

Manager's Message



I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. Now time to start getting ready for Christmas! Fall adult league play is coming to an end with only a few matches left. Thank you to all the captains who do such a wonderful job.

Congratulations to our CSRA A teams who came 1st and 3rd. C team came 3rd and the B teams are still playing. We had a good turnout for the junior Fall satellite tournament with over 70 participants. It was cold for ladies night so only a small number turned out to brave the cold. Our last men's night of 2013 also had few numbers and we had to stop earlier than normal due to high winds. Thank you to Dave Enko who cooked for men's night. Our last mixed event is Tuesday 13th December (my Birthday) so I hope everyone will come out and play tennis and enjoy the evening with me. I'm even going to play if I can get a partner! There will be reduced shop hours Christmas week.

**December
13th Mixed night**

Tip of the Month by Vu Nguyen

Lobs

There are 3 types of lobs in tennis, a defensive, flat lob, a chip or slice lob, and an offensive topspin lob. In this issue we will discuss the advantages to each one.

Defensive Lob: When most people think of lobbing, they think of hitting a shot that lands as close to the baseline as possible. While very good lobs to land close to the baseline, this may not always be the primary objective. The defensive lob is hit more for height than depth. It is usually hit with a continental grip and contact is flat. The primary goal with this shot is two-fold: push the net players off of the net AND give your net partner time to back up and play defense.

Chip Lob: Similar to the defensive lob, the chip lob is used to push attacking net players off of the net. A key difference here is that this lob should be hit for height AND depth. If you can chip the ball over your opponents' head and deep to the baseline, it will give you and your partner an opportunity to move forward and take over the net yourselves. This lob is hit with a continental grip and contact involves brushing the ball underneath for backspin.

Offensive Lob: This lob is hit with topspin. If executed with enough height, your opponents will not be able to hit an overhead and if executed with enough depth, your opponents will not be able to run it down. This is the most difficult lob to execute because it involves some racket head speed. If hit too hard then the lob will miss long but if not hit hard enough then the opponents have an easy overhead smash. If hit just right, then you will have won the point outright!

Christmas Break

Please note that the pro shop will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Pro Shop

Christmas deals on racquets in the Pro shop. Please check inside the Pro Shop.

Membership deals: Beginning January 1st, member dues will be increased. You may take advantage of a great deal! If you pay for 10 months of dues up front you will get two months free. If you do this by Sunday, December 15th, you may pay the 2013 membership rates!

CSRA Board Elections

This year we are proud to have 4 of our own members who are running for the board. Jeff Annis, Jim Spangler, Sandy Ferguson, and John Longo will all be running. They have been involved in local tennis for many years, captaining many teams along way. They are extremely passionate and very committed to doing what it takes to serve the tennis community in the CSRA. To vote, go to www.csratenis.com and click on the link that says "CSRA Board Election"



Men's Night

Our last Men's Night of the year was a big success with 36 men playing on a very windy evening! Thanks to Dave Enko for providing dinner!

Thanks to **Sig Cox Heating and Air** and **Taylor's Auto Group** for their continued support.



PRC Junior Satellite Tournament

Participation for this year's Fall Satellite Tournament were higher than the previous year's. Of the 74 total participants, PRC had 46 juniors entered. Dippin' Dots and the CSRATA were the tournament sponsors. We thank them for their support of junior tennis in the CSRA!

Great job to Cheri Hain for organizing this tournament and encouraging our young players to get Involved with tournament play!

Juniors

Junior successes

Keller Allen: Boy's 10's Singles 1st Place – PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Andrew Millar: Boys 10's Singles 3rd Place – PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Connor Evenson: Boy's 12's Singles 1st Place – PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Caleb Arrington: Boy's 12's 2nd Place – PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Finley Hain: Boy's 12's Singles 4th Place – PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Justin Smith: Boy's 18's Singles 1st Place – PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Kate Parviainen: Girls 10's Singles 1st Place - PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Tara Dzin: Girls 10's Singles 1st Place - PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Kayleigh Bakeman: Girls 12's Singles 1st Place - PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Mackensie Arrington: Girls 12's Singles 3rd Place - PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Teal Bailey: Girls 14's Singles 1st Place - PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Sage Havrilla: Girls 18's Singles 1st Place - PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Chelsea Pitock: Girls 18's Singles 2nd Place - PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Faith Van Rengen: Girls 18's Singles 3rd Place - PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Regan Harrison: Girls 18's Singles 4th Place - PRC Jr. Fall Satellite

Kylie Arrington: Co-Ed 8's Singles 1st Place

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