

BASS RIVER BULLETIN



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Calendar of Events

Friday,	August	1	- 2009-2010 Junior Program Information Available at Desk and online, www.bassrivertennisclub.com
Thursday,	August	5-8	- Bass River at Beverly Golf and Tennis Club hosts inaugural New England Clay Court Senior Slam.
Friday,	August	6-8	- Bass River hosts USTA District Championships. Come check out the action!
Sat & Sun,	August	14-15	- USTA Super Senior Sectionals at Beverly Golf & Tennis.
Sunday,	August	30	- Junior Travel Team Tryouts. Boys & Girls 12's and 14's. Details on page 3
Tuesday,	August	31	- 2009-2010 Membership season ends.
Wednesday,	Sept.	1	- 2010-2011 Membership season begins.
Friday,	Sept.	3	- All Summer Memberships Expire
Monday,	Sept.	6	- Labor Day. Bass River Closed All Day. Beverly Golf & Tennis Open 8 a.m.-Noon. Have a safe holiday!
Thursday	Sept.	2	- Junior Placement Evaluations, 3-7 p.m. Details page 3.
Sat-Sun,	Sept.	4-5	- USTA Junior Tournament Level 7 Boys & Girls 10's & 12's.
Tuesday,	Sept.	7	- Session 1 of our Junior Tennis Programs. Details page 3.
Thursday,	Sept.	9	- Weekday NS League Team matches scheduled to begin.
Saturday,	Sept.	18	- Tentative N.S. League Working Women's Matches Begin
Monday,	Sept.	13	- Contract Tennis Season Begins
Saturday,	Sept.	18	- Start for Men's and Junior Matches.

Two Big Events We Are Proud Of

During July, Bass River at Beverly Golf and Tennis Club proudly hosted the "Herb Schachter New England Junior Clay Court Championships". This junior tournament is known as the most important junior clay court tournament of the year. The top 300 tennis players, ages 18 and under, from all over New England descended upon "The G & T" for 4 days of terrific and inspiring competition. This is Bass River's third year running this prestigious event. It is the crown jewel of the junior circuit and we were proud to have it at our facility! Then in August, Bass River hosted the inaugural New England Clay Court Senior Slam. This brand new event attracted 135 players from all over New England. This new "Senior Slam" boasts 3 major events. The hard court slam is at Yale University in the spring. The grass court slam is at the Tennis Hall of Fame in Newport R.I. in the fall. And Beverly Golf and Tennis is the home of the clay court slam. It is an honor to host the event and with some luck, this may become a National event in the coming years.

Facilities Update!

Over the summer we undertook a number of projects around the club in our continuing effort to keep Bass River a premier tennis facility. The usual top to bottom cleaning and scrubbing are evident. Courts are blown and scrubbed regularly. We also welcomed "The Tennis Closet" to Bass River. The Tennis Closet is a ladies tennis apparel store with the latest in the Nike clothing line. Look for September specials in the September newsletter. We are in the process of updating the ladies locker room. The 2 bathrooms next to the babysitting room have a fresh coat of paint, some updates and new fans. Our bulletin boards have a new look. We replaced all 112 ballasts and 336 light bulbs on courts 4 and 5. We still find the lighting quality to be less than ideal, but we have made every possible attempt to improve the situation. **BIG ANNOUNCEMENT: As I type this, plans are in the works to replace all the T-8 light fixtures on courts 9 and 10 with the much brighter T-5 fixtures.** If you have played on courts 6, 7 and 8, you know the difference between the T-5's and the T-8's. We are excited to bring this much needed improvement to the club. The babysitting room certainly has a new look. And while it may not seem like much to most members, we are finally replacing the boiler that heats the locker room and lobby areas. During this installation, we will add a separate zone for the locker rooms so that we can better control the temperature throughout the club. You may have noticed on cold days, the locker rooms are cold while the lobby is warm. In order to get the locker rooms up to temp, we would have to cook the lobby. We are proud to bring you these improvements and we hope they only enhance your tennis experience at the Bass River Tennis Club. Look for a facilities update in the September newsletter. We may have even more exciting news!

Bass River's North Shore Men's Teams

Bass River will run four Men's teams for 2010-2011. We are fielding Men's A, Men's A1, Men's B and Men's B-1 teams. We are currently recruiting for all these teams. For more information on men's North Shore teams, please contact Tennis Director, Larry Lebatique, llebatique@bassrivertennis.com.

North Shore Women's Teams

Tryouts for all our women's teams were held in the spring. Bass River will field teams in the A-upper (2 teams), A Serena, A Venus, A-1 Upper, A-1 Lower, B-1 Upper, B-1 Lower, Working Women's 1 (2 teams) Working Women's 2 and Working Women's 3 divisions. Check out the team list, practice times and coaching assignments on the last page of this newsletter. If you are interested in subbing on one of our teams, please get in touch with our Tennis Director, Larry Lebatique. If you are new to the club and would like more information on playing on a North Shore League Team, please click on the "North Shore League Teams" menu item on our www.bassrivertennisclub.com web site.

Added Value to our Junior Memberships for 2010-2011!

For the 2010-2011 season, we will continue to offer great value to all our "junior-only" memberships! We will continue to encourage juniors to get out and practice their tennis skills by including 2 hours of free tennis per month. Read below for details on that. Other added value this year, a 20% discount towards any pro shop purchase of \$50 or more during the months of September, which is a great time to update your child's racquet for the upcoming season. So be sure to stock up!



Junior Members Get Free Tennis, 2 Hours per Month!

Back by popular demand, we will again be offering junior members 2 free hours of tennis per month. There is no restriction on play times. If the junior member is playing with a non-member or guest, the guest pays at the regular court rate for their half of the court. Regular guest fees apply.

New this season... If the parent of the junior member is not a Bass River member, he/she can play with their child without a guest fee*. Regular court rates do apply. Unused court time is not retroactive and cannot be carried over to the next month. We encourage all junior members, 18 years and younger to take advantage of this great benefit of membership.

**Only during weekends and holiday periods. See the desk staff for details.*

Junior Program 2010-2011

Four sessions of our **Junior Program** are offered throughout the season, September-May. We offer classes for children 3½ -18 years of age. Session 1 will begin on September 7. Brochures were mailed out on August 1st. Simply complete the registration form and mail back to us with payment for the first session and your membership renewal fee. Your registration will be automatically renewed from session to session until we receive notice otherwise. If you need additional registration forms, we have plenty at the front desk or you may download a form from the Bass River website, www.bassrivertennisclub.com. Our Junior Clinic Program is separated into two (2) parts. The first is our **Junior Developmental Program (JDP)**. These participants are our beginner, advanced beginner and low intermediate players looking for 1 or 2 one-hour classes per week. No evaluation is required! Sign up for the class appropriate to your age. Students will then be divided by skill level and experience. Our **Tournament Prep Program** is for intermediate to advanced juniors looking for a more intensive clinic. This is a skill based program. Students are placed by ability. Please register for your placement evaluation right away. Evaluations are held in 15-minute increments on Thursday, September 2nd, 3:00-7:00. The cost is just \$10 per evaluation.

North Shore Junior Travel Team

The Bass River Tennis Club is proud to again offer a North Shore Junior Travel Team. Boys and Girls interested in competitive singles and doubles are welcome to participate. Both the boys and girls teams will carry 4 or 5 players in each category (12 & under, 14 & under 16 & under and 18 & under). Matches are played on Saturday afternoon and a weekly practice is held on Friday. **Tryouts for the Boys and Girls 12's and 14's will be on Saturday, September 11th**. For additional information or to register for the tryout, please be in touch with Larry Lebatique, 978 927-0102 or llebatique@bassrivertennis.com. We ask our players to be available as much as possible from mid-September through Mid-April (matches and practices are off during vacations and Holiday weeks).

In-House Junior Varsity Team

For players not yet ready for the *Travel Team*, Bass River will run a "Junior Varsity" team with a Sunday afternoon practice and twice per month matches. Ages and levels for this team are to be determined based on interest, but players here should be able to attend weekly coaching sessions. These practices are designed to implement some of the *Junior Clinic* work into a play formatted coaching session. Round Robin match play with other team members or scrimmages set up with other North Shore clubs is the ultimate test of how a student is progressing.



Junior Memberships for 2010-2011

Early registration is suggested for all programs listed above, as space is limited. Membership to the Bass River Tennis Club is required for all participants. We recognize that children 8 and under do not have a big call for using a membership. That is why the fee for 8 and under (3:00 and 3:30 JDP classes) will only be \$10.00 for a full year. By enrolling every child as a member, it will greatly enhance our clinic enrollment/re-enrollment process. This nominal membership fee gives 8 and under players all the benefits of membership except for the 2 hours of free court time. Students who age into the 4:30 JDP program during the year will take a pro-rated full junior membership.

Don't Delay, Renew Today and Save!

If you haven't paid your membership renewal yet, you'll want to do it by August 31st. Remember, this is the only way to get the 5% discount. The full 2010-11 rate goes into effect on September 1st. Please contact our Office Manager, Cheryl LeDuc, if you have any questions or changes regarding your membership renewal. No other discounts are available. Act now!

Call Now for Available Contract Times!

It's not too late to arrange a tennis contract time for the 2010-2011 season that begins September 13th. A number of desirable times are still available. Call our Office Manager, Cheryl LeDuc, to arrange your time today!

Bass River's Coaching Staff for 2010-2011

	Team	Coaches
Women	A Upper White	Ed LeDuc, Kevin Colozzi
	A Upper Green	Rares Petritoi, Larry Lebatique
	A Serena	Haven Carr, Gregg Luongo
	A Venus	Ed LeDuc, Haven Carr
	A1 Upper (positions 1-4)	Rares Petritoi, Gregg Luongo
	A1 Upper (positions 5-8)	Ed LeDuc, Gregg Luongo
	A1 Lower	Kevin Colozzi, Rares Petritoi, Larry Lebatique, Mike LaPierre
	B1 Upper	Anthony Russo, Rares Petritoi
	B1 Lower	Anthony Russo, Ken Ventimiglia
	Working Women I White	Ed LeDuc
	Working Women I Green	Ed LeDuc
	Working Women II	Kevin Colozzi
	Men	A
A1		Ed LeDuc
B		Capt. Miller
B-1		Anthony Russo
Co-ed	7.5 Mixed Doubles White	Larry Lebatique
Co-ed	7.5 Mixed Doubles Green	Mike LaPierre
Co-ed	8.5 Mixed Doubles	Larry Lebatique
Girls	N.S. Juniors	Haven Carr, Gregg Luongo
Boys	N.S. Juniors	Anthony Russo, Kevin Colozzi