



LOTA NEWS!

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Spring Leagues start March 17th
- Junior Tennis Teams forming
- Opportunity to meet and play with visiting players

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2012 LOTA Board Members

At the January 9th meeting, LOTA President, Stephanie Coleman welcomed 6 new members to the Board. The LOTA board consists of volunteers from the Lake area who love tennis and are willing to spend time to help with all the activities and charitable work the organization supports.

The new Board consists of:

President
 Vice President
 Secretary
 Treasurer
 Public Relations
 Membership/Website/
 Men's League
 Ladies Leagues
 Mixed League
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 Special Events
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Outgoing Board members included: Lin Logan, Kim Logan, Brenda Pinson and Karon Gilliland. Thanks go out to these volunteers who have helped to make LOTA a great lake country asset.

How to Join LOTA and/or Update your Membership Information

1. Joining LOTA? If you want to join go to www.lotatennis.com/newregistration.htm Updating information? Go to www.lotatennis.com/newinfoupdate.htm. You can also get there by going to www.lotatennis.com clicking on the Headlines tab and then clicking on "Join LOTA" or "Contact Info Changes" or whichever is appropriate.
2. Type your name into the boxes and hit submit.
3. Input your information and/or make corrections... make sure your email is correct.
4. Click on submit. This will take you back to the home page. You will receive a confirmation email shortly.
5. MAIL YOUR CHECK FOR \$15 (If you haven't already paid) TO

LOTA
PO BOX 58
GREENSBORO, GA 30642

How to Sign Up for a League

1. Go to www.lotatennis.com/leaguessignup.htm or you can go to www.lotatennis.com, click on Headlines, then click on League signup. You must already be a LOTA member to sign up for a league.
 2. Type your name into the boxes and hit submit.
 3. Fill out all the information and make sure all pre-filled information is correct. Sign up for ALL leagues you are interested in. Read carefully.
 4. Click on Submit Form
 5. You are signed up! You will receive a confirmation email shortly
- If you have not yet paid your 2011 dues, send a check for \$15 to LOTA at PO Box 58, Greensboro, Ga. 30642. **YOU WILL NOT BE SCHEDULED TO PLAY IF YOUR DUES ARE NOT PAID.**



The LOTA website
(www.lotatennis.com) has
great information about
the organization,
upcoming events,
directions to tennis courts,
the Tennis Code (Rules)
and even current weather
conditions!



It's time to sign up for Spring Leagues!!!

It's time to sign up for the Spring LOTA season. League play will begin on March 17th and 18th. In order to be eligible for the first week of play, signups are required by March 8st. You may sign up online at www.lotatennis.com/leaguessignup.htm . Your LOTA dues must be current for 2012 before you can be scheduled for a match.

Spring League Calendar

League	Sign up date	Start	End
Men's	March 8	March 17	May 5
Women's	March 8	March 17	May 5
Mixed	March 8	March 18	May 6

For any players in LOTA who have families and would like to play mixed doubles and have their children present in the area, we are planning another Mixed Doubles group just for them at The Landing. The recent e-mail to Reynolds Plantation members did not fully explain this. It is in conjunction with and in support of LOTA, just a different group of players. So please continue to sign up as you would normally for Mixed Doubles play on Sundays with LOTA as you always have unless you have children you would like to have at the courts while playing your mixed doubles and then the Landing Family Mixed Doubles program is for you. If you are a LOTA member and not a Reynolds member you can call the Lake Club Tennis Center to sign up for the Landings Group(706.467.1298); Reynolds Members may call either the tennis center or the concierge. Our thanks to Allison Heinen for offering to coordinate this group.

LOTA Board sets 2012 Calendar

The coming year looks to be loaded with fun events for the tennis lovers in the Lake country. Starting in February, the calendar is full of leagues and tournaments to interest every level of tennis player in every format.

- USTA 3.5 Senior Women's league started February 18.
- Spring LOTA Leagues (Men's, Women's, Mixed) start March 17/18.
- Mixed Doubles Memorial Tournament is May 19-20.
- LOTA Members' Party will be on May 19.
- Summer Combo League begins June 23.
- Fall LOTA Leagues start September 8-9.
- LOTA Classic Tennis Tournament will be Sept.28-29
- Christmas Round Robin to benefit the empty stocking Fund will be on December 1.

How does LOTA thank the clubs where we play?

Did you know that LOTA provides facility grants to the sites where we play a significant number of matches?

For 2012, facility grants will be given to purchase new clay court line cleaners for the Lake Club and Del Webb courts. Reynolds Landing courts will be given new scorecards and Harbor Club is receiving push brooms. LOTA appreciates each location's willingness to allow us to use their courts.

Thank-you!

LOTA Sponsors

New sponsors are being recruited for the 2012 season. Already committed are Dr. Marc Yune, Bug House Pest Control, Pretty in Pink, LoanSouth, Franks Chiropractic, Kim & Lin Logan (Keller Williams) and Bobby Reynolds CPA. Stay tuned for the announcement of additional sponsors. Remember that we owe a debt of gratitude to our sponsors, and we strongly encourage LOTA members to patronize businesses which sponsor our favorite activity.

Interested in becoming a sponsor? Please contact MaryNell Culpepper at 706-485-3113 (H) or 678-575-2737 (C) or Linda Lindsey at 404-798-6636 (C). Sponsors are featured on our website, on our banners, in the newsletter and in articles published by local newsmedia.

Junior Tennis League

Reynolds Plantation Junior Tennis Team Forming!

If your child is a beginner or intermediate level tennis player, consider signing him/her up for this new team in a local junior tennis league, comprised of both middle school and club teams.

Who: Boys & Girls (Reynolds Plantation Members)

- Ages 11 -14
- Beginner to intermediate level tennis players
- Area middle school and club teams make up the league

What: Team Play – Singles, Doubles, and Mixed Doubles Matches

- Minimum of five matches
- No prizes or championship – only goals set by Coaches

Where: Various participating team home courts (RP Landing courts included)

- Depending on court availability

When: Monday, February 13 – Friday, April 13, 2012

- After school play – matches to end by 7:00 p.m.
- Practice Sessions: Every Thursday, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.,
at The Lake Club Tennis Center

Why: An opportunity for Juniors to play competitive matches and build team skills in a fun environment.

Season Cost: \$75

- Includes courts, balls, coaching on home match day, organization, and practice sessions.

Contact Danny Klein, PBI Tennis Professional
Lake Club Tennis Center
706-467-1298 or dklein@reynoldsplantation.com

Opportunity to meet and play with Women from Eagles Landing



Curious about how your game stacks up against players from Atlanta? On Saturday, March 10 you can have a chance to do just that against players from Eagles Landing in Atlanta. A group of 32 women of all levels are coming to Reynolds Tennis Center for a tennis camp, and part of the experience will be to play against the local tennis ladies.

Round robin type play will be held from 10am to 12 pm on Saturday at the Lake Club tennis center. The women from Eagles Landing will be staying in Reynolds on March 8 and 9th and are looking forward to two days of coaching by Dave Neuhart and Danny Kline, the Lake Club tennis pros. The Saturday round robin will be the culmination of a fun filled tennis camp.

To volunteer to play with the Eagles Landing ladies, call the Lake Club Tennis center at 706 467 1298. Call quickly because there are only a limited number of slots at each level.

The PBI Challenge in Florida

On January 14th and 15th, the annual PBI Challenge was held in Naples Florida. Several Reynolds members participated, including Ron Jeitz, and Peggy Ruzika.

The event, held at the beautiful Waldorf Astoria in Naples, was attended by people from all over the world. The tennis was terrific and there was plenty of instruction available from the excellent PBI pros in Naples. According to Jean Jeitz, the weather was outstanding, 75 to 80 degrees every day, and the shopping was out of this world.

The Waldorf Astoria offered a great rate for participants so it was the perfect way to overcome the winter tennis blahs. Next year's event is already being planned, so mark your calendars for a fun winter escape.



Mission Statement: *LOTA represents the*

Lake Oconee Area with members from

Greene, Morgan, Putnam and Baldwin Coun-

ties. Our purpose and objective is to create, develop, maintain and promote tennis in our communities. Our goal is to provide tennis opportunities and programs, where we all have fun, play good matches, and benefit from physical activity out-of-doors.



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www.lotatennis.com !