



Shuttlecock

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Manhattan Beach Badminton Club

Stephani Armstrong

I didn't take the President job to be a nag. I guess I was wrong.

Friday night, July 25th, a lot of families were using the pool and outdoor kitchen area. They left the place an absolute disgrace - food was left in the refrigerator and on the counters and tables; nothing had been wiped down; the grills were dripping with grease; trash had been sort of picked up, but little of it was put in the dumpsters

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and a lot was left around the pool. It took two men three hours to clean the place up.

All of us know that that's not the way it's supposed to be. But it happened because a lot of people figured that it was ok to leave a mess for someone else to clean up. That's not what this Club is all about.

I guess I could keep going. I'm mad enough to, but I'm tired of nagging. Please, let's not let it happen again.



Membership News

Peter Steinbroner

Membership Status:

Associate Members:	88
Intermediate Associate Members:	28
Regular Members:	250
Provisional Members:	20
Legacy Members:	1
Instructor Members:	6
Playing Members:	36
Honorary Members:	14
Junior Playing Members:	35

New Applications

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Co-Sponsor</u>
Eve & Fred Towns	Kunesh	Otto
Jennifer & Erik Svensson	Petri	Banchik
Inga & Tom Middleton	Parks	Coppedge
Lynne & Jack Hook	Costopoulos	Myska
David & Gail Hilton	Wang	Verket

Resignations

Christopher Bowen

The final workday report for 2007-2008 is on the web. If you have any questions, please contact me.

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Presidentially Speaking...

The Family Pool Party was a huge success... way bigger than we expected. Sixty guests RSVPed and over 120 came to the party. I hope everyone enjoyed themselves as much as I did. We owe a huge thanks to Tammy Lipps and all of her helpers for putting on such a wonderful event. I would also like to give a special thanks to Dylan Steinberg who shared his birthday cake with everyone at the party!

The club gets an enormous amount of use over the summer as we all know.

I hate to be a nag, but here are a couple of reminders:

Please pick up your trash, scrub the bar-b-que grills, if you use them, and put everything back where you found it before you leave.

Children younger than ten are not allowed in the Jacuzzi.

Children under 18 are not allowed to use the badminton courts without adult supervision.

And please, make sure all the doors are locked when you leave.

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2008 U.S. JR NATIONALS

Congratulations to all the MBBC players who played in this year's U.S. Jr National tournament. MBBC sent a team of eight players: Brad and Russell Kong, Isabel and Susana Zhong, Beckie and David Neumann, Daniel Liu and Edward Linden. Our team traveled all the way to Marblehead, Massachusetts to compete against the best players in the U.S. 193 players from all over the country converged to test their strength against each other. Our eight players did VERY well in the contest and proved that MBBC continues to have one of the stronger junior badminton programs in the country. Our relatively small team earned 2 golds, 7 silvers, and 7 bronze medals. We also had two 4th place and one 5th place finish. Individual results are listed below.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THESE FINE PLAYERS!

MBBC 2008 U.S. Junior National Individual Results

Edward Linden:

2nd place in U22 BD (w/David Neumann)

David Neumann:

2nd place in U22 BD (w/Edward Linden)

Daniel Liu:

3rd place in U22 BD (w/Michael Cabebe);

3rd place U22 MXD (w/Susana Zhong)

Susana Zhong:

1st place U22 GD (w/Isabel Zhong)

2nd place U19 GD (w/Beckie Neumann)

3rd place U22 MXD (w/Daniel Liu)

Beckie Neumann:

2nd place U19 GD (w/Susana Zhong)

3rd U19 GS / 5th place U19 MXD (w/Eric Kuo)

Isabel Zhong:

1st U22GD (w/Susana Zhong)

3rd U17 MXD (w/Zenas Lam)

4th U19 MXD (w/Shun Fujinami)

Brad Kong:

2nd place U9 BD (w/Russell Kong)

2nd place U9 MXD (w/Karen Ma)

3rd place U9BS

Russell Kong:

2nd place U9 BD (w/Brad Kong)

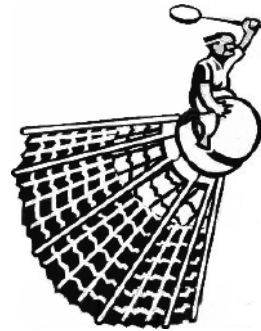
3rd place U9 MXD (w/Jessica Zhang)

4th place U9BS

MBBC JR INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT

JULY 29TH THRU AUG 4TH

Many thanks to all of those who helped organize and run our 17th Annual Junior International Tournament! This is undoubtedly the absolute best tournament of the year. I'm not just bragging either. Ask the juniors who come! If it hasn't already ended, you can still hurry down to watch some fantastic matches. You can also get some great food at the Tournament Kitchen and flaunt your MBBC pride with an MBBC T-shirt or sweatshirt purchased at the tournament. This year we're expecting about 150 players from ten different countries. We have big teams coming from Mexico, Guatemala and Puerto Rico. We also have a number of players coming from Peru, Canada, Chile, Denmark, Ghana & Malaysia. Add to those U.S. players from Texas, Maryland, northern California, San Diego and all the local clubs and you have a great tournament. It's really a BIG deal! Preparations for the tournament have been underway for months and the players have been growing more and more excited as the tournament dates approach. Best of luck to all the players! Look for results in next month's exciting issue of The Shuttlecock. If you can't wait that long, look for them on line at: www.tournamentsoftware.com.



Entertainment

Tammy Lipps

MBBC Members! Thanks to all of you who attended and all who did your workdays for the Family Pool Party! It was a lot of fun and I don't think we could have done enough ring races!!!!

Keep watching the calendar and website for upcoming events! Have a great rest of the summer!

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Around the House

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Hope everyone is having a great summer.

Our next workday is Saturday August 9th. There are plenty of things to do, so come help out and get your workdays out of the way. We will grill up some burgers and hot dogs around the pool after we are done working.

Remember:

BBQ Area: If you use the club BBQs, please keep them clean. Heat the grills, brush them with the grill brushes, cook and enjoy. When you're finished, scrape the grills again and wipe around them with grease cutter, which is found under the sink. Do this even if you're only cooking for a few people.

Trash Pick-up: If your group has been in the pool area and you've enjoyed pizza, snacks, fruit and drinks and you are packed and ready to leave . . .
PLEASE TOSS YOUR TRASH! If the trashcans are getting full with trash especially perishables, toss the bags into the trash bin in the parking lot and replace the can liners.

Recycle: Paper, Plastic, Cans, Bottles, Aluminum Foil, etc. are all recyclable. Your recycling efforts will conserve our resources—and besides it can save the club \$\$.

We have very exciting news in the world of adult badminton...our club has been selected to host the 2009 Senior Nationals Championships. The target date is for mid-March and we will be providing you with updates as the time draws closer! Congratulations to the Club and for all of those who assisted in bringing Senior Nationals to MBBC.

In other exhilarating news, the Open Badminton Championships was held in Orange County, with the Senior International combined age populated with five MBBC members who demonstrated a very good showing in this high caliber play. The Dommeyers came home with a lot of hardware : Sue brought in 2 golds and 2 silvers (in mxd and dbls) and Curt took 2 silvers (teaming w/Joy Kitzmiller in 100+ mxd) all amongst very high competition. Lee Calvert nabbed a gold for 130+ mixed and silver in doubles w/Sue. Joy won 3 golds (singles, 80+ dbls & mxd and 2 silvers while Terry Lira took gold in doubles and silver in mixed. All in all MBBC players did well with lots of play in 2-3 days in several categories.

With the Open semis and finals at night, combined age during the day made it a fun-filled tournament and a big challenge to all participating. We are very proud of our competitive senior players and the outstanding way they represent MBBC in these tournaments!

In addition, we would like to express our appreciation to Dean Schoppe for hosting and coordinating his annual Summer Technique Clinic. He hosted three Monday, July nights of instructional technique training, sharing his valuable expertise. We sincerely appreciate his generosity of time and talent.

Finally, I am putting together a rough email list of all of those members who would like to receive an email reminder about club tournaments and special events like the Summer Technique Clinic. If you would like to be included please email me at adultbadminton@mbbadmintonclub.com or click on the link through our webpage.

Thanks and see you on the courts!

Calendar

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- July 29 - Aug 4 Junior International Championships*
- Tue. Aug. 5 MBBC Board Meeting: 7pm*
- Sat. Aug. 9 Club Workday: 8am-12pm*
- Tue. Sep. 7 MBBC Board Meeting: 7pm*
- Sat. Sep. 13 Club Workday: 8am-12pm*