

Senior Tennis Players Club, Inc.

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MIXED DOUBLES COMPETITION

The Senior Tennis Players Club announces a mixed doubles competition to be played beginning April 15. This is sponsored by Kokesh Athletic & Golf Supply, an outstanding athletic equipment company with four stores in this area, and will be called the KOKESH CLASSIC. Kokesh already has a juniors tennis program going and now adds seniors.

Kokesh has agreed to pay the annual dues of the first 100 members coming into our program, or \$1,200, and will encourage its own customers to become members. Further, Kokesh will furnish trophies to both winners and runners-up. No game scores are to be reported, only winners of the matches.

There will be twelve divisions: ages 50-60, AB and C divisions; 60-70, AB and C; 70 and up, AB and C; and a new division for beginners, AB and C. This time your partner can be any age, but you must play in the age category of the younger player. For example, a man 65 with a partner 55 will play in the 50-60 age group. This will permit more husbands and wives to play together.

This kind of formal competition can be a lot more fun than just routinely playing weekly, as most of us do, and we hope that with our increased membership plus the Kokesh members joining the club, we will have entries in the KOKESH CLASSIC of perhaps up to 200 players. Pick your partners now. Entry forms will be in the March and April newsletters. Entries will close April 10, 1987.

Pairings and play supervision will be handled by our own Ruth Van Hilst, as in the past. Let's all make the KOKESH CLASSIC an adventure! We are working on special rates if the play is indoors, and there should be some outdoor play possible if the weather is warm and clear in April. Good luck.

John W. Crow, Vice President, Tournaments



MORE LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS

Added to the schedule of lessons and drills for beginners is a new series on Friday mornings, 10-11:30, at The New Sports & Health Club, 7624 Boone Avenue North, Brooklyn Park, 425-5880. Pro Connie Custodio will be the instructor. These are free. No reservations are necessary--just show up and you'll be on your way to playing this lifetime sport.



TENNIS CLUB MEMBER OF THE MONTH

My lifelong thanks to the one person that has spent at least sixty hours a week doing things that I cannot do that are necessary, and serving as our unpaid secretary. You probably won't believe it, but our club has cost her many thousands of dollars yearly over the past five years.

Strangely enough though an old-time tennis player, she is not a member of the club. I can excuse her for not having a real warm feeling about the club and for not going to all our activities because she has been robbed of so many hours of her favorite relative and the other members of her family. Even so, she keeps working without pay and without complaint (usually). I am speaking of my closest elative, Jane Parker Dow.

I hope all of our members will salute her and mentally thank her for what she has done for all of us.

Jack Dow, President

GINNY OWENS PROMOTES SENIOR TENNIS AT THE NWTA CONVENTION

The Northwest Tennis Association held its annual convention January 17, 1987 at the Sheraton-Park Place Hotel. David McGill, in charge of the schools program for the NWTA, included Ginny Owens, member of our club and employee of the Northwest Tennis Clubs, in his seminar. Henry Talbert, USTA national coordinator of the seniors program, was in attendance.

Ginny appreciates the time given her by David McGill. She talked on the benefits to seniors that beginners' tennis lessons are providing, that tennis lessons "are not only a drawing card to attract members, but equally important is that tennis has opened a whole new vista for people who are lonely and have nothing to do."

Ginny thanked the NWTA and the USTA for their past support and mentioned that support is still needed before we are self-sufficient.

From the Editor About the Next Newsletter

I'm taking a vacation the last two weeks in February. We do plan to get out a March newsletter nevertheless, so all contributors please note. Mary Peterson will accept your March news copy and ads. Send material in writing by February 20 to:

Mary Peterson c/o Land O'Lakes, Inc. P.O. Box 116 Minneapolis, MN 55440

If you have questions, call Mary at (w) 481-2777 or (h) 561-9025.

A little about Mary-she has been associate editor of the newsletter for as long as I have been editor. When I finish writing and typing, she keylines and produces the end result as you see it, then turns the work over to the printer with her instructions. I know you join me in saying "thanks" to Mary for her important contribution to our little paper.

TENNIS TIPS By Virginia Morgan

Some ways to improve your game:

- Watch matches on TV.
- 2. Rent or buy VCR tapes on tennis instructions or matches.
- 3. Read tennis magazines.
- Attend camps and clinics.
- 5. Read books on the game.
- Join leagues and clubs.
- Play in tournaments.
 Take lessons from pros.
- 9. Play with different people.
- Join the USTA. It is a great re-source center and has numerous books on all phases of the game.
- 11. Practice hitting against a wall or a backboard.

Practice! Practice! Practice!



notice

To those who haven't paid their 1987 dues: Dues have been increased to \$12 for individuals, but are still \$20 for couples.

We don't want to lose you as a member, so make your check (\$12 for an individual, \$20 for a couple) payable to Senior Tennis Players Club, Inc. and send to:

> Elsa Hutchinson, Treasurer 6927 Langford Drive Edina, MN 55436

Everything stops when dues aren't paid, and this is your last newsletter if we don't receive your dues.

--Membership Committe

Attention all members. Are you having a problem with your tennis strokes? I'd like to help and even though I'm out of circulation for a while, I'd welcome your phone calls (545-9184) and we can talk about your problem.

My hip surgery the first week of January was successful and I'll be back "cracking the whip" over the beginners in about six weeks. Meanwhile, Virginia Morgan is continuing the beginners' lessons regularly at the Nicollet Tennis Center Tuesday mornings from 10-11:30.

Thanks to so many of you for your cards, visits and phone calls. I was overwhelmed by your thoughtfulness...so was the hospital receptionist. When I left she said, "Hooray, you're leaving. Now I won't have to take care of all those phone calls and all that mail!"

P.H.

bulletin board

More 3.5 and above players are welcome every Tuesday morning from 9-11 at Wooddale. Call Lois Nordman, 735-6214.

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Please delete from your schedule: Wednesdays at Tonka from 12:30 to 2:30.

NEW MEMBERS

DON'T KNOW HOW TO GO ABOUT STARTING TO PLAY TENNIS? DON'T KNOW HOW TO GO ABOUT LEARNING TO PLAY TENNIS?

LESSONS AND DRILLS FOR BEGINNERS

Da <i>y</i>	Time	Location	Instructor	Phone
<u>Monday</u>	6:30 - 8:00 pm		Pat Aller few days ahead with a an't make it, cancel	
	6:30 - 8:00 pm	Wooddale	Virginia Morgan	459-6059
Tuesday	10:00 - 11:30 am 6:00 - 7:30 pm	Nicollet Normandale	Percy Hughes Peter Durand	545-9184 831-2660
Thursday	6:00 - 7:30 pm	Normandale	Peter Durand	831-2660
Friday	10:00 - 11:30 am	New Sports & Health Club	Connie Custodio	425-5880

Twelve lessons are free except at Normandale--\$1.50 is charged for court time. For more information, please call the instructor.

The following is a list of court locations and people to call for permanent court time at a cost of \$4 to \$5 per person for two hours, 40% to 50% less than the regular cost. Before playing, be sure to contact the organizer by phone to be placed on the regular players' or substitutes' list. If the courts are filled, a good way to start is to sign up as a substitute, and substitutes are in demand.

Decathlon Athletic Club 7800 Cedar Avenue South, Bloomington	Laurene Wastvedt, 944-3166
Flagship Athletic Club 755 Prairie Center Drive, Eden Prairie	Ethel Trebil, 926-0978
Lilydale Racquet Club 945 Sibley Memorial Highway, Lilydale	Rhea McBride, 457-4109
Medalist Sports Club 1515 Brewster Street, Saint Paul	Mary LeClair, 646-1165
Nicolet Tennis Center 4005 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis	Grayce Aberle, 938-9097 Marguerite Sutter, 926-7455 Al Mohr, 722-8339
Normandale Sports & Health Club 5250 West 84th Street, Bloomington	Chuck Supplee, 888-0551
Tonka Sports & Health Club 14509 Minnetonka Drive, Minnetonka	Chuck Britzius, 473-3015
Wooddale Tennis & Health Club 2122 Wooddale Drive, Woodbury	Lois Nordman, 735-6214

For more information on schedules and exact fees, or to sign up, call the persons listed. They'll be glad to talk with you.

I NEED GUIDANCE!

At present, I am writing children's stories as an amateur, but eventually hope to cross "over the fence" to the professional side of the pasture.

Is there an illustrator and perhaps a seasoned writer out there to lend a hand and give me some pointers and feedback.

I would love to pursue this career.

Lilyanne Garden 476-6485

ORIGINAL FOOD TABS

Do you want to lose weight, stress, stop smoking, have more energy? Try ORIGINAL FOOD TABS (20 cals ea). Jean Stevens 224-3414/Kate Fredrickson 297-8491.

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