

# Splash & Smash!

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## *From the President . . .*

As many of you will remember, last year was an outstanding season in just about every category--- excellent weather, an extended pool season that was an unprecedented seventeen weeks long, stellar performances by our swim, dive and tennis teams, and great work by our pool staff. We hope to duplicate that success during 2005 and beyond.

However, there are challenges ahead. Our pool manager has informed the Board that it is time to consider renovating the lower pool which is over fifty years old. Both the plumbing and the filter system for the lower pool need to be replaced and the pool at the shallow end needs to be deepened. Mike Duffner has already requested bids from several pool companies with the hope that work could begin as early as this year or next year. Pool renovation will not be inexpensive—we have already received a quote of \$250,000 for doing the work.

Although we have not heard definitively from the County, we also may need to make changes to the diving well in the upper pool. In addition, the Board plans to appoint a committee of members who will look into renovating the bathhouse. The committee's job will be a big assignment and one that may take some time before a recommendation can be made. Any member of the Club with construction, engineering, architectural experience who would be interested in serving on such committee should e-mail me at my address below.

We also will be automating our membership operation this year. Already, we have updated the website ([www.chesterbrookclub.com](http://www.chesterbrookclub.com)) and revised it so that new members can register online to place

their name on the waiting list. Members can also access the Splash and Smash on the revised website, obtain different membership forms including the Club's membership rules and the bylaws, and will eventually be able to renew their membership.

These improvements are expensive which is the reason your dues are being increased 10% this year. However, the Board's and the Club's officers are committed to holding down future expenses while maintaining an excellent facility. My three children who participate on the swim, dive and tennis teams think of Chesterbrook Club as their second summer home. Let's hope that the Club can continue to be a great place to have fun and enjoy the summer for everybody. With the hard work of the Board and the cooperation of the members, we can achieve this goal.

Chris Cole

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# Membership

This is my first article as the Chesterbrook Membership Director and just a quick note to thank everyone for their votes this past fall and to let you know that I look forward to working with you this year. Please be sure to note our current membership issues which include the following:

**E-mail:** With 550 full members and 110 summer members, having an e-mail address for each of you facilitates a timely processing of club and membership issues including address changes, membership sales, and dues to name a few. Thank you to all who have sent in a valid and current e-mail address. If you have not sent in an e-mail address or have changed your e-mail, address, family members or any information that I should know about within the last year, please send an email to [membership@chesterbrookclub.com](mailto:membership@chesterbrookclub.com). Your invoice for 2005 dues is included with this newsletter. Please check to make sure that all information is current and accurate, and report any updates or corrections to us. Know that Chesterbrook maintains your e-mail address and member information for the efficient handling of Club activities and such information will not be distributed to other organizations.

**Dues and Payments:** The 2005 dues have increased for both full and summer members to facilitate necessary improvements to the pool and maintenance of the facility as fully explained in the Letter from the President. The dues for Full Members are \$473 for families of one or two persons, and \$517 for families of three or more. The dues for Summer Members are \$770. Dues payments must be received no later than March 15. Full members will be assessed a 25% penalty for late dues. Summer members will lose their membership if dues are not received on time. Please submit on time.

**Sales:** If you wish to sell your membership share, notify me early (and no later than March 15<sup>th</sup>) so your membership can be offered to a summer member and so you do not pay any penalty. Contact me at [membership@chesterbrookclub.com](mailto:membership@chesterbrookclub.com) or call 703-241-8508. Sales that are requested after March 15<sup>th</sup> will incur the 25 percent late fee added to the Full Membership.

**Summer Member Wait List:** This year we implemented on-line applications for new summer members on January 15<sup>th</sup>. (Just to clarify, if you were a summer member last year, you did not need to call in again this year so no worries, you are still a summer member). On-line registration was a great success! Because it was new, however, applications were accepted via the phone and e-mail box as well. Start telling your friends - in 2006, new summer members will apply using the on-line form exclusively.

**Senior Discounts:** The board continues to support our seniors this year with the 10% senior discount. If one member of a Class A Membership (total of one or two in a family) is age 65 or over as of the pool's opening date, May 28, 2005, dues may be reduced by ten percent from \$473 to \$426. If you qualify for this new rate and it is not indicated on your dues notice, please contact me at [membership@chesterbrookclub.com](mailto:membership@chesterbrookclub.com) or 703-241-8508. Proof of age is required.

Thanks so much. Maja Lee

## Summer Jobs

*NOW RECRUITING!*

Are you interested in working as a lifeguard, at the front desk, or snack bar? We are now looking to fill these positions. I have already heard from several people interested in joining or returning to the Chesterbrook staff this summer. I hope you will consider a position as well.

**GUARDS:** As usual we will be looking for both new and experienced guards. Again this summer there will be a starting rate for new guards and a return-incentive rate (for each year of service) for guards who have worked with us in past summers.

### FRONT DESK AND SNACK BAR

We will be seeking four primary candidates for each area that will work a regular shift through the summer. We will also be seeking two or three people who can work as substitutes, as needed, for vacations and unexpected events.

If you are interested in having fun this summer, being part of the team and getting paid, please send an e-mail to Candy Penn at: [mcpenn@cox.net](mailto:mcpenn@cox.net), between now and April 15th. Please be sure to include your name, address, telephone number, age, area of interest, and whether or not you have worked before at Chesterbrook. Mike Duffner or I will be contacting people toward the end of April and we will hold a meeting on a weekend in early May to explain more, and fill positions. So don't delay - write today!

Candy Penn

## *Swim Team News*

With winter weather finally arriving in our area, swim season may seem like a distant dream. But it's not. Our days are lengthening, and before you know it, we'll be saying hello to familiar faces at the pool and plunging into swim lanes for the first day of practice. But why wait so long to see Tiger Shark folks? **Join us between 2 and 4 for our winter event on Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, at Ledo's Pizza on Route 7 in Falls Church.** Simply bring \$15 a person and grab a plate to select pizza, pasta, and/or salad from the buffet. (Hey, you might even want to stop at Trader Joe's afterwards for a dessert of some of their tasty chocolates!)

We'll be taking bets on Tiger Shark prospects for their 2005 season after their last four years of Triple Crown victories. Can the Tiger Sharks take Northern Virginia Swim League Division 1 team title and the Division 1 relays and All-star relay titles again? How close will it be? Who will even be in Division 1? Stay tuned.

Your team reps have been working hard to bring you the best team of coaches that can be found. While there is more work to be done, we know you will join us in enthusiastically welcoming back Jenny Sympson York and Chris Kuzmuk at the lower pool and Beth Boyd up above with our developmental program. In addition, there undoubtedly will be other familiar faces among the coaches and swimmer coaches. Tiger Shark swimmers and parents know they couldn't do it without those coaches!

For those of you eager to organize your calendar for the coming months, **put May 19th, a Thursday, at 7:30 p.m. on your calendar for Back-to-Pool night at the Chesterbrook Elementary School cafeteria.** You will be able to register on site and pick up a swim suit for your swimmer thanks to participation by Sport Fair representatives. Practices will begin shortly thereafter with full details to come in the April Splash and Smash.

**Back-to-Pool Night**  
**Thursday May 19th 7:30-8:30 p.m.**  
**Chesterbrook Elementary School**  
**Swim, Dive and Tennis Sign-ups**

## *Dive Team News*

2004 saw another successful season for the Diving Dolphins as we retained our place as a Division 1 team. Our divers made us proud in dual meets, at Crackerjacks, Divisionals, and All Stars. We are anticipating another successful season in 2005 as we know many of our divers have been training hard in the winter months.

The team spirit of the Dolphins has to be one of the best in the NVSL and we are already eagerly anticipating another fun-filled season of practices (some of them musical no doubt), meets, social events and home meet pizza parties. There is a place for everyone, from beginners to nationally ranked divers. Potential divers must have the ability to swim comfortably from the diving board to the ladder, and a willingness to learn. Dive Team practices are usually weekday mornings with afternoon practices for summer campers. Regular dive meets are on Tuesday evenings, and novice meets are held on Thursdays.

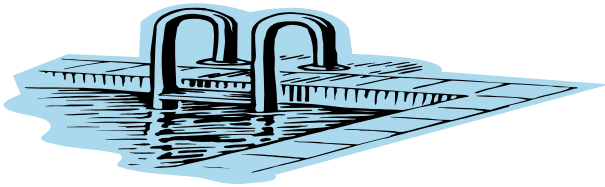
It might not take a whole village to run a dive meet but it certainly takes quite a few parents to be judges, referees and table workers. We need parent volunteers and would encourage you to attend an NVSL clinic to learn more about the sport. The following clinics are open to everyone:

Sat., June 11 - Coaches Clinic 10:00 a.m. at Wakefield RECenter  
Sun., June 12 - Officials (table-workers, etc.) & Judges Clinic 9:30 a.m. at Woodley  
Tue., June 14 - Referees Clinic 6:30 p.m. at Sleepy Hollow Bath & Racquet  
Tue., June 21 - Judges Clinic 6:30 p.m. at Highlands  
Thurs., June 23 - Referees Clinic 6:30 p.m. at Truro  
Wed., June 29 - Judges Clinic 6:30 p.m. at Camelot

For additional dive team information, contact your dive team representatives

Sally Evans: [sally6evans@hotmail.com](mailto:sally6evans@hotmail.com) 703-556-8624

Julie Avis: [julieavis@comcast.net](mailto:julieavis@comcast.net) 703-536-3893.



## Social

Snowflakes are falling, and we're already thinking of "Fun in the Sun." Your Social Committee hopes that all of you will take part in the many social activities being planned for another fun-filled summer.

Adults can look forward to TGIF (Fridays 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.). Beverages and relaxing conversation are provided, while members bring snacks to share. Last year, occasional wine tasting evenings were a big hit! A light brunch is served Sundays during adult swim time (11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon).

Children can enjoy the ever-popular raft parties in July and August. Look for the posters, and sign up to pay for a reservation at the front desk.

We will have our traditional family party and a very special adults-only party planned for two separate evenings in July. Look for flyers at the front desk containing the specific times and dates!

Of course, we welcome suggestions and volunteers for all these activities. Contact us to become part of the fun at Chesterbrook. See you this summer!!!

Betsy Kuzmuk 703-538-6742  
Susan Spellman 703-918-9318



## Tennis

We are looking forward to another awesome showing by our Men's, Women's and Junior's Teams in 2005. Once again the Junior tennis team is under the expert leadership of Chris Canepa, CST's head tennis professional. We are currently looking for an assistant that will help Chris with the junior team and tennis clinics.

Not to be overlooked, the Chesterbrook's Men A team won their division in the Northern Virginia Tennis League (NVTL) but lost in the finals. The NVTL, which is an offshoot of the Blue Ridge Mountain Tennis Association, has now been in operation for 35 years. In the 45 and over league organized by Chesterbrook's own Roy Lavik, North Dakota Senator Byron Dorgan won again! He beat Howard Briskin in three sets in the finals.

We hope you were able to use the courts during our mild fall season. As a reminder, the tennis courts are not cleared of leaves or debris from January 1<sup>st</sup> until the start of the spring clinics, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, you may need to sweep the courts prior to play, and don't forget to bring your own water!

Please make sure to check out Chris' extensive list of clinics available to all members. Spring is just around the corner! For more tennis team information, you may contact your tennis reps., Liz Creel, [lizcreel@comcast.net](mailto:lizcreel@comcast.net), or Kelly Black, [kelly.d.black@att.net](mailto:kelly.d.black@att.net). Keep your eye out for more updated tennis information in the April Splash and Smash. Until then, keep warm and cross train!!

## Tennis Registration Information

Register now! Call Chris Canepa at 571-434-1992 or e-mail at [clctennispro@msn.com](mailto:clctennispro@msn.com) with any questions.

Men's Team Practice begins Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Ladies Team Practice begins Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Mixed Doubles Matches begin Friday night April 29<sup>th</sup>.

Jr. Team Practice begins June 1<sup>st</sup> M/W/F 4 – 6 p.m. June 20<sup>th</sup>, M – F, 3 – 6 p.m.

### Adult Spring and Summer Classes Starting March 14

Ladies Morning Clinics: March 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. or 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. One day a week M – F, 8 one-hour sessions. \$120. Classes run through the end of June.

Ladies Evening Clinics: March 14<sup>th</sup>, Mondays, 6 – 7 p.m. or Wednesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. 8 one-hour sessions. \$120. Classes run through the Fall.

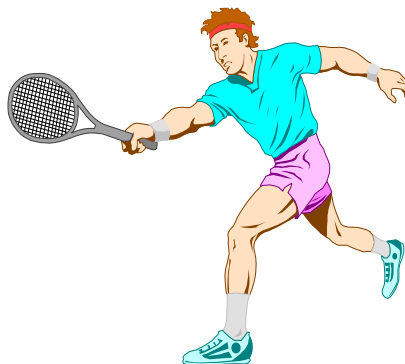
Men's Evening Clinics: March 16<sup>th</sup>, Wednesdays, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. 8 one-hour sessions. \$120. Classes run through Fall.

### Junior Spring Classes Starting March 14

Spring Jr. Tennis: March 14<sup>th</sup>. Mondays or Wednesdays, 4 – 5 p.m. or 5 – 6 p.m.. 8 one-hour sessions. \$150 ages 9 – 14. Classes run through the end of May.

Intermediate/Advanced Jr. Tennis: March 15<sup>th</sup>. Tuesdays or Thursdays 4 – 5 p.m. or 5 – 6 p.m.. 8 one-hour sessions. \$150, ages 10 – 16. Classes run through the end of May.

Spring Tiny-Tot Tennis: March 14<sup>th</sup>. One day a week Mon – Fri, 3 – 3:30 p.m. or 3:30 – 4 p.m.. 8 one-half hour sessions. \$80, ages 4 – 7. Classes run through the end of May.



## Summer Tennis Camps Starting June 20

Summer Tiny Tot: June 20<sup>th</sup> – August 25<sup>th</sup>. Ages 4 – 8, 8 – 8:45 a.m.. One week sessions that run Monday through Thursday. \$60. Choose one or more weeks.

Jr. Development Camp: June 20<sup>th</sup> – August 25<sup>th</sup>. Ages 7 – up: 9 – 10 a.m., 10 – 11a.m., or 11 – 12p.m.. One-week sessions that run Monday through Thursday. \$70. Choose one or more weeks.

Intermediate/Advanced Junior Development Camp: June 20<sup>th</sup> – August 25<sup>th</sup>. Ages 10 – up: 12 – 2 p.m.. One-week sessions that run Monday through Thursday. \$150. Choose one or more weeks.

All Day Tennis Camps: June 27<sup>th</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>, July 18<sup>th</sup> – July 21<sup>st</sup>, or August 15<sup>th</sup> – August 18<sup>th</sup>. All ages. 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.. One-week sessions that run Monday through Thursday. \$300.

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Please make check payable to: **Christian Canepa** and send your check and registration form to:  
**46373 Utica Sq., Sterling VA 20165.**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age (if child) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Names \_\_\_\_\_

Clinic Name(s)/Dates/Time \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_