

# Court REPORT

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## J Sez

Several of our members will be participating in the Tacoma Championships that just started. The NTRP events will be held at the Lakewood Club and the Senior and Open events at Tacoma Lawn. Last month I suggested that if you had the chance, that you go watch (and support) our pro Jesse Walter in a tournament. Currently you have 2 opportunities - Tacoma Lawn through Sunday or the Washington State at the end of the month, which will be held at Seattle Tennis Club. (If you haven't been there, it is a beautiful location for watching tennis). If you don't know how to find the draws online, give me a call and I'd be happy to help you.

While daytime sunlight is so strong, the court lights will not be increased to full power until 6:30 PM.

All adult classes, and beginner and intermediate junior group lessons for September through December begin sign-ups on Saturday, August 4. Beginning level juniors are at 8:15 A.M., intermediate juniors at 8:45 A.M. and adults at 9:00 AM. Workout registration continues on the 3rd of every month at 8:30 A.M.

With the rain we had in July, at times it was quite muggy - everywhere! You may have asked us to turn on the end wall fans and we responded - we can't. Here is the explanation: While it is raining outside, if we turned them on, the moisture would be drawn inside. We've done it before and it is ugly - the carpets begin to buckle up and there is moisture on everything. So apologies, we wish could turn them on...

Submitted by Janet Best, Manager

## Tennis Tip Submitted by Bill Bartlett

### Five Strategy Keys For Singles

Now that summer is in full swing you will probably have a chance to play more tournaments and singles matches. I recently was

talking to our Head Pro Allan Overland about one of our nationally ranked juniors.

Allan had prepared some strategy keys for this nationally ranked junior's next tournament. I would like to share these 5 tips with you.

- 1) Stay patient. Look to attack when you get a shorter ball. Do not go for a winner when you are way behind the baseline. Hit a lot of deep crosscourt shots to keep your opponent from coming to the net.
- 2) Move in and volley high rainbow shots, especially if you can catch them about shoulder level (or close to it).
- 3) Use some short crosscourt angles to bring your opponent off the baseline and out of his comfort zone. Drop shots can be very effective as well. The closer you are to the net, the more attractive these shots become.
- 4) Use good serve placement to keep your opponent off balance and unable to set up on returns.
- 5) Attack your opponent's second serve. This will make your opponent feel extra pressure on his second serves.

It is very important to have a game plan or purpose when competing in matches. So the next time you play a singles match, make sure you use these five strategy tips.

## From the Board

For your information, minutes from the board meetings are posted in the front foyer on the bulletin board. Members are welcome to attend the board meetings which are typically held the third Thursday of the month in the lower office area at 5:00 P.M. Suggestions are always welcome and may be emailed to a board member whose address is provided on the back of the newsletter or by inserting the suggestion into the box at the club.

## Interclub Activities

Provided by Staff Member Margaret Fain

### USTA Senior League Tennis

This league will run from September through the end of October. Team confirmation forms need to be filled out by captains and signed by Janet Best by August 15. August 24<sup>th</sup> is the registration deadline for team members. Have a good season, seniors!

### More Senior USTA News

In mid-August, Bedia Olsen's mixed 6.0 team is heading to the sectional playoffs in Sunriver, Oregon. During the regular season, they did not have any local opponents, so they get to head straight to the playoffs! Good luck, team, and have a good time in Sunriver.

### Congrats to Ken Bang!

We had quite a few BETC members participate in the Seattle City Open Tournament in June. Congratulations to member, Ken Bang, for making it to the finals. He eventually lost to our own Jesse Walters in the finals. Way to represent BETC!

## Tennis Code of Conduct

As published by the USTA

Continued and last statement in a series.

The highest type of sportsmanship is expected from every player! An understanding of and a commitment to the 6 points are part of your responsibility as a player in a USTA tournament. Violators of this code or its spirit are subject to disciplinary action.

6. Players are expected to maintain full control over their emotions and the resulting behavior throughout the match. If you begin to lose your composure during play, try the following: Take several deep breaths, exhale as slowly as possible and feel your muscles relax. Concentrate on your own game and behavior while ignoring distractions from your opponent or surroundings. Be your own best friend - enjoy your good shots and forget the poor ones.

### Pro Shop Announcement:

New Prince Ozone Racquets - In stock now - Ozone one, Ozone four, and Ozone seven - \$169.95 strung and >>>>>

## Junior News

### 2007 NW Junior Champs Tournament help at BETC.

Boys 18 Singles: Congratulations to Brian Jenkins who reached the final of the consolation. Mark Ishimitsu, Jason Lim, Joey Corigliano, Zackary Ahyat, Hiroyuki Matsushita and Trevor Takami participated.

Boys 16 Singles: Congratulations to Michael Chamerski who won the event and to Zachary Chen who reached the final. Paul Yi, Connor Thorp, Eddie Lin, Dean Rupert, Branden Muraki, Tim Bayna, Matthew Overland, Andrew Herron, Vineeth Omkaram, Tucker Siegert, and Carter Lim participated.

Boys 14 Singles: Congratulations to Trevor Larson who won the consolation event. Jordan Smith and Mitchell Thorp participated.

Boys 12 Singles: Congratulations to Jamie Thorp who reached the final. Henry Smith, Samuel Bayna and Vincent Vilorio participated.

Girls 16 Singles: Congratulations to Kimberly Quach who reached the final. Tomomi Matsushita participate.

Girls 14 Singles: Congratulations to Amie Vo who won the consolation event. Alison Wulf, Amber Eastham and Tess Manthou participated.

Girls 12 Singles: Nicole Mamprejew participated.

Boys 18 Doubles: Trevor Takami and Mark Ishimitsu participated.

Boys 16 Doubles: Bradon Muraki, Matthew Overland, Andrew Herron, Zachary Chen and Connor Thorp participated.

Boys 14 Doubles: Congratulations to Jordan Smith and James Carr who won the event. Mitchell Thorp and Dragos Puscalau finished second.

Boys 12 Doubles: Congratulations to Jamie Thorp and Zack Elliott who won the event. Samuel Bayna and Vincent Vilorio participated.

Girls 18 Doubles: Congratulations to Kimberly Quach and Aya Sugimoto who reached the final.



**Lesson Programs**

Our summer lesson program is still going strong, and there is still time for our junior and adult members to get involved. Adults rated 3.0- 4.0 can jump into our annual Summer Tennis camp, held Friday, August 10, 6-8 pm and Saturday, August 11, 2-4 pm. The camp will focus on two goals: competition and conditioning. To accomplish both objectives, players will hit hundreds of balls in very intensive game settings. Note: sign ups are limited to only 12 players to insure a great workout and experience! And juniors, our challenging yet fun-filled summer teams are a great way to get your games sharpened, and test your skills against other good players your age and level. Teams that meet Monday-Thursday include the A's (intermediate), which runs each day 11 am-12:30 pm, and the Champs (advanced), which runs daily 12:30-2 pm. There are two teams for beginner level juniors, Rookies I (ages 6-10), runs Monday and Wednesday 2-3:30 pm, and Rookies II (ages 11-18) runs Wednesday and Friday 1-2:30 pm. And JJ Jackson conducts two special new Match Play Workshops on Tuesdays and Thursdays, with Champ players meeting 2-3:30 pm, and A's players meeting 12:30-2 pm. These events/classes will fill up fast, so please remember to sign up ASAP to make sure you have a spot. See you there! Submitted by Head Professional, Allan Overland.

**Juniors - Beginner**

Sep 8-29	Saturday	10-10:30AM	\$26.60
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Sep 8-29	Saturday	10-11 AM	\$43.30
Sep 9-30	Sunday	10-11 AM	\$43.30

**Intermediate**

Sep 8-29	Saturday	11-12PM	\$43.30
Sep 8-29	Saturday	9-10 AM	\$43.30
Sep 4 -25	Saturday	11-12 PM	\$43.30
Sep 7-28	Friday	6:30-8 PM	\$56.20
Sep 8-29	Saturday	10-11 AM	\$43.30
Sep 8-29	Saturday	11-12PM	\$43.30
Sep 9-30	Sunday	11-12:30 PM	\$56.20

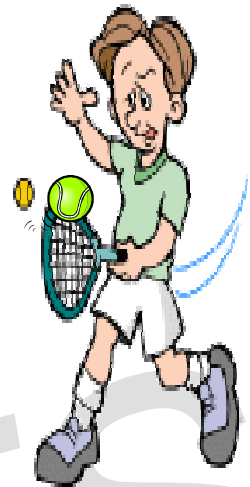
**Advanced**

Sep 8-29	Saturday	12-1 PM	\$43.30
Sep 8-29	Saturday	12-1:30PM	\$56.20
Sep 5-26	Mon/wed	5-6:30 PM	\$92.50
Sep 7-28	Mon 3:30-5 PM/Wed 5-6:30 PM	\$92.50	
Sep 6-27	Thursday	3:30-5:00 PM	\$56.20
Sep 7-28	Friday	8-9:30 PM	\$56.20
Sep 10-24	Monday	7-8:30 PM	\$51.70
Sep 4-25	Tuesday	8-9:30 PM	\$65.60
Sep 5-26	Wed/Fri	3:30-5 PM	\$120.70
Sep 5-26	Wednesday	6:30-8 PM	\$65.60
Sep 6-27	Thursday	8-9:30 PM	\$65.60
Sep 8-29	Saturday	6:30-8 PM	\$65.60
Sep 4-27	Tues/Thurs	3:30-5PM	\$134.50
Sep 4-27	Tues 8-9:30 PM Thurs 5-6:30PM	\$134.50	

Little Stars 4-7 yrs  
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 Young Guns 8-12 yrs  
 Big Shots 12-18 yrs

Super Stars 4-8 yrs  
 Crushers 8-12 yrs  
 Crushers 8-12 yrs  
 Slammers 12-18 yrs  
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 Slammers 12-18 yrs

Little Studs 5-8 yrs  
 Studs 8-12 yrs  
 Jr. Challenger Team  
 Jr. A Team 12-18 yrs  
 Jr. A 12-18 yrs  
 Jr. A 12-18 yrs  
 Jr. Champ 12-18 yrs  
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 Jr. Elite 12-18 yrs  
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**Adults - (Skill level in the far right column)**

Sep 9 - 30	Sunday	3:30-4:30 PM	\$43.30	Beginner—1.0-2.0
Sep 9 - 30	Sunday	2:30-3:30 PM	\$43.30	Advanced Beginner 2.0-2.5
Sep 10 - 24	Monday	9:30-11:00 AM	\$51.70	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
Sep 10 - 24	Monday	6:00-7:00 PM	\$34.10	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
Sep 5 - 26	Wednesday	12:30- 2:00 PM	\$65.60	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
Sep 9 - 30	Sunday	12:30-2 PM	\$43.30	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
Sep 10 - 24	Monday	11:00-12:30 AM	\$51.70	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
Sep 10 - 24	Monday	5:00-6:00 PM	\$34.10	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
Sep 4 - 25	Tuesday	7:00-8:00 PM	\$43.30	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
Sep 8 - 29	Saturday	8:00-9:00 AM	\$43.30	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
Sep 9 - 30	Sunday	4:30AM-6PM	\$65.60	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5

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**Grant Writer in the Membership?**

To help offset the cost for the new roof, we had planned to apply for a grant from the United States Tennis Association (USTA). We've heard that this has been done with success before and hope that we will also be eligible. The application can not be submitted until the final bid has been selected but in the meantime, we'd like to ask the question, do we have a Grant writer in the membership? If so, or if you have a suggestion of who to contact, would you please let me know? Thanks - Janet.

**Fall League Sign-ups**

Sign-ups for leagues during the fall session begin Monday, July 30. Sheets are posted on the day the league normally meets (Monday for Monday leagues and Tuesday for Tuesday leagues, etc), and available at 8:00 A.M. for leagues that play before 3:30, and at 2:00 P.M. for leagues held after 3:30 P.M. Members may either sign-up in person, or phone the front desk staff and ask to be signed up.

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