

Winchester Tennis

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Congratulations to the **WHS Boy's Tennis team** on their recent State Championship and the outstanding season of the **WHS Girl's team** going 21-1!

TV Opportunity: WinCAM, the public access TV station in Winchester has received many requests from viewers who would like to see local tennis matches televised. In order to satisfy this request, WinCAM has generously offered to train community volunteers to film these matches. If you or anyone you know is interested in being trained in basic shooting and editing techniques on state of the art video equipment, so that these upcoming tournaments may be televised, please contact Donald

Cronin, WinCam Station Manager at (781)721-2050 or dcronin@wincam.org.

Congrats to all who participated in the Memorial Day Weekend Blind Draw Tennis Tournament. We had over 125 participants in total! A big thanks goes to annual Tournament Sponsor, **Winchester Savings Bank!** And thanks to Dick Malcolm of Winchester Ltd. Jewelers who once again went out of his way to find beautiful mirrored tennis scenes for this year's trophies. And thanks to **Gordon Nicholson** who ran, hosted and coordinated both the tournament and the Don Ellis Memorial Service!

2004 Tournament Schedule

Please note these dates on your calendars now!

- The Coldwell Banker Member/Member - Member/Guest Tournament**July 17-18**
- The Annual Husband & Wife Tournament.....**August 14-15**
- The Juniors Tournament**August 16-19**
- The Annual Fall Town Championships**Sept. 11-12 & 18-19**



Winchester Dedicates the Packer Ellis Memorial Tennis Courts

The town of Winchester has renamed its town courts as the **Packer Ellis Memorial Tennis Courts**. The dedication service and installation of the Don Ellis Memorial Stone Monday took place on Monday, May 31st at 11am.

The courts were originally named for William Packer, a 2004 USA Tennis New England Hall of Fame Inductee, who was instrumental in building the courts and ensuring the courts were available for everyone. He ran programs and even paid fees and bought equipment for those who could not afford to play.

Don Ellis, a longtime resident of Winchester who passed away in 2002, was instrumental in caring for the town's courts for 20 years. Ellis, who performed the work on a volunteer basis for approximately 10 of those years, prepared the courts for use every morning, and could often be found playing on them in the afternoon. He regularly swept the courts and helped install the irrigation system and flowerbeds that surround them. He also built and fenced in two play areas, so parents could bring their children to the courts with them. Local resident Gordon Nicholson, a Winchester Tennis Association board member, remembers targeting Ellis, who had a background in landscaping to work on the courts when budget cuts affected the town's ability to maintain them.

"He took what was a very good tennis complex and made it into an outstanding complex," Nicholson said of Ellis.

In addition to the rededication of the courts, the Winchester Tennis Association has renamed its annual Memorial Day Weekend tournament the Don Ellis Memorial Tournament, in honor of the man who made it possible, safe and fun for thousands of residents and guests to enjoy the courts that Packer built. The idea behind the tournament, and much of Ellis' work, is to get people in town to meet each other and make new friends while playing the sport for a lifetime.

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Memorial Day Weekend Tournament Recap

In **Family Doubles**, **Kerry Bergin** and daughter **Kimberly Brennan** took away the winners trophy, repeating last year's feat, by beating **Doug & Reed Carlson** 6-3, 6-1 in the final. Father/Daughter were pushed to 3 sets in the semis by **Alison & Alex Popp** another Father /Daughter duo. Their semi score was 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 in one of the best contests of the entire tournament. Both young ladies were WHS standouts and each went on to play college tennis.

In the final the stalwart play of **Turkewitz** and the athleticism of **Hamilton** were just too much for their opponents to handle.

The most competitive field was the Men's Doubles event. The pairings were so close that the tournament committee would not seed the event. In the end the team of **Mike Poppler** and **Glen Doyle** were able to handle **Steve Kuberski** and **Mike Aldrich** in two very competitive sets 6-4, 6-2.



There were numerous three set matches in the Men's Doubles including a wild affair between **Kuberski/ Aldrich** over **Jim Tilley** and **Phil Coonley** 6-3, 6-7 (7-5), 6-3. The men in the tournament really enjoyed the highly competitive matches, as did the many spectators.

In the mixed Doubles event, 3-setters abounded as well.

The Lady's Doubles saw the second seeded team of **Lisa Hamilton** and **Hillary Turkewitz** take on **Bebe Jacques** and **Margaret Kiladjian** in the final. Lisa and Hillary prevailed 6-1, 6-2 never letting their opponents get started. In what had to be one of the closest matches in the tournament **Jacque/Kiladjian** were victors over **Karen Bergin** and **Charlotte Berger** 7-5, 7-6 (7-3) in the semis.

In the final match, **Mike Poppler** and **Hillary Turkewitz** once again proved their metal 2-6, 6-2, 6-2 over the team of **Tony Cella** and **Charlotte Berger**. **Berger/Cella** had just beaten **Barry Fishman** and **Louise Trakamis** 2-6, 7-6 (7-5), 6-3 in a thriller of a semifinal. **Barry** and **Louise** were just a few points away from winning that match themselves!

Brand New!!!! - WTA Sportswear is here!!!

Items for Men:

- Navy Blue Polo Shirts (L & XL)..... \$25
- White Polo Shirts (L & XL)..... \$25
- Navy Blue Windshirts (place your orders now)\$35

Cotton T-Shirts:

- **Crimson**, **Forest**, Navy & Grey (L & XL).....\$12

Items for Ladies:

- Navy V-Neck T's (S, M & L).....\$20
- Coral "stretch" Polo Shirts (L - other sizes on back order).....\$20
- Cadet Blue Zip Fleece Pullovers (S, M & L).....\$35

Coming Soon:

- WTA Baseball caps in a variety of colors...

Fee and application must be received before 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 14.

The 2ND ANNUAL MEMBER/MEMBER MEMBER/GUEST



COMPASS DRAW TENNIS TOURNAMENT JULY 17 & 18TH, 2004

To Benefit the: Winchester High School Boys & Girls Tennis Scholarship Fund

CHAIRPERSON: Sven Andersen (781) 729-9669 email: sven@realestatebysven.com

EVENTS: ****Men's Doubles**** Ladies Doubles

SCHEDULE: Draw sheets will be posted at the Packer-Ellis Courts on **Friday, July 16th between 5-7PM. Players must consult the draw sheet to determine their first round starting times.** Play begins Saturday, July 17th at **9AM** and players must be available through Sunday. Players are asked to arrive 15 minutes before schedule match time. **Players arriving 15 minutes after schedule time may be forfeited.** In the case of inclement weather, the tournament will be moved to the W.I.L.T.C. indoor courts. Players will share the costs of indoor play.

FORMAT: *A COMPASS Draw allows (at a minimum) 2 rounds of play, with two different categories of prizes.*

FEE: \$50.00 per team*
Please make check payable to **WHS Boys & Girls Tennis Scholarship Fund.** Fee and application must be received before **6:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 14th.** Send application to: **Sven Andersen, 247 Washington Street #25, Winchester, MA 01890;** or **leave it with Vin Palumbo at the Packer Courts.** You will receive a tee-shirt and breakfast foods provided by Bruegger's Bagels

RULES: The tournament is open to high school age and over.
All players/teams will bring a new can of balls to each match. Match winners will keep the unused can of balls and sweep the court! Play is 2 out of 3 sets; 12 point tiebreaker.

*All proceeds raised for is event will be distributed to a WHS graduating senior who played on the tennis team in the 2005 school year.

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Men's Doubles

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Partner: _____

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T-shirt size: S M L XL