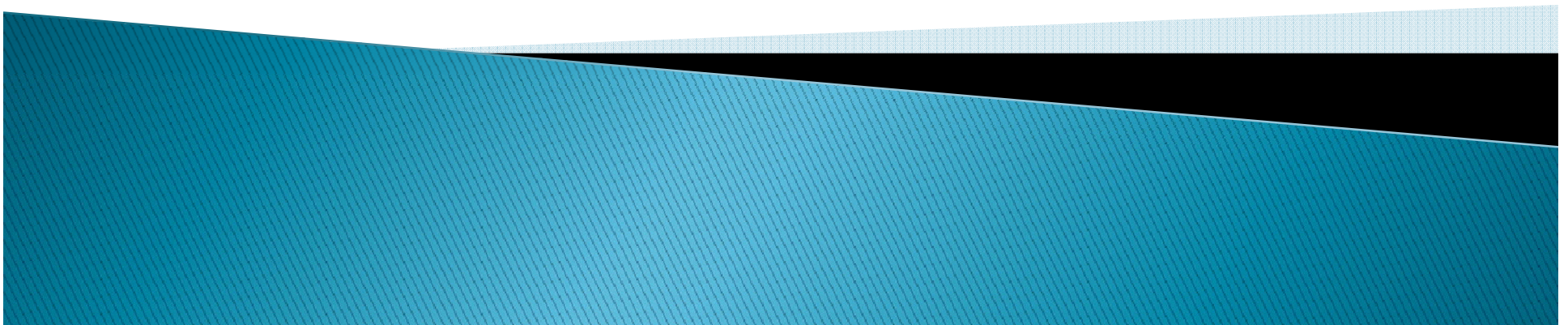




2014 General Membership Meeting

Monday, January 27, 2014



Agenda



- Welcome Anne Hayes – President
- Minutes Allyson Huntington – Secretary
- Treasurer’s Report Joel Berenson - Treasurer
 - 2013 Financial Summary
 - 2014 Dues Recommendation
- 2013 Committee Reports:
 - **Membership** – Mary Lee Pequeno
 - **Pool** – Beth Venuti and Hillary DeMello
 - **Tennis** – Lisa Hafer and Chris Schalick
 - **House & Grounds** – Kristin Doucet
 - **Social** – Sue MacPhee and Michelle Puntillo
 - **Youth** – Lauren Dillon
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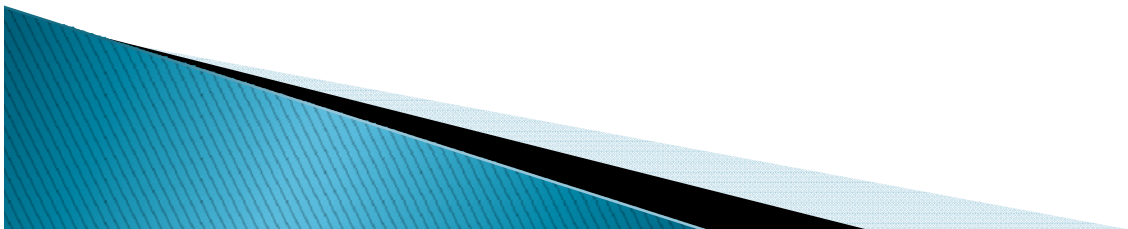


Agenda



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- 2014 Board Nominations
- Rule Changes for 2014
- 2014 Bylaw Change: President/VP
- Tennis Court Proposal and Financing
- Adjournment



Wedgewood – Meeting Minutes



2013 General Membership Meeting – Summary

- Treasurer's Report - Joel Berenson
 - Dues kept at \$1,200 Voting, \$600 Sustaining. Bond raised to \$2,780.
 - Overall profit of \$29,400

- Committee Reports:
 - **Membership** – Mary Lee Pequeno
 - **Pool** – Lindsey Goodhue & Judy Kravitz
 - **Tennis** – Lisa Hafer & Chris Schalick
 - **House & Grounds** – Kristin Doucet
 - **Social** – Sue MacPhee & Michelle Puntillo
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- 2013 Board Nominations and Vote



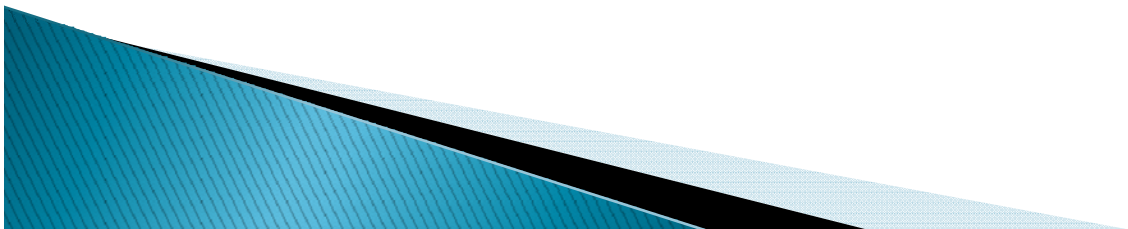


Treasurer's Report

Treasurer: Joel Berenson

Financial highlights of the fiscal year ending 10/31/2013

- Profit of \$2,900
- Cash at end of the year \$253,000 - up \$8,400 from prior year. This is mainly due to cash being spent for capital asset additions of (\$19,600), a net increase in bonds of \$26,000, other misc. items of (\$900) and a cash profit of \$2,900.
- Capital asset/furniture additions of \$3,200 – new chairs (\$3,000) and new printer (\$200).
- Capital asset/tennis court improvements (lower courts) of \$16,400.

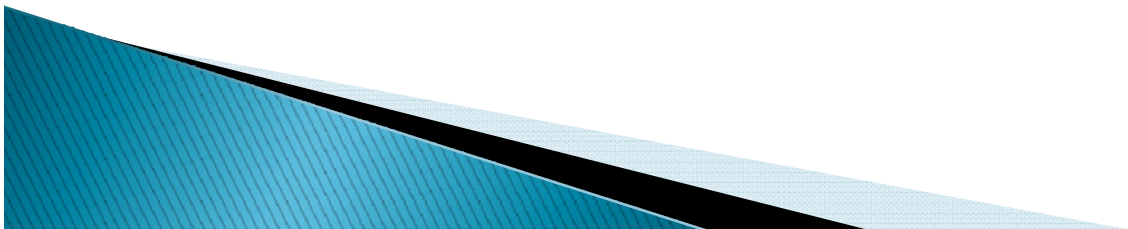




Treasurer's Report

- Recommended Dues for 2014: Increase of \$150
 - Voting Member: \$1350
 - Sustaining Member: \$675

- Bond for 2014: Increase 3%
 - BOG has voted, in accordance with Club By-Laws, to increase the New Member Bond by 3% to \$2860





Committee Reports

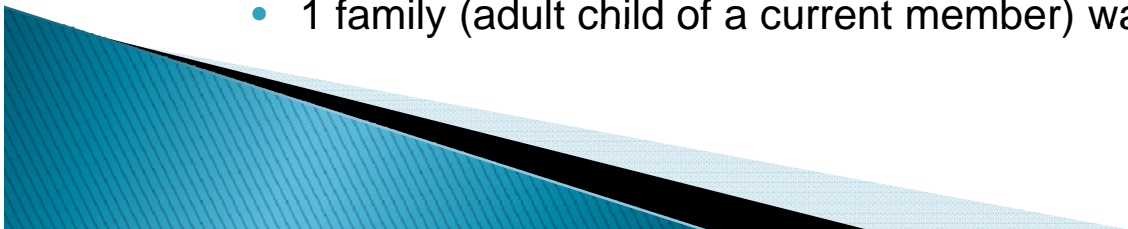
Membership: Mary-Lee Pequeno

2013 Summary

- 187 Voting Members
 - 19 New
 - 7 Resigned

- 87 Sustaining Members
 - 12 New
 - 7 Resigned

- Waiting List - 178
 - Additions to waiting list in 2013 - 31
 - 9 families entering in 2013 waited 5 years
 - 9 families entering in 2013 waited 4 years
 - 1 family (adult child of a current member) waited 1 year

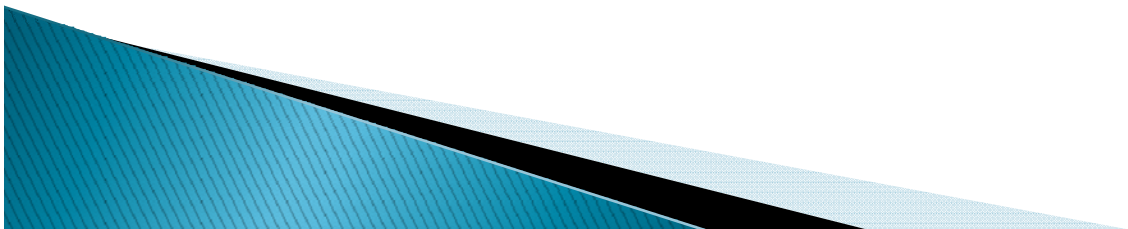




Committee Reports

Membership: August Members

- Offered to the top 10 names on the waitlist after membership has closed for the season
- Gives families high up on the waitlist an opportunity to experience the Club at a time when it is not as crowded
- Continue with this plan

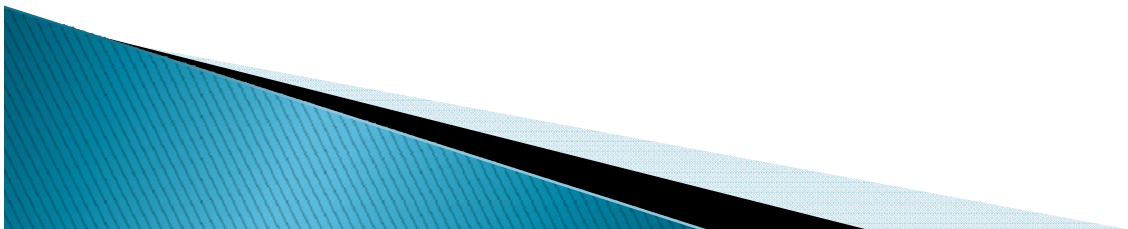




Committee Reports

Membership: Sustaining Membership Plan

- Continue to replace only those voting members who move to sustaining or resign, up to a maximum of 25 new families per year
- Conduct annual review of membership data to confirm that projections are accurate



Committee Reports



Pool Committee: Beth Venuti and Hillary DeMello

➤ Swim and Dive Team

- Continued strong participation in both swim team (113 participants) and dive team (20 participants)
- Team competed in 4 Colonial League dual meets and League Championships
- Standardized on Hy-Tek Meet Manager for meet scoring, which required volunteer commitment and training
- Purchased Hy-Tek Team Manager to assist with team management

➤ Swim and Dive Lessons

- Continued to see an increase in swim lesson participation: 254, up from 231 (2012) and 216 (2011)
- 42 children took dive lessons this year

➤ ***Committee established to plan/execute the Colonial League swim championships to be held at Wedgewood in August 2014***





Committee Reports

Tennis Committee: Lisa Hafer and Chris Schalick

Tennis Highlights from 2013 Season:

- ▶ John Geilfuss returned for his 4th season as WW's Tennis Pro; Marjorie Marino returned as his Assistant
- ▶ Tennis Lessons, Teams and Camp:
 - 143 kids participated in tennis lessons and 65 on tennis teams
 - Boys A Team: 18 on the A1 team and 16 on the A2
 - Boys B Team had a very large group with 21 participating
 - Girls Team was "revived" with 10 participants after 2 year low in participation
 - Advanced Girls Clinic was held with BHS Women's Coach and players
- ▶ Staff ran weekly co-ed "round robins" for those interested in learning more about scoring, serving, and team play overall — very successful
- ▶ We did NOT win the Sudbury Valley Jr. Tennis League Championships (have won many years in a row) — a REBUILDING year for WW tennis teams

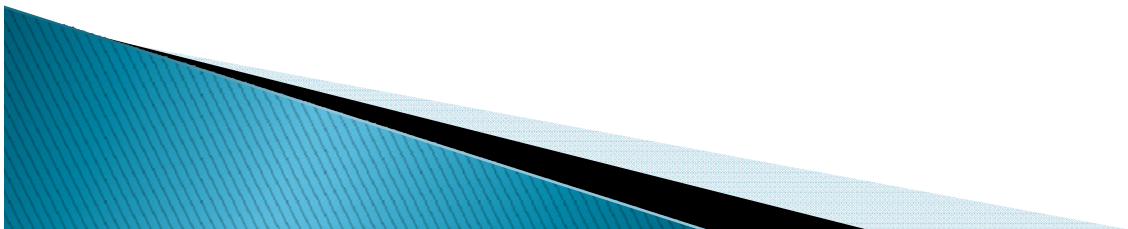




Committee Reports

Tennis Highlights from 2013 Season:

- Adult Tennis Classes: Tennis Skill Builder, free Intro to Tennis, Adult Monday Morning Clinic, Thursday evening Cardio Tennis, and Fri/Sun Ball Machine Clinics continued to be popular. Many new young members participated in clinics.
- Adult Round Robins and Tennis Ladders continued to have good participation.
- Tennis Socials:
 - Third Annual Wedgewood Cup Tennis Event on Family Day was a success with approximately 16 participants (down from 24 previous year, but conflicting swim meet may have contributed to lower numbers)
 - Middle School Pizza Party, Adult/Child Round Robin event, and Awards Night were well attended.

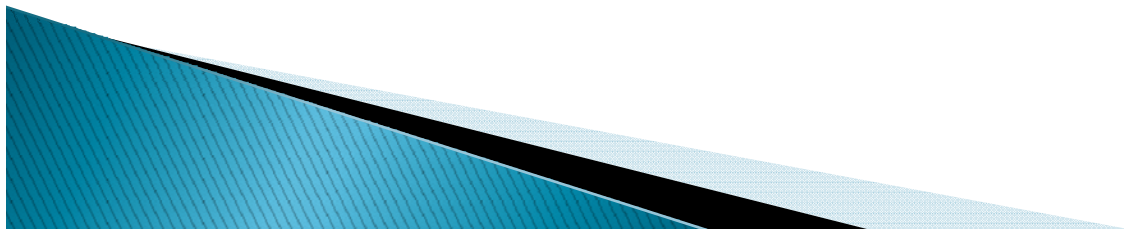




Committee Reports

Tennis Issues/Suggestions:

- Concerns with kids' etiquette and attire on courts
 - Posted rules on Tennis Gates
 - Coaching Staff re-iterated during lessons
 - Tour guides handed out rules/guidelines during New Member Day/Reception
- Purchased new water coolers and placed inside upper/lower courts
- Added more recycling bins for ball cans and drinks
- Weekly tennis reminders sent to communicate changes, additions, etc. via Constant Contact

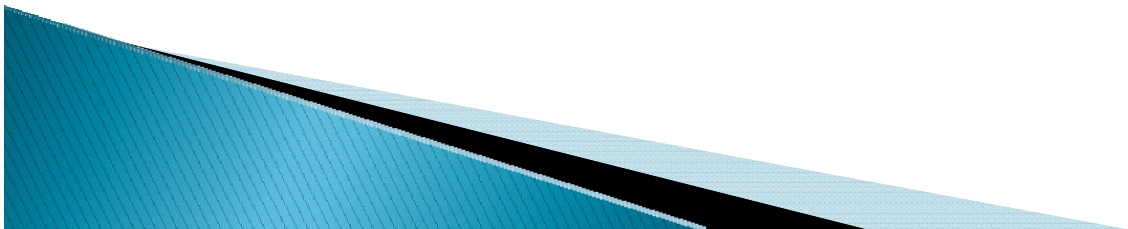


Committee Reports



House & Grounds: Kristin Doucet

- **Barn:** Painted plus major rot and wood repairs
- **Grass:** New grass areas (seed & sod), extending seating areas, new top soil and fall aeration
- **Tree Work:** Limbs and removal of dead/diseased trees
- **Seating:** 12 new chaises, 3 new wooden benches for tennis
- **Lighting:** Added motion detectors on barn, snack bar and bath house
- **Landscaping:**
 - New barrels, flowers, Hostas, and two Rose of Sharon
 - Mountain laurels and Hostas added near court 4
 - In 2013, all landscaping was back in-house to provide more hours for H&G staff and to add flexibility to schedule (esp. mowing)

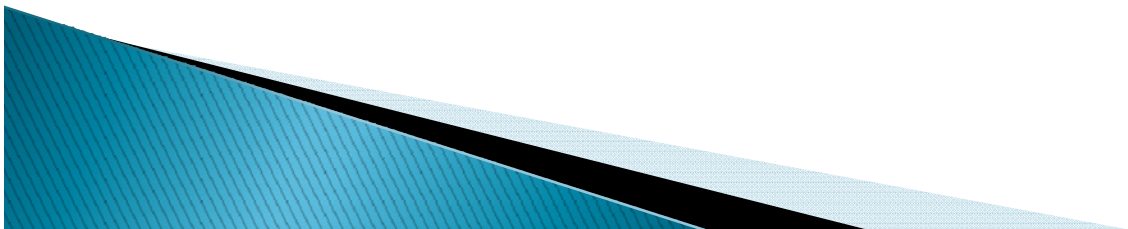




Committee Reports

Social – Sue MacPhee and Michelle Puntillo

- The New Member Reception was well attended.
- Friday Night Fiestas were a big hit this year. Added in live music.
- Family Day was a success with 234 members participating.
 - No lines for food
 - Wedgewood Staff did a fantastic job coordinating events
 - Tickets covered expenses

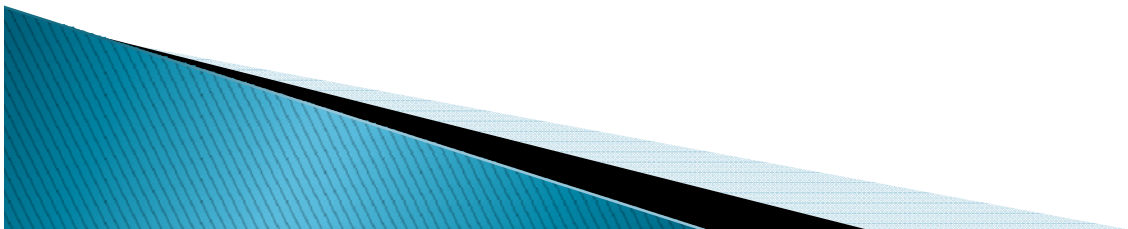


Committee Reports



Youth Activities: Lauren Dillon

- Youth games during the week run by Joel Rubenstein, Youth Activities Director
- Arts and Crafts for kids of all ages were run by Kerry Sullivan
- Special events included: 3 Splash Parties, Barn Movie Night, Floatie Night, and Flick and Float
- Basketball hoop was purchased for the pool with use limited to Fridays and Sunday afternoons



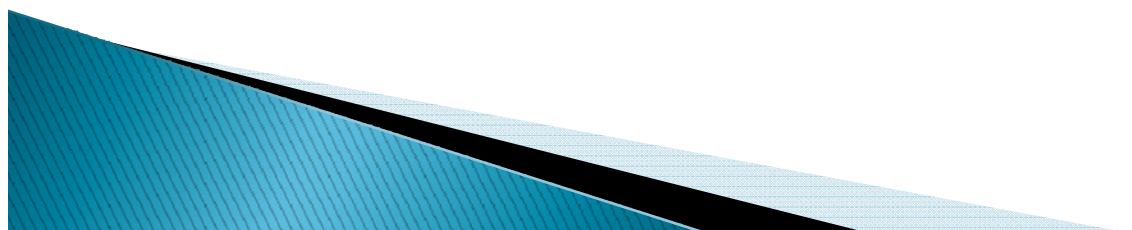
Committee Reports



Web Site – Jim Vanaria

- ▶ Current Website Capabilities
 - Lesson Signup
 - Adult tennis ladder signup
 - Adult tennis ladder scoring and standings
 - Rolling schedule of events
 - Emergency Information
 - Club Open/Closed information
 - Special Messages

- ▶ Report any problems or issues - jim.vanaria@gmail.com or thewedgewoodclub@thewedgewoodclub.org



Committee Reports



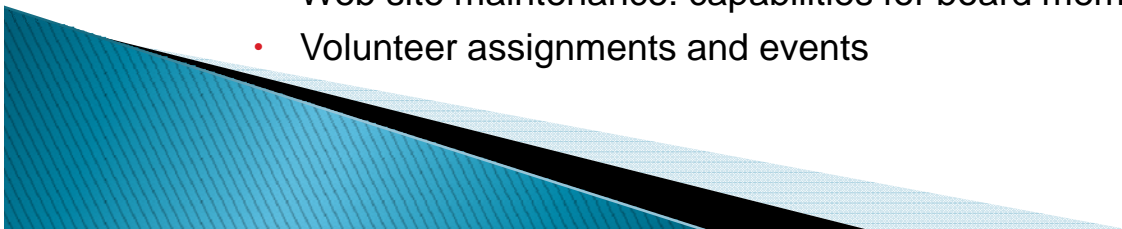
Web Site – Jim Vanaria

▶ 2013 Activity:

- Met with a professional website developer to assess the feasibility of adding several key features requested by board members along with updating the look and feel.
- After weighing our options (e.g., professional web developer, new software), we decided we needed more time to think through a complete solution for the club and compile all a complete list requirements.
- Interim decision was made to use Constant Contact for all membership communications, event planning, and contact information to address the most important issues.

▶ 2014 Plan:

- Evaluate different solutions to integrate all club operations into one package for the 2015 season:
 - Membership database
 - Lesson Signup
 - Court reservations
 - Web site maintenance: capabilities for board members to make updates
 - Volunteer assignments and events





2014 Board Nominations

➤ President	Jeff Dearing**
➤ Vice President	Kristin Doucet**
➤ Treasurer	Joel Berenson*
➤ Secretary	Allyson Huntington*
➤ Corresponding Secretary	Susan Inz*
➤ Membership	Paula Driscoll
➤ House & Grounds	Joe Richard
➤ Pool	Hillary DeMello* & Orna Miles
➤ Tennis	Michael Knight & Liz Cowles
➤ Youth	Lauren Dillon*
➤ Social	Susan MacPhee* & Marilian Missitti
➤ Website	Jim Vanaria* (1)

* denotes currently in position

** denotes currently on board, but nominated for new position

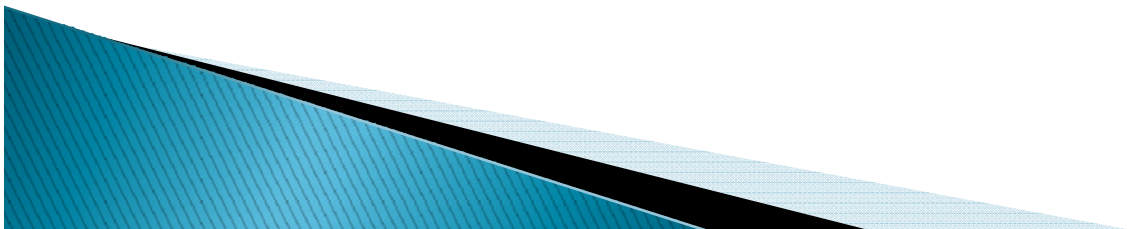
(1) Sustaining Member





2014 Rule Changes

- Children who are 10 years old or entering 5th grade may stay at the Club unattended until 6 pm
- Children who are 14 years old or entering 9th grade may stay at the club unattended after 6 pm (this includes guests)
- Each membership may have 6 Bedford guests or families in July (after July 4th) and 10 Bedford guests or families in August



2014 Bylaw Change



By-law Change to Article VII: Officers and Duties, Section 1

This change will take effect in 2015 and will allow the Board to have a VP and two co-Presidents (with staggered terms) to share the duties of the office and to maintain institutional knowledge from year-to-year.

Current Language: The officers of the Club shall consist of a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and **Corresponding Secretary**, who shall be elected annually for a term of office of one year, commencing the **first of January** or until a successor has qualified. Neither the President nor the Vice President shall be eligible to serve more than two terms in the office in succession.

Proposed Language: The officers of the Club shall consist of **two co-Presidents**, Vice President, Treasurer, and Recording Secretary, who shall be elected annually for a term of office of one year, commencing the **first of February** or until a successor has qualified. Neither the co-Presidents nor the Vice President shall be eligible to serve more than two terms in the office in succession.

For the purposes of these by-laws, all reference to "President" shall incorporate by reference Article VII Section 1, and hereafter mean "Co-Presidents."



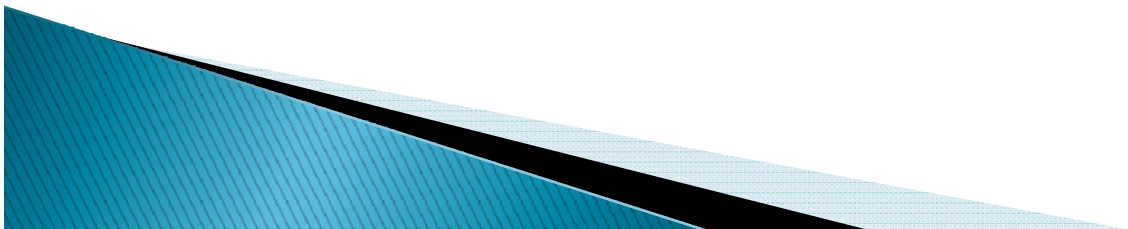
Tennis Court Reconstruction



Capital Investments (2009-2014)*

- Expanded fenced yard with new Basketball & Bocce courts + Playground
- Renovated Bath House
- Resurfaced Swim & Kiddy Pools
- Repaired and painted the Barn
- Repaired cracks and resurfaced Courts 4-6
- Replaced and added additional chaise lounge & lawn chairs

*Since change to Sustaining Membership requirements generated additional capital



Current Status



➤ Lower Tennis Courts (4,5 & 6):

- Newer: In pretty good shape, but had surface cracks
- Fall 2013: Power washed, cracks repaired, and fully resurfaced, expected to extend their life another 5-7 years (No Guarantee)

➤ Upper Tennis Courts (1, 2 & 3):

- Reconstructed in 1987: 27 years old
- Evaluated in early 2013 by 3 Tennis Court Companies:
 - Verdict: Have lasted well, given their age
 - Already had cracks repaired (like the recent effort on the lower courts)
 - None of the 3 companies will do additional repairs
 - Current and newly emerging cracks are structural, indicating that the asphalt is deteriorating and nearing the end of its useful life
 - All 3 companies advised us to start planning for reconstruction

➤ Concrete Retaining Wall between Upper & Lower Courts:

- Evaluated by a Structural Engineer
- Wall has rotated and will continue to do so without repairs or replacement





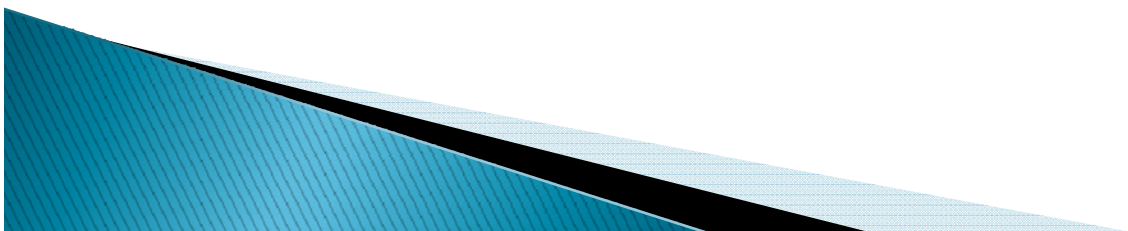
Investigation

➤ **Developed Outline Specification and solicited 3 bids:**

- Reconstruct the upper 3 courts in:
 - Asphalt (current construction)
 - Clay
 - Post-tension Concrete
- Install all new tournament-quality lighting
- Repair the retaining wall

➤ **Results:**

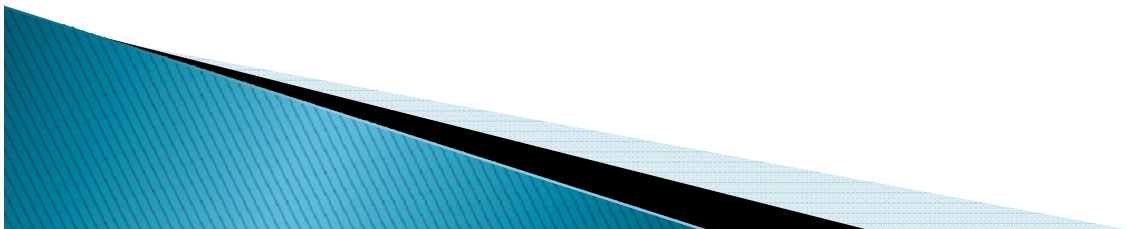
- 2 Bids close together: \$210,000 (1 declined to bid, too busy)
- 1 company recommends Post Tensioned Concrete





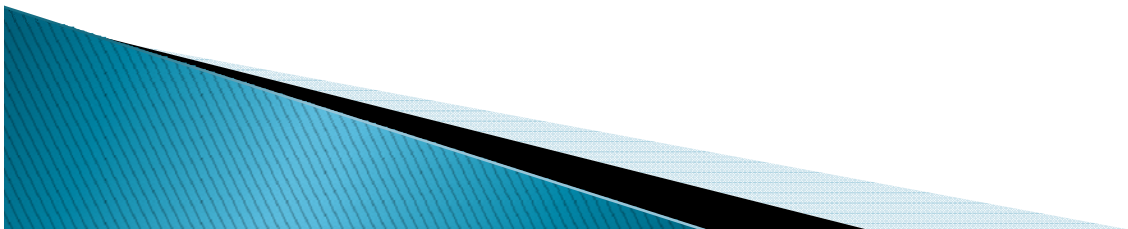
Asphalt Construction

- **2 Year Guarantee** against structural cracking
- Current life expectancy for tennis court application is **12-15 years**
- The most economical in terms of initial cost of construction
- Currently, most common material used for tennis courts
- Existing Wedgewood courts are constructed of asphalt but...
 - Current laws require minimum % post consumer product (recycled) in the asphalt mix which reduces the life expectancy of asphalt, particularly for non-vehicular application. Vehicular traffic, because of its weight and movement, help keep the asphalt flexible which increases it's useful life



Clay Construction

- More expensive upfront with recommended sub-surface irrigation system than asphalt
- Courts will last a **lifetime** if properly maintained
- Pros: Better shock-absorption (less stress on leg joints and arms), slower play (longer rallies, better exercise), much cooler in heat of summer, safer to play on when damp (better traction)
- Cons: Requires annual maintenance of \$6000, requires daily maintenance by staff, surface can be slippery when dry, heavy rain makes courts unusable, subsurface irrigation uses water (\$\$)

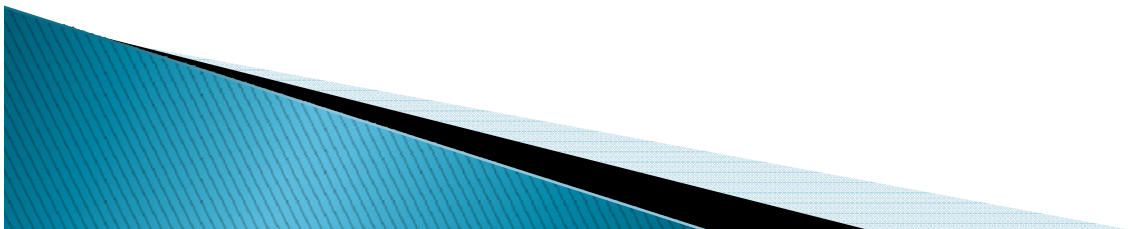


Post-Tension Concrete

- More expensive upfront costs than Asphalt by **+50%**, due to material costs (+26%) and higher quality lighting (+24%), but...
- Guaranteed against structural cracking for **25 years (vs. 2 years)**
- Projected **life expectancy is 50 years**, longer if well-maintained
- The courts should be power-washed and resurfaced every 5-7 years, the same as with asphalt construction (\$15,500)



Recommended as most fiscally responsible choice for the long-term benefit of the Club



Financials



➤ Estimated Costs:

• 3 new Post Tensioned Concrete Courts:	\$188,000
• Tournament Quality Lighting:	\$100,000
• Repairs to the concrete retaining wall:	\$ 12,000
• 5% Contingency (Spring 2015 Construction):	<u>\$ 13,000</u>
Total:	\$313,000

➤ Financing:

• Increase Membership Dues by \$150/year	
• Voting Members 187 x \$150 x 2 (years) =	\$ 56,100
• Sustaining Members 87 x \$75 x 2 (years) =	\$ 13,050
• One time Assessment in Fall of 2014 of \$375	
• 274 Total Members x \$375=	\$102,750
• Cash from Cooffers=	\$ 91,100
• Loan from Bank	<u>\$ 50,000</u>
Total:	\$313,000





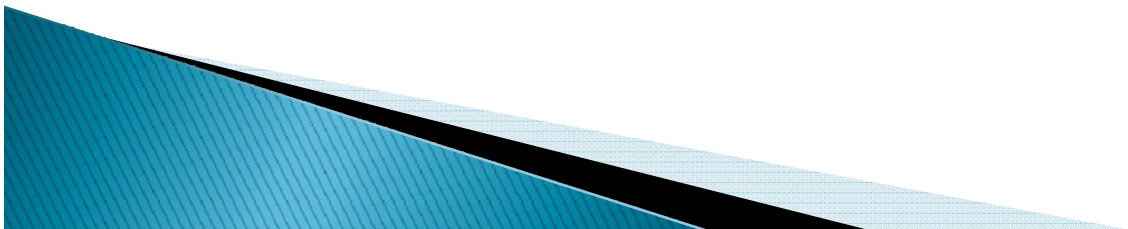
Conclusion:

The Wedgewood Board has voted and recommends proceeding with the reconstruction of the upper 3 tennis courts with Post Tensioned Concrete and the Tournament Quality Lighting, including the repairs to the concrete retaining wall, utilizing the financing outlined. Construction to begin in the Spring of 2015.

In order to proceed we need the Voting Members to approve the following:



**Assessment of \$375 per Membership
due November 1, 2014**





Thank You for Coming!

- Remember – We are a Volunteer Club!
 - Our board members serve for 2-year terms
 - We always welcome new people - please consider working on one of our committees

- Adjournment
 - 117 Days Until the Club Opens on Saturday, May 24th!

