

SPRINGFIELD TENNIS CLUB, INC.

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www.springfieldtennisclub.com

We're back!!! The outdoor tennis season is about to start on the clay courts at Forest Park. We hope they will be open by late April or early May. **A clean up day will be held at the courts on April 17** [rain date: Apr. 18] from 9:00 A.M. to about noon. Help us keep the clay courts in great shape by returning your application and membership dues today and volunteering to help at the clean up day. **The amount for dues this year will be the same as last year: \$50 for individuals or \$65 for families.** The purposes of the Club remain the same – to arrange for the maintenance of the Forest Park clay courts, to encourage participation in the sport we love, and to promote greater playing opportunities for our members.

Almost all the money raised by the STC each year is spent for the labor and materials needed to keep the courts in good condition. As with everything else, the cost of materials to maintain the courts rises each year. Nevertheless, we generated a slight financial surplus last year which helped offset the small deficit incurred in the previous year. The Board wishes to thank all of the members who generously made an additional donation toward court maintenance in the past. We hope you will continue that support now. We would particularly appreciate help with obtaining a new court roller, new rollers for the lines, a large tarp to cover Court 7 and/or 8 when it rains (as an experiment) and an extra supply of clay.

The officers elected for 2010 are Sandy Powell, President, John O'Shea, Vice-President, and Mary Jo Salvon, Secretary. Bob Poulin continues to serve as the Treasurer. Louis Pagano and Cathy Ferrero were re-elected to the Board of Directors for three year terms at the Annual Meeting in October. Kevin Withers, Roland Joyal and Jerry Radding remain on the Board from past elections. Because of other commitments, Bob Puzzo has resigned as a Director. We will elect someone to fill the remainder of his term at the Spring Meeting which will be held at the time of the Abrams Rally on May 15th (Raindate: 5/16). Contact an officer or director if you wish to be on the ballot.

One of the chief benefits of membership is the ability of members to reserve a court the day before you play. The phone number at the gazebo is 787-6430. Watch the bulletin board in the park for information on the time to call for reservations. If you are willing to help staff the reservation desk, please let us know. The STC tennis season will begin with the **Eighth Annual Max and Sam Abrams Tennis Rally** on Saturday, May 15, 2009 from 1 to 4 P.M. (Rain date: May 16th) The **STC Ladder** will also be established for players looking for the opportunity to play some new opponents. There is no charge for participating in the Abrams Rally or in ladder matches. We will have several divisions based on age and/or ability. Sign up on the application form if you are interested. Sandy Powell will again host a **mixer** on the first Saturday morning of each month beginning in June and there will be additional mixers in July and August. (In case of rain, the mixer will be held on the following Saturday unless another event is scheduled for that day.) The **Inaugural Rudy Altobelli Senior Doubles Tournament (age 50 and up)** will take place on June 19th. [Rain date 6/20.] This will be a one-day tournament limited to the first 16 Mens' and 16 Womens' teams that register. The entry fee is \$10 per team. There will be a consolation bracket for teams defeated in the first round. The annual **Robert Freedman Memorial Tournament** will be held in September. **Watch the bulletin board in the gazebo and our website (www.springfieldtennisclub.com) for updates and further information about these and other events.** Also, see the enclosed Schedule of Events.

If you are interested in helping with any of the Club's events or if you have ideas about events you think the club should sponsor, please notify one of the officers or directors. Because of the costs of maintenance, it is unusual to have clay courts like those at Forest Park available for public use. Without your membership dues, the Forest Park clay courts would not exist. So please renew your membership and encourage your tennis-playing friends to join.

See you on the courts,
The Officers and Board of Directors of the
Springfield Tennis Club, Inc.

STC EVENTS 2010

(as of 4/08/2010)

- April 17 Volunteer Work Day at the courts (Rain date 4/18)
- April 30 EXPECTED OPENING OF CLAY COURTS (Depends on weather)
- May 1-2 **USTA Junior Tournament** (Contact: Conrad McIntire [860] 871-7872)
- May 15 **Spring Membership Meeting** (11:30 A.M.) and the **Max and Sam Abrams Tennis Rally** (9 – 11:30 A.M.)(Rain Date: 5/16) (Refreshments and T-shirts)
- June 5 **Monthly Social Mixer** (9:00 am)
- June 15 **STC Ladder** play begins for members. (Events: Men's and Women's singles and Mixed doubles. Separate ability divisions may be used depending on the number and ability levels of entries.)
- June 19 **Rudy Altobelli Senior Doubles Tournament** (Age 50 and up). Entries limited to the first 16 Mens' and 16 Womens' teams that register. Contact: Kevin Withers 782-3106 or kdw@efclaw.com
- July 3-4 **USTA Junior Tournament** (Contact: Conrad McIntire [860] 871-7872)
- July 10 **Monthly Social Mixer** (9:00 am).
- July ?? **Additional Saturday Mixer** (9:00 am)
- August 7 **Monthly Social Mixer** (9:00 am).
- August ?? **Western Mass Youth USA Team Tennis League Championships (hard & clay cts.)**
Contact Jon Kostek/USTA (413) 896-0025 for information re league or tournament.
- Aug. ?? **Additional Saturday Mixer** (9:00 am)
- Sept. 4 **Monthly Social Mixer.**
- Sept. 11-12 **Robert Freedman Memorial Tournament**, Director: Chris Connor [(413) 589-7603]
USTA sanctioned Open Division Tournament. You must be a USTA member to play in the Open Division. Unsanctioned STC Division play. Anyone can enter the STC Division of tournament.
Events: Open MW sd.; STC MW sd. Consolation bracket in both divisions.
All play is on clay courts (weather permitting).
Open Division cash prizes: \$300 Winning player or team; \$150 Runner-up.
Non-cash prizes (trophies) for STC Division winners.
Entry deadline: 9/6/10 at 6 pm.
Entry fees: Open Division; \$__ singles entry / \$__ doubles team entry.
STC Div.s: STC Members \$__ singles / \$__ per doubles team
Non-STC members: \$__ singles / \$__ per doubles team
See the STC website for additional information and an entry form.
- October 2 **Final Social Mixer, and STC Annual Meeting.**
- October ?? **Closing of Courts**

PLEASE NOTE:

These dates are subject to change and other events are likely to be added to the list. Watch the bulletin board and website (www.sspringfieldtennisclub.org) for update.

2010 Springfield Tennis Club Membership Application

1. **MEMBERSHIP.** The rates for this year are **\$50 for individual memberships and \$65 for family memberships.** Only the first two persons (over 18 years old) listed as members on a Family Membership may vote at any Meeting of Members.

NAMES _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Amount enclosed for **Membership Dues:** \$ _____

2. **COURT MAINTENANCE DONATION** \$ _____
(Your additional contribution is much appreciated.)

3. **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED** \$ _____

4. **STC LADDER MATCHES** There is no charge to play. Put a check mark and supply the requested information if you want to play. Rules will be sent to participants once the ladders are organized. **You must list a partner to play doubles.**

_____ Singles _____ Doubles* Mixed Doubles* _____

Your Name and NTRP Rating

* Partner's name and rating

5. **VOLUNTEERS.** Court clean-up day will be April 17th weather permitting. Rain date Apr.18th. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the reservations system

_____ I am willing to help perform volunteer work at the courts.

_____ I am willing to help take reservations at the courts.

6. **TOURNAMENTS.** If you wish to play in the Rudy Altobelli Senior Doubles Tournament (6/19), please complete and return the enclosed application form. Entries to the Altobelli Doubles Tournament are limited to the first 16 Men's and 16 Womens' teams that register by returning the application and paying the entry fee. If you are interested in the Robert Freedman Memorial Tournament (9/11 and 12), please make a check below and you will be contacted later.

I am interested in playing in the Robert Freedman Tournament. _____

MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO Springfield Tennis Club, Inc.,
AND MAIL IT TO P.O.Box 80507, Springfield MA 01138-80507.

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RUDY ALTABELLI SENIOR DOUBLES TOURNAMENT APPLICATION

June 19, 2010, Forest Park Clay Courts

The Springfield Tennis Club is sponsoring a Senior Doubles Tournament in honor of our long-time member and friend, Rudy Altobelli, on Saturday, June 19, 2010 [Rain date: Sunday, June 20th]. This will be a one-day tournament for players age 50 and over. We will have both a Senior Men's Doubles and a Senior Women's Doubles bracket. Each team is guaranteed at least two matches. In order to complete the tournament in one day, each match will be a single Pro-Set. (To win the set, you must win at least 8 games and win by 2; a best of 13 point tiebreaker is played at 8 games all.) Each player must be at least 50 years old by December 31, 2010. Bring a state issued ID showing your birth date in case of challenges. **Entry is limited to the first 16 teams that register in each bracket and pay the entry fee.** Time of registration is determined by the postmark date on a mailed application or date of hand delivery to the Tournament Director. Any ties for the final entry places will be determined by random draw. The Tournament Director's decision regarding all entries is final. Entry fees will be returned for teams that are not entered. **Return this form with the registration fee (\$10.00 per team) to the above address or hand deliver to the Tournament Director: Kevin Withers (782-3106 for questions; you cannot enter by phone).** You do not have to be an STC member to play.

I hereby certify that I and my partner each satisfy the age requirement and we wish to enter the following bracket:

_____ Senior Men's Doubles (First round starts at 9:00 am)

_____ Senior Women's Doubles (First round starts at 10:00 am)

Players must report to the gazebo at least 10 minutes before each match.

My name and phone: _____

Address _____

Partner's name and phone _____

Address _____

SPRINGFIELD TENNIS CLUB WINTER TENNIS

LUDLOW TENNIS CLUB

STARTS FIRST SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2010

ENDS LAST SATURDAY OF MARCH

DAY SATURDAYS

TIME 5:30 TO 7:30 PM

**COST COURT IS \$40 FOR TWO HOURS
\$10 PER PERSON FOR DOUBLES**

WE NEED PEOPLE TO BE ON A SUBSTITUTE LIST

**WE NEED A FEW PEOPLE THAT WOULD BE INTERESTED
IN BEING A COURT CAPTAIN.**

**IF YOU ARE A COURT CAPTAIN, YOU HAVE USE OF THE SAME
COURT FOR THE WINTER SEASON. You co-ordinate the player's.**

**EMAIL OR MAIL THIS INFO TO LOUIS
PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

COURT CAPTAIN? _____

SUBSTITUTE _____

NAME _____

PHONE _____

CELL _____

CONTACT LOUIS PAGANO

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PALMER MA 01069**