

September 2024 Monthly News

Kids N' Tennis Junior Mixer

On August 23rd, the Irvington Club hosted a Junior Tennis Mixer with Kids N' Tennis (kids-n-tennis.org). 24 Junior Players shared the courts for a fun and friendly evening playing bump. Thank you to everyone that helped with this successful event.



Keep Your Eye on the Ball

- September 4th, 2:30pm-Close, Men's Night at the Club
- September 7th, Irvington Club Pickleball Tournament at The People's Courts
- September 10th, 7:00pm-8:30pm, Diversity and Equity Initiative Meeting
- September 14th, 9:00am-12:30pm, Junior Volunteer Opportunity at the NEFP
- September 18th, 6:15pm, Tennis Committee Meeting
- September 21st, 5:00pm-7:00pm, Irvington Club Community Foundation (ICCF) "Friendraiser"
- September 24th, 6:00pm, Board Meeting
- September 27th, 6:00pm-8:00pm, Art at Irvington— Latoya Lovely Opening Reception

New Members:

Angela Jackson

WELCOME!

Outgoing Members:

Sylvia Comlish

FAREWELL

President's Message

Summer is winding down at the Irvington Club and we're looking ahead to busier courts and a mellower pool. I would also like to look back at our summer of 2024 with appreciation and thanks.

First, I want to thank the Irvington Club staff who keep things going day after day to provide a space for us that brings much joy, comfort, and community to all our members. The service they provide to us is invaluable!

The Pool Committee did much work in preparation for this summer with an extended lap swim season taking place for the first time. They will reconvene in September to review the season and make recommendations to the Board for next pool season based on the data they have been gathering on successes and opportunities for growth.

Our Social Committee supported summer events at the Club and wants me to remind all you pickleballers that the annual pickleball tournament is coming up! Call the Club to sign up for a spot in the tourney which takes place on September 7th at The People's Courts.

Speaking of pickleball, for many of us the loss of pickleball on the singles court was a blow. The Board has a mediation team that had an initial meeting with our neighbors to discuss how we can resume pickleball play. We are now working on contracting with an audio engineer to do a sound study to help us in further discussions. There have been members who have gone out to play spec tennis (which is allowed) and have enjoyed themselves. There is plenty of nice weather ahead, so if you want to give it a try, contact Cris Valverde and he can get you started. Or you can watch <u>this video</u> which goes over the simple rules.

The Tennis Committee's work slows down somewhat in the summertime as our pros get to work with summer programming with our juniors. That committee will start gathering and planning in earnest as we head toward the Carolyn Lumber tournament and fall league play.

I look forward to seeing you all this fall!

In service, Jonathan Steinhoff, Club president, boardpresident@irvingtonclub.com

GM Notes

Members,

I hope that September finds you well. I will be taking some time away from the Club this month to deal with some issues of personal health. During that time, the operations team will be available as normal. Please feel free to speak to anyone at the front desk with questions or concerns.

All the best,

Beth

Men's Night at the Club—9/4

Come out for Men's Night at the Club on Wednesday, September 4th from 2:30pm-Close. There will be delicious food, drinks, and tennis. The cost is \$15 for Members and \$25 for Guests, which includes 1 drink and food. RSVP at the front desk,

Art at Irvington—Latoya Lovely Opening Reception—9/27



In the upstairs lounge, we have an exhibit by artist Latoya Lovely. The exhibit is July 12th—October 12th.

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING WITH THE ARTIST!

On Friday, September 27th from 6-8pm, we are hosting an Opening Reception in the upstairs lounge. Enjoy food, drinks/cash bar, mingling, and art for sale.

ABOUT THE ARTIST:

Latoya Lovely is a muck-grown, self-taught artist from Belle Glade, Florida. She creates so that her community and her son can explode triumphantly from a society which chooses not to see their magic, so that they can see and hear their power forever. Lovely's work is a part of the city's Portable Works Collection through RACC amongst other sites. Lovely deals with colorism and texturism in her art, forms of racism which show preference to individuals with lighter skin and more European features, over those with darker skin, and tighter curls. Her practice addresses the harm capitalism inflicts on the family unit, and she welcomes her son into her workspaces where they grow together. Her work is a vibrant celebration of the wonder and awe inspired by Black souls throughout the world.

Irvington Club Community Foundation (ICCF)

The Irvington Club Foundation is making some changes. First, the Irvington Club Foundation has changed its name to the **Irvington Club Community Foundation (ICCF)**. This change reflects more about the foundation and its goals. The ICCF plans to support organizations and projects that enhance the overall health and well-being of our community through philanthropic events and activities.

Secondly, the ICCF fundraiser event scheduled for Saturday, September 21st is changing its focus to be a casual, social, and informative event called *Friendraiser*. The purpose is to "raise" interest and learn about the ICCF's goals and plans. No need to register, please join us in the Ballroom from 5-7PM and enjoy **complimentary** light appetizers and beverages (Aperol Spritzers or wine).

The 41st Annual Carolyn Lumber Tennis Championships

The 41st Annual Carolyn Lumber Tennis Championships 2024 is coming up October 19th-November 2nd. Registration for the tournament is now open. To register and for all tournament information, visit the tournament homepage here:

https://playtennis.usta.com/Competitions/irvingtonclub/Tournaments/Overview/8b321431b422-4dab-8647-83ee77bfde17

Join us for all the fun including exciting tennis matches, nightly meals, raffles, and socializing. Whether you are playing or watching, this tournament gives us the opportunity to get together and enjoy time at the Club with fellow members.

John Popplewell and Roger North—Champions in Seattle

At the Washington State Open held July 29th-August 4th, 2024 at the Seattle Tennis Club, Roger North was the Men's 80 Singles Champion, and Roger along with John Popplewell were the Men's 80 Doubles Champions.

Roger and John are currently ranked #1 in the USA and #3 in the World for Men's 80 Open Doubles. Congrats Roger and John!

Junior Volunteer Opportunity

On Saturday, September 14th from 9am-12:30pm, Juniors 6th-12th grade are welcome to join us for a morning of volunteering at the Northeast Emergency Food Program with a post pizza lunch at the Club.

For more information or to sign up, please contact Katie Leathers at 503-351-0062 / <u>KQLeathers@gmail.com</u>.





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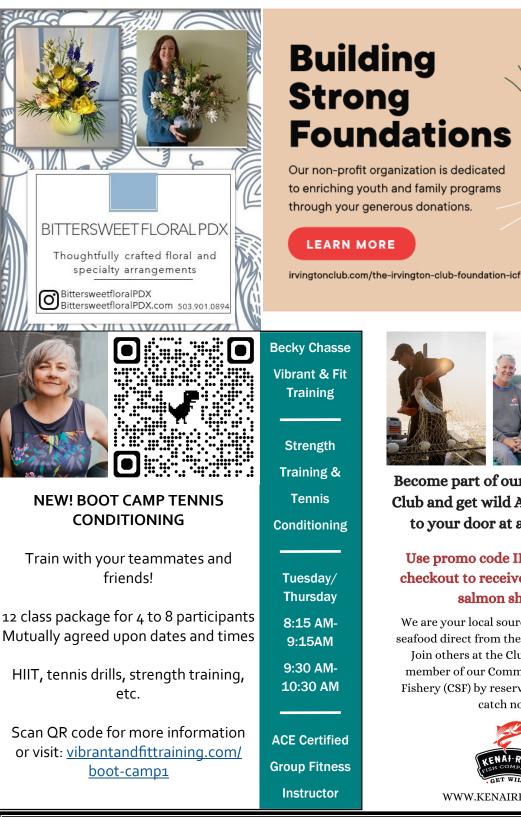
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