

NORTH JEFFCO TENNIS CLUB

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Letter From The President

Hope your 2010 summer tennis season was a successful one. We are glad you chose to be a member of the North Jeffco Tennis Club and to participate in our many leagues and activities. We hope you have made many tennis friends as a result.

The Arvada Tennis Center closed at the end of September. After the courts were resurfaced, APEX Parks & Rec began locking the courts at night to protect them from vandalism. The courts are unlocked and open for use during the day; however, the times of unlocking vary by day.

As the weather turns cold, NJTC has organized several indoor socials at the Meadow Creek Tennis Center to insure you can continue playing tennis after the weather turns cold. Our next social will be held on November 13th. Also, mark your calendars for our Seventh Annual New Year's Eve Bash on December 31st. More information and sign-up forms for both events can be found inside this newsletter.

Also, as the year winds down, the board is making preparations for the annual meeting and social on January 29th. At the meeting, we will be voting for 2011 membership dues and Board of Directors. The Annual Meeting is free; however, for those who want to stay and play tennis afterwards, the cost is \$20 per person. Please plan on attending the board meeting even if you can't stay for the social. Also, please see inside this newsletter for information about the board members and annual dues.

Hope to see you at the board meeting and the socials.

Julie Gall
President

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Available

\$10

Contact Julie Gall at
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303-688-2733

Board Meeting

Date: Sunday, Nov. 21st

Time: 6:00 pm

Place: Barb Campbell's House
6195 Flower St., Arvada

All NJTC Members are Welcome!



A Message from League Coordinators

Who gives out the team numbers for NJTC? Who decides where a team is playing? Who helps new people get on NJTC tennis teams?

Who?

The League Coordinator(s), that's who!

Aaaah – the power....the prestige....the pay.....

Do I have your interest??

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Okay, I am being a little facetious, I admit. But seriously, being a League Coordinator for NJTC is pretty cool.

You get to know a LOT of great tennis players and people. You get to represent NJTC with the Colorado Tennis Association. You get to know the new league rules before everyone else. You get to schedule the courts for league matches (although I do have to be honest – the League Coordinator's teams don't get to play at the ATC any more than any other team.)

Actually – that paragraph describes the League Coordinator job in a nutshell. The North Jeffco Tennis Club *is* a big tennis club; we're second in the state in number of members. So we have a lot of teams to schedule for the different leagues. Because the Club recognizes that, there is a stipend of \$1500 for the League Coordinator.

So! If you are good at scheduling, can meet deadlines, and want to help YOUR tennis club run smoothly, consider being a League Coordinator for NJTC in 2011.

Over the past couple of years, two people have split the League Coordinator duties – so if two people are interested, that's not a problem.

Interested? Please let Julie Gall, NJTC President, know! Her email is juliegall@sprintmail.com.

Questions? Warren Lawson and Leslie Hauschildt (LC's this past year) will be happy to answer them. (wlaw6461@q.com or leslie.hauschildt@jeffcolibrary.org)

2011 NJTC Board of Directors

If you would be interested in becoming a member of the board or volunteering your time to help with club operations, please contact Julie Gall at juliegall@sprintmail.com or 303-688-2733. NJTC elections will be held at the annual meeting on January 29, 2011. Next year will be important for NJTC and its future vision. We encourage all interested members to help contribute and shape the clubs objectives by becoming a board member or volunteering for our club events.

Membership Dues to Rise in 2011

Annual membership dues are collected to support the activities and operations of the North Jeffco Tennis Club. Currently, annual dues are \$40 per person and have not been raised since 2005.

Although dues have remained steady, NJTC has experienced several increases to the fees we pay APEX Park & Rec for court rental. In 2005, NJTC paid \$2 per hour for satellite courts and \$4 per hour without lights and \$6 per hour lights for courts at the Arvada Tennis Center. This year, court fees for satellite courts doubled from \$2 to \$4 per hour per court. In addition, court fees have gradually increased such that this year NJTC paid \$5 per hour without lights and \$8 per hour for lights.

Next year, the Arvada Tennis Center will change to a new fee structure of \$6 per hour off peak and \$8 per hour peak. Peak fees will be charged when the tennis center is staffed and fees will no longer be charged based on lights.

Court rental represents approximately 85% of our yearly budget. This year, NJTC paid \$13,248 to rent courts for club activities. We expect the change in fee structure to increase our annual court expense by approximately 18 percent.

Through careful planning and budgeting, NJTC has been able to maintain annual dues at \$40 per person for five years. However, in 2011, NJTC will have to increase membership fees in order to afford the increase in court costs. Currently, the board is reviewing models and forecasts to determine budget for 2011 and develop options for 2011 dues. Current options being considered include 1) raising the member dues, 2) maintaining the dues and charging a per team fee which captains will collect, or 3) maintaining the dues and charging fee per player per league which captains will collect. The final options will be published along with the annual budget and slate of officer in the December/January newsletter. If you would like to submit additional suggestions, please send them to Julie Gall at

juliegall@sprintmail.com.

APEX Park and Rec News

A great big round of applause to Mother Nature for providing us with an exceptionally mild fall, allowing players to continue hitting. In anticipation of winter, and as a cost savings measure, the divider nets are in storage, the water fountain has been winterized, and the windscreens are on their way up. Now is the time to begin making those changes to your game you spoke of during the season. Our USPTA, Greg Drake, can help turn your weaknesses into strengths. Greg's email is: bawtenniscoach@yahoo.com and phone number is 720-280-1810. On Saturday's from 1:30-3 pm, Greg runs drills for only \$10 residents/\$12 non-residents. Give him a try! You'll be glad you did!

The ball machine is available during the off-season for \$12 per hour. Save money by purchasing a punch card, for only \$50 for 5 hours of ball machine time. Leave me a message as to time/day you want to use the ball machine and I'll get back to you to confirm or suggest another time.

With league season over, now is the time to consider joining the tennis ladder. There is an active men's ladder, and a women's ladder will be added in the new year. The \$5 ladder fee is being waived between now and December 31st, to encourage play. In January, a new ladder year will begin and existing players will need to renew.

Thank you for your support regarding locking the courts at night and during times of unfavorable playing conditions. Misuse of the facility is on the increase; it has happened when I am in my office and rarely do I have a week when I'm not dealing with collateral damage from evening visitors. Just the other day, I returned to the courts after dark, to lock up, as I was in meetings all afternoon. As I was preparing to lock courts 5 & 6, the gates began rattling under the bleacher cover. Realizing I was not alone, I shone my light towards the bleachers and our visitors headed back into the darkness from where they came.

Locking courts is just the beginning. Coordinating work schedules and coming to the tennis center on days off becomes more complicated. Contrary to popular belief, I do not sleep here. The fitness center custodian, Jeff, and I will do our best to minimize locked courts during peak usage times. There is no need to call - we both are aware of the courts status. Apologies for those inconvenienced, but imagine the inconvenience of being down a court or two, or perhaps a bank of 4, because nets have been cut and there are no funds to replace them. Fortunately there are many courts within close proximity to the ATC. Locations can be found at the back of the Apex Activities Guide. Thank you for supporting our efforts.

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NJTC New Year's Eve Doubles Social Sign-up Form

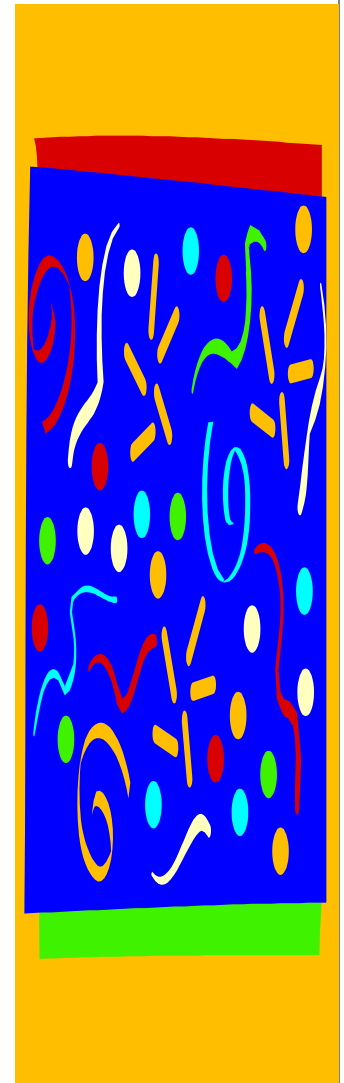
When: December 31 2010, 7:30 pm - 12:30 am
Where: Meadow Creek Tennis and Fitness, 6305 W. 6th Ave
Registration Deadline: Dec 26th, 2010
Fee: \$25.00 per person

Name: _____ Tennis NTRP level _____

Name: _____ Tennis NTRP level _____

Phone: _____ E-mail address _____

- BYOB : bring your own beverages
- Potluck: bring a favorite side dish, dessert or hor d'oeuvres to share.
- NJTC will provide champagne and confetti at midnight
- NJTC will provide paper goods, utensils and tennis balls.
- Doubles
- Format is 40 minutes of play, then 40 minutes off, then 40 minutes of play, etc.



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New Courts in Arvada

The City just completed Skyline Park at the west end of the Stenger Sports Complex just south of 58th Avenue, east of Ward Road. The park has a beautiful setting and includes 2 tennis courts, basketball court and playground. The City's website states: "Skyline Park is a reflection of the desires of neighborhood residents to develop a park providing recreational opportunities for all age groups while preserving the native landscape and interpreting habitat types and wildlife found on the site."

Upcoming Socials

Saturday, January 29
(Annual Meeting)

Saturday, March 5

Saturday, April 16

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League and Tournament Results - Congratulations!

- ▶ Dominic Massa and Jerry May were Colorado State Open Men's 4.0 Doubles Finalists
- ▶ Frank Curtis and Michelle Moore won 7.5 Mixed Doubles at the Monarch High School Labor Day Open
- ▶ Frank Curtis won the Men's 4.0 singles at Monarch High School Labor Day Open
- ▶ NJ Blue Women's 4.0 Daytime Doubles team went to districts. Members: Peggy Aswell-May (captain), Jeanette Palizzi, Debbie Welsh, Crystal Campbell Messer, Stacey Minderler, Martha Williams, Carol Czaplinski, Susie Spiegler and Terri Parzybok
- ▶ NJ Red 4.0 Women's Twilight team took 2nd place at districts. Team members include: Barb Everard (captain), Peggy Aswell-May, Jeanette Palizzi, Sarah Davis, Terri Kothanek, Crystal Campbell Messer, Susie Spiegler and Chris Weyer.
- ▶ Women's 4.0 Summer Daytime team is going to districts. Team members include: Crystal Campbell Messer (captain), Connie Tucker, Cindy Adams, Stacey Minderler, Melba Castaneda, Tammy Schauer, Morgan Cox and Julie Sveum.
- ▶ 4.0 Women's Summer Daytime team placed 2nd at District Playoffs. Members: Sandra Jacquez (captain), Sarah Davis, Kelly O'Shea, Denise Belk, Kelley Sober, Sue McGee, Robin Seibert, Carmencita Lorenzo-Lewis, Karina Hauser
- ▶ 7.5 Fall Mixed team won District playoffs. Then went on to win Sectionals in Las Vegas, Nevada. Members: Kelley Sober (captain), Sandra Jacquez (co-captain), Dan O'Shea, Kelley O'Shea, Brandon Jacquez, Dionne Jimenez, Chris Beatty, Julia Haen, Brant Lahmert, Steven Sober, Ken Baxter
- ▶ Men's 3.0 Senior Team finished 2nd at Sectionals. The team also went to Nationals because the 1st place team was unable to field a team. Members: Jack Arnsperger (captain), Tom Knauer, Dwight Koch, Stuart Hutchins, Brad Ridenour and Walt Scherer

Have You Won a Tournament Recently??? Did Your Team Go to Play-offs???

Any NJTC member who was a finalist or champion in a tournament should e-mail that information to our newsletter editor, Pam Catalano, at michael.catalano@comcast.net. If you are a captain of a team that advances to any play-offs, please email that information (with the names of all team members) to Pam at that same email address. You let her

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Have you changed email addresses?

Do you have a new phone number?

If so, please contact Sandra Jacquez to update your contact information in the NJTC Membership files:

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