9 record. However, the food at home games were always fantastic and the envy of other teams. We also got the pleasure of playing one match indoors (we need to do more of that!).

We are all looking forward to the next Adult league season in 2012!

Janine Carlson, Captain and Carol Rose, Co-Captain

Men's 3.5 Mackerels Crash in Playoffs

Head mackerel Chris Dewees reports that after a season of inconsistent performance, injuries, and occasional brilliance, the Mackerel boys were perfectly positioned to grab the gold ring again in the playoffs. Unfortunately, our biorhythms were off that Sunday as we fell to a determined Southgate team. Baseline Bulletin space limitations prevent me from listing all those who played so well last fall.

Despite our steadily increasing mean age, the Mackerels look to be poised for a stellar spring season. We have a very deep squad who, now that their injuries are healed, are training diligently with the goal of re-seizing their rightful spot at the top.

The **Men's 4.0 Team**, captained by Peter Pascoe, had a good season with some younger players joining the team and the stalwarts providing ongoing support for the team. There were only three other teams in the league and so we played each team twice and then we had a playoff match at the end. The team beat Rollingwood and Laguna Creek 9-0 in one match against each team, but had a much closer match against Laguna Creek the first time around when it came down

to the last doubles match to gain the victory. Gold River was beaten 6-3 in the first match and then they returned with a 7-2 victory over our team. This led to a playoff at the end of the season and we went into the doubles with a 3-3 tie. Our first two doubles results were split so it came down to the third pair in a very tough match against a big hitter and a wily Australian and we lost in the third set. The standout in the team was Jeff Chale who won every singles match during the season and was top of the league table for wins.

The **Weekday 7.5 50+ Team** captained by Jeff Irwin won their league.



Lisa Lance and the **USTA Combo 8.5 Team** (pictured above) won some and lost more but had a great time!

USTA 60+ recap with Cap'n George H. With hopes high, we Davis Tennis Club senior men jumped into the USTA 60 "Super Seniors" 8.0 summer league in 2011. From June until September we played 14 matches at far-flung locations in Lincoln, Roseville, Lake Wildwood, and Sacramento. Though we ended up winless for the season, we met lots of new players, had some great food, drink and hospitality, and learned what we needed to work on for the next season: volleys, serves, strategy, returns, teamwork - the works!!

Congratulations to Fall SATA undefeated players

Marguerite Schaffron
Lindsey Rowell
Kate Watson
Carmen Schnathorst
Grace Vaughn
Joshua Rapport
Bill Badham

DTC socials

Our last tennis social, hosted by Patti Torri and Robert Glassburner was a blast! Thanks Patti and Robert!

USTA tournament news

The DTC **Adult NTRP** tournament was held May 14-15 and endured rain, hail and thunder! We attracted 58 competitors and many local DTC members won their division. Final results are posted [here](#).

The DTC hosted an **USTA Junior Novice** tournament on September 24-25 that attracted 62 competitors. Final tournament results can be found [here](#).

We hope to offer both tournaments again—stayed turned for finalized dates.

Scale model of the clubhouse made with gingerbread!!!
Happy Holidays!

