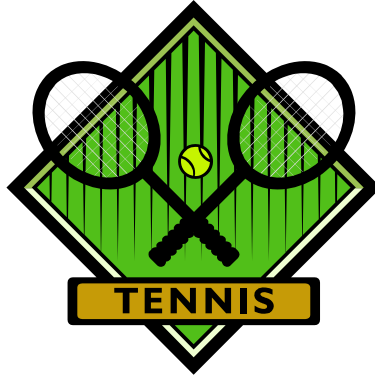


The Neighborhood Club Tennis Newsletter
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Welcome to the 2009 Tennis Season!

This packet means that the courts will be open soon, and to help you prepare, the following materials are included:

- A calendar of planned and tentative events
- Fees and costs for tennis membership and lessons
- Tennis Rules, in brief

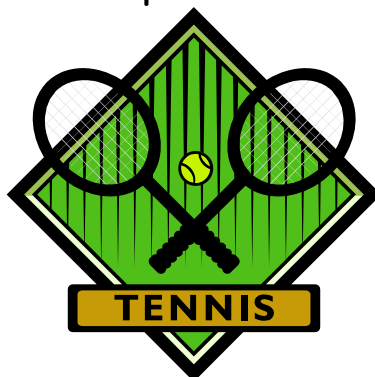
Be sure to pay your tennis dues when you receive the May club bill, as this year the requirement that **dues must be paid in full before participation in any tennis** activity will be strictly enforced for both children and adults.

David Kieff - Tennis Chair & The Tennis Committee

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The Neighborhood Club Tennis Committee welcomes you to the 2009 tennis season, which will officially begin on Saturday, May 9th, with the 10th as a rain date.

Before the season begins, an important reminder that ***tennis dues must be paid in full in order to participate in any tennis activities.*** The tennis dues will be included in your May club invoice and need to be received by the bookkeeper before family members may play in lessons, clinics, drop-in round robins, or sign up for court time.

- **Tennis Pro** Sam Williams is returning for his 6th season, offering private lessons, clinics and managing the pro shop at the club. You can reach him at the club at 617-244-0333 and at tennispro@theneighborhoodclub.org
- **Opening Day** is Saturday May 9th. There will be a kids' program from 10:00 - noon followed by a lunch for all ages and an adult clinic from 1:00-4:00. For new members and interested returning members, there will a brief orientation session at 12:50 to acquaint everyone with the club, the tennis rules and court sign-up procedures.
- Our most **popular programs** will be back. These include Monday women's tennis, Sunday men's tennis, and Wednesday mixed doubles, all are drop-in round robins with women's and mixed from 6:00 p.m. - dusk and men's from 9:00 am to 10:30 am.
- Approximately one **tournament or tennis event** per month will be organized by Sam. These may be tournaments with other clubs as well as games for club members and guests. Check the Tennis Board and club website to get the latest developments.

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Events planned so far:

May 9 Season Opening with children and adult clinics, and lunch for all.

(May 10- rain date)

June 12, Women's Member/Guest Tennis

June 13, Men's Member / Guest Tennis

June (TBD) - club tournament v. Windsor Club

July 4 - member round robin and Fourth of July lunch

August (TBD) - club tournament v. Windsor Club

Sept. 11 Club championship matches begin

Oct. 17 Club Championship Finals and End of Season Party

- Men's and women's singles and doubles, and a junior **club ladder** will be set up in May. Contact Sam if you are interested.
- Back by popular demand are the **junior tennis program** and after-school clinics. Sign up online or fill out the attached registration form and return to Sam Williams, 66 Marked Tree Rd. Needham, MA 02492. Space is limited and will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- More information on pro services and a reminder on rules are included below.
- Lastly, the **End-of-Season Tennis Awards and Party** is scheduled for October 17th.

Be sure to sign up for and pay your tennis membership as soon as you receive your May club bill, as only members paid in full for tennis can participate in the court sign ups, classes, clinics and other tennis events. Sam is unable to extend lessons or children's clinics to any kids or adults not paid in full.

See you out on the courts!

David Kieff Tennis Co-Chair

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2009 Costs and Sign-Up

Pro Rates*:

Individual One (1) Hour Private Lesson:	\$65
Semi-Private One (1) Hour	\$35/person
Group (up to 3)	\$25/person
Group (up to 4)	\$20/person

*Lessons must be cancelled at least 24 hours in advance for a refund.

Other Fees:

All Guests must be signed in. This includes children's guests, nannies and babysitters. A \$10 fee per guest will be billed to your account. Prospective members on the waiting list may take lessons or play as long as they have paid the tennis dues prior to playing. A \$15 No-Show fee will be charged to you if you sign up for a court but do not play without erasing your name prior to court time.

The 2009 Tennis Committee:

David Kieff Tennis - Chair

Julie Amouyal, Andrea Kelley, Bob Willen

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Tennis Members Rates for the 2009 Season

Family	\$200.00	_____
Couple	\$180.00	_____
Individual	\$150.00	_____

A Family Tennis membership is required to enable children to participate in tennis activities, as children cannot be tennis members on their own.

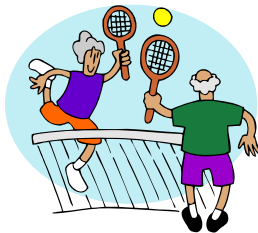
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Tennis Rules, in Brief

1. **Tennis Dues** must be paid in advance. Only members and prospective members with their regular club and tennis dues paid may use the courts. This includes participation in children's clinics, private lessons, drop-in round robins and court time.
2. **Required footwear is Tennis Shoes with smooth flat soles** which must be worn on the clay courts. Other shoes such as running or cross-trainers can ruin the clay court surface and are expressly prohibited.
3. **Appropriate tennis attire is required** at all times. Shirts must be worn.
4. **Court Sign-up** may only be made two (2) days in advance. Singles is limited to one hour, doubles to one and half hours.
5. **Reserved courts belong to the "reserver" only for ten (10) minutes** after the starting time. Thereafter, the court is open and becomes an unreserved court if the reserver has not arrived.
6. **Sign-up is limited to once per day.** If you would like to play a second time during the same day, you need to do so on a first-come, first-serve basis.
7. **Children of members** under 14 cannot sign up for courts during prime time (weekdays after 5pm and Sat/Sun up to noon), but may play if courts are not being used, and at all other times.
8. **Guests MUST BE SIGNED IN AT ALL TIMES** on the daily sign-up sheet. Simply write down your name legibly and the number of guests on the bottom of the sign-up sheet. The guest fee is \$10 per guest and will be billed to your account.
9. **No-Show fee** of \$15 will be billed to you if you cannot make the time you signed-up for.
10. **NO RIDING** bicycles, tricycles, scooters, skateboards, or other wheeled- recreational vehicles or toys on club grounds.
11. For a complete list of Club rules please refer to the 2009 Membership Directory, or check the club website at www.theneighborhoodclub.org