Our Court March ENewsletter

New guidelines regarding travel quarantine, vaccinated individuals, and cross-border travel for those living in border towns have been published. Read them here.

Committee reports

1. Tennis

Jeff Wilson, assistant men's tennis coach at Dartmouth and our pro, has committed to continuing to provide high-quality clinics and lessons to our members. Saturday morning clinics will resume on March 13 at 8:45. Sign up on the reservation site here. Private and semi-private lessons may be scheduled by emailing Jeff directly at jeffrey.s.wilson@dartmouth.edu

Women's Doubles and Men's Singles leagues for the Shoot Out at the OC Corral have started. Final planning is being done for the Mixed Doubles league. Watch your email for details.

2. Membership

Welcome New Members! Nancy McNulty and Charlie (junior) Katie McDonnell and Sam (junior)

3. Finance

The Finance Committee continues to look at the scope and cost of the necessary maintenance and repair projects and how to best pay for them. None of the projects are elective; they are all important to the health of the building.

4. Buildings & Grounds

Continued wearing of outdoor shoes on the courts will result in the need for resurfacing the courts. Although we are told that the courts don't need resurfacing right now, thanks in large part to Ned & co's (Mike Hartman, this includes you!) adherence to a regular cleaning schedule, we'd like to stress the importance of **changing into your tennis shoes after entering the building and only wear tennis shoes on the courts - please please please and thank you!**

Jeff's Coaching Hint of the Month

Communication is essential when playing doubles. Saying the right thing, and knowing when to say nothing, are important components to a successful and sustainable doubles pairing. A few things that may be nice to hear from your partner:

Great job!
Keep doing that!
Don't worry about it, keep going!
Let's do this together!
Next one!
Let's go!
Right here!

In addition, try to treat yourself as you would your doubles partner. We usually do not say nice things to ourselves when we miss, but try to pump yourself up, not beat yourself up! Have a great week and see you on the court!

Housekeeping Notes

If you have not already done so, please go into the reservation site and make sure your USTA rating is included in your profile. Once you log on to the site, you will see a label of "My Profile" on the top right corner. Click on that and toward the bottom of that form you can put in your rating. We're making member lists available on the website by ability level (https://www.ourcourttennisclub.com/player-contacts) so people can have access to similar level players to set up games.

Also, make sure you are a subscriber to our website, <u>www.ourcourttennis.com</u>. It will allow you to access member-only information, such as member lists (by USTA rank), club financials and meeting minutes. On the <u>homepage</u> of the website, click on the pink "log in" icon on the top right corner; fill out the form and you're set!

Using the Player Postings tab on the reservation site is a great way to find someone to play with as well.

Be sure to fill the green boxes on the courts with your dead tennis balls. Our Court, thanks to the efforts of Susan Edwards, has saved nearly 5,000 tennis balls in the past three years. Those balls are recycled into the rubbery surfaces on tennis and basketball courts.

Remember, Our Court belongs to all of us. Pick up, neaten up, put away as if you were in your own home!