

The Northridge News

SPRING 2007 ISSUE

WHAT'S NEW?

Preparations are being made to resurface the tennis courts, grounds cleanup is beginning, and we will soon begin preparing the pool for the season. We are pleased to announce that there will be no increase in membership fees. The pool was refurbished last spring, and we are looking forward to a great season at the Northridge Club!

We have experienced a decrease in the number of members attending our Mexican Fiesta the last few years. While this has always been a great party and an opportunity for members to meet new friends at the beginning of the season, other commitments such as school activities sometimes clash with our attempts to schedule it. It is an expensive party, enjoyed by a small percentage of our membership. During the same years, we have noticed a growing number of members socializing at the pool on Sundays. Two summers ago we decided to offer impromptu poolside cookouts on busy Sundays. The idea was a hit! Many of you pleaded for more of the same last summer. Because of the many requests, we went with the same theme, but added DJ's to the mix on a trial basis. The response was overwhelmingly positive. Because of this, we have decided to drop the Mexican Fiesta, and use the money to finance more parties by the pool! We have contracted with Mobile Music DJ's for poolside entertainment every other weekend starting on Memorial Day weekend. Jeff and Drew were very popular with the adults as well as the kids last year. They play a wide variety of music, and are always open to suggestions. Obviously we cannot control the weather. Dates may have to be adjusted. Watch the snack bar and website for updated schedules.

POOL HOURS

The club will officially open Saturday, May 27. While school is in session, we will be open weekends from 11 am to 10 pm and weekdays from 4 pm to 8 pm. After school is out, the club will be open seven days a week from 11 am to 10 pm. We will normally close in inclement weather and when the temperature goes below 70 degrees.

RENEW MEMBERSHIP NOW SAVE \$\$\$

Enclosed, you will find your application for Northridge membership for the 2007 season. We will offer the customary early pay discount. The deadline will be the end of April 30. Dues are as follows:

Rates before May 1

Family - \$425
Couple - \$375
Single - \$300

Rates May 1 & after

Family - \$475
Couple - \$425
Single - \$325

Again this year, we will accept Visa, MC & Discover for payment of dues.

\$\$\$ BONUS \$\$\$

We will continue to pay a bonus to current members who recruit new members. The referring member must be acknowledged on the new member's application form. The bonus,

\$75 for a family membership, \$50 for a couple, and \$35 for a single, will be in the form of food coupons to be used at the snack bar and at club social functions. (Sorry, no bonuses will be paid on partial season or promotional specials.) The cards will be sent directly to the snack bar within one week of receiving the referral.

IN TOWN GUESTS

Guest cards will be kept at the snack bar window for your convenience. All guests must be signed in each time you bring one, with no exceptions! Parents, please be sure your kids understand this policy. In fairness to all paying members, we have to enforce this.

5 passes for families

4 passes for couples

3 passes for singles

Anyone joining as a result of a guest visit, will be taken off of your total. As always, out of county guests are welcome. They are not included in your total, but still must be signed in.

SPECIALS

We will continue to offer Friday pizza night specials from 5-8 pm, as well as Sunday afternoon specials. **We will be holding mixed double tennis mixers on Friday evenings to coincide with pizza night. Watch for more details!**

SWIM LESSONS

Lessons will be announced in the coming newsletter. Watch for details in the June newsletter, or check on our website at www.northridgeclub.com We will post the information there and by the pool, as soon as the instructors give us the dates and schedule.

NEWSLETTER COPIES

While we have attempted for years to manage a website, it has been out of date more than it has been current. With the switch to new software

last summer, were able to keep the member news up to date. We hope to have this newsletter posted very shortly for your convenience. Additionally, we will post membership applications for those of you wishing to sign up a friend, as well as tennis news, swim lesson forms etc.. Watch for our improved site with member news updates at www.northridgeclub.com

ADULT TENNIS LEAGUES

We are looking forward to another great year in the Northridge tennis leagues. Participation continues to grow from year to year. If you know someone that might be interested, please encourage them to register. Remember, these are recreational leagues designed to meet new members and have fun. We are going to extend the registration deadline until Saturday, June 9, 2007, the day before the league begins. This should allow ample time for members to turn their registration forms. The league will begin Sunday June 10 and end on Saturday, August 25. All scores must be turned in by this date, prior to our season ending cookout on Sunday August 26. This is a week later than last year and should help with completion of all matches. A \$5.00 fee will be charged to each participant in the tennis program to support the various Northridge tennis activities (tournament balls, awards, etc.) In past years it has been difficult for some to complete all of their matches. In order to help with match scheduling, we are encouraging ladies to schedule matches on Tuesdays. For the men we are suggesting scheduling matches on non Men's Night Wednesday's. Any suggestions, please contact Tony Scanlon at 419-423-3587.

ATP TOURNAMENT TRIP – This year's date for the Cincinnati ATP trip is Wednesday, August 15th. They have moved the dates for the men's tournament. It is now later than in the past. Several members have suggested attending the new women's tournament. This date would be July 18th. We will try this if we see enough interest. If you would like to be

included in these trips, contact Tony Scanlon (423-3587).

MIXED DOUBLES TOURNAMENT – Due to member requests, Tony has included a mixed doubles tournament on the weekend of June 23 & 24. (For this tournament, you pick your partner.)

YOUTH TENNIS

Northridge will again offer its Youth Tennis Program. The program is designed for children ages 4 through 15. All children in this age range are welcome to attend. Cost for the clinics is \$3.00 per session. Individual lessons will also be available for anyone interested. We are very pleased to announce that Kyle Collette will be running our youth tennis program this summer. If you were involved with youth tennis last year, you will remember Kyle as one of our substitute instructors. His patience with the little ones, and his natural rapport with the older kids made him quite popular with the kids as well as their parents. Kyle is very enthusiastic about doing this. He has some great ideas, including a tournament at the end of the summer. Group lessons will begin Mon June 11. Watch for more details in your June newsletter, and come out and meet him!

MEN'S NIGHT

Alternate Wednesdays 7:00 – 10:00 pm. Tennis, cards & refreshments. May 30, June 13 & 27, July 11 & 25, Aug 8 & 22.

LADIES MIXERS

Alternate Tuesdays 7:00 – 10:00 pm. Tennis, cards & refreshments. May 29, June 12 & 26, July 10, & 24, August 7 & 21.

10th ANNUAL NORTHRIDGE CLAY COURT TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Mark your calendars for July 12–15. Divisions will include Open, 4.0, 3.5, & 3.0 This event continues to grow in popularity each year. Even if you choose not to compete, this is a perfect opportunity to watch some great tennis! Questions may be directed to Neal Mersch at (419)422-5692 or nkmbc@aol.com Registration deadline is Monday, July 9.

TENNIS QUESTIONS?

Any questions regarding tennis events, leagues, etc. can be directed to Tony Scanlon at 419-423-3587. He is at the pool regularly as well.

TENNIS CALENDAR

June 9	League Registration due
June 10	League Begins
June 11	Youth Tennis Begins
June 23 & 24	Mixed Doubles Tournament
July 9	Regist. Deadline NR Clay Court
July 12-15	NR Clay Court Tournament
Aug 15	ATP Tournament Trip
Aug 25	League Ends
Aug 25 & 26	Mixed Dbl Tournament/Cookout

Remember, our kickoff party will be on Sunday afternoon, May 27. There will be a cookout with music by the pool! We sincerely hope to see you there!

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER

