



March 2023 Monthly News

Mike Tammen wins in singles and doubles!

At the Wilson World Tennis Championships in Palm Springs, Mike Tammen won both in singles and doubles. Congrats Mike!

Meet and Greet with Beth, our new GM

We invite members to come to one of the planned Meet and Greet gatherings to meet our new General Manager, Beth Moore. We will meet in the upstairs lounge.

Saturday, March 4 at 11:00AM • Monday, March 6 at 7:00PM • Wednesday, March 8 at 6:30PM

New Board Members and Board positions

At the annual meeting, we announced our new Board of Trustees members:

David Bledsoe, Lisa Lynch, Bill Malloch, and Cathy Porter

It was also announced that Jonathan Steinhoff will serve as President.

Marianne Dwyer will serve as Vice President. David Bledsoe will serve as Secretary. Cathy Porter will serve as Treasurer.

Club Survey will be shared in April

Members will be invited to a couple open forums to hear the results of the Club Survey that was conducted in February by the services of John Campbell and Martha DeLong. They will prepare a report with the information that was collected and present as a slide show. Please watch for the dates for the upcoming member meetings.

We thank all of 334 members who participated and responded to the questions and shared their opinions in written comments.

Keep Your Eye on the Ball

- March 2nd-5th, The Oregon State Senior Men's Indoor Tennis Championships
- Meet and Greet Beth Moore, the new GM:
 - Saturday, March 4th at 11:00am
 - Monday, March 6th at 7:00pm
 - Wednesday, March 8th at 6:30pm
- March 7th, 7:00pm, Social Justice Committee meeting
- March 18th, 6:15pm, Tennis Committee Meeting
- March 22nd, 6:00pm, Board Meeting
- March 23rd, 7:00pm-9:00pm, SJC Film Discussion:

Not Just a Game: Power, Politics & American Sports

New Members

Nichole Anglin
Minda & Chadd Garvens family
Nate Ford

WELCOME!

Outgoing Members

Brian Sinclair & Tom Barreto
John Keyes
Molly & Jeff Paustian family
Tristan Grover

FAREWELL

GM Notes

Dearest Irvington Club Members,

This will be my last Manager's Report for our amazing Club. I hope you were able to attend the Annual Meeting/Party, but if not, just know that this Club is my family, my home, my friends, my tennis when I was playing, and this will all continue. I worked with your new GM, Beth Moore, today and she is truly a delight. We promise to make this transition as smooth as possible and of course I will support her in any way I can.

I don't think too many people can say, "I look forward to going to work every day." Even if there was some stress, some problem solving, some issues, I could not wait to get here to dig in and figure them out. This Club is unlike any other and I have and continue to believe that it is the BEST! It is so much more than the game of tennis. It is friendships, community, social, and I could go on and on. I can't tell you how proud I am for all that has been achieved at our little Club. We have taken on things other Clubs would not touch (Save the Doubles, Practice Courts for the Davis Cup, and worked with Super Set, to make it happen in Portland). Sure, I'll take some of the credit, but if my Board did not back and trust me, none of those would have happened.

My heartfelt Thanks to all of you that have made my job the fantastic journey it has been. I can truly say that my career bucket is not only full, but it is overflowing with accomplishments, memories, joy, and life experiences that could not be any better.

I am ending my tenure at this great Club on a high note. I have, for sure, fulfilled my "career" wants and desires more than I could ever have imagined. I wish you all health and happiness and you will see me on the flip side as a member due to the generous Board making me an Honorary Member in 2019.

Always,

Barbara

President's Message

What an eventful last week of February we had around here with the snow and ice! However, we were able to culminate it with a well-attended Annual Meeting whose purpose is to share with the members the work of the Board and its committees over the past year. This year, of course, we were also celebrating and thanking Barb for her work and dedication for 22 years at the Club. The Board voted to show our appreciation and honor her with renaming Court 1, The Barb Farmer Court, and present her with a personal gift to her favorite spa that she will enjoy when she is there in April and not at the club on a daily basis. I also want to thank Kevin for putting together a video that was a fun way to look back at Barb's years at the club. A link to the video was shared in an e-blast. There are a couple other opportunities to come and thank Barb and wish her well on Wednesday, 3/1 @4:30PM and Thursday, 3/2 @9:30 in the main lobby.

At the meeting we welcomed 4 new BOT members (David Bledsoe, Lisa Lynch, Bill Malloch and Cathy Porter) and acknowledged the service of Julie McGinnis, Leslie Sampson, Mary Stevenson and myself who are all stepping down from the Board. Jonathan Steinhoff will serve as President, Marianne Dwyer as Vice President, David Bledsoe as Secretary and Cathy Porter will be the new Treasurer. I was happy to recognize Jonathan as the Board Member of the year for all his initiative and positive work this last year, and Barb recognized another hard working member, Tanya Double-day, as Member of the Year.

And a final thank you to all who have supported and encouraged me as I tried my best this last year to support the Club's mission and work at making the club the best it can be! I had lots of help and want to thank the BOT for its support and great work leading the board committees, to Barb for her guidance, to the great staff who are here every day working for all of us and to the members who make this such a wonderful community.

See you on the courts,

Stephanie

P.S. Thank you very much to the 334 members who completed the Club survey. Look for an e-blast to announce a couple dates in April for member meetings to hear in detail the results of the survey.



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Fitness Classes at Irvington Club!

Strength Training and Tennis Conditioning for Active Older Adults

Tuesday/Thursday 8:15 AM-9:15AM 9:30 AM-10:30 AM

Individual/Couples Personal Training Now Offered!

Social Justice Committee Update

The Board, Staff, General Manager, and Social Justice Committee all recently attended a three part DEI Training Series called "Living the Mission" which focused on equity literacy, social identification, and avoiding bias. The training was led by Dr Elizabeth Denevi, PhD, Associate Director of Eastern Educational Resource Collaborative, a non-profit agency dedicated to promoting equity and diversity in schools, colleges, universities and community agencies.

Social Justice Committee Event—Film Discussion 3/23/23

Members are invited to come to a film discussion led by Elizabeth Denevi, PhD

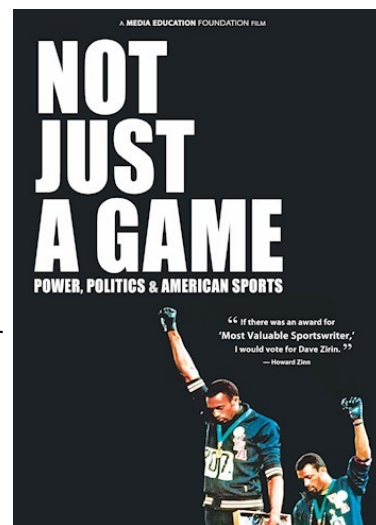
Event Details: SJC Member Night, March 23rd, 7pm-9pm

Club discussion of Dave Zirin's book and film, *Not Just a Game: Power, Politics & American Sports*

The film is by Dave Zirin and Jeremy Earp from 2010. It is a 62-minute documentary based on the bestselling book *A People's History of Sports in the United States*. The film demonstrates that American sports have long been at the center of some of the major political debates and struggles of our time.

For 6th grade to adult. Tennis athletes or not, come for a meaningful discussion!

Themes: African American, Media, Racism & Racial Identity, Sports, Women's History



The Irvington Club Mixed Doubles Tennis Championships 2023

Thank You to all of our members who played in the tournament or came to cheer their friends and family on. There would be no tournament if we did not have players and it's way more fun when you have people in the stands cheering. This was our biggest Mixed Tournament yet, with 161 participants!



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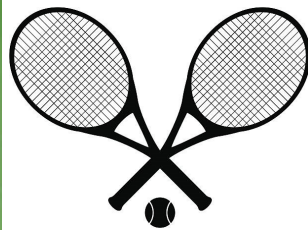
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