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TENNIS CLUB

# HOLLINGER NEWS

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*Hollinger Tennis Club, May 2008.*

## MEET OUR NEW CLUB PRO



**JIM GROMBACHER**, originally from Toledo, came to Dayton to pursue his degree in education and play tennis at Wright State University. He graduated in the spring of 2003 and accepted a teaching position in the Franklin City School district. He has been there for the past six years. Last spring he obtained his

Master's degree in Educational Leadership from the University of Dayton.

Jim has played in many junior and adult tournaments in his tennis career. He is the current reigning Montgomery County Doubles Champion with Jimmy Snyder. In the summer of 2007, Jim's 5.0 USTA team won the local league and State tournament, to advance to sectional tournament in Indianapolis, where the team tied for second. Jim has taught tennis at Dayton Center Courts for the past five years. Before that, he taught tennis and did court maintenance on HarTru for the Toledo Tennis Club. Jim and his wife, Angie, currently reside in Germantown.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring is at hand! We are looking forward to opening April 1, on schedule. I am excited to announce that Jim Grombacher will be joining us as our Club Pro for this season. He will bring enthusiasm, skill, and commitment to the job. I am equally delighted to announce our new Club Manager, one of our long-time, faithful members: Jerry Sanders.

As your new president, I will continue to work toward our goal of growing the Club and its programs while cutting costs wherever possible. But this is a team effort and the Board will need help from all its members. Please tell folks about our wonderful club, and volunteer some labor whenever we put out the call. Your suggestions for improvement are always welcome. Feel free to contact any board member (listed on page 2) to discuss volunteering.

Remember to check our website often for updates on activities and other Club news. New club brochures are available in the Pro Shop.



- *Bob Reece, Board President*

**COURTS OPEN -- APRIL 1**  
(weather permitting)

website: [HollingerTennis.com](http://HollingerTennis.com)

## AND OUR NEW CLUB MANAGER



**JERRY SANDERS** has been a Hollinger club member for over 12 years, and has helped with many repair projects on the Club grounds. He served one term on the Board and was responsible for creating the Club rules and regulations and membership booklets. Recently retired after

being a manufacturer's rep for 36 years, Jerry started a company last year called A Helping Hand. The company's focus is on home safety, security and maintenance for seniors and single homeowners.

*Many members already know Jerry – for those of you who don't, he said to tell you that he is the quiet, subdued, soft-spoken, serious player on the courts; you'll spot him right away.*

## ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE – 2009

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>DAY/DATE(S)</u>	<u>TIME</u>
COURTS OPEN	Wednesday, April 1 (weather permitting)	8 am - dark
ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY & DEMO DAY Fun – Food – Games – Prizes!	Saturday, May 9	9 am - noon
THAT DAY IN MAY PAR ADE (Oakwood)	Saturday, May 16	mid-morning
WESTON MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT	Friday, May 22 - Monday, May 25	1 pm
MEMORIAL DAY GRAND SLAM MIXER POTLUCK LUNCH WESTON FINALS	Monday, May 25	9:30 am – noon noon – 1 pm 1:00 pm
WEEKLY MIXED-UP DOUBLES begins	Sunday, June 7 (& every Sunday thru Aug.)	4:00 pm
JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM begins	Monday, June 8 thru Thursday, August 16	(see page 4)
JULY FOURTH MIXER - Mixed Doubles POTLUCK LUNCH	Saturday, July 4	9:30 am – noon noon -- 1:00 pm
OCC/VHMTc JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP starts	Monday, July 6 thru July 26	to be determined
JUNIOR REGIONAL SOFTCOURT TOURNAMENT	Friday, July 17 – Sunday, July 19 (finals)	to be determined
SUPER SENIORS MEN'S TOURNAMENT	Friday, July 24 – Sunday, July 2	to be determined
MEMBER GUEST TOURNAMENT POTLUCK LUNCH	Saturday, August 8	9:30 am – noon noon-1 pm
LADIES ANNUAL CARRY-IN LUNCHEON	Tuesday, August 18	noon – 1 pm
LABOR DAY MIXER POTLUCK LUNCH	Monday, September 7	9:30 am – noon noon – 1 pm
ANNUAL MEETING EVENTS MIXED DOUBLES POTLUCK LUNCH MEETING	Sunday, September 13	9:30 am – 12 noon noon - 1 pm 1 pm
COURTS CLOSE	Saturday, November 1 (or later, weather permitting)	

*NOTE: Additional details, times, etc. will be posted at the Clubhouse and online, as they become available. We welcome volunteers to help with any activity; contact Stefan.Czerwinski@wright-Edu (937-643-0543).*

**REMINDER:** When you bring a guest to play, please sign guest register at the Pro Shop.  
(Read more information about our guest policy on page 3, MEMBERSHIP CORNER.)

### 2009 Board of Trustees:

<i>President</i> – Bob Reece ( <a href="mailto:robertreece@woh.rr.com">robertreece@woh.rr.com</a> )	<i>Membership</i> – John Rudisill ( <a href="mailto:john.rudisill@wright.edu">john.rudisill@wright.edu</a> )
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<i>Junior Rep</i> – Elli Anne Karras ( <a href="mailto:stargirl202@woh.rr.com">stargirl202@woh.rr.com</a> )	<i>Grounds &amp; Facilities</i> – Suzanne Garrison <a href="mailto:suzanne.kelly-garrison@wright.edu">suzanne.kelly-garrison@wright.edu</a>

**MEMBERSHIP CORNER**

Membership renewals are coming in slowly, so if you haven't sent your dues yet, we hope you will do so soon.

Please help our recruitment efforts by approaching prospects or inviting previous members to return. You may give them my phone number or e-mail (937-426-1882; [john.rudisill@wright-edu](mailto:john.rudisill@wright-edu)) for follow up.

**GUEST POLICY:** Please bring your friends and neighbors to try out the courts. Guests receive *one free play* as a potential new member; after that, guest fee is \$10, with limitation of 2 plays per month. We offer guest pass books for members at 10 plays for \$50 (a 50% savings over the usual \$10 fee per guest play). More information about joining the Club is available at our website.



-John Rudisill, Membership Chairman

**ADULT PROGRAMS FOR 2009**

**USA TENNIS:** This low-cost instructional program is designed to teach basic tennis skills to new or returning adult and senior players in a group environment. Consists of 10 one-hour skill development lessons; \$120 for Members and \$150 for Non-Members. Daily Fees: \$15 for Members and \$18 for Non-Members. Session 1 will be from June 8 to July 8; Session 2, July 13 to August 13.

- Monday and Wednesday 5:00 - 6:00 pm

**EARLY BIRD SPECIAL:** This cardio-intensive class is the tennis player's wake-up call and is designed for Intermediate to Advanced players. Each class will be a workout session covering all the basic tennis strokes using fast pace drills and games. This program will also develop doubles and singles skills. Begins June 8.

- Monday and Wednesday 7:00 – 8:00 am

**Fees:** Early Bird Special Player's pass available in blocks of 8 for \$96; Non-Members, 8 for \$120. Participants may choose any 8 Monday or Wednesday classes to attend. Daily fees: \$15 for Members and \$18 for Non-Members.

**MEN'S GROUP:** Improve consistency, variety, and power while developing spin on groundstrokes and serves. Class will emphasize controlling difficult volleys while putting away easy volleys. Fees: \$100 for 5-weeks; \$20 daily rate,

- Wednesday 6:00 to 7:30 pm

**LADIES DRILL:** Improve groundstrokes, rallying consistency, and following the ball for better court positioning. Emphasis will be placed on proper shot selection and learning to spin your serve for more consistency. Fees: \$100 for 5-week session; \$20 daily rate.

- Thursday 9:00 – 10:30 am

**LADIES LADDER:** Receive a half-hour of instruction and you'll be placed in match play for the rest of the time. When finished, enjoy lunch with your fellow competitors (provided by Jim the Pro). June through August - \$165.

- Tuesday 9:00 to 11 am

**PRIVATE LESSONS:** Member Rates are given below ("pp" indicates per player); add an additional \$3 for each Non-Member.

	<u>Private</u>	<u>Semiprivate</u>	<u>Group of 3</u>	<u>Group of 4</u>
½ hr	\$20/pp	\$10/pp	\$ 7/pp	\$ 5/pp
1 hr	\$40/pp	\$20/pp	\$13/pp	\$10/pp

Buy 6 one-hour private lessons and receive the 7<sup>th</sup> one free (a \$280 value for the price of \$240).

**NOTE:** To sign up for any program, please contact Jim Grombacher, Club Pro, at 419-367-7577.

**HOLLINGER TENNIS CLUB  
SECOND ANNUAL**



**SATURDAY, MAY 9 FROM 9 AM 'TIL NOON**

- FREE to the public, members and guests, young and old.
- Tennis drills and games, food, raffles and prizes.

Family-oriented tennis activities and instruction, interactive games will make this a fun-filled morning. This is combined with Demo Day, so you'll have a chance to try out new racquets and equipment, and meet Jim and the staff.

Backed by USTA, this event is designed to introduce new players to the sport and welcome back those who have had a "break" from the game. No need to sign up in advance, but please plan NOW to join us and bring your friends and neighbors!

**NOTE:** Please mark this on your calendar for May 9 and check the website in May for more details.

**HOLLINGER TENNIS CLUB  
JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR 2009**



*Welcome Juniors!*

As your new Club Pro here at Hollinger, I have created an opportunity for juniors to learn the game of tennis. We will focus on the basic concepts of tennis, sportsmanship, and most importantly, enjoying the sport of a lifetime. In the process of doing this, juniors will be working hard and improving at the same time. I look forward to working with our young people this summer.

See you at the courts, *Jim Grombacher*

**2009 JUNIOR PROGRAM SCHEDULE  
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday**

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|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| • Pee Wee: ages 4-5               | 9:00 – 10:00 am  |
| • Tennis Tigers: ages 6-8         | 10:00 – 11:00 am |
| • Future Stars: ages Intermediate | 11:00 am - noon  |
| • Junior Prep: Advanced           | noon -1:00 pm    |

**SESSION DATES: #1: June 8 - July 9, 2009 (5 weeks, 15 classes)**

**#2: July 13 - August 13, 2009 (5 weeks, 15 classes)**

**FEES PER SESSION:** Club Member: \$120.00

Non-Member: \$145.00

**FEES PER WEEK:** Club Member: \$30.00

Non-Member: \$35.00

**PAYMENT INFORMATION:** All fees are due in advance of the first class date. You may sign up by the week for one or both sessions. *Week to week, early advanced notice is appreciated.* Please make checks payable to: **Jim Grombacher.** For more information call Jim at 419-367-7577.

- Registration forms will be available online at: [www.HollingerTennis.com](http://www.HollingerTennis.com).
- Mail completed registration form with payment to: Hollinger Tennis Club  
Attn: Jim Grombacher  
Post Office Box 43  
Dayton, OH 45409

**SPECIAL OFFER:** For each session paid in full by May 15, you will receive one family group tennis lesson, one hour in length, free of charge. This is a perfect opportunity for the entire family to learn together. Moms and Dads can pick up family-friendly drills to make the sport more enjoyable for all. This is a \$50.00 value. Limit 1 per family.