

Court REPORT

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Submitted by Janet Best, Manager

Court utilization has been almost non-existent at 6:30 AM on Thursday and Friday morning. Therefore, effective May 1, we have decided to open the club at 8:00 AM on those 2 days. If you still want to play at 6:30 AM, book a court Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

The Memorial Day Tournament will begin on Thursday, May 22 and run through Monday, the 26th. This tournament is open to the public and applications are available online or at the front desk. Good luck members!

Effective Memorial Day and running through Labor Day, we are again going to offer a summer membership program. Members of this program may participate in leagues or lessons and reserve court time 5 days in advance. The rate for the summer membership is \$141.58 plus court time.

We would like to improve the racquetball lobby space with additional exercise equipment. Since power is already an issue, we would only like equipment that does not require electricity. If you have something to donate, please give me a call. Thanks in advance.

Be it weeknights or weekends, we ask you to heed our closing hour and leave right after the final bells. That means grab your stuff and head on out. We love yah but for the sake of safety, I always want staff to leave on your coat tails. Also, if you have had food from a match or party, please take it with you because no one is left to chow it down - Thanks!

Tennis Tip

Submitted by Bill Bartlett, Head Assistant

The Under Spin Lob

The lob is a very important shot to master and it is one of the most underrated shots in tennis. I often see players lose points because they

tried to hit a passing shot when they should of used the lob. The most common lob at the club level is the under spin lob. At the advanced level the topspin lob is more common. I would recommend mastering the under spin lob first because it is easier to learn. The topspin lob requires faster racket acceleration and better timing.

To hit an under spin lob well you need to make sure you transfer your body weight forward as you hit your lob. I often see players leaning backwards as they hit their under spin lob. This usually results in a short lob. Your racket speed for your under spin lob should be approximately 25 percent slower than the racket speed you use for your under spin ground stroke. Make sure your racket face is slightly open or pointing upwards at contact. As you hit the ball, lean forward. Your arm should be rising through your contact point to your follow through at approximately a 45-degree upward slope.

So the next time you use an under spin lob make sure you get your body weight into the ball as you lob. You can simply think "lean and lob". Your under spin lob will then become an effective bonus to your game.

From the Board

The board will be taking a final vote regarding the issue of repairing the roof for the time being vs. replacing it this summer. This will take place at the April 24th meeting. The board wants to thank the members who offered input. Be on the lookout for information regarding the upcoming Memorial tourney which will be held towards the end of May. FYI- The Boeing Company is implementing a no smoking policy on all Boeing property. This also means that even if you are smoking in your car and on Boeing property you will be in violation. This new rule will take place June 2008.

Interclub Activities

Provided by Staff Member Margaret Fain

USTA Leagues

Overall, BETC teams are having good seasons. Check out the results below:

Team	Captain	W-L
2.5 W	Hughes	2-3
3.0 W	Raymond	1-3
3.0 W	Cruzat	3-1
3.0 W	Euting	1-2
3.5 W	Presuhn	4-0
3.5 W	Fain	1-3
3.5 W	Nomura	5-0
4.5 W	Schraeder	2-2
3.0 M	Thorp	6-1
3.0 M	Rao	2-2
3.5 M	Sherman	5-0
4.0 M	Renken	5-3

On Carolyn Cruzat's team, Jean McCoy and Vicki Andrews are both 3-0 & Carolyn is 4-0. Cindy Nomura has 5 people on her team with 4-0 records: Cindy, Bonnie Paasche, Jenny Chung, Gloria Long, and Janell Olson. Very impressive! On the men's side, David Sack and Wayne Brown of Bill Sherman's "Sherman Tanks" are off to 3-0 starts. Craig Riggs is 4-0. On Dave Renken's team, Marc Fournier and Benny Vioria are both 4-1 and Michael Ahn is 5-0 in singles. On Jim Thorp's team, new member Bob Jeter is now 7-0! Jim Dugan is 4-1.

Senior Mixed Tennis-BETC's only mixed senior team, captained by Bedia Olsen began play on April 27.

Upcoming Matches at BETC

Date	Time	Team	Captain
5/3	5:00 pm	3.0 W	Raymond
5/3	6:30 pm	4.0 W	Yu
5/3	8:00 pm	3.0 M	Rao
5/4	5:00 pm	3.0 W	Euting
5/4	8:00 pm	4.5 M	Lockhart
5/8	2:00 pm	3.5 W	Fain
5/10	5:00 pm	3.5 W	Nomura
5/10	6:30 pm	3.0 W	Cruzat
5/10	8:00 pm	3.0 M	Thorp
5/17	5:00 pm	3.0 W	Raymond
5/17	6:30 pm	4.5 W	Schraeder
5/17	8:00 pm	3.0 M	Thorp

Junior News

Provided by Head Assistant
Bill Bartlett

It was an exciting spring break for four of our juniors who flew to Southern California to compete in the Easter Bowl USTA National Spring Championships. Jesse Walter went there also to coach them. Max Manthou reached the quarterfinal winning a total of five matches. He finished in the top eight out of 128 top juniors from around the country. Way to go Max! Angela Chen, Jordan Smith and Nicolas Kamisar all won one match each.

Jamie Thorp went all the way to Delray Beach Florida to play in the USTA Boys 12 National Spring Championships. He won two matches on clay.

Seattle City Champs: In the boys 12 singles unseeded Joe Kwiatkowski went all the way to the finals and upset the number 1 seed 5-7,6-2,6-3. In the boys 14 singles second seeded Jordan Smith upset the number one seed in the final. Number one seed Steven Miyauchi won a close match over number eight seed Zachary Chen in the boys 16 singles 6-2,3-6, (10-4) and Fraser Chan won a close three set match against Josh Jeter in the boys 18 singles.

The BETC club was well represented. With the following players who also participated: Carter Lim, Paul Yi, Travis Hanley, Anthony Dimitrov, Tucker Siegert, Thomas Lowes, Wyatt Demulling, Alan Kwiatkowski, Nicole Mamprejew, Tomomi Matsushita and Kimberly Quach.

League Coordinators File Storage

Did you know that in the upstairs office area, there is a file drawer for you to store extra league rosters and/or papers.? The drawer is organized by days of the week and there is a hanging file with the name of each league we offer. There are also files for the ladies daytime cups. The drawer is in the credenza that sticks out towards the reservation counter and it is labeled League Coordinators Files.



Lesson Programs

Submitted by Allan Overland, Head Professional

May is here, and spring tennis at the club is well under way! We have a special Ladies Mid Day Social planned for Wednesday, May 21st from 12:30-2:30pm. A few of the pros will be on hand to run you through some fast paced, fun

games and drills with other players of your level. And after we take a short snack/drink break, pick up doubles match play will follow as assigned by the pros. The fee is only \$6.00 per person. Please remember to bring a tasty finger food- we'll provide the beverages.

While we are excited about our spring lesson program, we are already planning for our biggest and best summer (July and August) ever! To do this, we have come up with more junior teams and group lessons than the previous year, and we have just posted the sign up sheets (as we have been doing these past few sessions) out by court 7. So take a look at what we have to offer and get signed up early. Note; if you have any questions about the summer schedule of classes, please feel free to ask any of the pros!

Juniors - Beginner

June 7-28	Saturday	10-11 AM	\$43.30	Level 1 4-6 yrs
June 7-28	Saturday	11-12 AM	\$43.30	Level 1 5-8 yrs
June 7-28	Saturday	11-12 AM	\$43.30	Level 1 8-12 yrs
June 1-29	Sunday	10-11 AM	\$53.00	Level 1 12-18 yrs

Intermediate

June 7-28	Saturday	12-1 PM	\$43.30	Level 2 6-9 yrs
June 7-28	Saturday	9-10 AM	\$43.30	Level 2 8-12 yrs
June 7-28	Saturday	11-12 PM	\$43.30	Level 2 8-12 yrs
June 6-27	Friday	6:30-8 PM	\$61.60	Level 2 12-18 yrs
June 7-28	Saturday	10-11 AM	\$43.30	Level 2 12-18 yrs
June 1-29	Sunday	11-12:30 PM	\$75.50	Level 2 12-18 yrs

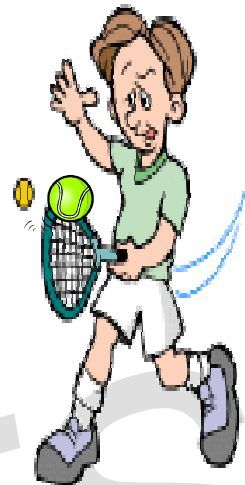
Advanced

June 2-30	Mon/Wed	5-6:30 PM	\$124.80	Level 3 8-12 yrs
June 7-28	Saturday	12-1:30PM	\$61.60	Level 3 8-12 yrs
June 2-30	Mon 3:30-5 PM/Fri 5-6:30 PM		\$124.80	Level 3 12-18 yrs
June 5-26	Thursday	3:30-5:00 PM	\$61.60	Level 3 12-18 yrs
June 6-27	Friday	8-9:30 PM	\$61.60	Level 3 12-18 yrs
June 2 - 30	Monday	7-8:30 PM	\$94.40	Level 4 12-18 yrs
June 3-24	Tuesday	3:30-5:00PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
June 3-24	Tuesday	8-9:30 PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
June 4-27	Wed/Fri	3:30-5 PM	\$141.80	Level 4 12-18 yrs
June 4-25	Wednesday	6:30-8 PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
June 5-26	Thursday	8-9:30PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
June 7-28	Saturday	3:30-5 PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
June 7-28	Saturday	6:30-8 PM	\$77.10	Level 4 12-18 yrs
June 1-29	Sunday	8-9:30 PM	\$94.40	Level 4 12-18 yrs
June 3-26	Tues 8-9:30 PM Thurs 5-6:30PM		\$189.00	Level 5 12-18 yrs
June	Fridays	6:30-8PM	\$18/day	Level 5 workout 12-18 yrs
June 3-26	Tues/Thurs	3:30-5PM	\$189.00	Level 6 12-18 yrs

Adults - (Skill level in the far right column)

June 1 - 29	Sunday	3:30-4:30 PM	\$53.00	Beginner 1.0-2.0
June 1 - 29	Sunday	2:30-3:30 PM	\$53.00	Advanced Beginner 2.0-2.5
June 2 - 30	Monday	12:30-1:30 PM	\$66.20	Advanced Beginner 2.0-2.5
June 2 - 30	Monday	9:30-11:00 AM	\$94.40	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
June 2 - 30	Monday	6:00-7:00 PM	\$53.00	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
June 4 - 25	Wednesday	12:30- 2:00 PM	\$77.10	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
June 1 - 29	Sunday	12:30-1:30 PM	\$53.00	Intermediate 2.5-3.0
June 2 - 30	Monday	11:00-12:30 AM	\$94.40	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
June 2 - 30	Monday	5:00-6:00 PM	\$53.00	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
June 3 - 24	Tuesday	7:00-8:00 PM	\$43.30	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
June 4- 25	Wednesday	11:00- 12:30PM	\$77.10	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
June 7 - 28	Saturday	8:00-9:00 AM	\$43.30	Advanced Intermediate 3.0-3.5
June 1 - 29	Sunday	4:30-6:00 PM	\$94.40	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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- USTA - Nomura, Paasche, Chung, Long and Olson - All Perfect!
- Roof decision—Thanks for your input!
- Thursday Friday - Opening at 8:00 AM
- Exercise bikes, small rowing machines etc...
- The Under Spin Lob - By, Bill Bartlett

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Welcome New Members!

Please join us in welcoming the following new members:

Associate members - Livingstone Chen, Charles & Jennifer Hampton (changed junior membership to an associate), Mike Tran, Dick Chauner (changed B330 to associate), Bill Rainville (added to Norma Demouchet's membership), Tim & Christina Wheeler, and Pam & Glenn Esber (changed junior membership to an associate).

B330 - Brett & Joy Brinton, and William & Michelle Brinton.

Junior Affiliate - Michele, Max, Alexandra, and Leo Bessler, and Tannie & Elisa Callies.

In their meeting on the 24th of April, the Board of Directors increased the associate membership by 20. If you know of someone who might want to join the club, currently the waiting period is about 6 months.

Any new person who is referred to BETC by a current member will receive \$25.00 in court time. The new applicant simply needs to put the recruiting member's name on the top of their application.

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