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Submitted by Janet Best, Manager

The new league season began on March 31. If you missed the sign-ups and would still like to participate, please contact Dee Dee Fisher, the League Coordinator, and she will help to at least get you on some sub lists. We support 30 different singles and doubles leagues throughout the week so there truly is a league for every skill level. Dee Dee's phone number and email are: 253-872-5545 ext 38 or deedee@betonline.net.

As many know Rich Cornwell will be resigning as our Membership Accounts person later this year. Originally Rich was going to quit early in the summer but has decided to wait until September.

Saturday, April 19 we are going to have our annual spring clean-up. We will be working outside pulling weeds, sweeping up debris and spreading a fresh layer of beauty bark around the planted areas. We are going to start at 9:30 AM and go until 1:00 PM. We will provide refreshments and a pizza at the completion of the work. There is a sign-up sheet in the mezzanine area and we hope that you will be able to help us out. Thanks!

Our next tournament will be the Memorial Day which is open to the public on May 22 – 26.

Tennis Tip

Submitted by Bill Bartlett, Head Assistant

The One-Handed Backhand

Recently I was giving a private lesson to a Boeing engineer. He informed me that in his field of work there are a lot of acronyms used to remember information. This inspired me to create an acronym to help players remember how to hit a correct one-handed backhand.

It starts with the back swing. When you prepare for a one-handed backhand, pull the racket

back with your non-dominant hand. Make sure the elbow of your non-dominant arm is positioned upwards to about the height of your shoulder. As you draw your racket back you will notice that your non-dominant arm will form the letter L. This is the first letter of the acronym. This L position will help you get a good shoulder turn which will help you gain power through leverage.

You will need to hold the L position until you are ready to hit the ball. As you swing into the ball have your non-dominant arm straighten out behind your body. This will form the letter I with your non-dominant arm. This is the second letter of the acronym. Finally your racket head should finish in front of you. If you were to draw an imaginary window where your racket head should finish it would be about four feet in front of your front shoulder and about one to two feet above your head. Your racket head should finish in this window (W). This is the last letter of the acronym.

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From the Board

Members, by now you have received the letter regarding the capital improvement fund designed to finance the roof replacement. The finance committee has worked long and hard on this matter spending many hours investigating and researching this major project for the longevity of our club. They are asking you, the membership, to voice your opinion and thoughts about how to best protect your investment and playability at our club. So that the responses collected will be representative of a larger majority of the membership, the date to review your input has been extended to April 15, 2008. Please send all inputs to the Finance Committee: financecommittee@betonline.net. If for some reason you have not seen the letter, it is included within this issue of the newsletter on the final page.

Interclub Activities

Provided by Staff Member Margaret Fain

USTA Season

All but four of the BETC teams have had their first matches.

<u>Team</u>	<u>Captain</u>	<u>W-L</u>
2.5 W	Hughes	2-2
3.0 W	Raymond	0-1
3.0 W	Euting	0-1
3.5 W	Presuhn	1-0
3.5 W	Nomura	2-0
4.5 W	Schraeder	1-0
3.0 M	Thorp	3-0
3.0 M	Rao	1-0
3.5 M	Sherman	2-0
4.0 M	Renken	3-1

Overall, BETC teams are off to a great start this season. On Cindy Nomura's team, Cindy, Tracy Lockhart, Jenny Chung and Gloria Long are all 2-0. On Jim Thorp's team, which recently moved up to 3.0 after a great season last year, Steve Ikeda and Alan Henderson are each 2-0 and Bob Jeter and Joseph Engman are 3-0. Craig Riggs is off to a good start on Bill Sherman's team with a 2-0 record. Marc Fournier and Benny Vioria are each 3-0 on Dave Renken's team. Keep up the good tennis!

Upcoming Matches at BETC

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Captain</u>
4/5	6:30 pm	3.0 W	Cruzat
4/5	5:00 pm	3.5 M	Sherman
4/5	8:00 pm	4.5 M	Lockhart
4/6	5:00 pm	3.5 W	Nomura
4/6	8:00 pm	3.0 M	Rao
4/10	2:00 pm	3.5 W	Presuhn
4/12	5:00 pm	3.0 W	Euting
4/12	6:30 pm	4.0 M	Renken
4/12	8:00 pm	3.0 M	Thorp
4/13	5:00 pm	4.5 M	Lockhart
4/13	8:00 pm	3.5 M	Sherman
4/17	2:00 pm	3.5 W	Presuhn
4/18	2:00 pm	3.5 W	Fain
4/19	5:00 pm	3.5 W	Nomura
4/19	6:30 pm	4.0 W	Yu
4/19	8:00 pm	4.0 M	Renken
4/20	5:00 pm	3.0 W	Cruzat
4/20	8:00 pm	3.5 M	Sherman
4/24	2:00 pm	3.5 W	Presuhn

Bally's Second Winter

Champs: Congratulations to Matt Overland who won the 16 singles event

upsetting the number one seed 6-3,6-3. Matt also won the December Bally's 16 singles Champs. He defeated three players ranked in the top 15. The consolation event was all Boeing with Tucker Siegert defeating Paul Yi. Tamilla Vaksman won a close match in the final of the girl's 14 singles consolation. In the final of the girls 18 singles consolation Melissa Nguyen won a close match against Kimberly Quach. There were 20 Boeing juniors who participated.

Sprinker Challenger Grand Prix: Wyatt Demulling won a great match against Jeremiah Bayna winning 7-6, 6-4 in the final of the boys 12 singles. Cole Jeter lost in three sets in the final of the boy's 14 singles.

Bally Tennis Spring Challenger: Several of our juniors reached the final. Sam Bayna (Boys 12 singles), Thomas Lowes (Boys 14 singles), and Maggie Henderson and Kara Ikeda (Girls 14 doubles). The BETC had a good showing with 18 juniors participating.

Lesson Program

Policy Reminders

Prepaid private lessons should be purchased in quantities that are bookable. In other words, please only pay for a series of private lessons that you are able to schedule. The pros want to be able to honor all the lessons that you pay for.

Since our wonderful pros are paid on commissions, when you to purchase a series of privates, it is intended to be used completely with one certain pro. While transferring funds is possible, it is not desired.

Please use up your prepaid lessons within one year of date of purchase. Thank you for your support of these policies.

Miscellaneous Reminders

New membership directories are available near the front desk. Let's all remember to cheer for good shots on both sides of the net. If you are gathering before your play (USTA or leagues), please remember that matches below are finishing up. Please keep your voices low to not disturb them.

Junior News

Provided by Head Assistant
Bill Bartlett

Lesson Programs

Submitted by Allan Overland, Head Professional

Hey members, Prince Demo Night is back! Join the entire pro staff along with Dave DeMulling and a new Prince divisional rep (who can answer any questions

you might have about the new Prince frames) for a great night of tennis, prizes and family fun. Prince has just come out with some brand new frames that you need to get your hands on and crack a few shots with! All members ages 8 years and up are warmly invited. Note: participants will receive a special 10% discount on any Prince product!

Calling all junior members: don't miss our intensive Spring Break Tennis Camps, held Tuesday-Friday, April 8-11. A camp will be available for players of virtually all levels: "Champs" (advanced) runs 11am- 12:30pm, "A's" (intermediate) runs 12:30-2pm and "Rookies" (beginner) runs 2-3:30pm. As ever, sign up ASAP to reserve yourself a spot for these and other events at your club!

Juniors - Beginner

May 3-31 (skip 5/24)	Saturday	10-11 AM	\$54.10	Level 1 4-6 yrs
May 3-31 (skip 5/24)	Saturday	11-12 AM	\$43.30	Level 1 5-8 yrs
May 3-31 (skip 5/24)	Saturday	11-12 AM	\$43.30	Level 1 8-12 yrs
May 4-18	Sunday	10-11 AM	\$34.10	Level 1 12-18 yrs

Intermediate

May 3-31 (skip 5/24)	Saturday	12-1 PM	\$43.30	Level 2 6-9 yrs
May 3-31 (skip 5/24)	Saturday	9-10 AM	\$43.30	Level 2 8-12 yrs
May 3-31 (skip 5/24)	Saturday	11-12 PM	\$43.30	Level 2 8-12 yrs
May 2-30	Friday	6:30-8 PM	\$75.50	Level 2 12-18 yrs
May 3-31 (skip 5/24)	Saturday	10-11 AM	\$43.30	Level 2 12-18 yrs
May 4-18	Sunday	11-12:30 PM	\$48.60	Level 2 12-18 yrs

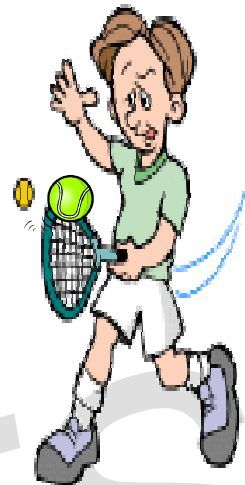
Advanced

May 5-28 (skip 5/26)	Mon/Wed	5-6:30 PM	\$101.40	Level 3 8-12 yrs
May 3-31 (skip 5/24)	Saturday	12-1:30PM	\$61.60	Level 3 8-12 yrs
May 2-30 (skip 5/26)	Mon 3:30-5 PM/Fri 5-6:30 PM	\$113.40	Level 3 12-18 yrs	
May 1-29	Thursday	3:30-5:00 PM	\$75.50	Level 3 12-18 yrs
May 2-30	Friday	8-9:30 PM	\$75.50	Level 3 12-18 yrs
May 5 - 19	Monday	7-8:30 PM	\$60.70	Level 4 12-18 yrs
May 6-27	Tuesday	3:30-5:00PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
May 6-27	Tuesday	8-9:30 PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
May 2-30	Wed/Fri	3:30-5 PM	\$156.00	Level 4 12-18 yrs
May 7-28	Wednesday	6:30-8 PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
May 1-29	Thursday	8-9:30PM	\$94.40	Level 4 12-18 yrs
May 3-31 (skip 5/24)	Saturday	3:30-5 PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
May 3-31 (skip 5/24)	Saturday	6:30-8 PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
May 4-18	Sunday	8-9:30 PM	\$60.70	Level 4 12-18 yrs
May 1-29	Tues 8-9:30 PM Thurs 5-6:30PM	\$208.10	Level 5 12-18 yrs	
May	Fridays	6:30-8PM	\$18/day	Level 5 workout 12-18 yrs
May 1-29	Tues/Thurs	3:30-5PM	\$208.10	Level 6 12-18 yrs

Adults - (Skill level in the far right column)

May 4 - 18	Sunday	3:30-4:30 PM	\$34.10	Beginner 1.0-2.0
May 4 - 18	Sunday	2:30-3:30 PM	\$34.10	Advanced Beginner 2.0-2.5
May 5 - 19	Monday	12:30-1:30 PM	\$54.10	Advanced Beginner 2.0-2.5
May 5 - 19	Monday	9:30-11:00 AM	\$60.70	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
May 5 - 19	Monday	6:00-7:00 PM	\$34.10	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
May 7 - 28	Wednesday	12:30- 2:00 PM	\$77.10	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
May 4 - 18	Sunday	12:30-1:30 PM	\$34.10	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
May 5 - 19	Monday	11:00-12:30 AM	\$60.70	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
May 5 - 19	Monday	5:00-6:00 PM	\$34.10	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
May 6 - 27	Tuesday	7:00-8:00 PM	\$43.30	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
May 7- 28	Wednesday	11:00- 12:30PM	\$77.10	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
May 3 - 31 (skip 5.24)	Saturday	8:00-9:00 AM	\$43.30	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
May 4 - 18	Sunday	4:30-6:00 PM	\$60.70	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5

Registration for these programs began Feb. 14 - Mar. 6. To check availability, please contact the front desk at 253-872-5545 ext 1.



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Included within this publication:

- Member input requested regarding capital improvement fund—Letter of communication to members.
- One-Handed Backhand - by Bill Bartlett.
- Spring Clean-up scheduled for April 19th.
- Welcome new members.
- Prince Demo Night - April 26.

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Welcome New Members!

Please join us in welcoming the following new members:

Share members - Ray and Marsha Dittamore, and Naris and Nelly Ablog (from their kids junior membership).

Associate members - Tom Buchanan, Kenji and Marion Yoshino, Tim and Laurie Iwasaki (from Nichole's junior membership) Gary and Rieko Kato (from their kids junior membership, Jay & Judy Likness, Baraka and Sheryl Brown, David and Tara Haight, and Paul and Kendra Brown.

Juniors - Emmanuel and Liana Sagan, Ryan Proffitt, Alexander Noyes, and Jeff Heritage.

Bill Bartlett Tip - Continued from page 1

Now you can use the acronym LIW to help you remember how to hit a good one-handed backhand. As you take your racket back, form the L with your non-dominant arm. Then finish the stroke with the, I (straightening your non-dominant arm behind your body) and the W (finishing with your racket head in the window (W)). You will then be hitting a Leverage (L), Intensive (I), Winner (W), LIW from your one handed backhand.

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March 12, 2008

To: BETC Member
From: Ed Baker, BETC President
Subject: Capital Improvement Fund

As you are all aware, the Club is in the process of planning for the replacement of the roof, having established a dedicated Capital Improvement Fund through a one-time member assessment, supplemented by an equivalent assessment for all new members. The funds are currently invested in Certificates of Deposit and not commingled with operating funds.

The planning process has identified several issues which are undergoing evaluation, namely escalation of the replacement cost due to building materials demand (\$350,000 to \$385,000 to date) and member interest in retaining as much natural lighting as possible for both esthetics and electricity conservation.

The existing skylights have the disadvantage that they are difficult to keep sealed due to the difference in expansion/contraction between the plastic panels and the steel roofing (leakage) and since they are a single layer of plastic (no insulation) they tend to collect condensation during the winter months. In previous years the condensation problem has been mitigated through ventilation. During the winter the roof top exhaust fans have been run (creating a partial vacuum in the building) for a few hours in the morning to dry out the buildings. This year the staff experimented with alternatives to running the fans, for example, operating the lights at full power to warm up and dry out the skylight area. The results were that condensation was removed and without the suction of the fans, rain leakage was almost eliminated. Of the 50 leaks previously identified only 3 were noted this winter. Since roof leakage was a prime driver for roof replacement, an alternative to use of the ventilation fans (not necessarily use of the lights) might permit extension of the current roof's useful life by attacking the rust and protecting the existing metal.

Replacement of the current skylights in a new roof would probably be through use of 4'x8' insulated skylights mounted on a roof curb. These units are much more expensive (approximately \$1,500.00 each) than just replacing the sheet roofing material with sheet plastic, as was done previously. The contractors we have been in contact with discourage the use of the skylights in the metal roofing due to potential leakage issues and condensation (it cannot be fully eliminated even in the insulated units) and will not warranty their installation.

The board is currently investigating another round of roof maintenance to include rust removal, cleaning, priming and painting prior to roof replacement. This maintenance would be funded out of the operating budget (in the order of \$25,000 to \$40,000) and could defer roof replacement for up to 10 years. The Capital Improvement Fund would remain invested and continue to grow through new member contributions in anticipation of eventual roof replacement, court resurfacing or other capital improvement.

The Board's position is that interim maintenance of the roof and deferral of replacement is the prudent approach at this time and solicits member comments on this change in approach. Please address your inputs to the Finance Committee by March 31, 2008 to one of the addresses shown below or place them in the suggestion box at BETC. The committee will compile and evaluate your inputs and prepare a summary to the members.

Sincerely,

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