

Senior Tennis

TIMES

* * FROM THE PRESIDENT * *

For your information and out of an interest in everybody's protection, by policy we are going to exclude alcoholic beverages from our beverage list at all events under the Club's sponsorship.

RENEWAL MEMBERSHIPS

Oops...we made an error! We forgot to put a renewal application in the January issue, and we must have a completed application. So here's one in case you haven't sent it with your check. Remember, mail to:

Joyce Maul
6730 Vernon Avenue 207
Edina, MN 55436

JOE STOUTENBURGH

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

ANNUAL MEETING AND BALL
Minneapolis Hilton Hotel
1330 Industrial Boulevard at 35W North
Friday, April 10, 1990
Dine & Dance to the Music of Percy Hughes

BEGINNERS LOVED IT

"LET'S DO IT AGAIN!" was the unanimous response January 14 at the Williston Tennis Club after 40 beginner tennis players spent two hours on the courts learning the basics of doubles play. The sentiment was echoed on January 21 at the Wooddale Recreation Center by 36 beginner tennis players. STPC Board members and instructors volunteered their time, and with a ratio of six students per court, all received in-depth attention.

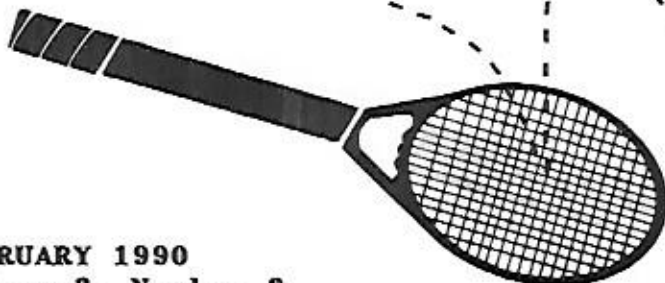
The February sessions for all STPC beginning players will be Saturday, February 17, 4-6 p.m. at the Williston Tennis Club, 14509 Minnetonka Drive, Minnetonka, 935-8638, and then on Sunday, February 18, 11-1 p.m. At the Wooddale Recreation Center, 2122 Wooddale Drive, Woodbury, 735-6214.

Four dollars will be collected at the door; light refreshments will be served.

Call Ginny Owens at 546-9666 (w) or 924-9233 (h), or Dick Pratt, 433-3583. Please leave your name and phone number on our answering machines.

GINNY OWENS

(See pictures on another page.)



GOLDEN AGERS GROUP BEING FORMED

The board of directors has begun plans to recognize those members of the club who have achieved the age of 80 or greater. The plans call for the creation of a special group within the club who can get together on a regular basis to play tennis. The group will be called the "Golden Agers."

All of those who have reached the golden age of 80 and express interest will be invited to a party this month to participate in the formation of the group, play some tennis and enjoy refreshments. Dick Pratt, our vice president, schedules coordinator, will work with them on choosing a place to play, setting up a schedule and roster, and selecting a captain.

If you would like to join the "Golden Agers," just fill in the form below and MAIL IT TODAY! You will be called with the date, time and place of the party just as soon as possible. Tell your friends in the club who qualify to send in the form, too.

GOLDEN AGERS FORMATION PARTY

Yes, I'm interested in joining the Golden Agers. Please call me with the date, time and place.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

MAIL TODAY TO:
Dick Pratt, Vice President
Senior Tennis Players Club
12080 Lakamaga Trail North
Marine-On-St. Croix, MN 55047

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO A PRINCE OF A FELLOW"

was the greeting on the cake as 40 Senior Tennis Club students from Ginny Owens' and Percy Hughes' lessons surprised Roger Boyer on December 28 at the Nicollet Tennis Center. Rog had again joined the group to present his third annual holiday tennis clinic, an event that has become the highlight of our season of lessons.

The clinic ended with a volley contest for prizes. The grand winner was Ted Hartmann, who won a new Prince tennis racquet.

Rog, who is the regional representative for Prince Manufacturing Company and a local teaching pro, was extended a special invitation to join the STPC when he reaches the magic age of 50. All agreed, "Rog is a Prince of a fellow."





TENNIS TIPS

By Virginia Morgan

How to Improve Your Game

1. Watch matches on TV.
2. Check public libraries for tennis instruction films. Rent or buy VCR tapes. The Northwestern Tennis Association rents films for a fee. Call 546-0703.
3. Read tennis magazines.
4. Attend camps and clinics.
5. Read books on the game.
6. Join leagues and clubs.
7. Play in tournaments.
8. Take lessons from pros.
9. Play with different people.
10. Join the USTA. It's a great resource center and has books on all phases of the game.
11. Practice hitting against a wall or a backboard.

Practice! Practice! Practice!

Opening a New Can of Balls

Note the instructions on the top of the can. Pull the tab straight up to relieve the air pressure, turn the can around, put your thumb in the center of the lid, peel back and up. Please be careful--the lid is very sharp.

After opening a new can of balls, use a permanent marking pen to print your initial or initials (or other mark) on all three balls.

Doubles Position

Playing one up (at net) and one back (near baseline) will work best when opponents play that way; however, as you advance, try to serve and come in so you and your partner are both at the net as that is where most points are won. If opponents successfully lob you, don't play too close to the net. If it continues, play from baseline. Try to return the ball so they don't have time to throw up a good lob: hitting deep into their court, hitting to their weak side (usually backhand), hitting crosscourt, hitting at their feet, etc.

During a game, remember if your partner crosses to your side to return a lob that goes over your head and you're unable to return it, immediately cross over to cover your partner's side. Communicate. Example: "Yours" or "I got it." Once you cross over, stay and play that side unless you have to cross over and cover again.

Know Where Three Balls are at all Times

As a server, always hold two balls. The ball not in use can be in your pocket or tucked in the leg of your shorts. Another good place is at the net. This way both sides can see them and either side can retrieve them. All players should feed the balls to the server so the server does not have to run all over for them.

The server could hold up the two balls to show there is no need for one, should someone want to send the server a ball. It's disruptive to have two balls ready to serve and then someone throws a third ball!!



BULLETIN BOARD

YOU'RE A SUB AND YOU WANT TO BE A REGULAR PLAYER Any substitutes wanting to be regulars may call the captain of the period in which they want to play and check for openings.

LATEST NEW LOCATION The Greenway Athletic Club located in the Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown Minneapolis is our newest location. Play was started January 4 on two courts from 9:30 to 11:30 Thursday mornings. The captain is Nick Pappas, 926-2254.

NORTHLAND HAS OPENINGS There are openings for permanent players for mixed doubles at the Northland Fitness Center, 5250 West 84th Street, Bloomington, on Thursday mornings from 10-11:30. Call Cleora Feuk, 544-2991.

PERCY HUGHES' SECOND ANNUAL MYR MAR TENNIS CAMP INFO Dates: June 12-15, 1990. When all plans and arrangements for the camp are finalized, you will be contacted by Percy Hughes regarding your deposit and total cost. The format of the camp will be similar to last year's, with Roger Boyer, Ginny Owens and Percy Hughes as instructors and program directors for leisure-time activities, such as fishing, dancing, etc.

Please DO NOT send money to the MyrMar resort or to Percy Hughes until Percy has contacted you. Many people have signed up, but if you're still interested, hurry and call Percy at 545-7696.

SENIOR USTA/VOLVO

The first Senior USTA/VOLVO meeting was held at the NMTA office, Eve Martin presiding. Mary LeClair will be in charge of the senior program, assisted by Ginny Owens and Percy Hughes. More information will be coming your way.

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HERE'S HOW IT WAS AT MIDNIGHT AT WILLISTON New Year's Eve 1990 was celebrated by 24 tennis buffs at Williston Club in Minnetonka. The event was hosted by Bill Storie and included up to three hours of tennis, prizes, food and refreshments. Some players were not awed by the coming New Year, were on the courts at the stroke of midnight, and played through without missing a stroke.

Bill will be hosting another tennis party at Williston Club on Saturday, February 24, from 7:30 to 11:00 p.m. The charge of \$10 per person will include two hours of mixed doubles, food, refreshments and tennis balls. A third hour of tennis will be available for interested players. Send your check payable to William Storie to:

William Storie
14420 Starlite Drive
Rogers, MN 55374

Call Bill with questions at 428-2052.

STPC member Frank Evans will display recent landscape paintings in a two-person art show at the Robbin Gallery, 4915 - 42nd Avenue North, Robbinsdale, February 6 to March 3. Opening reception will be on Sunday, February 11, at 2:00 p.m. Please come.

DO YOU LIKE TO DANCE TO BIG BAND MUSIC OF THE 30s, 40s and 50s? Well, you're welcome to do so FREE at the Richfield Legion Post No. 435 at 6500 Portland Avenue South. Our member, Bob Dean, a fine clarinetist and saxophonist, fronts the Vets Dance Band.

You're welcome to come to any of the dances on the following dates: Tuesday night dances are from 6-7:30 on February 27, March 27, April 24 and May 29. Sunday night dances are from 4-7:30 on February 11, March 11, April 8 and May 20.

Everyone is welcome--you do not have to be a Legion Post member.

IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN THE SENIOR TENNIS PLAYERS CLUB

Please complete the membership renewal form and sign the Membership Conditions below. Send the completed form with your check to Joyce Maul, Treasurer, by no later than **January 2, 1990**. Thank you.

Senior Tennis Players Club, Inc. 1990 Membership Renewal

Please enter my our name(s) as member(s). I / we have read and signed the membership conditions below. The enclosed check includes the following:

\$15 per person for ___ member(s) \$ ___

Tax deductible gift for Sr. Tennis Club \$ ___

TOTAL \$ ___

Date _____

Name (#1) _____

Name (#2) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO SENIOR
TENNIS PLAYERS CLUB. MAIL TO:**

Joyce Maul, Treasurer
6730 Vernon Avenue
Edina, MN 55436
Telephone: 333-8146

TENNIS SELF RATING

(#1) Beginner Intermediate Advanced Expert

(#2) Beginner Intermediate Advanced Expert

1990 Membership Conditions

As a condition to my application, I agree to participate at my own risk in the activities of the Senior Tennis Players Club, Inc., which may include tennis lessons, clinics, weekly scheduled tennis, social events and any scheduled tennis trips or extra activities. Further, I waive and release the Senior Tennis Players Club, Inc., a non-profit organization, and its officers and members providing services on behalf of the club and all claims for damages due to injuries that I may incur as a result of my participation in any of these events.

Signature (#1) _____ Signature (#2) _____

PLEASE READ AND SIGN THESE MEMBERSHIP CONDITIONS



Beginners and pros kick off the first Beginners Only Instruction and Play Get-Together. Top: Williston Tennis Club. Bottom: Wooddale Recreation Center.

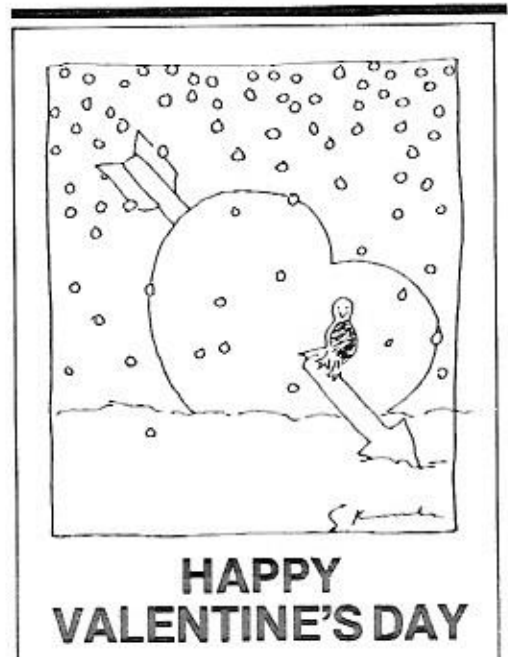
TWELVE-LESSON AWARDS

Congratulations to:

James Bernstein
 Rosalyn Bernstein
 Dolores Calder
 Irene Davis
 Ted Hartmann
 Helen Heaton
 Clemene McCarthy

on their achievement.

New members, we hope you're taking advantage of the free instructions you're entitled to when you joined STPC. It's another membership benefit. And when you complete 12 lessons, be sure to tell Percy Hughes or call him at 545-7696.



REPRESENTATIVE WANTED FOR DOW TRAVEL AGENCY

Representatives wanted, part-time
or full-time, depending on your needs.

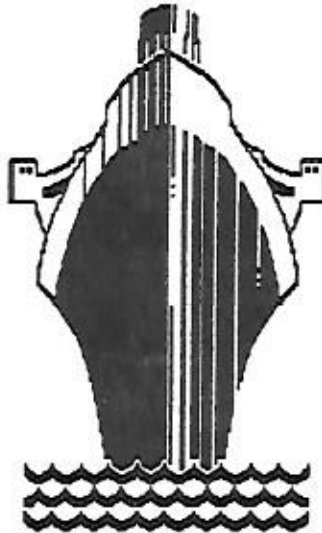
We will have standard trips to all parts of the world, one every month. By making these trips available to other individuals and other organizations besides STPC members, you will be able to increase your prospects and at the same time permit each participant or organization to meet new people and make new friends.

If you're interested, write to:

Jack Dow
Dow Travel Agency
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424-5050

OR

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POST-PATTY'S DAY SENIOR TOURNAMENT

A senior tournament will be held at the Wooddale Recreation Center, 2122 Wooddale Drive, Woodbury, MN 55125 March 19-23 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (You must call for match times.)

The entry deadline is March 14.

EVENTS - A and B skill levels.

- Men's singles - 50 and over
- Men's doubles - 50 and over
- Women's singles - 50 and over
- Women's doubles - 50 and over
- Mixed doubles - 50 and over

Cost is \$14 for doubles team, \$9 for singles. Trophies will be awarded for first and second place. Entry forms are available at Wooddale Recreation Center, 735-6214. Contact person: Lois Nordman.

The next tournament will be the week of October 29, 1990. Following that, these tournaments will be scheduled every March and October.

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1320 Westwood Hills Road
Minneapolis, MN 55426

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