



Loveland Tennis Association Newsletter

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www.lovelandtennis.com

From the president's desk ...

Dear LTA members, Greetings and Happy New Year!

I want to thank you for supporting your association and for your cherished friendships. I also want to applaud your LTA board of directors, league coordinator Val Hecker, and the many others who volunteered in 2012. Their efforts are typically behind the scenes and not easily recognized unless something goes wrong. So BRAVO to all. Going forward, 2013 looks to be an exciting year of tennis growth in Loveland. With Mehaffey Park breaking ground, we are getting 7 courts there, and the funds have been approved for another 3 courts at North Lake Park.

Wow!

The year will also see USTA league changes, new junior tennis opportunities, socials, tournaments and new members to welcome.

As we embrace 2013, I want to wish everyone a great tennis season!

Jeannette Popp, LTA President



From the treasurer's desk ...

- Loveland Tennis Association continued with the annual contribution of \$750 to Pathways Hospice / Debbie Boose Memorial Tennis Tournament and \$750 to the Loveland Open Tennis Tournament, which is a benefit tournament for the Boys and Girls Club.
- We spent \$6,152 on tennis socials and collected \$4,420 from LTA members attending the socials.
- Court reservation fees for league play paid to the City of Loveland and Thompson School District totaled \$7,331. League players pay for the court reservation fees when registering for a league team.
- Our Spring Fling expenses were \$482 and Fall Fest expenses were \$401
- LTA has been able to maintain a stable financial condition. We will continue to provide Spring Fling and Fall Fest events, as well as winter and summer socials without raising LTA membership dues and without asking members to contribute more at our socials.

Greg Hecker, LTA Treasurer

Loveland Open: Save the dates - July 8th-14th

The Loveland Open, which has been the 2nd largest Northern Colorado tournament for the past three years, is scheduled for **July 8 – 14, 2013** at the North Lake Park/Loveland High School tennis facility. Last year we were able to raise over **\$4,652** for the Boys and Girls Club of Larimer County, and we hope to do even better this year. We'd love to get a big turnout again so please mark your calendars with the tournament dates!! For general tournament questions, please contact **Jared Petersen** (jpetersen12@hotmail.com) or **Kelsey Keene** (kkeene@zhats.com). We will have the tournament listing posted on the USTA website soon.



Pathways Hospice Tournament: (Debbie Boose Memorial) Save the dates - June 3-9

The Boose/Pathways Hospice is **June 3-9, 2013** at North Lake Park in Loveland. The organizers of the tournament are looking for volunteers that ARE NOT playing in the tournament. Please let **Val Hecker** at **(970) 593-6747** know if you are interested and she will get your name to the correct people.

NEW!

The Debbie Boose Tennis Tournament is looking for some volunteers to become "**Ambassadors**" for the tournament. The volunteers will help promote the tournament by handing out brochures, and other duties. You can contact **Val Hecker** at **(970) 593-6747** if interested.



New tennis courts!

The board members of the Loveland Tennis Association are excited to hear that our community will be getting additional tennis courts. The City of Loveland will begin the construction of Mehaffey Park in 2013. Along with other amenities, tennis courts are included in the plans at Mehaffey Park. The City of Loveland also announced their intention of adding additional courts at North Lake Park (by Loveland High School).

Socials

The socials are open to adult LTA members. Check the LTA website for posted schedule of socials.

LTA website: www.lovelandtennis.com.

Social schedule link:

<http://lovelandtennis.com/cgi-bin/lta.cgi?selection=socials>

Watch for 2013 Summer Socials dates to be posted soon!

The cost for winter socials at Work Out West in Greeley is \$10 per player and the cost for summer socials at the North Lake Park Courts (aka LHS) is \$5 per player to cover the cost of court reservations and beverages. Please bring a snack to share.



Notes and reminders from the LTA league coordinator ...

NEW AND UPCOMING CHANGES FOR 2013 LEAGUE TENNIS

USTA League Restructuring Age Division:

- USTA Adult – **RENAMED - USTA Adult 18 and Over**
- USTA Senior – **RENAMED – ADULT 40 and Over**
- USTA Super Senior - **RENAMED – USTA Adult 55 and Over (weekday play)**

FORMAT FOR 40 & OVER:

The National format for USTA **Adult 40 and Over** is the same as the current USTA Adult league: 5 lines, 2 singles and 3 doubles.

The Colorado local league format will be 3 lines: 1 singles and 2 doubles.

District Championships and beyond will use a 5-line format: 2 singles and 3 doubles. Therefore, the minimum roster requirement for all teams is 8 players by the registration deadline.

The USTA Adult 40 and Over league season has been extended to 10 weeks. Each level may have a Friday night play.

CTA TWILIGHT CHANGE FOR 2013

The Men's divisions for CTA Twilight is the same format as the women's divisions: 1 Singles and 2 doubles, with a minimum roster requirement of 5 players by the registration deadline.

RULE CHANGE FOR ALL COLORADO LEAGUES:

When sets are split, we play 10 point match tie breaks: First to 10 with a minimum difference of 2 points to win.

Flight playoffs for USTA Adult 18 & over and CTA Twilight leagues will be on Saturdays.

There are many "Calendar" changes for 2013. Please check the CTA website for calendar dates for all leagues.

REGISTRATION FORMS FOR 2013 LEAGUES ARE ON THE LTA website: www.lovelandtennis.com.

I will be happy to help answer questions I can with the league changes. Most of the changes this year are made by USTA, not Colorado USTA.

Val Hecker, League Coordinator



Reminders:

- Renew your USTA membership (I can not add you to a team unless this is done)
- Renew your LTA membership (same as previous)
- Let me know asap if you have a match rainout. I keep track of courts used so we do not pay for unused court time.

Val Hecker, League Coordinator

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Newsletter submitted by Judy O'Gorman, LTA Secretary
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2013 Election of LTA Directors

It's that time of the year again. You may decide who *you want* to guide the Loveland Tennis Association into the future, help us maintain our legal status and be active in the community. If you would be interested in being on the board – Contact Us!

The LTA's bylaws require a minimum of seven and maximum of fifteen directors. Each director commits to a two-year term. If, after that time, they want to remain on the board they may run for re-election. Per the bylaws, the officer positions are filled each year by the board of directors.

Below is the current board of director composition with their service status:

Name	Title	Term	Name	Title	Term
Jeannette Popp	President	1 yr remaining	Steve Gardner	Director	end of term
Leo Grassens	Vice President	1 yr remaining	Trudy Grassens	Director	1 yr remaining
Judy O'Gorman	Secretary	end of term	Kelsey Keene	Director	1 yr remaining
Greg Hecker	Treasurer	end of term	Melissa Meyers	Director	1 yr remaining
Kristen Bruce	Director	end of term	Bill Parton	Director	end of term
Walter Boggs	Director	1 yr remaining	Brian Petersen	Director	1 yr remaining
Leni Bohren	Director	end of term	Dean Pflughoeft	Director	end of term

The directors, who are on the ballot below have indicated that they want to continue to serve. Leni Bohren would like to make a spot available for a new director and is choosing not to be reelected. We thank Leni for her service on the board for the last couple of years.

Ballot

As a member, you may vote for one or all of the candidates listed below. An individual adult membership shall have one vote. A family membership shall have one voter if there is only one person of age 19 and over, two voters if there are two members in the respective family membership of age 19 and over. Each voter can cast a vote for any or all candidates listed below.

If you would like to serve on the board or would like to suggest someone else after getting his/her consent, or you may add yourself as a candidate by writing **your name** on the "Write In" line.

	vote 1	vote 2
Judy O'Gorman		
Greg Hecker		
Kristen Bruce		
Steve Gardner		
Bill Parton		
Dean Pflughoeft		
Dick Mallot		
Write in:		

Please note: You may vote on one or more (or all) candidates.

Please fill out the voting form above and return to: **LTA, Elections, P.O. Box 1385, Loveland, CO 80539.**

LTA Membership Form

Please help us by getting your membership paid as soon as possible! **You may pay online by going to: <http://lovelandtennis.com>.**
Online renewals will be charged an additional \$1 fee to offset the charges by PayPal to the LTA.

Membership Dues:

Individual adult (19 yrs. or older this entire calendar year)	\$20
Family (1 or 2 adults plus any children <u>under 19</u>)	\$35
Junior (under age 19 this entire calendar year)	\$5

Name: _____ Birth date: _____ NTRP Rating: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ OK to receive newsletter via Email? Yes ___ No ___

Spouse Name: _____ Birth date: _____ NTRP Rating: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Junior names (put all): _____

Please either go to <http://lovelandtennis.com> to complete this form OR send it along with a check made payable to:

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