



# BASS RIVER TENNIS CLUB

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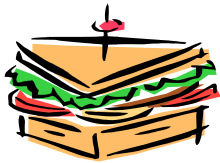
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### Calendar of Events

Friday,	May 1	Beverly Golf and Tennis Clay Courts Open...Weather Permitting!
Friday,	May 1	Last Friday Social! Sign up on board. Look for Golf and Tennis summer socials beginning May 15 <sup>th</sup> .
Friday,	May 8	World class tennis comes to Bass River. Doubles Exhibition with our own Rares Petritoi. See Page 2.
Sunday,	May 10	Happy Mother's Day! Summer Unlimited Tennis, a Great Gift!
Monday,	May 11	Member Appreciation Day. See below.
Tuesday,	May 12	Bass River Summer Season Begins. See page 4.
Monday,	May 18	USTA League Matches Begin
Tuesday,	May 19	3.0 - 3.5 In-House Summer Women's Doubles Begin. See page 4.
Friday,	May 22	Junior Clinic Program ends at Bass River.
Fri- Sun	May 22,23,24	USTA Junior Tournament. 16 & Under Level 7, 18 & Under Level 6. Sue Love for details.
Monday,	May 25	Memorial Day, Club Closed All Day. Have a Safe Holiday!
Friday,	May 29	Contract Renewals Deposits Due. See Page 3.
Fri-Sun	May 29,30,31	United Shoe Senior Men's Tournament at Beverly Golf and Tennis Club. See Henry Tiberio
Fri-Sun	June 12,13,14	USTA Junior BG 16's Level 6 Tournament. Sue Love for details.
Fri-Sun	June 26,27,28	USTA Mixed Doubles Sectional Tournament at Bass River.

### Member Appreciation Day

Our annual **Member Appreciation Day** is on Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. This is our opportunity to show you, our members, how much we appreciate your choosing to play at the Bass River Tennis Club. On this day we will have courts available free of charge for our members (sorry, no guests may participate). As usual, the earliest you may call to book your court is the Friday prior to Member Appreciation Day. We will serve a light breakfast from 7:30-9:00, lunch 11:30-1:00 and dinner 5:00-6:30 while it lasts. Please join us! This year we will have Chef Joe from Café Diciannove serve the lunch and dinner. Check out the day's menu posted on the board by the front desk.



## Doubles Exhibition at Bass River

On Friday Night, May 8<sup>th</sup> Bass River is proud to welcome 4 incredible tennis players for your viewing pleasure. Our own Rares Petritoi and 3 other players will put on a doubles exhibition. Justin Slatery of Andover, Mass., Matt Porter from Australia and Louis Desmarteaux originally from Canada, will put on a great tennis show. Justin, Matt and Lou are all former tour professionals. A more complete bio of all the participants is posted around the club. Tickets for the night are available at the front desk or see Tennis Director Larry for more information. The cost is \$20.00 for Bass River members; non-members are welcome for \$25.00. Included in the cost of the evening is food from Café Diciannove. This will be a great night of tennis, food and fun. Ticket holders are welcome to come around 5:30 for some food and drink. The tennis starts around 7:00. *We have a 1 day liquor license and will have a cash bar. Members may not bring alcohol onto the premises this evening.*

## Membership/Contracts/Rates and Fees 2009-2010

As many of our long standing Bass River members know, our rates and fees are on an alternating year schedule. One year a membership rate increase may be implemented, but court fees and contract rates are frozen. The next season, membership stays put and the court rates go up. On that format, we will be increasing our Adult and Family membership rates for the 2009-2010 season. A modest 5% increase in membership is the first rate increase since the 2006-07 season. Junior membership rates will be left unchanged. All other court fees and contract rates will remain the same. Our private lesson, semi-private, group of 3 and group of 4 rates will not increase. Round robin and drill group prices are also frozen.

Do you want to avoid the new rates? Pay last year's Membership fee? Any club member who renews their membership before August 31<sup>st</sup> can do so at the 2008-2009 rate. No other discounts are available for 2009-2010.

	<u>2008-09</u>	<u>2009-10</u>	<u>By Aug 31</u>
Adult Membership	\$375.00	\$395.00	\$375.00
Family Membership	\$497.00	\$522.00	\$497.00
Junior Membership	\$144.00	\$144.00	\$144.00

## North Shore Team Round-Up

What a tremendous season we are having at Bass River in the various leagues in which we participate. While not all teams are finished at the time of this newsletter, here are some highlights. In the ladies North Shore league, our A Upper white team is poised to win the league. The A Upper green team is in the play-off hunt. The A Serena team is currently in 3<sup>rd</sup> and assured of the playoffs. The Venus team is in first by so much that

winning the league is assured. The A-1 lower team is also assured a playoff spot. In the men's division, the A team lost in the playoffs to eventual winners Newburyport. The B team has locked a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish and will host a semi final match. The junior team had its best showing in many years. The girls team finished 5<sup>th</sup>, missing the playoff by only 2 points. The boys team finished 4<sup>th</sup> and are in playoffs. Both of these teams were at or near the bottom a few years ago. Our mixed USTA 8.0 team and 9.0 team are both going to districts and likely to get a nationals bid. The mixed 10.0 is competing for a spot in nationals over the next week or two. I would be remiss if I did not mention that every team has one very important common component; the team captain. Each one of our teams has a captain or captains that is responsible for the success of the teams. We are blessed with so many good ones, it is impossible to mention them all. It is often a difficult job, but it does not have to be a thankless one. From me and my staff, "Thank you"! If you play on a team, please remember your captain.

## **Contract Time Players**

2009-2010 contract applications will be mailed along with your renewal invoice in early May. Please be sure to start contacting your current contract players and find out their intentions for next season. Contract deposits are due by Friday, May 29. If you are not currently in a contract and are interested in a 2009-2010 contract court, contact Cheryl, [cleduc@bassrivertennis.com](mailto:cleduc@bassrivertennis.com). We do have several contract times available. Contract applications are available at the front desk or online, [bassrivertennisclub.com](http://bassrivertennisclub.com).

## **Ladies Team Tryouts**

The ladies weekday, North Shore teams will have tryouts on the following schedule...

North Shore A upper	June 10, 11 and 12
North Shore A lower (Serena/Venus)	June 15, 16 and 17
North Shore A-1 Upper	June 18, 19 and 22
North Shore A-1 Lower	June 23, 24 and 25
North Shore B-1 (All)	June 29, 30 and July 1
North Shore Working Women's	June 20 and 23*

The teams for next season and the tryouts that place those teams will run the same as years past. Please watch the board for sign-ups and make sure you secure a partner for next year. If you need help finding a partner, please talk with any of the Pros. Larry will be keeping a list of those looking and will assist you in finding partners. Remember that the tryouts are not too far after the end of the league season, so you will need to act quickly if you are planning to go out with a different or new partner. We will have a small rate increase for the ladies team coaching. The practice fee will be \$30.00 per coaching session. We feel this is still the best value in the club. Not only do you get a guaranteed 4-to-1 ratio with a Pro, usually a \$34.00 cost, but you have an instructor view your home match and offer a critique of your play at no additional charge.

*\*This is new for the Working Women's team to have tryouts in the spring. Please make time in your schedule for this.*

## Summer Junior Tennis Program

Our **Junior Summer Tennis Program** will be run out of the Beverly Golf and Tennis Club, 134 McKay Street. Designated programs are rain or shine. Whenever it rains, we move indoors to Bass River! Never miss a class. 1 hour classes meet 3 days a week for beginner to intermediate level players. Daily 3-5 hour programs are available for students looking for a more intensive tennis experience. Brochures are now available in our club lobby and online. City of Beverly Recreation Department Tennis classes for juniors and adults are also on the City website, [www.bevrec.com](http://www.bevrec.com). All Bass River and Beverly Recreation classes are taught by our first rate teaching staff. Please contact me or either member of the summer teaching staff, Jeff Goldberg or Devin Carr, for more information.

### Women's 3.0-3.5 Summer In-House League!

We have decided to bring back the ladies in-house women's doubles leagues. Anyone interested in playing a weekly match should let me know. Call me at the club or send me an email, [mlapierre@bassrivertennis.com](mailto:mlapierre@bassrivertennis.com). Matches will run on Tuesday evening from 6:30-8 from May 19-July 28. You do not need a partner to sign-up, but you may pair with someone if you wish.

### Summer at Bass River

Our summer season here at Bass River begins on May 12th. Among our summer offerings is a court rate of just \$30 per hour, per court, unlimited tennis for only \$199, summer junior programs, and summer-only memberships. Pick up our summer 2009 flyer for full details at the front desk. Enjoy a summer of tennis at Bass River!

Tell all your friends that Bass River Tennis Club will be offering summer-only memberships. Our adult membership rate is only \$99, a family is \$169, and junior memberships are only \$69. Court fees are additional. Our summer memberships run from May 12 – August 31, 2009.

### Summer Hours Effective May 13-Sept. 8, 2009

Monday through Thursday	7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Friday	7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	Closed unless it rains
Sunday	Closed unless it rains

### Use a tennis ball to open a locked car door.

Follow this tennis link to see how, if you lock your keys inside your car, you can use an ordinary tennis ball to unlock the door. I don't actually know if it works, but it is worth the 90 seconds to watch the video. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IapXPAZSBzU>

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