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**SPRING 2018 Newsletter** 

# LINE CALLS

### **In Dan's Court**

## **KVTA Is A Happening Place!**

The season started off slow and steady but has really taken off and built up a great head of steam. Our existing programs are doing better than ever.

The High School program attendance on Tuesdays and Thursdays has been averaging between 13–16 kids each day. The Middle School program attendance on the same days has been averaging between 8–12 kids each day. Red Ball for kids ages 4–7 on Wednesdays has been a little slow this season. We are trying to push up numbers with word of mouth and advertising. Orange Ball has been strong on Wednesdays averaging between 8–10 kids a class. On the week-

ends, Sherry's programs of Adult Ed, Cardio, and Triples have been doing very well. She has also been doing the Orange Ball, Middle School, and Beginner classes.

We have just finished our largest pickleball tournament ever held here. It was a huge success and everyone had a great time. The very next day we held an Orange Ball event that was well attended despite the weather. We had 10 kids from this club and a few from surrounding clubs. The kids played for more than two hours, ate pizza, and had a great time. On February 16, the Social Committee held a Valentine's scramble here with 32 players participating and all had a great time. Awards and food were presented to all.

On March 29, I will be traveling to Readfield Elementary School to do a morning class with kids, and on March 30, I will be traveling to Manchester Elementary School to do the same. On April 14, we will be holding a

"Spring Into the Season" Mixed Doubles Pickleball tourney.

This year we have added Wilbur Shardlow and Lanell Beckles to our staff. Thanks to them, our weekend high school clinic and programs have been very strong. Starting the last week in April and for five weeks straight, we will be hosting St. Michael School on Mondays and Fridays. I am looking forward to working with Lanell for these five weeks.

P.S. On behalf of Sherry, Wilbur, Lanell, and myself, I would like to wish all of our high school students a very successful upcoming tennis season!

-Dan Veilleux, Head Tennis Pro

## **Terry's Corner**

### Change, Change, Change!

ast year KVTA raised \$680 from our Change Jar Campaign! We hope to top that this year! Get a jar from our desk staff, bring it home and collect all of your loose change that might be stashed here and there OR collect change for a few weeks and bring back to KVTA! You can also just bring it in a bag! We will count, deposit and give you credit for the tax-deductible donation! THIS year, the highest change donor as of June 30 gets a gift certificate from Cushnoc Brewing Company! We hope this is a painless, creative way to help us meet our budget without raising rates to our valued customers!



Claire Dwyer (second from right) and Martin Ferrusca (far right) were awarded Most Improved in the Midcoast Junior Tennis League for the 2017-18 season.

We now have an exercise room! Members can enjoy an elliptical machine, a treadmill and some weights for warm up before playing or just to keep in shape. Ask at the front desk about the policy and the key to the room!

Shoes... Please remember our shoe policy and take street shoes off in the hallway to prevent tracking in mud, wet, and gravel! As a service, we have placed hospital booties in the hallway if you are observing or walking through for golf and prefer to keep your shoes on. The staff can even assist getting the booties on your shoes if you need help! Thank you for keeping our carpets clean and dry for everyone!

Stay tuned for some fantastic events! We are planning a Member Appreciation Day, a Spring Fling, and a day long social event in June! If you want to observe amazing tennis or pickleball, ask the desk staff when tournaments are held!

Thank you for being part of our wonderful tennis club!

—Terry Witham, Manager



## Lively Indoor Tennis for Kids 4–11 and Beyond

ennebec Valley Tennis Association (KVTA) provides a program introducing and training the youngest tennis players! The five-week Red Ball (ages 4–7) and Orange Ball (ages 8–11) programs provide fun, exercise, and skills as the youth learn the fundamentals and etiquette of tennis. Red Ball is held on Wednesdays 3:30–4:30 p.m. and Saturdays 11:00 a.m.–noon. Orange Ball is on Wednesdays 4:30–5:30 p.m. and Saturdays 1:00–2:00 p.m. All they need is indoor sneakers! Parents can watch through our viewing window while enjoying a hot beverage and free wi-fi.

All are welcome, and we have financial aid available.

Tennis pros Dan Veilleux and Sherry Norton promote tennis as an excellent way to improve hand/eye coordination, get healthy





Red Ball players with tennis pros Dan Veilleux (above) and Sherry Norton (below)

exercise, and plant the seed for a lifelong sport. A-Copi has active middle school and high school programs for all levels of players to learn or fine tune their skills. We can provide a videotape to document and improve skills. The red/orange balls, shorter racquets and courts, and lower nets enable kids to receive a slower moving ball and have a successful, lively session. Racquets are provided.

Need an indoor activity

for your children or start or revive your own game? Call (207) 213-6286, email kvtatennis@gmail.com, or visit our website at www.KVTAtennis.org.

## Hours of Operation through May 28

 Monday-Thursday
 8:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

 Friday
 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

 Saturday
 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

 Sunday
 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Get 1/2 off non-member court fees on the second and fourth weekend of every month!

Get 20% off court time during Non-prime Time Monday– Friday 12:00–3:00 p.m.!

## A-COPI TENNIS & SPORTS CENTER STAFF

Terry Witham - Director of Operations Dan Veilleux - PTR Certified Head Pro Sherry Norton - PTR Certified Pro Lanell Beckles - USPTA Certified Pro Wilbur Shardlow - USPTA Certified Pro Alayna - Front Desk Associate Denise - Front Desk Associate Emily - Front Desk Associate Victoria - Front Desk Associate



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Want to become more active at KVTA? Join us on one of our committees! Fundraising, Maintenance, PR, Social Events, Personnel, Nominations, Finance, or just give us your ideas! Fill out a comment form or speak to our director of operations or any board member!

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE **Spring 2018**



Sign-ups are required for all programs. Drop ins are also accepted. We prefer payment by cash or checks but also accept credit cards.

#### 10 & UNDER TENNIS (\$12 drop in/\$55 five-week session)

#### Wednesday

**Red Ball** (Ages 4-7) 3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Orange Ball** (Ages 8–11) 4:30–5:30 p.m.

**Red Ball** (Ages 4-7) 11:00-12:00 p.m.

**Orange Ball Middle School** (Ages 7+) 1:00-2:00 p.m.

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL TENNIS** (designed for skill improvement; \$13 drop-in/\$80 five-week session)

#### **Tuesday**

Middle School Clinic 4:00-5:00 p.m.

#### Thursday

Middle School Clinic 4:30-5:30 p.m.

#### **Saturday**

Middle School Clinic 2:00-3:00 p.m.

## HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL TENNIS (\$13 drop-in/\$80 five-week session)

#### **Tuesday**

**High School Clinic** 3:00–4:00 p.m. (skill improvement)

**Thursday** 

**High School Clinic** 3:30–4:30 p.m. (skill improvement) Sunday

**High School Clinic** 2:00–4:00 p.m. (\$25 drop-in; improve tennis IQ in both singles and doubles

High School Scrambles 4:00-6:00 p.m. (\$10 drop-in; free to those with a Junior Membership)

#### **ADULT TENNIS**

#### Monday

**USTA Level 3.0 Drill** 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (\$22 Non Member/\$19 Member)

**Big Hitter's levels 4.0-4.5** 7:00-9:00 p.m. (\$20 Non Member/\$12 Silver/\$6 Gold)

#### **Tuesday**

**Stroke of the Day** 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (\$18 Non Member/\$15 Member)

Adult Beginner Clinic 5:00-6:00 p.m. (\$18 Non Member/\$15 Member/\$60 five-week session)

**Triples** 6:00–7:00 p.m. (\$12 Non Member/\$10 Member)



Stop schlepping your stuff! Lockers are available to rent! \$69 for nine months. \$90 for 12 months.

SUPPORT KVTA! We are a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. Please consider a gift to offset annual and unexpected costs and support financial aid for youth.

#### THANK YOU!

#### Wednesday

Mixed Doubles Levels 3.5-4.0 5:30-7:00 p.m. (\$18 Non Member/\$12 Silver/\$0 Gold)

Boot Camp/Games 6:00-7:00 p.m. (\$12 Non Member/ \$10 Member)

#### **Thursday**

**Adult Beginner** 9:00–10:00 a.m. (\$18 Non Member/\$15 Member/\$60 five-week session)

**Stroke of the Day** 1:00-2:00 p.m. (\$18 Non Member/\$15 Member)

Adult Beginner Clinic 5:30-6:30 p.m. (\$18 Non Member/\$15 Member/\$65 five-week session)

#### Friday

**USTA Level 3.5 Drill** 10:00–11:30 a.m. (\$22 Non Member/\$19 Member) A couple of differences between 3.0 and 3.5 levels are the speed at which the ball is hit and the number of times a player can return the ball or serve without a mistake.

**Friday Night Mixer** 5:30–7:30 p.m. (\$15 Non Member/\$10 Silver/\$5 Gold) Sign-up not required.

#### Saturday

Adult Advanced Beginner 8:00-9:00 a.m. (\$18 Non Member/\$15 Member/\$60 five-week session)

**Cardio Tennis** 9:00-10:00 a.m. (\$12 Non Member/\$10 Member)

**Triples Tennis** 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. (\$12 Non Member/\$10 Member)

Adult/High School Beginner 3:00-4:00 p.m. (\$18 Non Member/\$15 Member/\$65 five-week session)

#### **PICKLEBALL**

Monday 12:00-1:30 p.m. (\$5 Non Member/\$3 Silver/\$1 Gold) Tuesday Tournament Level Players 5:30-7:00 p.m. (\$7 Non Member/\$5 Silver/\$2 Gold)

Wednesday 12:00-1:30 p.m. (\$5 Non Member/\$3 Silver/\$1 Gold) Friday 12:00-1:30 p.m.

**Saturday** 8:30–10:00 a.m. (\$5 Non Member/\$3 Silver/\$1 Gold)

Pickleball Rates: 1.5 hrs \$1 Gold/\$3 Silver/\$5 Non Member For pickleball lessons, contact Dan Veilleux @ 213-6286 (\$20/half hour)

SIGN UPS REQUIRED PLEASE! CALL (207) 213-6286

SAVE WITH A MEMBERSHIP! Membership rates and online information request form are on the website www.KVTAtennis.org



Space is available for birthday parties and other rentals!

Please call for reservations.