



Senior Tennis Times

The 50+ tennis experience

August 2015

Have you seen my newsletters?

By Linda Haller, President STPC

I paid \$3 for my newsletters. Where are they?



In response to the above question we want to preface our response with the fact that the current Board is committed this year to reducing spending while still meeting the needs of all of our members, which now number over 1,000. Our current Board, now going into its fourth month, is faced with some difficult choices concerning how to balance our budget without constantly dipping into our dwindling reserve funds.

As many of you know, our Communications and Drill Programs have contributed to an unacceptable net loss the last few years. We can't continue spending more than we can afford in these two areas, and remedying this situation may result in making some painful cuts.

Through volunteer efforts, we have significantly reduced the Communications portion of our spending. The one Communication component that we haven't yet fully sorted out is how to best meet the needs of

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Tennis events

By Bob Busch



Congratulations to **Thue Rasmussen**, the recipient of the 2014 Jack Dow Award. Thue received the award at the annual meeting at Town & Country Club in April. He is a long-time member, team captain and facilities coordinator and is now serving a second term on the STPC Board of Directors.

InnerCity Tennis Benefit Tournament

Mark your calendar for this event at Wayzata Country Club, August 24-30. It will feature men's and women's age-group play in five-year increments, ages 40-80. Be sure to register on-line using the USTA Tennis Link for tournament ID# 550016915 or call **Taylor Hanson**, tournament director, at 612-963-1542. The registration deadline is August 17.

National Senior Games

Congratulations to the many (over 800) Minnesota seniors who participated in this national event in July which drew approximately 10,000 participants from all over the world registered for 19 different sports. Over 20 members of the STPC participated in tennis and many were rewarded with medals for their efforts. Over 720 tennis players were registered. The tournament offered men's and women's singles and doubles and mixed doubles to players who qualified by playing in 2014. Competitive ages ranged from 50 to 94. Players from Minnesota won a total of 410 medals followed by Florida with 319 and California with 302.

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Upcoming events

[Babolat Ground Stroke Clinic & Luncheon](#)

Monday, August 10th at Baseline, 9-11 AM

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Annual STPC Picnic, August 22, 11:30-1:30

Free! St. Catherine's tennis courts

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Needed: Editor for Senior Tennis Times

Volunteer to publish and expedite printing and mailing of future newsletters. Please contact Steve Bruell bruell@cs.uiowa.edu if interested. For technical questions, contact David Sommer (former editor).

Mary Kaminski

Many of us knew and loved Mary, who died this past May at 96. She joined STPC in 1984, still playing tennis until five years ago. She served on the Board in the early years and then was a long-time advisor to the Board. She edited the newsletter, was a captain, and was always ready to help with anything.



Darlene Moynagh recalls “suffice to say she **was** STPC. I know lately when I would see her at our monthly get-togethers she would always want to sit next to me so I could tell her everything that was happening at the board meetings.”

Mary was generous with her time. Besides Senior Tennis, she was Past President Minneapolis Council of Camp Fire, Past President Administrative Management Society, St. Charles Borromeo Church Choir and President St. Charles Borromeo VIP Club, and Volunteer Coordinator St. Anthony Village Bridge Group.

Mission Statement

The primary purpose of the STPC is to provide tennis playing opportunities to people 50 and older for their mental, physical, and social well-being; and to support the growth of tennis.

As a non-profit organization, the Senior Tennis Players Club gratefully accepts donations, memorials and estate gifts. Please send to Senior Tennis Players Club, P.O. Box 5525, Hopkins, MN 55343.

Newsletter Submissions

To help make the newsletter as correct as possible, please submit all items in writing only, by mail or email. The deadline is the 15th of the month for publication the following month. All material submitted for publication is subject to editing. Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you want materials returned.

Send your submissions to:

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Email: dsommer7@usiwireless.com.

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Fall/winter drill schedule

OOPS... The fall/winter Drill Schedule didn't make it into this newsletter. It will appear on our website by mid-August and will be mailed by snail mail to those without internet access.

Players wanted

MW 3.0 subs needed for Wednesday 10:30-noon at Baseline Tennis Center at the U of M. Please call Louise at 612-722-7132 or 612-636-1195.

MW 3.5+ regulars and subs needed for Monday and Thursday, 10:00-noon, at Baseline Tennis Center. Contact David Sommer dsommer7@usiwireless.com or call 612-276-1313.

August tennis clinic

[Babolat Ground Stroke Clinic & Luncheon](#): Monday, August 10th at Baseline, 9-11 AM, luncheon begins at 11:00 AM

If you are receiving this newsletter via email, to register click on the links above to print the form and follow the instructions to register. If you receive this only in print, you can get the registration forms on our website by going to www.seniortennismn.org. Contact Mark Mudra at markmudra@aol.com with any questions.

Group play at Reed-Sweatt Newly-renovated InnerCity Tennis facility accepting new 2015-16 group play applications.

There are currently openings for new STPC group play opportunities during the 2015-16 season (September 8, 2015 through April 30, 2016) at the newly-renovated InnerCity Tennis (ICT) facility in south Minneapolis. Court availabilities exist in the mornings and some early afternoons (Monday-Sunday).

Download the application from the link below and return to ICT by August 15 for consideration.

<http://www.innercitytennis.org/sites/default/files/pdf/STPC-GroupPlay-2015-16-New.pdf>

Want ads

Expert Racket service. Fred Jurewicz 952-496-1018 (H); 612-250-3185. *10% STPC discount.*

Personal Gardener. Garden help in Bloomington, Edina, S Minneapolis & nearby. Lee Peterson 952-270-9472.



Nadal, Djokovic, Serena

By David Sommer

Here's an email exchange between **Neal Hagberg** and me regarding burnout, love of tennis, and three top competitors. We wrote on the Friday before the Wimbledon finals. First, my email to Neal:

Neal,

Thinking of your tennis burnout at age 18:

Jim Courier had a wise comment about **Rafael Nadal** after that early-round loss at Wimbledon. (In a press conference, Nadal said he'd have to "work harder.") Courier said no, what he needs is to take some time off and try to regain some joy in playing tennis. I couldn't help thinking of the contrast with **Novak Djokovic** after he lost in the French open final to **Stan Wawrinka**—he seemed entirely at peace with himself, and complemented Stan on a great match. Djokovic seems to have found the key to tennis longevity—be competitive but balanced. It's the **Tennis & Life Camps'** Three Crowns: *positive attitude, full effort, and sportsmanship*; plus understanding that there are things one can't control, among which are one's own play on a given day, and the opponent's play. The top twenty players are all good enough that any one of them can beat the top player.

Exception on the women's side: **Serena Williams** is so good that if she cares at all, she will win. I can't imagine her losing to Muguruza tomorrow.

David Sommer

Response from Neal Hagberg:

Hi David,

I completely agree with your analysis. I think the joy is gone for Nadal. Courier has a good eye. I remember my dad wanting me to play for **Steve Wilkinson** in college and I said, "I just can't. I hate tennis." So I played football. (A choice I would not make today because of the brutality of the sport, but such is life, I mostly enjoyed my four years of college football and got out of it in one piece...) If I hadn't put my racket down, there is no way I would be at TLC today.

I love your analysis of the top twenty players, too, and of Serena winning if she cares. I can't even spell Muguruza so I don't see her having a snowball's chance tomorrow. ☺

Take care and thanks for the email,

Neal Hagberg, Director

Tennis and Life Camps at Gustavus

www.tennisandlifecamps.org

Jack Dow Award winner

By Ken Landro

At a recent meeting of past Jack Dow award winners, **Thue Rasmussen** was elected the 2014 Award Winner. Thue has been a member of Senior Tennis for 20 years and during that time has been involved in a number of STPC programs and activities. He has served one three year term on the Board of Directors and recently was elected to serve another three year term which began April 1.

Thue also serves as area director of the STPC group play schedules, working with facility coordinators and tennis captains to keep our schedules current and visible in the newsletter and on our website. Thue is co-captain of a very popular five court 3.5 men's and women's, two hour group play session at Reed-Sweatt Family Tennis Center on Mondays from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM, which he has done for the past 6 years. He has served on the planning committee for the STPC Annual Meeting and has volunteered with the Dow Tournament.

Thue is married and he and his wife, Utreia, stay in good physical condition with a busy schedule of ballroom dancing. We are all appreciative of the dedication and hard work that Thue puts in on behalf of the Club and its members.



Ken Landro presenting the Jack Dow Trophy to **Thue Rasmussen**. Ken was the previous year's winner.

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those members that don't have e-mail addresses or electronic means to read electronic newsletters. It is expensive to publish, print and mail a printed copy of a newsletter. The three dollars we ask from members requesting a printed copy of the newsletter hardly covers the cost of one newsletter per member. We urge those members that have e-mail addresses and have requested printed copies (even though everyone likes to have a hard copy) to print out copies on their own computers in the future.

For those without e-mail addresses or Internet access, we value you as members and will be contacting you to see how we can best meet your needs. We want to make sure that you have the latest group play schedules, drill schedules, and news from the club.

At our upcoming Board meeting this month, we will be discussing the future schedule of our newsletters. I urge all who are concerned to attend our next meeting August 13, 9:45-noon at Hosmer Library, 36th Street E and 4th Avenue in south Minneapolis.

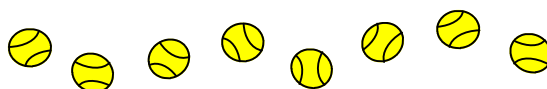
We still are spending more than we can afford with the Drill Program and are taking a hard look at it. We have cut some expenses by employing volunteers at our monthly summer St. Kate's clinics and we have offset the cost of free summer drills by collecting over \$1000 so far in donations targeted for that program. We thank **Pam Campbell** and all the volunteers and drill participants for their time and financial assistance. As we move into our Fall season, we again are looking at ways to decrease expenses. We have taken some preliminary (and painful) strides in this endeavor. Any and all suggestions are welcome in trying to further tackle this difficult issue.

We are also ramping up a "Your Name in Lights" donor program that you can read more about in this newsletter. We would be sincerely grateful if you would consider a tax-deductible contribution to this program. If you are not interested in donating to the "Your Name in Lights" program, you can always donate online to STPC.

Publicity/marketing?

Do you have **interest or experience in publicity and marketing?** Senior Tennis needs your help.

If you would like to consider volunteering to help, please contact Denis Woulfe woulfedn@hotmail.com for more info.



Celebrate Summer

with an old-fashioned picnic at the *free* STPC Picnic

When: Saturday, August 22, 11:30-1:30

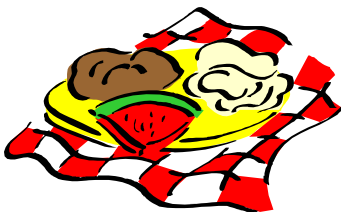
Where: St. Catherine's Tennis Courts.

Gate 4 off Fairview Ave, south of Randolph.

Reservations: None. This event is for STPC members and spouses.

Cost: Zero! Your club is paying the reservation fee, and supplying tennis balls.

Potluck at noon: Bring your own beverages, a



dish to share, a chair, and your racquet.

What's to do: Lots of tennis courts, so bring your racquet.

Or you can sit and enjoy friends under wonderful shade trees.

Come for a day of fun!

Questions? Jon Holmgren, 612-702-7509.

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Wimbledon

Did you watch the magnificent Sunday morning title match featuring **Roger Federer** and **Novak Djokovic**? They traded tie-break sets over two hours to open this great championship match. To quote **Jason Gay** in the July 13, 2015 Wall Street Journal, "To think people paid a hundred wasted bucks to watch **Floyd Mayweather Jr.** gently waltz around the ring with **Manny Pacquiao**. This tennis match was a hundred times that boxing match. It was impossible to step away." Novak Djokovic's 7-6 (1), 6-7 (10), 6-4, 6-3 victory over Roger Federer was his 3rd Wimbledon title and his 9th Grand Slam singles title. Federer will turn 34 in August and his record includes 7 Wimbledon singles titles. **Serena Williams** won her 6th Wimbledon title with a 6-4, 6-4 win over **Garbine Muguruza** from Spain. Muguruza came back from a 5-1 deficit to make the second set interesting. Serena has won 21 major titles, including the last four in a row. **Martina Hingis**, and **Sania Mirza** won the women's doubles over **Ekaterina Makarova** and **Elena Vesnina** 5-7, 7-6 (4), 7-5. Hingis and **Leander Paes**, India, won the mixed doubles title by beating **Alexander Peya** and **Timea Babos** 6-1, 6-1. Hingis recorded her 10th and 11th Grand Slam doubles titles at Wimbledon.

Gopher tennis

The U of M Intercollegiate Athletics Department recognized the Gopher men's tennis team under head coach **Geoff Young** with the "Outstanding Academic Team" award and the "Men's Team Community Service" award. Senior **Leandro Toledo** was a finalist for "Male Athlete of the Year" and **Mathieu Froment** won a "Top Five" award as a student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average. The community service award was presented to the team based on community service hours per team member.

The Gopher men's team also earned four ITA Division I Central Region awards. **Geoff Young** was named "Coach of the Year", **Urban Ljubic** "Assistant Coach of the Year", **Leandro Toledo** "Most Improved Player" among seniors and **Matic Spec** "Rookie of the Year". On the woman's side, Gopher senior **Tereza Brichacova** was named Central Region's "Most Improved Player." Thanks Gophers for a great tennis season!

Butorac wins award

Eric Butorac, Rochester, is the 2015 winner of the Eugene L. Scott Renaissance Award presented each year to a champion who demonstrates excellence in promoting and developing the sport in public parks. Butorac was honored on July 24 at the 2015 National Public Parks Championships in Sioux Falls, S.D. He played three seasons of tennis for Hall of Fame coach **Steve Wilkinson** at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter. It has been reported by the USTA that Eric is one of three players from college Division III ranks to make a living on the pro tour. He won 16 doubles titles and is ranked 36th in the world in doubles. In 2014, he was a finalist in men's doubles at the Australian Open with partner **Raven Klaasen** and has earned over \$1.5 million during his career. Before turning pro, he won the 2005 National Grass Court Father-Son title with his father Tim, who also played for Steve Wilkinson.

Outstanding Facility Award

Reed-Sweat Family Tennis Center was selected by the USTA as one of 13 tennis facilities honored for excellence in 2015. Representatives from ICT will be honored at the USTA semi-annual meeting at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York city on Sept. 6. Criteria used to judge facilities included overall layout, court surface and lights, and facilities participation in USTA programs.

Jack Dow Round Robin 2015

The Jack Dow tournament was held May 4-7 at Reed-Sweatt. 59 teams participated in divisions from 3.0 to 4.0. Following are pictures of winners in each division. On the left is the runner-up team; on the right the champs.



Men 3.0. Larry Bordsen, David Sommer, Dave Sallee, Whitey Brodtman



Men 3.5. Jerry Kneisl, Tony Taniguchi, Don Harnish, Jim Hoialmen



Men 4.0. Ed Backstrom, Nat Fuller, Del Johnson, John Goulett



Women 3.0. Runners-up (not shown): Samantha Smart Merritt, Linn Ostberg. Champs: Pam Carlson, Ann Barten



Women 3.5. Karen Ross, Linda Haller, Mara Rozenburgs, Becky Beck



Mixed 3.0. Dave Carlson, Pam Carlson, Debra Bordsen, Larry Bordsen



Mixed 3.5. Becky Beck, Brian Kretsch, Linda Aasen, Don Harnish



Volunteer staff:
Ken Landro, David Sommer, Pam Campbell, Paul Thomas, Thue Rasmussen, Larry Bordsen. Not shown: Joan Thomas and Jim Handy.

Annual celebration

By Linda Haller, President, STPC

As we are starting to plan our social activities for the fall, we look back with great pride at the fun celebration we had this past April at our annual meeting at the Town and Country Club and realize that this event will be a very hard act to follow.

For those of you that missed it, or for those of you that are new to STPC, at this annual event we honor our captains for their hard work organizing their group play during the year. If you were at the meeting and were wondering why there was a glue bottle at every table, this was to signify that the captains are the glue that holds our club together.

This year we had an excellent turnout with close to 100 members in attendance. Dan played the accordion, serenading us during social hour, and he was a big hit. Many recognized him from Orchestra Hall. **Omar Warfa** from InnerCity Tennis gave an eloquent pitch to our members to volunteer to work with the kids program at ICT. If any of you haven't had a chance to do so yet, we highly recommend volunteering. Contact Omar Warfa at (612) 584-4736 or omar.warfa@innercitytennis.org if interested.

Neal Hagberg, our guest speaker, as anticipated, presented a very inspiring, heartfelt talk about lessons learned from **Steve Wilkinson**. Neal's talk, interspersed with a few original songs, touched all of our hearts. We wrapped up the afternoon with Latin dancing with Rene, which was icing on the cake.

A big round of applause goes out to **Thue Rasmussen**, our fellow Board member, who was the recipient of the **Jack Dow award** at this event.



Dennis Hykes, past President, recognizing **Marv Schneider's** selection by USTA/Northern as "Volunteer of the year."

National Senior Games

The Games took place July 3-15, on 18 venues in Minneapolis, St. Paul, Bloomington, Eagan, Mendota Heights and Hugo. Sites included the University of Minnesota, the University of St. Thomas, the State Fairgrounds and the Minneapolis Convention Center.

9,955 athletes from age 50 on up, with 869 from Minnesota competed this year. Among them were our own Ray Ranallo and Chuck Supplee, partners in doubles tennis.

There were 16 individual, three team, and two demonstration sports, with the highest participation in basketball (1,428), track and field (1,395), softball (1,328) and volleyball (1,068). The program also includes archery, badminton, bowling, cycling, golf, horseshoes, pickleball, race walk, racquetball, road race, shuffleboard, swimming, table tennis, tennis and triathlon. Disc golf and judo are demonstration sports.

Here are results for our STPC participants:



Ray Ranallo getting ready!

Name	Age Grp	Dou bles	Mix	Sing les	Place
Anders, Doug	70-74		X		
Bjore, Sheila	70-74	X	X		4th D
Bruell, Steve	60-64	X	X		5th D
Busch, Bob	75-79	X		X	3rd D, 3rd S
Dahman, Patricia	80-84	X			4th D
Fridgen, Robert	80-84	X			
Keefe, Steve	65-69		X		
Lewis, Barb	65-69		X		2nd M
Ranallo, Ray	90-94	X		X	1st D, 3rd S
Rossing, Dorothy	85-89		X		4th M
Rothe, Carol	70-74	X	X		4th D
Rott, Ruby	80-84	X		X	4th D, 3rd S
Schadel, Calvin	85-89		X	X	4th M, 3rd S
Supplee, Charles	90-94	X		X	1st D
Woolsey, Michael	70-74		X		



Fall/winter schedule 2015-2016

Up-to-date schedule is always on our website: www.seniortennismn.com

Want to find a place to play? Here's what you do:

- Locate one or more locations, times, and skill level that you'd like.
- Call the captains responsible and ask if they have any regular or sub positions available.
- If this doesn't accomplish what you want, call Facility Coordinators for places you'd like to play. They may be able to help you get a new group together. If no Facility Coordinator shown, call Thue Rasmussen.

Play is usually September-April. Check with Captains for start/end dates
For corrections or changes to this schedule, call
Thue Rasmussen at 651-917-0075 or E-mail him at thueor32@comcast.net

●● St. Paul Area ●●

Location	Day	Time	Cts	Skill	Captains	Phone
St. Paul Indoor Tennis Club 600 Desoto, St. Paul Facility coordinator Annette Adam 651-209-9768	Mon	7:00-9:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Peter Plagemann	651-633-0466
	Wed	7:00-9:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Richard Thompson	651-645-1478
	Fri	7:00-9:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Annette Adam	651-209-9768
Wooddale Recreation Center 2122 Wooddale Dr, Woodbury, 651-209-9768 Facility Coordinator: Darlene Moynagh 651-436-8927	Mon	8:00-10:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Connie Huie	651-450-4580
	Tue	9:00-11:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 M	Woody Gillette	651-436-2614
	Fri	8:00-10:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Ken Simmons	651-436-8857

●● Minneapolis Area ●●

Location	Day	Time	Cts	Skill	Captains	Phone
Baseline Club 1815 4th St SE, Minneapolis 612-625-1433 Facility coordinator: Thue Rasmussen 651-917-0075	Mon	10:00-Noon	3	3.5+ MW	David Sommer	612-276-1313
	Wed	10:30-Noon	2	3.0 MW	Louise Halverson	612-722-7132
	Thu	10:00-Noon	3	3.5+ MW	David Sommer	612-276-1313
		Noon-1:00	1	2.5 W	Alletta Jervey	651-917-7595
	Fri	9:30-11:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Judy Sweeney	612-866-5298
Fred Wells Tennis and Education Center 100 Federal Drive, Ft. Snelling 612-252-8367 Facility Coordinator George Burbie 651-688-2338 or 651-442-6704	Mon	7:00-8:30 AM	5	3.5-4.0 M	Rick Van Doeren	952-897-3888
		8:30-10:00 AM	2	3.0 + MW	Skip Pederson	952-831-0684
		9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.0-3.5 W	Sandra Loewenstein	651-454-3699
		9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.5-4.0 W	Shirley Shimota	612-285-1699
		10:00-Noon	3	3.5 + MW	Dave Fridgen	612-521-4063
	Tue	8:00-9:30 AM	1	3.0-3.5 W	Carrie Howes	651-406-9583
	Wed	9:30-11:00 AM	2	3.0 + MW	Skip Pederson	952-831-0684
		1:00-2:30 PM	1	3.5-4.0 W	Mary Lou Dyrhaug	651-690-2094
	Thu	9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.0-3.5 W	Sandra Loewenstein	651-454-3699
		11:00-1:00	3	3.5 MW	Dave Fridgen	612-521-4063
	Fri	9:00-11:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Caryl Minnetti	952-884-5136
		10:00-11:30	1	3.5-4.0 W	Mary Rogers	952-927-8168
		10:30-12:30	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Mary Read	952-388-9847
Life Time Fitness Lakeville 18425 Dodd Blvd. 952-985-8800 Facility Coordinator: Bruce Abrahamson 952-461-2617 Players must pay facility (Life Time) membership fee	Mon	7:00-9:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Bruce Abrahamson	952-461-2617
	Tue					
	Wed					
	Thu					
	Fri					
PublicIndoorTennis.com 7833 Highway 65 N.E., Spring Lake Park, MN 55432. 763-231-3109. Facility Coordinator: Diane Lehman 651-488-6147	Mon	10:30-noon	4	3.0-3.5 MW	Lisa Nelson	763-560-6060
	Thu	8:30-10:30 AM	3	3.0-4.0 MW	Mike Schleeter	651-274-2011
					Gary Melby	763-755-7252
					Roberta Williams	651-631-1201
					Carol Pierce	763-424-6665

<p>Reed-Sweatt Family Tennis Center 4005 Nicollet Avenue S Minneapolis 612-825-6844 Facility Coordinator: Marv Schneider 952-540-6419</p> <p>NOTE: RSFTC has many open courts. If you need permanent court time for your group, call 612-825-6844</p>	Mon	7:00-9:00 AM	2	3.0 MW	Carol Thompson	952-929-0844
		8:30-10:00 AM	2	2.5-3.0 W	Joan Petroff	952-893-9149
		10:00-11:30 AM	3	3.0 MW	Julia French	612-872-4807
		11:00-12:30 PM	2	2.5 MW	Cleome Hennessy	763-767-9689
		11:30-1:30 PM	5	3.5-4.0 MW	Steve Keefe	612-331-0049
	Thue Rasmussen				651-917-0075	
	Tue	7:00-9:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Donna Peterson	952-270-7439
		9:00-10:30 AM	2	2.5 MW	Donna Borgerding	612-721-7038
		9:00-10:30 AM	3	3.0-3.5 M	Benton Randolph	612-889-9086
		9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.0-3.5 M	Ken Rich	612-377-4682
		10:30-Noon	3	2.5-3.0 MW	Dennis Moody	651-488-8124
		11:30-1:30 PM	1	3.5 MW	Joan Thomas	651-249-6992
		1:30-3:30 PM	2	3.0-4.0 MW	Marv Schneider	952-540-6419
	1:30-3:00 PM	2	3.5 W	Jean Murdock	952-941-5362	
	Wed	9:30-11:00 AM	3	3.0-4.0 W	Joanne Schmid	952-474-6022
		9:30-11:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Ronnae Garrity	952-938-0374
		10:30-Noon	2	3.0-3.5 W	Marsha Jarvela	612-790-1246
		11:30-1:30 PM	2	3.5-4.0 MW	Ken Landro	763-544-9757
						763-377-5597
	1:00-3:00 PM	2	3.5-4.0 M	Dick Mills	952-925-5851	
	Thu	7:00-8:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Dorothy Rossing	612-926-9199
		7:00-9:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Donna Peterson	952-270-7439
		8:30-10:00 AM	4	2.5-3.0 MW	Linda Wright	952-895-1142
	Bill Kruckeberg				952-926-3397	
	Fri	8:30-9:30 AM	1	2.5-3.0 W	Florence Halverson	952-835-5999
		9:00-10:30 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Ronnae Garrity	952-938-0374
		10:30-12:30 PM	3	3.0-3.5 M	Jim Uecker	763-412-7674
		10:30-12:30 PM	3	3.0-4.0 MW	Marv Schneider	952-540-6419
12:30-2:30 PM		6	3.5-4.0 MW	John Dickinson	763-533-9300	
	Steve Keefe			612-331-0049		
Mon	7:00-8:30 AM	3	3.0-3.5 W	Ginny Morse	612-288-9121	
	10:30-Noon	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Terry Clark	952-473-6296	
Tue	8:00-9:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Doug Reeder	952-934-8921	
	11:30-1:00 PM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Patrick Hurley	952-470-2110	
	2:30-4:00 PM	1	2.5-3.5 W	Peg Woellner	952-935-6187	
Wed	7:30-9:00 AM	2	2.5-3.0 W	Lois Kukuk	952-495-8067	
Thu	8:00-9:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 M	Dennis Henriksen	952-475-2795	
	1:00-2:30 PM	1	3.0-3.5 W	Jenny Caldwell	763-473-6015	
Fri	2:00-3:30 PM	2	3.0 MW	Arnie Nelson	763-473-2089	
Sat	3:00-5:00 PM	3	3.0-4.0 MW	Marv Schneider	952-540-6419	
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Getting started indoors— fall/winter

This issue of our newsletter contains the indoor tennis season schedule. The schedule is always available on our website, updated as needed. Look it over and decide where you want to play.

What are regular and substitute players?

A regular player makes a commitment to play every week at a particular place and time. The other people signed up at that location depend on you to show up so that there is the correct number of people present to play doubles on all courts. If you don't show up and

don't find a substitute to take your place, they're forced to play three on a court or singles, and that isn't fun.

If you want to play but can't make a commitment, you can be a substitute player. Substitutes play when regulars can't show up, for instance when they are on vacation or sick. You can sign up as a substitute at several times and locations to increase your chances of playing frequently.

How do I sign up to play?

First, look over the schedule. Find a location and time that looks good to you. Then call the captain listed and sign up as either a regular or substitute. Do this for as

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Your Name in Lights!

Donations Sought to Help Sustain and Grow STPC

The primary mission of STPC is to provide tennis-playing opportunities for people 50 and older to enhance their well-being and to support the growth of tennis. To accomplish our goals, we are starting a new donor program, and we need your help! **By making a tax-deductible donation to STPC, you can become a sustaining member and ensure that our club will remain financially fit. In return, you'll have the opportunity to have your name displayed on a banner and included as a sponsor of a training video, an E-blast, and printed club materials.**

In return for a \$100-\$500 donation, recognition will be awarded in four ways.



1. **Banner at a Local Tennis Facility** – Have your name featured on a banner at one of our partner facilities (such as Public Indoor Tennis) for an entire year (see photo above)
2. **New Video Webcast Lesson Program** – The video will include the following message: "This STPC video tip was made possible by (or is in honor of)..."
3. **Monthly E-Blast** - The e-mail will include the following message: "This monthly E-blast was made possible by (or is in honor of)..."
4. **Printed materials** – Printed club materials will display your name and be placed at several tennis venues throughout the Twin Cities. Your name will also be displayed on several hundred schedules distributed annually.

We have over 1,000 members who enjoy the many benefits of STPC:

- Over 200 hours of drills during the summer,
- Many low-cost clinics, open houses, and tournaments,
- Dozens of group play opportunities,
- Many fun social events throughout the year.

If you enjoy the many benefits of STPC and want the club to flourish for years to come, please consider becoming a sustaining member by donating today! Use the form on the next page to donate!

THANK YOU for your support of STPC! If you have any questions, please contact Julie Nelson, Name in Lights Chair, at oll.julienelson@hotmail.com or 651-402-1867.



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The 50+ tennis experience

Your Name in Lights Donor Form

Name _____

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Donation Amount

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(\$100 minimum to be a member of the "Your Name in Lights" program)

Please print how you would like to be referenced in our program on the line below.
(maximum of 30 letters)

Examples:

1. The James Family
2. Michael Lynn Tennis
3. In memory of _____.
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6. Johnson Realty 952 888 888
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Please send this form and your check made out to STPC to

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many groups as you wish.

How much does it cost?

The cost to play as a regular varies from location to location—captains can tell you just how much.

I still have questions—who should I talk to?

Talk to the court captains for more information on starting dates, fees, rotation of playing, and anything else about playing at that captain's location. Captains run their sessions differently.

What to do when time is short

By David Sommer

Playing indoors, we can run out of time. Here are two things you can do when you get near the end of your court time:

1. Play no-ad tennis. If score reaches 40-40, next point wins the game.

What's this about free lessons?

An important objective of STPC is to encourage more people over 50 to learn and appreciate tennis. So every member is entitled to low-cost lessons from our own STPC pros.

You don't have to commit to a set series of lessons—just pack your racquet and show up. Balls are provided.

There's a listing of lessons on our website. Check it out! If you have any questions about the lessons, just call the instructor listed in the schedule.

2. Use a **five-point tie-breaker**. This is sudden death. It differs from seven-point as follows: first server serves twice, then second server twice, etc., **except** if the score reaches 4-4 the last (fourth) server serves the final point (so he/she serves three times in this case). First to 5 wins. **Advantage:** no "lingering death"—you can win 5-4.

Example: 7 minutes remaining, game score 3-4. Agree to play a no-ad game. If that results in 3-5, you're done. Otherwise, do a five-point tiebreaker.