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Submitted by Janet Best, Manager

January 31 we launched an online reservation system. Many thanks to employee Kay Lorrain for discovering this system and for her work to be able to provide it to you. For those who want to make online reservations, go to betconline.net and look for the link in the upper left. You will also be able to sign up for special events such as the monthly socials or camps. For those who do not want to use the computer to make reservations, you may still phone the club. Please note however, online reservations will be available every day at 7:00 AM, while phone reservations are not available until 8:00 AM.

Member Marissa Aragones has volunteered to write an article monthly featuring a BETC member. What a great idea and we appreciate her volunteer spirit—please look for the article further in this issue on Charter Members Larry Wagner and Walt Partel.

Boeing Recreation is requiring that we update our liability forms for each membership on file. This was announced last month and several members have responded. If you have not, please look for the application on page 5.

If you are not playing in the 2nd weekend of the 19th Annual Double Club Championship, come down this Sunday to watch the exciting finals - all the draws will be available online Tuesday evening. Should be great matches.

We are looking forward to repairing the backdrops on the entrance areas of courts 3 and 4 but the glue we are using needs warmer weather. Thank you for your patience.

Tennis Tip

Submitted by Bill Bartlett, Head Assistant

How to Play Your Best Tennis

Most tennis players want to play their best tennis during their matches and practice sessions. There are some simple steps you can take to achieve your maximum level of play.

Getting a good start is essential to playing your best. Let's say you only have a five minute warm-up for your match. Before you walk out to the court, stretch your calves, hamstrings, shoulders and arms. This can be done in as little as five minutes. Once you start your on court warm-up, keep moving and focus on watching the ball. You can keep moving by jogging to pick up missed shots and jogging in place between rallies. The combination of constant move-

ment and focusing on the ball will jump start your warm-up. Your body and mind will be ready to compete at your highest level.

Once the match starts continue to move and concentrate. This can simply be summed up as "try your hardest". Once you let up or start fooling around you may never be able to reach your maximum potential again. Avoid being distracted by your surroundings and outside thoughts by focusing only on the ball, court and strategy.

So to play your best tennis, jump start your warm-up by constantly moving and focusing on the ball. Maintain your high level of play by pushing yourself to keep moving and concentrating. You will then play your best tennis.

From the Board

The BETC Board had their first meeting of 2011 wherein the new board members were welcomed and exiting board members were thanked for their service and efforts to BETC. A big Thank You to Jim Hornsby, past President and Shannie Presuhn, past Vice President and a warm welcome to Ed Baker and Linda Knapp, the new board members.

The Board elected officers as follows: Ed Baker, President; Bob Ingersoll, Vice President; Lisa Battaglia Enthoven, Treasurer; and Kathie Weibel, Chuck Hilsinger, Linda Knapp, Mike Franco, Secretaries. Committee positions were also confirmed by the entire board.

The Board confirmed that sufficient funds exist for the new roof for courts 7-9 and a contract for the steel is being finalized with a schedule planned for the work this summer. This will complete a major project for BETC.

The Board also addressed a Lesson Program policy that would provide for Courts 4-6 coaching as follows:

On a space availability basis, courts 4-6 may be used to coach on (at any time) based on the following requirements:

1) The members taking the lesson must pay the regular court fee for the time the coaching session takes place as well as the regular

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- coaching fee - This will be for no less than a 1.5 hour session.
- 2) Either two or four members per court only can book this time.
 - 3) The teaching pro is not allowed to hit or drill with the students.
 - 4) All coaching must be done quietly (no yelling across the court). Students are brought up to the net to facilitate this.
 - 5) No more than three tennis balls can be used per court.
 - 6) Up to three courts (four, five and six) can be booked for coaching (all courts booked must be paid for by the students). If two courts are used, they must be booked side by side.
 - 7) This new privilege will be offered on a three-month trial basis beginning on February 1, 2011.

Your BETC Board is committed to providing the BETC membership a "Best Value" tennis experience and welcomes suggestions and ideas on how to satisfy this goal.

Interclub Activities

Submitted by Margaret Fain

Cup News

As the Cup season winds down, several of the BETC Cup teams are right at the top of the competition. Emerald is 3rd of 25 teams. Classic is in 6th of 25 teams and Rainier Cup is in 3rd of 24 teams. On Emerald, Kyong-ae Schulz is 6-0 with one tie. She also has 2 wins subbing on Classic, which is the next Cup above Emerald. If there were a prize for most hours played during the week, Kyong-ae would definitely be in the running and her play is improving quickly. On Classic Cup, Janet Rodebaugh is playing strong and has won 6 of her last 8 matches and tied the other two. Katie Haley and Cindy Seims are both having great seasons on Rainier Cup. In the latest match, they came back from being down 1-5 to win the second set 7-5 and won their match. Way to fight for the win, ladies! Competition on the two highest Cups, Challenge and Kingco, is tough, but they are having some great matches.

Mixed USTA News



Jesse Chute's 6.0 team has a 2-3 record. On that team, partners Jane Worden and Steve Kono are 3-0. Jesse's 7.0 team had a rough start to the season, but won all three courts in their most recent match, which is impressive. Debbie Herron's 7.0 team has won 7 of their 9 matches and is in 3rd place with one match left. On that team, Lawson Mansfield and Katie Haley have played 5 undefeated teams and come out as the victors each time. Steve Ikeda and Kim Henderson are also having a good run and are 3-1. Mike Lockhart's 8.0 team is 3-4.

USTA Adult League

It is great to see so many BETC adult USTA teams. The season starts in mid-February for weekend teams and in March for the weekday teams. Captains on the women's side are Jolene Parisio-2.5, Kumiko Kamplaine-3.0, Kathy Hughes-3.0, Carolyn Cruzat-3.5, Regina Bear-3.5, Diane Euting-3.5 and Tracy Lockhart-4.0. On the men's side, captains are Ren Ferrer-3.0, Vinnie Rao-3.0, Bill Sherman-3.5, Steve Ikeda-3.5, Al Sasaki-4.0, Dan Benoit-4.0, Roger Risch and Marc Fournier-4.0, Charles Trayford-4.5, Mike Lockhart-4.5, and Dustin Hedger-5.0. Good luck in the coming season.

BETC Activity Corner

Submitted by Tracy Lockhart

The first weekend of the Club Doubles Championship was held January 28-30. Check out our website for the latest results. The second weekend of the Club Doubles Championship will be February 4-6. Come see your fellow club members compete with one another on the courts. There has been lots of action and excitement with plenty more to come.

Please note spring league sign-ups will begin the week of February 21st and continue through March 13th. For example, if your desired league is on a Monday, sign-ups will be February 21st. If your desired league is on a Wednesday, sign-ups will be February 23rd. If your desired league is on a Sunday, sign-ups will be February 27th. Signing up early affords your best chance for securing a spot on the league of your choice. Be sure to fill out all pertinent information requested on the sign-up sheet to make things easier for our valuable league coordinators. Also, remember you MUST have a current USTA or club rating to participate in BETC leagues.

Do not forget to join the action at the 19th Annual Doubles Club Championship whether you are a participant or simply a spectator. See you on the courts!

Lesson Programs & Pro Activities

Submitted by Allan Overland, Head Professional

Attention BETC adult members: we have some very cool special events headed your way- a great doubles camp in February, and a truly unique camp in March. For players (rated 4.0 and up) looking for a great way to sharpen up their doubles play, we are holding the Advanced Doubles Tennis Camp, on Friday, February 11th, from 6-8pm and Saturday, February 12th, from 2:30-4:30pm. Intensive games and drills will be featured, including those personally covered by renowned coach Wayne Bryan- father and coach of the Bryan brothers- during his visit to BETC a little over a year ago. This is a serious camp intended for serious players!

Be sure to join us for a unique tennis camp on the mental side of the game when we hold the Two Day Mental Game Tennis Camp, held Saturday, March 5th, 11am-2pm, and Sunday, March 6th, 11am-2pm. This event will be hosted by David Ranney, who is a former junior Wimbledon semi-finalist, coach and author of the famed book: "Tennis: Play The Mental Game". Tennis legend Billie Jean King has been exposed to David's tips and mini lessons, and stated that they "will benefit players of any level." In addition to six hours of instruction, participants will also receive a copy of David's fantastic book, his audio CD's, a special test and access to free phone lessons and consultation. Adults level 3.0 and up are eligible to attend.



Both of these special events are limited to only eight players per camp, so you need to sign up ASAP if you are interested. You can do so in person at the front desk, or just call the club at (253) 872-5545 (ext. 1). See you out on the courts!

Don't miss one of BETC's best events of the year, Wilson Demo Night, Saturday, February 26, 6:30-9:00 PM! All members ages 10 & up are warmly invited.

JUNIORS

Level 1- Beginner

A	Sat	10 - 11 am	4-6 yrs
B	Sat	11 - 12 pm	5-8 yrs
C	Sat	11 - 12 pm	8-12 yrs
D	Sun	9 - 10 am	12-18 yrs

Level 2 - Intermediate

E	Sat	12 - 1 pm	6-9 yrs
F	Sat	9 - 10 am	8-12 yrs
G	Fri	6:30 - 8 pm	12-18 yrs
H	Sat	10 - 11 am	12-18 yrs
I	Sun	10 - 11:30 am	12-18 yrs

Level 3 - Advanced Intermediate

J	Mon/Wed	5 - 6:30 pm	8-12 yrs
K	Sat	12 - 1:30 pm	8-12 yrs
O	Mon 3:30-5/Fri	5 - 6:30 pm	12-18 yrs
OO	Thurs	3:30 - 5 pm	12-18 yrs
P	Fri	8 - 9:30 pm	12-18 yrs
M	Sat	6:30 - 8 pm	10-14 yrs
	Sun	1:30 - 3:00 pm	
N	Sat	7:30 - 9:00 pm	10-14 yrs
	Sun	11:30 - 1 pm	

Level 4 - Advanced

Q	Mon	7 - 8:30 pm	12-18 yrs
R	Tues	8 - 9:30 pm	12-18 yrs
S	Wed/Fri	3:30 - 5 pm	12-18 yrs
T	Wed	6:30 - 8 pm	12-18 yrs
U	Thurs	8 - 9:30 pm	12-18 yrs
V	Sat	3:30 - 5 pm	12-18 yrs
W	Sat	6:30 - 8 pm	12-18 yrs
X	Sun	8 - 9:30 pm	12-18 yrs

Level 5 - Elite

Y	Tues / Thurs	8-9:30/5-6:30 pm	12-18
Z	Tues/Thurs	3:30-5 pm	12-18 yrs

ADULTS

Beginner (1.0 - 2.0)

Sunday 5 - 6:00 pm

Advanced Beginner (2.0 - 2.5)

Monday 12:30 - 2 pm

Sunday 3:30 - 5 pm

Intermediate (2.5 - 3.0)

Monday 6 - 7 pm

Sunday 1 - 2:30 pm

Advanced Intermediate (3.0 - 3.5)

Monday 11 - 12:30 pm

Monday 5 - 6 pm

Tuesday 12:30 - 2 pm

Tuesday 7 - 8 pm

Wednesday 12:30 - 2 pm

Saturday 8 - 9 am

Sunday 6 - 7:30 pm

Advanced 3.5 & Up Wimbledon Workout

Saturday 1 - 2:30 pm

Racquetball



If you have an interest in racquetball but do not know where to get started, please phone Larry Kucera at 206-662-7452. Currently there is an intermediate level league on Monday night and a challenge court group on Thursday night. For more information, please call Larry. What a great sport!

Junior Results

Submitted by Bill Bartlett, Head Assistant

The 2010 Boeing Holiday Classic was a huge success with close to 40 of our juniors participating. Griffin Welsh won the boy's 13 and under singles and Kathryn Araki reached the final of the girl's 13 and under singles. Garrett Merz and Devon Colby won the boy's 13 and under doubles. Kristina Stevanovic won the women's 2.5 singles and her sister Jelena reached the final. Jack Casey reached the final of the men's 3.0 singles while Vincent Vioria reached the final of the men's 4.0 doubles with his father.

These juniors participated: Bryan Thornquist, Marcus Lee, Bruno Hernandez-Sotres, Ryan Meredith, Nathan Schultz, Francis Vioria, Cooper Brethauer, Jaiya Virk, Audry Snider, Mitchell Thorp, Jamie Thorp, Sho Kato, Sam Verbon, Michael Foss, Gregg Furamasu, Griffin Wood, Boris Oks, Tajana Vujic, Emma Brethauer, Amanda Lacayo, Rachel Venn, Katelyn Overland, Sarah White, Lauren Thornquist, Zane Nelson, Daniel Ablog, Megan Araki, Whitney Schmidt, Vince Thomas and Kara Ikeda.

In a recent Champs tournament (AVTC New Years Champ) Alex Noyes upset the number one seed (Brian Pinkard) in a close three set match in the boy's 16 singles. Way to go Alex!

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Member of the Month

Larry Wagner & Walt Partel

Provided by Marissa Aragones

Larry and Walt have been playing tennis for a really long time – since 1964. They are two of the first members of the club, which opened in 1976. They met at various tournaments and have played singles together since then—almost on a weekly basis!



Larry is married to Lucy and has 8 children and 12 grandchildren. Their lives were busy raising their 8 wonderful and successful kids. He retired from Boeing Defense after working at the application system software area for 37 years.

Thirty years ago, Larry built a hard-court tennis court in his backyard and taught his children how to play tennis. His hard work, investment and determination paid off. He had 2 children who played college tennis at the University of Washington and another child who played at Southern Oregon. His tennis court has now been converted to a grass court and a yard. All of his 8 children were married at this court.

Walt is married to Janet (he fondly calls her Jan) and has 2 girls, a black cat and a dog. Jan retired from Northwest Airlines as a flight attendant. They both love to travel. He was hired by Boeing from Australia where he was born and raised. Although he claimed to have retired from Boeing, he still works as a contractor for the company as an avionics engineer, and is involved with cockpit design. He was involved at the tennis club at one time as a board member, and helped out with tournaments in his younger days.

Last year, Larry and Walt and a few of their guy friends, took a driving trip to the Canadian Rockies in Walt's BMW for a male bonding experience. Walt loves to drive fast and he did – averaging 90 MPH for 1600 miles, WHEW! He rode that car fast. He was always on the lookout for a "guy who rides a horse and a buggy, with a boy scout hat, a red jacket and blue pants," and with good fortune, never saw one! . . . Did you know Walt's first car was a BMW?

If you have not already, print, fill out and return this form to BETC by Feb 10. Thank you.

Membership Type: _____ Share (Boeing) _____ Associate (Public) _____ Jr. Affiliate _____ Other

Applicant

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Gender _____

Home Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Best Contact Phone (Circle one: H or C) _____ Work Phone _____

E-mail (*Non-Boeing email addresses preferred*) _____

I would like to be able to make court reservations and book group lessons online.

I would like to receive the following information through email:

- Lessons and Socials
- Tournaments
- Leagues and other Club Activities
- Pro Shop Information
- Other Announcements
- All of the Above

Spouse/Domestic Partner of Adult Member listed above

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Gender _____

Best Contact Phone (Circle one: H or C) _____ Work Phone _____

Email (*Non-Boeing email addresses preferred*) _____

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Dependents of Adult Member listed above

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Gender _____ Age _____

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As a result of member input the club may restructure its memberships to include a single membership. Within your current membership, who participates? Please place a check in the area provided for all that apply.

Adult _____ Adult _____ Child _____ Child _____ Child _____ Child _____

With my signature, I agree to abide by the rules of the club now and hereafter adopted. I understand that membership dues, rates and court fees are subject to change. The capital fund in any portion is not refundable. Any applicant who cancels their membership and then re-applies at a later date will again be responsible for the capital fund fee. My signature on this document indicates that all statements are true and I agree to contact the club with any changes in the eligibility of my spouse, domestic partner or dependents.

Waiver: In consideration for the right to participate in this Club activity, I hereby release the club, including its directors, officers, instructors and members, and the Boeing Company, including its directors, officers, and employees, from any and all liability, claims, and causes of action arising out of or in any way connected with my participation in this club activity. I personally assume all risks in connection with this activity, and further agree to indemnify the club and its directors, officers, members and instructors, and the Boeing Company and its directors officers, and employees from all liability, claims and causes of action which I may have arising from my participation in said club activity. The terms of this agreement will also serve as a release and indemnity agreement for my heirs, personal representative(s) and for all members of my family.

I further state that I am eighteen (18) years of age or older and legally competent to sign this release and that I understand these terms are contractual and not a mere recital, and that I have signed this document as my own free act.

I understand that this Agreement waives important legal rights, and I acknowledge that I have fully informed myself of the contents of this Agreement by reading it before signing it.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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