THE BASELINE

Field Club News



June 2010

A Message from the President

ell, The Field Club's busy season was officially christened with the Spring Fling on Friday April 9, at the Longmeadow Country Club. The evening was filled with friends, fine food, and lots of dancing. It was good to see members socializing and reacquainting themselves with one another after a long winter. The event was well attended, as over 100 members gathered for the early April date. The Spring Fling has historically been one of the marquee events on the Club's social calendar, and it was great to see the event enthusiastically supported again this year. Our hats go off to **Kris Gagne, Sally Gallucci, Chris Nicholson** and **Jim Girotti** for organizing this terrific event.

By the time you receive this issue of *The*

Baseline, the finishing touches to get the Club ready

for the upcoming season should be completed. Jim Girotti and his staff have been busy the last few months in preparation for opening day. Tennis Pro **Ann Boisvert** (25th year) will be back overseeing all of the tennis programming. We are fortunate to have an experienced group of tennis assistants to work with Ann this summer. Michelle Boisvert, Dan Phelan, Chris Moskul and John Hughes will all be busy with the kids, teaching clinics and organizing a variety of tennis events. It's also a great time to get your game tuned up for the summer, so consider taking a lesson or two from one of our talented staff. Martin Gullberg, who has been with us as a lifeguard and Assistant Pool Manager for the past 6 years, assumes his new duties as Swimming Pool Manager. **Megan Randall** will be the new Tot Lot Director, and we look forward to the fresh energy that she will bring to her duties. Megan will also

be supervising the Kids Crafts program and will be apart of the Snuggery staff. **Eileen Mason** (13th year) will be back in charge of the Snuggery for 2010. Eileen and staff will be well prepared to serve you this summer! If you are unfamiliar with any of the staff members, please don't hesitate to take the initiative to introduce yourself.

The FC *Guidebook* binders should have arrived by now, so discard last year's binder info and insert the new material for 2010. Your new binder packet is chalk full of dates and schedules for the 2010 summer season. All the upcoming adult tennis tournaments and mixers, junior tennis events, pool events and the summer's social calendar can be found in your packet. Now is a great time to mark your calendars with those events that peak your interest. The many different FC committees have done another great job putting together a summer calendar overflowing with activities for the membership. There is truly something for everyone.

The FC grounds and landscaping have never looked better. New this year is a larger sandbox and shade awning for all the kids to enjoy. Additionally, a new landscape bed was created and surrounds the Club's flagpole. Surface level lighting was installed around the pole and placed on timers so that when the sun goes down the flag will continue to shine brightly.

I hope you will enjoy the multitude of events that The Field Club has to offer this summer. For those not so ambitious... grab a good book, kick back at the pool, and relax. It's all up to you!

See you out there,

Dave Appleman

Tot Lot Opens June 22

We are pleased to welcome **Meghan Randall** of Longmeadow as our new
Tot Lot Director! Meghan is a 2009
graduate of Longmeadow High

School and has just completed her freshman year at Dickinson College. She looks forward to planning weekly activities and managing Kids Crafts on Thursday afternoons.

The Tot Lot is located behind the pool and Snuggery and, for a small hourly fee, provides supervised childcare for members who are on the premises. Meghan will care for members' children between the ages of 1 and 7, as well as for infants (if arranged in advance). She will be assisted by Tot Lot helpers (between the ages of 11 and 15) who will play with the children and bring them to and from tennis and swimming lessons. Tot Lot helpers sign up for one week at a time and are paid for 16 hours of work. If you are interested in being a paid helper, email Chris Nicholson at and let her know when you are available.

New Tot Lot hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, from June 22 to August 27th. — *Chris Nicholson*

Field Club Social Events 2010

The Davis Cup Dinner tennis kick-off event will be held Saturday evening, June 26. All members are welcome; you do not have to participate in the Davis Cup to attend the evening event. Once again, it will be located poolside, with dinner and music provided. Come and join us for a wonderful Field Club tradition, and be sure to mark your calendars for this summer's many other fun events, including:

Davis Cup DinnerSaturday, June 26July 4th TailgateSunday, July 4Poolside PotluckSaturday, July 31Family CampoutFriday, August 27Labor Day TailgateSunday, September 5

Information and sign-ups will be found at the tennis hut and pool, as well as by e-mail.

— Sally Gallucci

Snuggery (Sung to Kodachrome)

With apologies to Paul Simon and inspiration from Elaine Peters

When we bring our hungry smiles up to the window, The Snuggery staff hops to attention fast. And when our meals are ready They appear like magic. I would say we're Snuggery enthusiasts.

chorus:

Snugger - e - e - e - y
Give us those juicy burgers.
Give us those tuna salads.
Give us those wraps with pickles on the side. oh yeah
Give us ice cream with sprinkles
After sandwiches of turkey.
Mama help me find spray cleaner today.

When we have eaten all confections at our table, It is then we toss our paper in the trash. We scamper up and get spray cleaner from the counter, And carefully wipe tables, not slapdash.

Chorus

Snugger - e - e - e - y
Give us those juicy burgers.
Give us those tuna salads.
Give us those wraps with pickles on the side. oh yeah
Give us ice cream with sprinkles
After sandwiches of turkey.
Mama I will find spray cleaner today.

Mama I will find spray cleaner today. Mama I will use spray cleaner today. Mama I will use spray cleaner today.

Mama help me find spray cleaner.

My friends'll say I'm more meaner

If I don't stay and push in chairs today.

Mama I will clean away.

Mama I'll throw trash away.

Mama I will clean my place today, oh yeah.

Mama help me find spray cleaner. Mama I will use spray cleaner today.

— Katherine Charbonneau



Davis Cup Social

Mark your calendars for the Annual Davis Cup Social!

Here's what you need to know:

When:

June 26th at 6:30pm - ??

Where:

Poolside at The Field Club

What:

Hot/cold appetizers, catered buffet dinner, dessert, coffee & BYOB

Music & dancing, too!

Look for more details and sign-ups for this not-to-be-missed event! Whether you play tennis that day or not, join us for a fun night!

— Carolyn Marchese, Event Chairperson



Fun for All at Spring Fling

The Annual Field Club Spring Fling was held on April 9th at the Longmeadow Country Club. Several members had asked to have the Spring Fling earlier in the spring this year, since May can be a busy time. A little over 100 guests came and enjoyed a wonderful evening of excellent food, music, dancing, catching up with old friends and meeting new ones. Thank you to everyone who helped make the evening a success! Looking forward to a wonderful summer! Be sure to check out the social events this summer!

— Kristina Gagne

Meet the 2010 Tennis Staff

The 2010 Tennis Staff is probably the "strongest" and "most experienced" tennis staff we have ever had!

Head Pro Ann Boisvert returns for her 25th season at The Field Club. Ann played high school tennis at Palmer High School and college tennis at Rollins College in Florida. She played on the women's tour in 1985 and 1986. Ann will oversee this year's four "topnotch" assistant pros, as follows:

Michelle Boisvert returns for her fourth year working at the FC. She played #1 singles for Amherst High School and is currently playing on the University of Massachusetts Women's Tennis Team. She will be entering her junior year at UMASS in the fall. Michelle's additional duties this year include the position of "Coordinator of Junior Tennis."

John Hughes brings with him four years of experience at Crestview Country Club. He played high school tennis at Cathedral. John is graduating from Quinnipiac University this spring, where he played #1 on the varsity team. John made it to "Nationals" this spring.

Chris Moskal returns for his 3rd summer on the FC Tennis Staff. Chris also played high school tennis at Cathedral, where he played #1 singles during his junior and senior years. In the fall, Chris will be entering his sophomore year at St. Michael's College, where he is a member of the varsity tennis team.

Dan Phelan returns to our tennis staff for a third season. Dan played high school tennis at Chicopee High, where he played #1 singles for three years. Dan will graduate from Holy Cross College this spring where he played #3 singles on the varsity team.

The tennis staff is looking forward to seeing you on the courts this summer! — Jim Girotti

Next Deadline Friday, July 23 — Be sure to send your submissions for the August edition of *The Baseline* to Editor Lee-Anne Sprague at LSprague7@cox.net.

Get Set for Tennis Fun!

Another exciting summer of tennis awaits you! Take a look at the variety of events we have put together for your enjoyment:

Sat., June 5	Welcome New Members Mixer
Sun., June 6	M/W Singles Kickoff
Sat., June 12	M/W Member Guest
Sat., June 19	Adult Mixer (Wine Theme)
Sat., June 26	Davis Cup
Sun., July 4	Mixed Couples Trouble
July 8-11	Super Seniors (USTA Event)
Sun., July 18	Adult Mixer (Daiquiri Doubles)
Fri., July 30	Adult Mixer
Sun., Aug. 15	Adult Mixer (International Wines)
Sat., Aug. 28	M/W Doubles Championship
Mon., Sept. 6	Adult Mixer
Sat., Sept. 11	Mixed Doubles Championship
Sun., Sept. 19	M/W Singles Championship
Sat., Sept. 25	September Fest

The Club's largest event, **The Davis Cup**, will be held on **Saturday**, **June 26**. Players of all levels are divided into different teams to compete against one another. Typically, anywhere from 80 to 100 players turn out for this day-long event. The Davis Cup party follows in the evening and is always a pleasant finale to a day of tennis. Good food and music are enjoyed poolside.

So, mark your calendars and come join us! We hope to see many of our new members on the courts this summer. Remember that sign-ups are posted courtside prior to all events.

Event information updates can be found on the Field Club website, tennis bulletin board, monthly calendars and in the next edition of *The Baseline.* — *Cathy Grayboff*

Field Club in Full Bloom

The Beautification Committee has been very busy planting flowers around the tennis hut and the pool. Thanks go out to **Sally Gallucci**, **Norene Shea, John Abbott** and **Mike Brault** for "beautifying our club." Also, thanks go out to the pool and tennis staff for making sure these blooms are watered throughout the summer. — *Chris Nicholson*

Ladies Doubles Scramble

Find teammates and sign-up for our first ladies doubles scramble! The ladder will begin June 7 and continue until September 3, 2010.

Each team may have up to three players. Doubles partners can rotate using any combination of the three players (two players from a team play a match; for the next match you can rotate which two players from your team play).

All Matches will be arranged by players, and results should be reported at the tennis hut when the match is over. A result sheet will be kept, updated and posted periodically.

Matches will consist of two sets, with a regular scoring format. Ties will be broken with the 12-point tie-breaker. Both teams bring balls, and the winning team keeps the unopened can.

Teams winning two straight sets receive two points, split sets will result in one point for each team.

Check your strings, get a grip and join the fun! Sign up by replying to Barbara Beaudois, Candy Weiner or Tennis Pro Ann Boisvert. A sign up sheet will be posted at the Field Club. – *Candace Weiner*

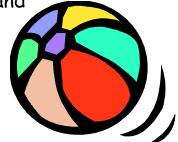
Make the Most of Your Summer!

Be sure to visit The Field Club online at www.field-club.com for an updated listing of all this summer's fun

tennis, pool and social

events.

See you at the Club!



School's Out, Tennis is In... Junior Fun Begins!

The Junior Tennis season officially kicks off on Friday, June 25, with the Junior Opener from 3:30 to 5 p.m., followed by the Tot Opener on Tuesday, June 29, at 9:15 a.m. Be sure to bring your rackets for the clinics. There will be munchkins and juice at the two openers.

Junior tennis clinic times are as follows:

4 to 7 year olds

9:15 to 10 a.m. Tuesday/Thursday

8 and 9 year olds

9 to 10 a.m. Monday/Wednesday/Friday

10 to 12 year olds

12 noon to 1 p.m. Monday/Tuesday/Thursday

13+ year olds

11 a.m. to 12 noon Monday/Wednesday/Friday**

(** Note addition of Friday clinic this summer!)

On Tuesdays in July and August there will be a **Junior Mixer** at 1 p.m.

For young tennis players who want more playing experience, tournaments will be held every Wednesday afternoon starting with the US Open on Wednesday, June 30. Anybody who can serve and keep score is welcome. There is a \$20 fee for each child participating in the afternoon Junior Tennis program events/tournaments, to help cover expenses incurred (awards, trophies, beverages, snacks, etc.). Sign-ups and times will be posted on the bulletin board near the pro shop for all events. All clinics and events are also listed on the Field Club's website (www.field-club.com).

The Field Club also hopes to sponsor a **Junior USTA** team this summer for boys and girls ages 10-14 as of August 31, 2010 (15 players maximum). Matches are held at various western

Mass sites in the early evening. Look for more information on the pro shop bulletin board or speak with Ann Boisvert.

Newcomers are always encouraged to participate, as it's a great way to meet new friends, keep physically active, learn tennis rules and etiquette, and most of all, have fun. Many teens stop playing if they don't play for their high school team and don't consider themselves "competitive" tennis players. We would love to get a group of teens together this summer for fun, not-so-competitive tennis mixers. It's not about winning, it's about having fun! If interested, please speak to Ann Boisvert.

This year we welcome back tennis pro Ann Boisvert (25th year!!) and tennis assistants Michelle Boisvert, Dan Phelan and Chris Moskal. We are also pleased to welcome our new tennis assistant, John Hughes. Please stop by the pro shop to welcome and say hello to them.

See you on the courts! — Mary Adler

2010 Junior Tennis Events

Junior Opener
Tot Opener
US Open
Junior Davis Cup
French Open
Australian Open
Wimbledon
Family Round Robin
Corcoran Cup
Doubles Championship
Singles Championship
Parent/Child Tourney
Mixed Doubles Tourney
End of Season Tot Party
Awards Party

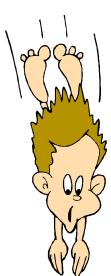
Friday, June 25
Tuesday, June 29
Wednesday, June 30
Wed./Thurs., July 7/8
Wednesday, July 14
Wednesday, July 21
Wednesday, July 28
Saturday, July 31
Wednesday, August 4
Wed./Thurs., Aug. 11/12
Wed./Thurs., Aug. 18/19
Saturday, August 21
Wednesday, August 25
Thursday, August 26
Friday, August 27

Event information updates (dates, event chairperson, etc.) can be found on the Field Club

website, tennis bulletin board, monthly calendars and future edition of *The Baseline*.

— Mary Adler





Lane Lines

The pool is now officially open! During the pre-season period (until school gets out) the pool will be open weekdays from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and weekends from 10 p.m. to 5 p.m.

<u>Summer Pool Hours</u> (End of School — Lahor Day)

Monday through Friday

10 a.m. to 12 noon — Swimming lessons only

12 noon — Pool opens for general use

Saturday and Sunday

9 a.m. to 10 a.m.— Pool opens for lap swimmers only (16+), no children allowed on the pool deck during adult lap swim

10 a.m. — Pool opens for general use

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. — Adult Swim (Baby pool closed during adult swim.)

Thursday, Saturday and Sunday

5:30 to 7:45 p.m. — Family Swim

Pool Events Schedule

Junior Fun Day (Ages 4 - 12) Thursday, July 1, 2 to 4 p.m.

Junior Poolside Party (Ages 8 - 10) Tuesday, July 6, 6 to 8 p.m.

Young Poolside Party (Ages 4 - 7) Tuesday, July 13, 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Middle School Fun Night (Entering grades 6 - 8) Friday, July 16, 6 to 8 p.m.

Junior/Member Guest Day (Ages 4 - 12) Friday, July 23, 1 p.m.

FC Swim Championships (Ages 16 and under) Sunday, August 15, 12:30 to 2 p.m.

Swim Awards Ceremony (presentation of swim lesson certificates and pizza in the snuggery) Friday, August 20, 12 noon

Kids Crafts

Thursdays, 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Swimming Lessons

Two week sessions starting on the following dates:

Session 1: June 28 Session 2: July 12 Session 3: July 26 Session 4: August 9

Please sign up for swimming lessons in the pool office prior to the start date. The pool staff can help with selecting the proper level for your child. Throughout the summer, odd levels (1, 3, 5 and 7) will meet at 10:45 a.m., and even levels (2, 4 and 6) will meet at 11:15 a.m.

Be sure to fill out the emergency safety card for each of your children. They will be available at the pool check-in table.

Please see *The Baseline* and poolside notices for further information and sign-ups. New ideas, suggestions or assistance on pool event committees is always welcomed and encouraged.

- Elena Oundjian & Sherri Ehrenberg, Pool Co-Chairs
- Chris Nicholson, Board liaison

NEW at the Pool:

Earlier Weekend Hours for Laps

Beginning the weekend of June 5th, the pool will be open on Saturday and Sunday from 9 to 10 a.m. for adult lap swim. Members ages 16+ will be able to use the lanes for laps until the pool opens for all members at 10 a.m. We are hoping this hour will be utilized by members who have shown an interest in earlier pool times, especially for lap swimming.

Meet the 2010 Pool Staff

Field Club members can rest assured that they are in good hands while enjoying time at the pool, thanks to our highly skilled and experienced pool staff. Read on to learn more...

Manager: Martin Gullberg

A 2008 graduate of Springfield College, Martin was a four year member of the College's Varsity Swim Team and captain during his senior year. While this will be his first year as pool manager, he served as our Assistant Pool Manager for three years, prior to which time he was a FC lifeguard. Martin works as an Assistant Swim Coach at Minnechaug Regional High School and also coaches "the Marlins" at East Longmeadow High School.

Assistant Manager: Ashley Bacon

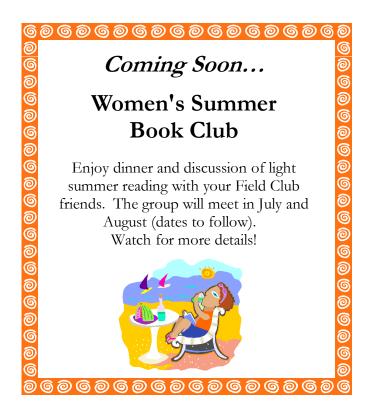
Ashley is returning for her 6th season at the FC. It will be her first year as Assistant Manager. She swam competitively at Minnechaug Regional and for the University of Vermont, from which she graduated this May. During her senior year at Vermont, Ashley interned for a semester in Washington, D.C.

Lifeguards:

Kara Shea Anderson — This will be Shea's second summer at the FC pool. She is a graduate of Longmeadow High School and will be entering her junior year at Colby-Sawyer in the fall

Angela Berthaume — Angela joins us for a second season. She is graduating from Minnechaug Regional High this spring, where she swam competitively for 4 years. She will be entering the University of Massachusetts as an Engineering student in the fall.

John Budrow Jr. — This will be John's first summer at the FC. He will be entering his senior year at Minnechaug Regional High in the fall. John is a 3-year Varsity Swim Team member, a highly skilled competitor in both the breast stroke and IM.



Meaghan McCullough — Meaghan returns for a third summer at the FC. She will be entering her senior year at Assumption College in the fall. She is a graduate of Minnechaug Regional, where she was a 4-year member of the Synchronized Swim Team.

Caroline Murphy — Caroline returns to us for a fourth summer. She was a 4-year Varsity Swim Team member at Minnechaug Regional and will be entering her junior year at Bridgewater State College in the fall. Caroline recently spent a semester abroad in Australia.

Kelly Pennington — This will be Kelly's third year on the FC pool staff. She just completed an "outstanding" high school swimming career at Monson High School. Kelly will be entering Springfield College in the fall and will continue to swim for the college.

Zike Tarzian — Zike is a 4-year varsity swimmer at Minnechaug Regional High School. He also has experience coaching youngsters in the Falcon Swim Program. This will be Zike's 2nd summer at the FC pool. He will be entering his freshman year at Champlain College this fall.