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Greetings NVTA member!

We hope you are enjoying the NVTA eNewsletter! We have heard that some browsers are not allowing our newsletter graphics to appear. View the newsletter online to see all the pix and graphics. You can now conveniently check recent eNewsletter archives as well as the NVTA Court Calendar on



*our website, napatennis.org thanks to the volunteer services of our expert webmaster Gil Lima and calendar chairman, Chuck Simonds **Members are invited to submit news and photos. Got news about a recent tennis trip? Please share the story with us! The eNewsletter will be published monthly and the deadline for submissions will always be the 25th of the month. For those members who do not use email, a printed copy will also be available at Sportabout.** Changing your email address? You can update your address at the bottom of this newsletter.*

President's Serve



Just a few notes to all NVTA team members and captains.

Remember if you are joining a team, read the team notes and if they say "Do not join this team without talking with the captain", please follow those notes. In fact it is courteous to always ask first.

- Captains-All players on your team must be a paid member of NVTA. Please check with your players.
- Captains-Your stuff in the storage area is getting pretty messy. Please reorganize.
- Captains-Secure the place after each match or pass the responsibility to the next captain.
- All members-Do not leave open foodstuff in the kitchen as we don't like ants.

The monthly board meeting is held at 7:00 pm on the second Tuesday of every month at Phil & Julie Jerome's on MacDonald Street. Members are welcome to attend. Please contact Bob Walsh (bobwalsh10@comcast.net) if you plan to be guest at the meeting.

-Bob Walsh, President

We Welcome New and Renewed Members

- Brian Dutcher
- Naomi Dreskin
- Bridget Ring
- Nami and Nobu Mizuhara

NVTA to Receive Honor

Hey members! How proud we are to receive this honor from USTA Norcal! Thanks to our fabulous President and Board of Directors for their tireless efforts and this is a well deserved honor.

Bob received a letter from Steve Leube, Executive Director of USTA Norcal, informing him that NVTA has been selected to receive the 2008 United States Tennis Association Northern California Section Award in the category of Facility of the Year.

The award will be presented at the Heros Banquet at the San Ramon Marriott on Saturday, Jan. 24, 2009. Reception at 6:00 pm and dinner at 6:45 pm. Tickets are available for anyone who would like to attend for \$50 person. To make a reservation, contact Bob at bobwalsh10@comcast.net no later than January 16th. Attire is semi-formal.

"Tennis for Beginners" Tourney

Attention New, Up and Coming Players! Adult Tennis Teams Forming Now For Beginners Only

Learn the game of tennis with your friends, make new friends, and laugh your way to a happier and healthier you. It's easy and fun.

Please join us on Sunday, February 22, at 11:00 a.m. at the NVTA Clubhouse for some fun social tennis and a light informational meeting explaining USTA Leagues. Feel free to bring your friends. Refreshments will be provided.

For additional info: Please contact DeDee Winfield at 707-481-0370 or winfield@norcal.usta.com.

Dues Paid???





We will publish a new membership directory in February. If you wish to be included please pay your 2009 dues. Email addresses will be included unless we hear from you. (Contact Bob Walsh, bobwalsh10@comcast.net if you do not want your email to be included)

Around the Courts



"Bubbliscious" 3.5 Senior Team captained by Jan Edwards celebrates a victory





Captain Phil Lampe is the happy captain of the men's 3.5 senior team after a win.

Captains' Corner



Captain Bob Walsh reports- Bob Walsh says the 3.0 Senior team with a record of 10-1 will play its final match at home on January 24th and then host the playoffs in February.

Bob also reports-The Super Senior 60 team called "The Old Winos" will be going to the Nationals in April. Traditionally teams take gifts to share with their opponents and this team will present bottles of wine labeled "Napa Valley Winos".

Captains Tony Kelly and Bob Walsh report-great start to the season with a 2-1 win over Green Valley.

Captain Jan Edwards reports: The Napa 3.5A team aka Bubblicious, is back in FIRST PLACE with one match to go against Vacaville, the number two team. We will play the match on 2/8 @ 1:00, everyone is invited to come out and cheer us on. It's been a really close season, with lots of fun matches.

SAP is Coming Soon

SAVE THE DATE! *The SAP Open is scheduled for February 9 - 15, 2009 at the HP Pavilion at San Jose.*

An Exhibition match between Pete Sampras and James Blake is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 9 at 7:00 pm.

Andy Roddick will be featured in the first round singles Tuesday at 7:00 pm along with the Bryan Brothers in the first round doubles.

Please Do Your Part!

Another reminder about locks and trash. Please close the gates when you leave. Please secure the storage building and clubhouse when you are finished. Instead of putting tennis ball containers in the buckets, take them home and recycle.

Clubhouse Update

Shutters have been ordered. Porches will be painted when the weather permits. We need some suggestions on how to secure a fascia board across the roof line. After that is accomplished we will order awnings to be installed over each door.

Annual Meeting Scheduled

The annual meeting will be held at the courts on March 8th at 2:00 pm. The main purpose of the meeting is to elect board members but we will add a round robin tennis match and maybe some food. Details next month.

USTA Norcal Introduces 6-TENNIS For Kids

6-TENNIS is a local level junior team tennis league program supported by the USTA Northern California Section. These parent and volunteer run leagues are popping up all over the section offering an exciting new brand of local team tennis for beginners and novices.


The league offers three divisions Flight III catered to novice player's ages 8 to 10 years old. Flight II, targets beginner - intermediate players ages 11-12 and Flight 1, for children 13 to 16 years old. Transitional equipments such as spinner balls, low compression balls plus a shorter court allow children to rally back. Hence, learning to play tennis just became easier and fun.

We are seeking your help to administer and form a 6-Tennis Program in Napa.

If you want to volunteer in any capacity or want to know, more about 6Tennis please contact:

- Cheryl Silva
- USTA Northern California
- Community Tennis Coordinator - Junior Department
- Email: silva@norcal.usta.com
- Phone: (510) 245-8782
- Cell: (510) 224-7304

Check www.norcalteamtennis.com to see other junior team tennis league at Norcal.



The NVRTA Court Reporter newsletter will be published the first week of every month. Deadline for submissions is the 25th of every month. Please submit articles and photos to Bev Wilson.

See you on the courts!

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