



NET NEWS

Pennsylvania State University

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Dear Members,

As I sit at the computer to write my monthly letter to you it hit me I just finished my second year of service as your Tennis Center Supervisor. It made me reflect on all that has happened the last two years: the new roof and sides to the tennis center, the new irrigation system for the clay courts, the indoor repairs to the facility, the grand prix tennis tournaments, the Woodie and White, the round robin mixers, Junior Development busting at the seams, Doug joining our staff and what a difference he has made. A special thanks to Jack Matson for having the courage to be the first member to take a lesson from me. It certainly has been a whirlwind and I wouldn't have it any other way. It has been a pleasure serving you all and look forward to many more years of service!!!!

The Woodie and White round robin mixer held on January 26th was a huge success. Everyone looked terrific in his or her dress whites and wood rackets. The level of play was quite good and the food was great. I want to thank the social committee for all their hard work in making this event a great time for all who attended. Keep your eyes open for more events in the near future.

Speaking of events, mark your calendar now for the annual meeting scheduled for March 22nd. This will be a potluck dinner from 6:00 – 7:00 pm followed by a meeting for approximately 30 minutes and then free— yes free— indoor court time from 7:30 – 9:00 pm. I want to invite all our members to attend, it's a great way to meet our members and discuss any issues concerning the Tennis Center you may have.

In closing, I realize indoor court time is getting harder and harder to obtain. This is due to a number of reasons, a growing membership, increased use by varsity teams, student tennis club, increased demand for instruction and a resurgence of our sport in general. Be aware as the varsity teams enter their season, there will be courts available on certain Mondays and Fridays due to travel and days off. Keep in touch with your Tennis Center staff as to when these openings will occur.

Regards,

Eric

Pro Shop News

Coming Soon!!! The newest Wilson rackets and tennis shoes.

We now have a number of demos on sale for \$95 each. Stop by and check out the selection of slightly used rackets.

February String Special

Prince Topspin Plus 16 gauge \$20



Come out and support the Nittany Lion and Lady Lion Tennis Teams!!!

Men's Home Schedule

Saturday February 23	PSU vs. Wisconsin	12 noon
Sunday February 24	PSU vs. St. Bonaventure	12 noon
Sunday March 10	PSU vs. Toledo	10 am
Sunday March 10	PSU vs. Duquesne	3:30 pm
Sunday March 17	PSU vs. Ohio State	12 noon
Wednesday March 20	PSU vs. St. Francis	3:30 pm
Sunday March 24	PSU vs. Minnesota	12 noon
Saturday April 6	PSU vs. Michigan	12 noon
Sunday April 7	PSU vs. Michigan State	12 noon
Wednesday April 10	PSU vs. Robert Morris	3:30 pm
Saturday April 13	PSU vs. Purdue	12 noon
Sunday April 14	PSU vs. Indiana	12 noon

Women's Home Schedule

Friday February 15	PSU vs. Temple	4:30 pm
Saturday February 16	PSU vs. Cornell	11:00 am
Sunday February 17	Temple vs. Cornell	9:30 am
Friday March 15	PSU vs. West Virginia	2:30 pm
Saturday March 16	PSU vs. Iowa	10:00 am
Saturday April 20	PSU vs. Northwestern	10:00 am
Sunday April 21	PSU vs. Illinois	1:00 pm

Please note, when the match is indoors, courts close 1 hour prior to match time. Courts are closed for 6 hours. If a match ends prior to the 6 hour limit, the courts will be available for regular use.



Doug's Corner

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Woodie White

Eric and I were extremely pleased with the turn out and how the Woodie White Round Robin Social went. Eighteen members participated in the event. Everyone had a great time and really dressed appropriately. We had six prizewinners from the event. They are as follows:

Best Dressed	Jack Rayman
Shortest Shorts	Bob Ortiz
Best Volley	Ok-Hi Lee
Most Heart	Gert Aron
Most Vintage Player	Joe McKnett
Most Trips to the Ladies Room	Karen Martin

Thank you to all those who participated and the social committee for all of their work with this special event.

Challenge Ladder:

If you have signed up for the Challenge Ladder, please reconfirm your commitment to the ladder. We are beginning to see a few more matches being played. Here are some good times to get courts to play your challenge ladder matches. The times are as follows:

Fridays from 10:30 till 2:30 PM

Saturdays from 10:30 till 7:00 PM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoons from 2:30 till 7:00 PM when the Varsity Teams are traveling or taking their day off.

Get out and play your challenge matches.

USTA League Team:

We are looking into the possibility of having a 3.5 USTA League Team this coming spring/summer. If you want to be a part of the USTA League Team, each individual would be required to become rated, a USTA member, as well as be able to commit to multiple match dates in the spring/summer months. If you are interested, please contact Eric or Doug in the Pro Shop.

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