

OVERLAND PARK COURT REPORT:

TENNIS NEWS YOU CAN USE- PROGRAMS, INVITATIONS, EVENTS, TIPS, RECOGNITION

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Share The Game of TENNIS: Play Tennis Fast Program

We are kicking off our GROW THE GAME initiative starting next week with our Play Tennis Fast Program. All new / returning adult players to tennis are invited to TRY the game. This FREE program will run October 24-30. Here is the link for more information: [PLAY TENNIS FAST TRY!](#)

If you need more information – please email us at tennis@genesishealthclubs.com. Here's the challenge-if you share the game and let us know at the above email – we will put you in a drawing for \$50 credit to use for your tennis. Most importantly, you have introduced your friends to a lifelong game. Thank you.



You are invited to Wayne's World of Tennis

Our new head pro – Wayne Keeler is inviting you to attend one of his Adult Grand Slam Classes that he has put his Wayne's World touch on. Buckle your seat belts – be ready for high energy, quick tips, and lots of high fives. Wayne will cover strategy, tips, and technique in this 1.5 hour tennis experience for 3.5 and above players. Wayne's World will be held Wed. 6-7:30pm, Friday – 10:30am – 12noon.

Lastly, Wayne would like to invite you to get on court with him during his introduction time at Genesis. You have until November 3rd to experience Wayne at 50% off his private rate. Wayne promises you a great experience. Contact him at: wkeeler@genesishealthclubs.com.



Junior's "ACE IT" on the Courts

We would like to recognize many of the recent junior successes that have occurred over the past month. We are very proud of our juniors and the success they are having.

Congratulations to these girls high school players for a great season and players at Homestead Jr. Open this past weekend – nice results!!

Kansas State Qualifiers

Mary Kate Rielley-Bishop Miega- Singles (4th at STATE)

Bridgette Dwyer - Saint James- Doubles (3rd at STATE)

Taylor Smart - Saint Thomas Aquintas- Singles (11th at STATE)...

Niama Patel - Olathe North- Singles (4th at Regionals – won 2 matches at STATE)

Kennedy Menke - Olathe South- Doubles (8th at STATE)

Mary Selanders - Saint Thomas Aquintas- Doubles (6th at Regionals)

Congratulations to Saint James HS team – 2nd place team at KS State tournament!!

Congratulations to Amy Fangman- St. James Coach –finishing 2nd place in the state. Best finisher ever for St. James. Amy plays 4.5 level tennis here at Genesis.

Missouri State Qualifiers

Amelia Smith- Bartow- Doubles (Won STATE – 2nd year in a row)

Congratulations to these players playing on teams for qualifying for Missouri TEAM State

Amelia Smith, Helene Bergere – Barstow – 1st at TEAM STATE

Sarah Duong - Lees Summit West – 2nd at TEAM STATE

Homestead Country Club USTA Jr. Open

Girls 14s – Adella Castaner – G14s Finalist

Boys 12s – Gage Foltz – B12s Finalist



Programming / Classes/ Events – Get Enrolled Now!

Adult and Junior Programs start next week – get in the game and get on the courts. Sign up and get ready to better your game.

Adults: <http://www.genesishealthclubs.com/locations/overland-park/adult-tennis.html> . Contact Nancy for more adult info: nhoughland@genesishealthclubs.com

Juniors: <http://www.genesishealthclubs.com/locations/overland-park/junior-developmental-program.html>
Contact Phil for more junior info: pbaillos@genesishealthclubs.com

Upcoming Events: Adults Only- Michelle Hall will be leading and directing these events. For more questions contact mhall@genesishealthclubs.com.

Pickle Ball-- Play, learn the great game of Pickle Ball. Friday, Nov. 3 from 7-9pm. Cost \$15.

Tennis Adult Mixer- a true tennis mixer style, all adults welcomed, come by yourself, bring your significant, your friends. Players will be paired in doubles. We will rotate partners about 3-4 times. You can request to play with your partner the entire time or you can ditch them (we will do that nicely for you). This fun, pro supervised and social event is geared to levels 3.0 players and above. Friday, Nov. 10 from 7-9pm.



Your Tennis Tips-

Treat Your Equipment X-tra Special.

You should restring your racquet generally the number of times you play per week. If you play 3 times a week you should restring your racquet 3 times a year. Tennis strings are pulled/stretched at 50-60 pounds – over time they lose their elasticity – and do not perform the way they should. When it comes to grips – you should re-grip your racquet about every 20 hours – having a worn out grips forces you to hold too tight. So – to play your best “Equip to Win!!!”. Just ask one of our pro’s for a racquet evaluation. Or contact Eric Nelson as our Tennis Stringing and Racquet Expert- enelson@genesishealthclubs.com.

You Are Not a Loser If Your Opponent Hits a Winner In the Alley!! You Are a Winner!!!

Doubles is a game of percentages. Hitting a winner in the alley is a great shot – however it is tough shot to make and it usually takes 3-4 attempts to make that ESPN highlight shot. So your tennis professionals say – cover the middle, poach, move around and create noise at the net. Tease your opponent to think the down the line is open. Every time they miss—remind them that it was close (but smile inside yourself because you won the point), when they finally hit the highlight shot – move on and know that the percentages are in your favor. For more great doubles tips and strategies – give one of your tennis professionals a call. In fact- Try Thiago Santos – he is still playing Tour Level Professional Doubles – he’s got a doubles plan for you. tsantos@genesishealthclubs.com . All of our coaches are trained and certified to help you reach your goals. Game On!!

Have Questions / Feedback / Highlights !

Buckle Your Seatbelts! Be on the Lookout!! Tennis @ Genesis is getting more EXCITING!!!

It’s all about you. It’s all about bringing renewed excitement and energy to the CLUB you love. It’s all about making improvements and being your tennis family. Over the past four months we have done a lot of listening, responding to your suggestions, and making improvements. We have a NEW Team of tennis professionals that are passionate about making a difference. We are going to re-fresh programs, we are going to add new programs. So please continue to give us your input – what you LIKE or what we can IMPROVE on. Lastly, with many of the additions and changes – here is the list of who’s who:

Director of Tennis --- Mike Woody- 316-347-6777, woody@genesishealthclubs.com. I’m all ears

Adult Director--- Nancy Hougland, nhougland@genesishealthclubs.com. Responsible for all leagues and adult play opportunities.

Junior Director—Phil Baillos, pbaillos@genesishealthclubs.com. Responsible for all junior programming.

Head Professional- Wayne Keeler. wkeeler@genesishealthclubs.com . On court leader and tennis mentor to all. Private/Group Instruction. He will be leading our Play Tennis Fast program also.

Adult Teams and Adult Competitives—Sandra Cacic, scacic@genesishealthclubs.com. Adult Competitive play, individual instruction, and competitive juniors.

Junior Development Director—Thiago Santos, tsantos@genesishealthclubs.com. Developing young juniors, adult groups, private instruction.

8 and Under Players Director- Michelle Hall, mhall@genesishealthclubs.com. Developing under 8 year olds to competitive players, adult groups, cardio tennis, and private instruction.

Junior Competitors Director- Courtney Sullivan, csullivan@genesishealthclubs.com . Inspiring middle and high school players to reach their goals. Also works with all levels and ages.

Racquet Stringing- Eric Nelson, enelson@genesishealthclubs.com. Our string and racquet tech. Full time tennis instructor – all ages and levels.

Part Time Team- Allan Lee, Robert Sheets, Alex Ivanov, Kirk Blinzler, Austin Davids.

See you on the courts!!!

Smashingly, Your Tennis Professional Team.

