

# LTA Courtside

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# Simply Amazing!

Longmont Tennis Association ends its inaugural tennis season with 258 members from 200 different households in Longmont and its surrounding communities! Thank you to all LTA members for making LTA inaugural season a smashing success. — See 2007 Membership Renewal, pg. 3



## LTA Annual Winter Banquet

LTA held it's first annual tennis banquet on November 11th at Fox Hill Country Club with 51 members in attendance. The highlight of the evening was the guest speaker, 92 years young Marion Downs, author of "Shut Up and Live." All those in attendance had many laughs, tennis tips, and received a door prize. Many Thanks to the following for donating the door prizes: Ute Creek Golf Course, Anthony's Pizza, Leenies Southern Café, Buffalo Wild Wings, Heidi's Brooklyn Deli, Rumbi Island Grill, Dairy Queen, Red Robin, Santiagos, T.G.I. Fridays, Qdoba Mexican Grill, Rocky Mountain Racquet Specialist, Reiki Massage, D J Everett, Ren Berggren, and Leonard's Racquet Stringing. For those of you that missed this gala event, see you there in 2007!



## LTA MISSION STATEMENT

Longmont Tennis Association (LTA) is a nonprofit community-supported organization dedicated to promoting the sport of tennis and improving the Longmont-area tennis experience. Utilizing local facilities, LTA organizes USTA and CTA-sanctioned leagues and tournaments, as well as LTA-sponsored ladders, socials and drop-in tennis events for its members and their guests. LTA seeks to provide social and competitive tennis activities at minimal cost in a structured, safe environment for players of all ages and skill levels.



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# From the Chair...



## SEASONS GREETINGS LTA MEMBERS,

The close of the first fiscal year of LTA operations brings exciting prospects for next year. I would like to send a whole-hearted thank you to the departing members of the Board of Directors; you have all done a fantastic job of helping to shape our LTA. To those who have agreed to sit on the Board for the next year, Welcome! We look forward to a new year, full of possibilities.

One of the most exciting events on tap for 2007 is the 1st Annual Longmont Open. If approved, this will be a USTA Sanctioned Tournament. The anticipated dates of the tournament are June 23 - June 30, so mark your calendars!

Although winter-weather has already set in, plan to attend at least one of the LTA socials at WOW in Greeley. These are fun get-togethers and will keep the "tennis-withdrawal" at bay until Spring.

My best wishes to you all for a joyous holiday season and a prosperous new year!

Dan Raykovitz

*President - Longmont Tennis Association*



## 2 GENERAL Membership Meeting

The first LTA General Membership meeting took place on November 2 at the Longmont Public Library. The major decisions and discussions covered by the 20 members in attendance were:

- President Dan Raykovitz reported on LTA 2006 accomplishments and goals for 2007.
- LTA Treasurer, Candee Rundall, provided a summary report of LTA

financial status, with the conclusion that the LTA financial status is excellent. Copies of the report may be obtained by contacting Candee.

- LTA By-Laws were unanimously approved by the members in attendance.
- Each committee chairman gave a summary of the activities and status of his/her committee. *Ladders & Membership -*

Chairman Bruce Ross' report given by Jerry Seguin; *Socials* - Report by Paula Nelsen; *Web site* - Report by Brent Cook; *Leagues* - Report by Becky Fell; *Tournaments* - Report by Gina Walker; *Publicity* - Report by Lloyd Warsing; *Tennis Banquet* - Report by Mary Lou Martinez.

- Election of the LTA Board of Director Members for 2007 was conducted.

## LTA Ladders

LTA completed its summer mixed doubles scheduled ladders in September with some 21 teams competing in three groups of seven teams each. The winners of the regular season were: Lance and Kris Dehning for the A ladder, Biff and Laurie Chrisman for the first B ladder, and Sean and Amanda Billow for the second B ladder. Playoff matches occurred between the top two teams of each B ladder, with the Billows winning over the Chrismans in a 3-set final, 2-6, 6-2, 6-1. Congratulations to all of the winners and thanks to everyone who participated! We look forward to more ladder programs next spring, including expansion of the scheduled ladders into men's singles and doubles!

Please send any comments or suggestions for future ladders, to Bruce Ross at: [bruce.ross@longmonttennis.org](mailto:bruce.ross@longmonttennis.org)



## Happy Holidays



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## RESULTS OF LTA BOD ELECTIONS

Results of the first LTA Board of Director elections, held at the annual general membership meeting are:

*President:* Dan Raykovitz

*Vice President:* Becky Fell

*Members at Large:* Candee Rundall, Jerry Seguin, Bruce Ross, Brent Cook, Barbara Wright, Joe Fryberger, Rick Accountius, Susan Prater, Gina Walker.

*Outgoing Board Members, who chose not to seek another term, are:* Paula Nelsen, Leonard Martinez, Mary Lou Martinez, & Lloyd Warsing.



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# LTA News & Notes

## 2007 Membership Renewal

Longmont Tennis Association will end the inaugural tennis season with 258 members from 200 different households in Longmont and its surrounding communities!

Membership makeup is 23% seniors, 7% juniors (under 19 years of age) and 70% adults (between 19 and 59 years of age). For NTRP ratings, 67% rate themselves as either 3.0 or 3.5, 9% feel that they are 2.5 or 2.0 players, while 8% rate themselves as 4.0 players. Only three members rate themselves as 4.5 and 14% gave no rating.

All LTA memberships will expire on February 1st, 2007, and to keep up with all LTA winter and spring activities,

membership renewals will start in January 2007. The easiest way for present and new members to join or renew for 2007 will be to sign-up on the LTA website (credit cards accepted). As an alternative, a membership form can be downloaded from the website and sent with your check to the LTA mailing address shown on the form.

**WE INTERRUPT THIS NEWSLETTER ARTICLE FOR A LATE BREAKING STORY, FROM REPORTER JIMMY, who is at the scene of the December LTA BOD meeting:**

*(Simulated Beeb, Beeb, and other irritating sounds...)*

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**I'VE JUST LEARNED THAT LTA 2007 MEMBERSHIP DUES WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED FROM THE 2006 DUES!**



# more LTA News & Notes

## LTA Web Site Committee

The LTA Web Committee had its first "kick-off" meeting on November 30th with seven LTA members in attendance. The committee discussed future web site development and identified several areas of possible improvement. The highly talented group is looking forward to expanding the site by adding new features and functionality for LTA members.

If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Brent Cook, Web Committee Chairman, at: [brent.cook@longmonttennis.org](mailto:brent.cook@longmonttennis.org).

In addition to technical and design help, also needed are editors to help develop site content.



## Tennis Socials

LTA members attended two November tennis socials and one December Social at Work Out West (WOW) in Greeley. In each case the socials were limited to three hours, which per the tennis players, was more than adequate for the approximately 22 players in attendance for each social.



For those members who have yet to attend, for a nominal fee of \$10, it is a great way to spend a Saturday evening. Winter Socials at WOW are scheduled for Dec 16, Jan 13 & 27, Feb 10 & 24, and March 10 & 24. Sign up today. If you are interested, sign

up on the LTA web site or contact any LTA Board member for details.

## Quail Campus Tennis Courts

The City of Longmont is hiring a consultant to develop various conceptual designs for the unused portion of the Quail Campus, where the Longmont Recreation Center is located. These conceptual designs will hopefully include a 12+ court complex, along with other recreational facilities. (e.g, track, in-line hockey, basketball, and softball) A series of public meetings for citizen input, will be scheduled by the City during the summer of 2007. Since a Longmont multi tennis court facility is a primary goal of LTA, the designs will be closely scrutinized by your LTA BOD and any notices of public input will be sent out by an E-Mail blast. The LTA BOD request that any LTA member directly associated with the Quail Campus development contact any BOD member.

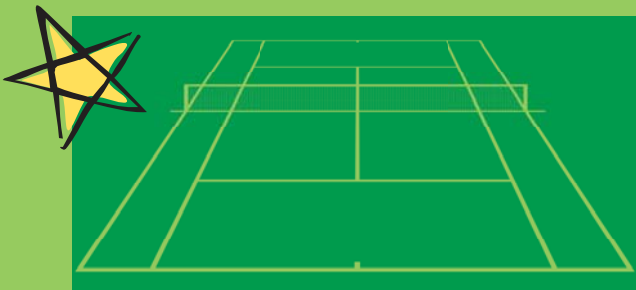
## Facilities

If you encounter any facility problems at the City of Longmont or the SVVSD courts, please contact Jerry Seguin at 303-651-0917 or email him at: [jerry.seguin@longmonttennis.org](mailto:jerry.seguin@longmonttennis.org).

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# Adopt-a-Park

Visitors to Carr Park tennis courts will notice a new and larger sign, acknowledging LTA as the Carr Park cleaner uppers, has been installed at the NW corner of the tennis courts. The cleanup effort and resulting sign is a result of the efforts of Jerry Seguin and his band of merry cleaner uppers. The publicity gained from this effort will be noted by city officials and is another small step to obtain a 12+ tennis court complex in Longmont. Jerry will continue to spearhead the park cleanup in 2007, with the next scheduled cleanup in March or earlier if spring arrives early.



# more LTA News & Notes

## USTA/CTA Leagues

### LEAGUE DATES TO REMEMBER

Summary of 2007 sign-up dates for important leagues.

League Minimum Roster Requirement ( )	TennisLink Registration Begins	TennisLink Team Registration Ends <sup>1</sup>	Player Deletion Deadline <sup>2</sup>	Match Schedule Available on TennisLink <sup>3</sup>	Season Starts	Season Ends/ Player Moves/ Add's Deadline <sup>4</sup>	District Playoffs
USTA Mixed Doubles (6)	<b>March 1</b>	<b>March 27</b>	<b>April 1</b>	<b>April 10</b>	<b>April 23</b>	<b>June 11</b>	<b>June 23-25</b>
USTA Adult 2.5&5.0 (5) 3.0-4.5 (8)	<b>March 1</b>	<b>April 5</b>	<b>April 10</b>	<b>April 17</b> (W3.0 & W4.0) <b>April 24</b> (all others)	<b>May 1</b> (W3.0 & W4.0) <b>May 9</b> (all others)	<b>July 13</b>	<b>Aug 4-6</b>
USTA Super Seniors (6)	<b>March 1</b>	<b>May 8</b>	<b>May 13</b>	<b>May 22</b>	<b>June 2</b>	<b>July 21</b>	<b>Sept 5-6</b> (Tues-Wed)
CTA Daytime Doubles (6)	<b>March 1</b>	<b>May 8</b>	<b>May 13</b>	<b>May 22</b>	<b>June 6</b>	<b>July 26</b>	<b>Aug 14-16</b> (Mon-Wed)
USTA Senior (6)	<b>March 1</b>	<b>June 19</b>	<b>June 24</b>	<b>July 3</b>	<b>July 17</b>	<b>August 31</b>	<b>Sept 8-10</b>
CTA Twilight (4)	<b>March 1</b>	<b>June 26</b>	<b>July 1</b>	<b>July 17</b>	<b>July 31</b>	<b>Sept 18</b>	<b>Sept 29-Oct 1</b>
ITA Fall Mixed Doubles (6)	<b>March 1</b>	<b>July 17</b>	<b>July 22</b>	<b>July 24</b>	<b>July 30</b>	<b>Sept 24</b>	<b>Oct 6-8</b> Colorado Springs
CTA Fall	<b>March 1</b>	<b>July 10</b>	<b>July 15</b>	<b>July 17</b>	<b>July 31</b>	<b>Sept 18</b>	<b>Oct 10-12</b>

### NOTES

<sup>1</sup> Teams must have the minimum roster requirement registered by this date to be included in the schedule. Teams below the minimum roster will not be scheduled.

<sup>2</sup> Players can request to be deleted up until the date the CTA begins scheduling the league.

<sup>3</sup> Captains and players can view their match schedules beginning on this date.  
**Be advised that the schedules available on TennisLink prior to this date will not be correct.**

<sup>4</sup> Players cannot be moved from one team to another if they have played a match.  
**Players may be added to a roster up until the date of the last match**, but may not be eligible to play in the District Playoffs if they have not met the minimum match requirements. Please refer to your Operating Procedures for specifics.

**Team Captain's Reminder:** LTA relies on the team captain to assure the league coordinator receives the correct amount of league fees. Initially the captain should collect the fee from each member and send one check to the league coordinator. In the event a team member signs up late, the captain should either send the fee to the league coordinator or verify the late member has sent the fee to the league coordinator.

# Local Tournaments

**Note:** For detailed information on the tournaments below and other state tournaments refer to: <http://tournaments.usta.com/tournaments/Schedule/Search.aspx> Search for Colorado Intermountain for the complete list.

**Tennis Link:** <http://www.coloradotennis.com/cta/website.asp?Dept=TennisLink>

Date*	Place	Levels	Information
2/21- 2/25 2007	The Ranch in Broomfield	NTRP sanctioned age level tournament	Reg deadline 2/12/2007

Please verify dates on CTA/USTA tennis link.

## LTA TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE NOTE

Per LTA tournament committee chairperson, Gina Walker, LTA will be sponsoring the **Longmont Open Tennis Tournament** during June of 2007. Prior to the Longmont Open tournament LTA will hold a non-sanctioned local LTA weekend tournament (probably during May) and is planning to sponsor a non-sanctioned weekend junior tournament during the summer of 2007. Details of these tournaments and how you may help will be included in the March '07 newsletter.

## NTRP 2007 Ratings

Check out your 2007 NTRP rating on the CTA/USTA web site. Any player who believes they were incorrectly moved up a level or down a level, has between December 1, 2006 and February 21, 2007 to file an appeal. Appeals may be filed on-line. If the filed appeal is turned down and doesn't reflect your self-analysis, come to the next LTA WOW Social and have some cheese with that wine.

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## Volunteers Needed!

Would you like to be an LTA volunteer? Contact your respective LTA coordinator. Volunteers are especially needed for Publicity, Print and Web Communications, Membership, and Tournament Coordination.

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