



RTA Newsletter

Roswell Tennis Association

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Roswell Parks and Recreation Department

Members Enjoy Pizza and Play



Some just visited



Sharon and Holly present flex league winners



Oh and Hickman moved from B to A and placed second



Players stop for awards



Then it was time to eat!

Thirty-plus members and family came out on a Thursday evening to celebrate the end of the flex league season and to enjoy the company of other tennis players. League winners received gift certificates and runners-up received tennis towels. Julie Lynn supervised drills and games. It was a pleasant evening socializing with other tennis players of all ages. Thanks to the RTA Board, Holly, and Sharon for organizing the event.

RTA Players Travel to Competition

Ed Maidment played in the Albuquerque Highpoint tournament in June. He won the 4.0 division by wins over five players-- three from Albuquerque, one from Socorro, and one from Florida.



Sharon Butler qualified in New Mexico to play in the National Senior Olympics and played in Minneapolis recently. She won her first match 6-0, 6-3; lost the second one 6-7, 4-6. Way to represent New Mexico. Congratulations, Sharon!



Terry Cleveland photo, taken during competition in the Carlsbad 4th of July tournament, made the top half of the front page of the Current Argus sports section showing perfectly correct form. Ed Maidment, Steve Youngman, and Faye Stokes participated in the tournament, as well. Terry and Steve were up against Jurva (Carlsbad) and Jack (El Paso) in both singles and doubles. It's not like they haven't met them before. Unfortunately, the results remain the same but Terry and Steve keep trying. Faye won the 75 mixed doubles with partner Friesen (Carlsbad) over the Nicholsons (Alamogordo) 6-2, 6-0. Well, there was only one match in that division, but a win is a win!



Another highlight of the Carlsbad tournament was the privilege of watching a young man from Florida work his way through a draw of 29 players to win the open final. He has a rating of 7.0 (how often do we see that quality of tennis around here?). He will be traveling the pro circuit in Europe this summer.

Annual SENM Junior Playday Held in Carlsbad

Julie Lynn organized a group of our local aspiring young players to attend the playday in Carlsbad. Four communities brought players—Carlsbad, Roswell, Hobbs, and Lovington. A good showing from here included Kamray and Kelea Ramage; Luke, Eli, and Noah Lynn; Hayley and Hannah Young; Gus and Ned Curnutt; Madeline and Owen Williams; Katie Holloway; Kenadi Loza; and Phillip Robert. The event was open to ages 8 to 14, but a few younger ones came along as well. They competed in singles and participated in prize court fun. Sponsored by USTA Southeastern NM and USTA Southwest Section, participants were treated to a free lunch and prizes for everyone. Winners within their competitive groups received medals. Roswell's winners: Kamray Ramage, Luke Lynn, Gus Curnutt, Hannah Young, and Hayley Young.



Fifty-three novice players and their coaches and assistants



Holly's Volleys

Ahhh, the smells of summer: freshly mowed grass, sunscreen, sweat....I wonder if that's what Wimbledon smells like? I hope you caught some of the action at the All England Club this year. Maybe even some of you witnessed the tournament first hand. It's definitely on my bucket list! Speaking of bucket lists, do you have a Tennis Bucket List? We all need something to look forward to, a goal to work toward. Maybe it's something like playing your first match, developing a kick serve, playing in a tournament, perfecting your volley, or finally beating that one opponent that always wins. Whatever it is, set a goal and keep it. In the meantime, breathe deeply and enjoy the smells of summer, and include the smell of a fresh can of balls. *Holly*

Sorry to hear that Frank Schwarz fell on the courts recently. A head wound required emergency room care. Fellow players took him to the hospital. Hope recovery is fast, Frank. We miss you.



Craig Hickerson, 7-1
Dave Culberson, 7-18
Ted Hitchcock, 7-30

Ed Osborne, 7-2
Pegi Smith, 7-19

Henry Rosales, 7-15
Susie Russell, 7-20



June birthday party for Mickey Basso and Glaze Sacra

Coming Events:

Julie's ladies' class, 6:30 A.M., Tuesdays and Thursdays, ongoing.

Jack's teen and adult sessions, 6:00 P.M. for beginners and 7:00 P.M. for intermediates, July 27-31.

Hobbs Junior Open Dust Bowl, July 24-5. Call Spears at 575-318-6243

CCC Summer Tennis Tournament **July 23-25**. Register at <http://bradheath.wix.com/cloviscc-tennis>. It's Free! Pass the news along!

SENM Adult Open coming September 12-13—tournament number #750017115, online entry begins August 8.

Sign-up party for Fall Flex League play, September 17, 6:00 P.M.

