



# Senior Tennis Times

*The 50+ tennis experience* August 2018

## STPC welcomes our May and June new members

It is only through the recruitment efforts of our current members that allows STPC to grow and continue offering year round tennis opportunities like group play, drills, tournaments and social events. The club appreciates our members efforts - thank you!

It has been great to see new members using their reward card this summer. STPC encourages you to use your reward card when you attend drills or a social event this summer or fall. The card is good for three free drills and a social event or tournament. The August tennis picnic social event is free to members and guests, but consider using your reward card to attend the September Annual meeting social event. This is a fabulous opportunity for us to meet you! Please welcome these new members:

Marie Buethe	Jan Pettit	Jeff Storlie
Elizabeth Braman	Mike Kaszynski	Lois Sweeney
Rich Carmody	Ken Mathews	Diana Tollerson
Sangrail Deal	Tim McLane	Thomas Vasaly
Paul Densmore	Steve Obaid	Jennifer Weichert
Nora Elifson	Rosemary Pribyl	Sally Wherry
Mary Ann Geyen	Belinda Stevens	Steven Wollman

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## Good stuff on website

Lots of members still don't use the website! Quick primer: go to [seniortennismn.org](http://seniortennismn.org). Then...

Click on Play. In the drop-down, you can click on Tennis Schedules, where there are links to both group play and drills.

The Events Calendar is a quick way to find drills and events you might like.

## Prez Presents

**By Jon Holmgren, STPC President**

The summer is in full swing and I hope all of you are getting to enjoy group play, team tennis, drills and maybe a barbecue.

Please note the article about the fun we all had at the Dow this spring.

We're looking forward to seeing you at the annual picnic (August 17) and the Captains' Luncheon (September 22).

## Upcoming Events

### Summer Picnic—free!

Friday, August 17, 6:00-9:00

Augsburg Courts, 7145 Wentworth Ave S

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### Annual Luncheon & Captains' Appreciation

September 22, 11:00-2:00

Town & Country Club, St. Paul

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### Halloween Tennis Mixer

Friday, October 26, 2018, 7:00-10:00

Fred Wells Tennis & Education Center

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### Holiday Tennis Party

December 14, 2018, 7:00-10:00

Fred Wells Tennis & Education Center

*Save the date—details in November newsletter*

### Valentine Party

February 8, 2019

Fred Wells Tennis & Education Center

*Save the date—details in November newsletter*

Also try clicking on the About Us, then click on Tennis Resources, where you'll find the Rules of Tennis, The Code, and a list of Related Organizations, like USTA Northern.

**CAPTAINS! Be sure to check your entries in the indoor schedule—page 4.**

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Half page on back cover ..... 125/100  
Quarter page (3.7x4.9) ..... 70/50  
Eighth page (3.7x2.4) ..... 45/30  
Business card special ..... 30/20

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2-line ad (free for members only), Additional lines \$5/issue.

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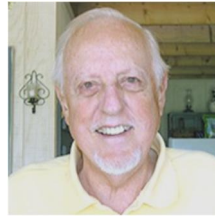


**SENIOR TENNIS PLAYERS CLUB**

## In Memory...

### Chris Meadows

Chris passed away quietly on Wednesday, May 16 after battling cancer for several years. Born in San Antonio, TX February 6, 1933, Chris was a clinical psychologist, a lover of art, a life-long tennis player and a woodworker. His book, A Psychological Perspective on Joy and Emotional Fulfillment, was published by Routledge in 2014. Chris was interested in and concerned about others to the very end of his life. His PhD was in the study of the relationship between psychology and theology, and he served on the faculties of United Theological Seminary in the Twin Cities and



Vanderbilt University in Nashville before becoming a full-time clinical psychologist. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Reid; his daughter, Wanda Lynn Meadows; his step-daughter, Meara Train; and several nieces and nephews.

### Duane Ryman

Duane passed away at home at the age of 89. STPC President Jon Holmgren: "After a long illness he was remembered at the Basilica of St. Mary's in Minneapolis by family and friends, both tennis players and not. As a coach and teacher Duane with his humor and knowledge of the game helped seniors and the Senior Tennis Players Club in many drills both at St Kate's in St Paul and at Williston in Minnetonka during the winter season. The Annual

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## 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:

David Sommer, 3657 17th Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55407

Email: [dsommer7@usiwireless.com](mailto:dsommer7@usiwireless.com).

Opinions expressed in articles, letters or advertisements are those of the author, and do not necessarily represent views of the newsletter editor or the Board or officers of STPC.

## Membership renewal time?

Is it time for you to renew your STPC membership? On the address label of this newsletter we have printed the expiration date of your membership. You may also see a message alerting you if your membership is expiring soon, or has already expired. Please renew if it is time to do so. You can renew via the website ([seniortennismn.org](http://seniortennismn.org)) or use the form to the right. Some explanation:

Your email address is needed so we can remind you to renew and to send you the monthly E-Update.

Enter your home address if it has changed.

Membership options: Printed & mailed newsletters are **included** as part of your basic membership. The only option is to get a printed and mailed Roster for \$4.

Send the form and your check to:

Sharon Gribble  
1381 West County Road B2  
Roseville, MN 55113



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

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

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You can view past issues of the newsletter on our web-site. Just click on About Us, then on Tennis Times Archive. To find a particular story, it may be easiest instead to use our index: About Us, then Tennis Times Index. Use the usual Search capability on your PC to find what you need. The Index currently goes back through 2008, but will continue to grow.

## Renewal Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Primary phone \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Skill level (1.0 to 4.5): \_\_\_\_\_

If your home address has changed, enter here:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Choose one of the following membership levels:

☐ Basic membership: \$30

☐ Basic membership + printed roster: \$34

## Players wanted

See also group play schedules page ??.

**Need 3.0-3.5 W** at Reed-Sweatt Wednesdays 10:30-12:00 (no rush hour traffic!) Regular, shared, sub positions. Looking for fun? Marsha 612-790-1246 or [marshajarvela@yahoo.com](mailto:marshajarvela@yahoo.com).

**Captains:** let the Editor know if you need a notice in this section.



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Contact David Sommer for details. 612-276-1313 or [dsommer7@usiwireless.com](mailto:dsommer7@usiwireless.com).

# Fall/Winter schedule 2018-2019

Up-to-date schedule is always on our website: [www.seniortennismn.org](http://www.seniortennismn.org)

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 is shown, call Thue Rasmussen.
- **Note: some captains are actively seeking subs and/or regulars.** Highlighting used as follows:

Regular players wanted	Subs wanted	Regulars and Subs wanted
<b>Play is usually September-April. Check with Captains for start/end dates. For corrections or changes to this schedule, contact David Sommer at 612-276-1313 or <a href="mailto:dsommer7@usiwireless.com">dsommer7@usiwireless.com</a></b>		

## ●● St. Paul Area ●●

Location	Day	Time	Cts	Skill	Captains	Phone
<b><u>St. Paul Indoor Tennis Club</u></b> 600 Desoto, St. Paul Facility coordinator Annette Adam 651-455-9319.	Mon	2:30-4:00 PM	3	2.5-3.5 MW	Lois Brink	612-251-5650
	Wed	7:00-9:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Annette Adam	651-455-9319
	Thu	9:00-10:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 M	Woody Gillette	651-436-2614
	Fri	7:00-9:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Annette Adam	651-455-9319
<b><u>Wooddale Recreation Center</u></b> 2122 Wooddale Dr, Woodbury 651-209-9768 Facility Coordinator: needed.	Mon	8:30-10:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Fred Johnson	651-459-6258
		10:00-Noon	2	3.0-3.5 M	Woody Gillette	651-436-2614
	Fri	8:30-10:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Ron Leitner	651-739-9732

## ●● Minneapolis Area ●●

Location	Day	Time	Cts	Skill	Captains	Phone
<b><u>Baseline Club</u></b> 1815 4th St SE, Minneapolis 612-625-1433 Facility coordinator: Thue Rasmussen 651-917-0075	Mon	10:00-Noon	2	3.5+ MW	David Sommer	612-276-1313
	Wed	10:30-Noon	2	3.0 MW	Louise Halverson	612-722-7132
	Thu	9:30-11:30 AM		3.5+ MW	David Sommer	612-276-1313
		10:00-11:00	1	2.5 W	Peg Houck	651-645-4453
<b><u>Fred Wells Tennis and Education Center</u></b> 100 Federal Drive, Ft. Snelling. 612-252-8367 Facility Coordinator George Burbie 651-688-2338 or 651-442-6704	Mon	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
	Tue	8:00-9:30 AM	1	2.5-3.0 MW	Marilyn Woolley	651-452-1691
	Wed	9:30-11:00 AM	2	3.0+ MW	Skip Pederson	952-831-0684
	Thu	9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.0-3.5 W	Sandra Loewenstein	651-454-3699
	Fri	9:00-10:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Shar Kiecker Nancy Harris	952-890-1470 952-891-1239
		10:30-12:30 PM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Nancy Read	952-388-9847
<b><u>PublicIndoorTennis.com</u></b> 7833 Highway 65 N.E., Spring Lake Park, 763-231-3109. Facility Coordinator: Diane Lehman 651-488-6147	Mon	1:00-3:00 PM	4	3.5-4.0 MW	Gary Melby	763-755-7252
	Thu	8:30-10:30 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Gary Melby	763-755-7252
		10:30-Noon	3	2.5-3.0 MW	Robert Williams Carol Pierce	651-631-1201 763-424-6665

<b><u>InnerCity Tennis</u></b> 4005 Nicollet Avenue S Minneapolis. 612-825-6844 Facility Coordinator: Marv Schneider 952-540-6419	Mon	<b>NOTE: RSFTC has many open courts. If you need permanent court time for your group, call the tennis desk at 612-825-6844.</b>				
		7:00-8:30 AM	3	3.5-4.0 MW	Rick Van Doeren	952-897-3888
		7:00-9:00 AM	2	3.0 MW	Carol Thompson	952-929-0844
		8:30-10:00 AM	1	2.5-3.0 W	Diane Hurley	612-866-0301
		10:00-11:30 AM	3	3.0 W	Bonnie Bolton	612-922-9290
		11:00-12:30 PM	2	2.5 MW	Charlotte Grantier	952-934-3425
		11:30-1:30 PM	5	3.5-4.0 MW	Brian Kretsch	651-645-6399
					Garfield Clark	612-868-8314

Tue	7:00-8:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Ann Barten	612-724-0712
	9:00-10:30 AM	2	2.5 MW	Donna Borgerding	612-721-7038
	9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.5 MW	Fred Sewell	612-285-3216
	9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.0-3.5 MW	Ken Rich	612-377-4682
	10:30-Noon	3	2.5-3.0 MW	Dennis Moody	651-488-8124
	1:30-3:00 PM	2	3.5 W	Gwen Orstad Mary Gleason	952-285-6948 612-925-2026
Wed	9:30-11:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 W	Bonnie Bolton	612-922-9290
	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	4	3.0-3.5 MW	Jean Robbins Charlie Robbins	952-738-1704 952-934-0209
	8:30-10:00 AM	2	2.5-3.0 MW	Linda Wright Bill Kruckeberg	952-895-1142 952-926-3397
	9:00-10:30 AM	2	3.5 MW	David Butler	612-798-0402
Fri	10:30-12:30 PM	3	3.0-3.5 M	George Foulkes	952-544-9242
	12:30-2:30 PM	6	3.5-4.0 MW	John Dickinson	763-533-9300

**Williston Fitness and Sports**

14509 Minnetonka Drive,  
Minnetonka  
Facility Coordinator Bryan  
Kennedy 763-404-2691 or  
763-449-6419

Mon	7:00-8:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 W	Sharon Engel	763-383-0575
	8:30-10:00 AM	1	3.0 MW	Arnie Nelson	763-473-2089
Tue	8:00-9:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Doug Reeder	952-934-8921
Thu	7:30-9:30 AM	2	3.0-4.0 MW	Marv Schneider	952-540-6419
	1:00-2:30 PM	1	3.0-3.5 W	Jenny Caldwell	763-473-6015
Fri	2:00-3:30 PM	1	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

## Celebrate Summer

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

**When:** Friday, August 17, 6:00-9:00

**Where:** Richfield, Augsburg Courts, 7145  
Wentworth Av. S., Richfield

**Reservations:** None. This event is for STPC  
members and guests.

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

**Potluck:** Bring your own beverages, a dish to  
share, chairs and your racquet!



# Senior Tennis Players Club

## Outdoor Drill Season: May through August 2018

COACH	DAY	TIME	PLACE	COST
Roger Boyer 612-802-5719 <a href="mailto:Rogerboyer2@Gmail.Com">Rogerboyer2@Gmail.Com</a>	Tue & Thu	9:00-10:30 AM Begins May 1st	Utley Park Wooddale & 50th St., Edina	\$8
Dilcia Pederson 612-824-6099 Dil- <a href="mailto:cia.Pederson@Innercitytennis.org">cia.Pederson@Innercitytennis.org</a>	Mon & Wed	6:30-8:00 PM Begins May 2nd	Donaldson Park 35W West Frontage Rd, Richfield Just north of 76th St.	\$5
Denny Wagner 612-578-8477 <a href="mailto:Dennis8477@Gmail.Com">Dennis8477@Gmail.Com</a>	Wed	6:30-8:00 PM Begins May 2nd	Breck High School 123 Ottawa Ave N, Minneapolis	\$5
ICT/Reed-Sweatt Tennis Center 612-825-6844 <a href="http://www.Innercitytennis.org">www.Innercitytennis.org</a>  <b>Call to reserve a place!</b>	Mon & Wed	June 11 – Aug 29 50+ Drills: 8:30-9:30, 2.5-3.25 players 9:30-10:30, 3.5+ players	4005 Nicollet Ave S, Minneapolis	\$10
	Fri	June 15 – Aug 31 50+ Drills: 9:00-10:30 2.0-3.5 players		\$13
Fred Wells Tennis Center 612-252-8367 <a href="http://www.fwtec.org">www.fwtec.org</a>	Tue	2:00-3:30 PM Senior Drill	100 Federal Drive So. <b>Call to reserve a place</b>	\$13

## Indoor Drill Season: September, 2018 through April, 2019

Location	Day	Time	Instructor	Fee*
<b>InnerCity Tennis.</b> Reservations required. Call 612-825-6844	Mon	1:30-3:00 PM	Dilcia Pederson	\$15
	Tue	9:00-10:00 AM 2.5-3.25 players	Staff	\$10
		9:00-10:00 AM 3.5+ players	Staff	\$10
	Wed	11:00-noon All levels	Staff	\$10
		1:30-3:00 PM All levels	Dilcia Pederson	\$15
	Thu	9:00-10:00 AM 2.5-3.25 players	Staff	\$10
		9:00-10:00 AM 3.5+ players	Staff	\$10
	Fri	9:00-10:30 AM 2.0-3.5 players	Roger Boyer	\$15
<b>Fred Wells</b> Reservations required. Call 612-252-8367, ext. 0	Tue	2:00-3:30 PM	Staff	\$12
<b>Williston</b> Reservations not required	Wed	7:00-8:30 PM	Dennis Wagner	\$13



# STPC Annual Celebration

All members welcome! **Captains free!**

Captains' Recognition & Jack Dow Trophy

Saturday, September 22, 11:00 am - 2:30 pm

Town & Country Club • 300 Mississippi River Boulevard N, St. Paul, Minnesota

## Schedule of Events

Master of ceremonies: Jon Holmgren

11:00 am Social Hour

12:00 pm Luncheon

1:00 pm: Welcome, introduction of Board members, Jack Dow Trophy presentation by Pam Campbell.

1:25 pm: Speaker: Esther Tsai, Executive Director, Fred Wells Tennis & Education Center

2:00 pm: Recognition of Captains

2:15 pm: Treasurer's report

2:25 pm: Closing by Jon Holmgren

## Luncheon Menu

*Greens & Gorgonzola Salad: chicories, pears, gorgonzola, polenta, croutons, cranberries, shallot vinaigrette*

*Dark Roast Coffee and Hot or Iced Tea Available Upon Request*

*Assorted Rolls and Butter*

**Entrée~** *Minnesota Chicken Breast, Wild Rice Gremolata, Scallion Cream*

*Dutch Style Chocolate Mousse*

**OR**

**Vegetarian:** *Classic Italian Spring Pasta*

*Italian Barilla Pasta, Spring Peas, Garlic, Asparagus, Broth, Aged Cheese*

*Our speaker,  
Esther Tsai,  
Executive Director  
FWTEC.*



## Directions to Town & Country Club

**From I94:** Take the Cretin Avenue/Vandalia Street exit (exit 237) and turn south onto Cretin Avenue. Turn right onto Marshall Avenue. Turn right onto Otis Ave, then left into parking.

**From south suburbs:** I494 east to Hwy 5. East across river and exit to Edgumbe. Follow Edgumbe to left on St. Paul Ave, which becomes Cleveland by Ford Parkway. Cleveland to Marshall. Turn left onto Marshall. Turn right on Otis Ave. Clubhouse parking is first driveway on left.

**From Minneapolis:** Take Lake Street east across river. It becomes Marshall. Take left on Otis Ave (one short block from river). Clubhouse parking is first driveway on left.

**Send reservation form by Monday September 10 with check for \$25 (Captains: FREE!) payable to STPC to Pam Campbell, 4934 Bryant Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55419.**

**Please call to cancel if unable to attend: Pam Campbell, 612-822-0567.**

**(Cancellations accepted up to Friday, Sept 14)**

**Annual Celebration reservation form for members and guests**

**Saturday September 22, 11:00 am - 2:30 pm. Cost: \$25 (captains free)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Vegetarian

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Vegetarian

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Important: check "Vegetarian" as needed.**

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# Halloween Tennis Mixer

**Where: Fred Wells Tennis & Education Center**

**When: Friday night, October 26, 7:00-10:00 PM**

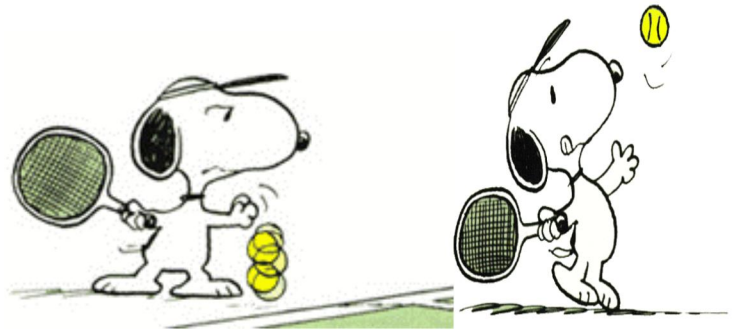
**What: Come to play, eat, and socialize.**

Courts, balls, and treats for an amazing \$15.00

Mail checks payable to STPC to:

Nancy Tarbox, 5128 Juanita Ave, Edina, MN 55424. Questions: 952-927-9368

Registration ends October 23



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## Our Weekly Tennis Drills— your chance to play better tennis

**By Dennis Hykes, our Drills Organizer**

Our members join STPC for various reasons. For many, it's the opportunity for weekly group play. For others, perhaps the social events. But for a fair number of our members, participating regularly in weekly tennis drills is part of their standard tennis routine and a major reason they join or remain members of the Club.

As has been the case for many years, your Club continues to sponsor its own low-cost tennis drills year-round, on an organized basis, with certified instructors.

During this past indoor season we offered and underwrote a weekly tennis drill on Wednesday evenings under the instruction of Dennis Wagner, at the Williston Fitness Center in Minnetonka.

And now, during the outdoor season, we are offering five drills each week. On Monday and Wednesday evenings Instructor Dil Pederson leads drills from 6:30-8:00 PM. at Donaldson Park in Richfield. On Tuesdays and Thursdays Instructor Roger Boyer leads drills from 9:00-10:30 AM at Utey Park in Edina. And on



Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 PM, Dennis Wagner leads a drill on the courts at Breck School, Golden Valley.

All drills are open to players of all levels, with no reservation required. Players just show up, ready to play.

The fee for the evening drills at Donaldson Park and Breck School is \$5, the fee for the morning Utey Park drills is \$8.

Happily, participation in our Club drill program is strong. Average participation per drill for the two months of June and July is up 30% compared to last year. And we had an acceptable turnout for our Williston drills this past winter. However, hosting at Williston is an expensive proposition for your Club, so the Board is now taking a fresh look at our tennis drill plan for the 2018-2019 indoor season. Final plans will be announced soon.

In addition to our Club-sponsored drills, our STPC website regularly lists senior drills offered at the Reed-Sweatt Family Tennis Center (Inner City Tennis), and the Fred Wells Tennis and Education Center at Fort Snelling. These drills are held on weekday mornings and afternoons year-round, at reasonable cost.

Consider participating in our tennis drill program—it's your chance to play better tennis, plus it's fun!

# Results of the 2018 Jack Dow Round Robin

The Jack Dow round robin was held May 1-4. There were 39 doubles teams playing in three divisions: 3.0, 3.5, and 4.0.

## Division winners

- 3.0 Men** 1st David Minke and Mark Simpson, 2nd Doug Anders and Paul Broman
- 3.0 Women** 1st Mary Alice Noel and Michelle Caulfield, 2nd Dorothy Cartier and Sue Nissen
- 3.0 Mixed** 1st Ann Barten and John Humphrey, 2nd Jan Pettit and Mike Erickson
- 3.5 Men** 1st Paul Thomas and Tony Rau, 2nd Larry Baron and Thue Rasmussen
- 3.5 Women** 1st Mary Fleming and Julie Rau, 2nd Carol Rothe and Marilyn Kelley
- 3.5 Mixed** 1st Mara Rozenburgs and Brian Kretsch, 2nd Shannon Smith and Mike Schneider
- 4.0 Men** 1st Bob Brose and Don Harnish, 2nd Nat Fuller and Joel Johnson
- 4.0 Mixed** 1st Megan Bennett and Steve Bruell, 2nd Sheila Bjore and Mike Woolsey

STPC extends a thank you to the volunteers who made the four-day event possible.

- Huge thank you to Jim Handy for leading the volunteers and laying out the details for each day.
- Hats off to Pam Campbell for her hard work in promoting the Dow, handling the registrations and providing support in all areas.
- Pam Campbell and Nancy Tarbox worked the registration desk during the Dow and made everyone feel welcomed!
- Jon Holmgren & Jim Handy captured the great photos of the doubles teams.
- Refreshments are always appreciated and kudos to Brian Kretsch for his outstanding efforts in arranging the snacks and drinks for all participants – delicious and much appreciated by all!
- Marilyn Kelley and David Sommer worked behind the scenes promoting the event!

Without the volunteers this event would not have been possible!

Below, pictures of many participants, including winners.



**3.0 Men:** 1st: David Minke, Mark Simpson



**3.0 Men:** 2nd: Paul Broman, Doug Anders



**3.0 Women:** 1st Mary Alice Noel and Michelle Caulfield, 2nd Dorothy Cartier and Sue Nissen.



**3.0 Mixed:** 2nd Mike Erickson, Jan Pettit; 1st Ann Barten and John Humphrey



**3.5 Men:** 2nd Thue Rasmussen, Larry Baron; 1st Paul Thomas, Brian Kretsch.



**3.5 Women:** 1st Julie Rau, Mary Fleming; 2nd Carol Rothe, Marilyn Kelley.



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**3.5 Mixed:** 1st Brian Kretsch, Mara Rozenburgs; 2nd Shannon Smith, Mike Schneider



**4.0 Men:** 1st Don Harnish, Bob Brose; 2nd Nat Fuller, Joel Johnson



**4.0 Mixed:** 1st Steve Bruell, Megan Bennett; 2nd Sheila Bjore, Mike Woolsey

## Why does STPC sponsor the Jack Dow Round Robin?

Jack Dow is credited not only with founding the Senior Players Tennis Club (STPC) but also with its long-term success. Dow passed away in 1996 at the age of 89. He loved the game of tennis, and played five to seven times a week. Following his death, STPC initiated a tournament/round robin in his name, which is held annually. The Jack Dow family continues to generously sponsor the event financially with an annual donation. To further honor STPC's founder, every year the Jack Dow traveling trophy is presented to a member whose attitude, character, sportsmanship, enthusiasm and service best typify the ideals of STPC. The Jack Dow recipient is honored at the STPC Annual Meeting. This year's annual meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 22 from 11:00-2:30 at Town and Country Club, 300 N Mississippi River Blvd. St. Paul. Save the date!

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STPC luncheon in April of 2017 honored him for his long time service.

Duane was for many years an STPC tennis pro. He also volunteered as a “roving official” at our Jack Dow tournaments. The rest of this article about Duane is a remembrance by his daughter Kelly:

Hi David. My mom gave me your letter and asked that I send you some details about my dad for the article. We are so touched that you want to write a tribute for him. As a family we knew he was somebody who was truly special, but honestly, it was his treasured friends that kept him on earth for so long. He **loved** people and he loved keeping busy.

Tennis was so much a part of his life and he was always playing or teaching so I’m kind of fuzzy on all the details of tennis. When Northwest Racquet Club was being established by Harvey Ratner and Marv Wolfenson in the 70’s he joined immediately. Well, three people got there before he did because his member was 0004. He was so proud of that number!

Duane was born January 5, 1932 in Aberdeen, South Dakota. Duane’s own father died when he was just six years old, and he quickly learned important life lessons from his widowed mother as she faced raising her family with meager resources. The necessity of hard work, the power of self-reliance and giving to those less fortunate, expecting nothing in return.

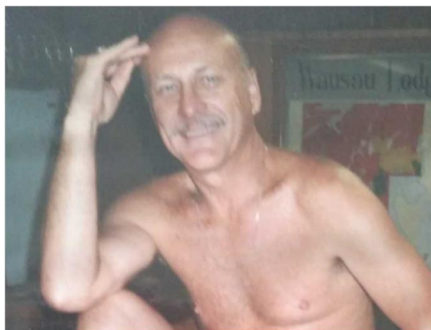
A 1950 graduate of Aberdeen Central High School, he was a gifted athlete, especially in track where he held a long-standing state record in the 100 yard dash. He was also on the football team, baseball and taught swimming lessons at the Y. He said that being raised without a father to guide him was leading him to trouble so he got involved in sports to keep him grounded and focused. His original career goal was to be a high school athletic coach in his hometown. He received a partial scholarship to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln for his outstanding track record.

He spent six months at UNL but he said that his scholarship didn’t pay for all of his tuition and he knew his mom couldn’t pay the rest so he moved back to Aberdeen and went to Northern University in Aberdeen. My mom says he moved back because he missed her so much but you can use whichever story you want if you even put this in.

He was trying to avoid getting drafted but his number

came up and he couldn’t get out of going into the service because his grades were C level and he wasn’t able to convince the draft board that he was a scholar who should stay in school rather than go to war. (His words, not mine)

He said he didn’t want to join the Army and sleep in the dirt so he joined the Navy. Even though he said he



**Duane’s favorite picture**

didn’t like the Navy I think he secretly did. He still has his Navy Uniform; he wore his Navy ballcap everywhere so people would thank him for his service and he certainly **never** missed an opportunity to take advantage of a military discount if one was offered. He also bought a tiny little Styrofoam sailboat that he would take to Lake Nokomis and then moved up to a 21 foot sailboat that he enjoyed on Lake Minnetonka, so all in all the Navy gig worked for him.

He left the Navy, married Patty, moved to Minnesota and resumed college at the U of M. He was a member of Sigma Chi (known then and still now for always throwing a good party.) It was the perfect fit for Duane as he was always up for an opportunity to have a good time with good friends and meet new people all on the same night!

He had a rewarding and successful career in the paper industry, starting at Nationwide Papers after graduation and (reluctantly) retired as Regional District Manager at Wausau Papers in 1999.

On January 2, 2000 he decided retirement wasn’t really his thing so with his unending zest for life and his love of tennis, Duane became a USPTA certified tennis instructor and taught and volunteered his time teaching the game of tennis. He taught at Golden Valley Country Club for a few years, volunteered at Inner City Tennis in Minneapolis teaching the game of tennis to youth and also gave private lessons to students.

The next career move was one of his proudest moments, when he was hired at Northwest Racquet and Swim as a tennis instructor. He was terrified when Northwest sold to Lifetime Fitness (LTF) and was told he would need to reapply for his position. He was so worried that he wouldn’t be rehired because of his age. Duane of course aced the interview and proudly wore his official LTF warm-up uniform at work and pretty much all the time everywhere else! Dad brag here: In 2008 the Lifetime Fitness in Saint Louis Park club had been closed for a month for a remodel. On a Friday

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night in June they had a gala grand opening to welcome back the members. It was a huge event to show off the new club and Duane was selected to give Bahram Akradi, owner of Lifetime Fitness, a tennis lesson for the members to watch. He was so proud of that moment.

He would teach group lessons at parks and I know he taught some classes at Breck School and of course he taught Senior Tennis at Williston for many years. He was always reading tennis magazines and watching tennis instructional videos to keep his lessons fresh and interesting with drills and group sessions. He went to annual events sponsored by USPTA to keep up with the new trends in technique to keep his students engaged and motivated. He loved teaching at Williston but Parkinson's was affecting his voice and speech and he worried that his students wouldn't be able to hear or understand him. It was with much regret that he needed to retire, yet again, from his second career that he loved so much.

I was looking through his desk drawer and I came across a stack of gold stickers that really described how he genuinely lived his life. They read "I shall pass thru this world but once. Any good that I can do, or any kindness that I can show any human being, let me do it

now and not defer it. For I shall not pass this way again." — Stephen Grellet. He lived those words every day of his life. One of his strongest values was to "not sweat the small stuff" and enjoy every day that God gives us. In February of this year his USPTA dues were expiring and he renewed his membership. He hadn't played or taught tennis for nearly a year, he was using a walker, his health was declining and he was definitely slowing down (for the first time in his life), but I thought it was the best money he ever spent.

### **Scott Zimmerman**

Scott Zimmerman, age 63, passed away at Methodist Hospital May 18th at 8 PM. Raised in Redwood Falls by Tony and Donna Zimmerman, he is survived by his loving family: wife Elaine Koyama, sons Tom (Paige Ties) and Lee, daughter Maiya (Tony) Strouth, grandsons Everett and Silas. Also survived by his mother Donna and sisters Dawn (Jo) and Sherry (Jim) Becker.

